



# Sally's Angels



## 2008 Annual Report

Summer 2009



Our mission is to spread our wings over the critically and chronically ill children and their families receiving medical care in our region.



### “Coffee” not “Tea” in 2009

The most memorable part of the Annual Sally's Angels Teas has always been the stories shared of those we have helped.

To make it easier for more people to attend, this year's "Tea" will be a "Coffee" to be held on a Saturday morning. The venue remains the same, as we are all fortunate to enjoy the convenience and the gift of space at Forsyth Country Club.

Be sure and see your invitation on the back of this newsletter, and please rsvp to let us know if you can join us this year.

You won't want to miss the stories to be shared this year at Sally's Angels ONLY event of the year! (How many nonprofit organizations do you know that provide this much community benefit and yet hold only one event per year?!)

#### *A mother shares her story of her baby's birth and Sally's Angels' help:*

After being told that I could not have children ten years ago, I was stunned to hear, at age 37, that I was expecting. My high school sweetheart and I were shocked but very excited. We had been busy with a "fixer-upper" house that we recently had purchased and were not prepared for the journey of life that God had planned for us that ended up changing our lives forever. ... cont. on pg. 2

**Sally Rice**



Photo of our inspiration by **Anne Grant, The Village Photographer**

### A Special Fund Put to Good Use

In 2007, when our good friends, the Harris family, suffered the loss of their two-year-old son Beau, they created the Hardison Beau Harris Memorial Fund at Sally's Angels in Beau's memory.

With the funds that friends and family have given, the Harris family worked with Sally's Angels to dedicate support to Ronald McDonald House's Child Loss Support Group and to Heartstrings Infant Loss Support Group, given by Sally's Angels in memory of Beau Harris.

## A Mother's Story of Thanks (cont. from page 1)

A few weeks after receiving the news of our pregnancy, we both lost our jobs due to corporate layoffs. In addition we were told by my doctors that I was a "high risk" pregnancy case with the highest risk of chromosomal abnormalities in my baby. We decided against terminating the pregnancy, although we were reminded constantly by the doctor of it being "legal up to the 20th week." We wanted to trust in God and see where our faith led us.

One week before delivery, the doctors sent me home, unable to help me because the baby was only 13 ounces. I delivered by caesarean section our beautiful baby, Sophia, at 27 weeks gestation. To our wonder, in that last week of pregnancy, she had gained 5 precious ounces and was born weighing 1 lb 2 ounces. Her heart beat was strong and she was no longer breach. Everything fell into place perfectly and she showed no physical signs of chromosomal abnormalities.

We had never seen such a tiny baby! Although she had some heart and lung problems, we were told by the doctors in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) that she may outgrow these issues. We were not prepared for the day to day struggles of having a baby in the NICU and being far from

home for 5 months while we stayed at the Ronald McDonald House. Sophia had good days (when she was stable) and bad days (when she faced potentially deadly risks, like infections and pulmonary hypertension). We remained strong in our faith and she grew stronger each day. To make a long story short, Sophia was discharged home from the NICU and is now 6 months-old (3 months-old adjusted age). She is doing very well and is truly our little miracle.

We wanted to thank Sally's Angels for their financial support toward a portion of our mortgage payment while Sophia was in the hospital. With my husband and I being out of work and medical bills mounting, we were in danger of losing our home and everything we had worked for up to this point in our lives. We are happy to say today that, thanks to Sally's Angels and our faith in God, we are growing more financially stable and my husband is again employed. We could not have made it without the support of many wonderful people, including Sally's Angels.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts,

The Family of Sophia Grace

## You Made an Impact in 2008

Sally's Angels raised nearly \$25,000 in our first year, in 2007 we raised a total of \$28,786 from 260 angels who are Sally's Angels donors, and in **2008 Sally's Angels raised \$31,820 from 160 angels.**

In 2008, your contributions helped to support families' needs as identified and referred to us by area social workers and other professionals with a total of nearly **\$38,500**, paid to **215** families.

Your help has impacted families desperately in need of support at the most trying times in their lives in the form of gifts as simple as gas cards to help with long drives to the hospital, WalMart gift cards to help families with basic needed purchases, assistance with utility bills, car payments, insurance payments, rent payments, air conditioning for a child with an inability to regulate her body temperature, pulse-ox machines to prevent excessive medical visits, medical supplies, specialized car-restraint systems and more needs that allow families to focus when children are ill.

**One of the saddest stories of this year was when Sally's Angels paid for a child's cremation for a young family with very limited resources whose 2-year-old died of traumatic brain injuries and was being held in the morgue.**

Please plan to join us (and feel free to invite a friend) for **Coffee on Saturday, August 29th** to hear more details of how you have supported these families. Sally's Angels will host special guests to share some of **the most heart-warming stories you will hear all year!** As always, this is an event not to be missed.

# Thank You to our Donors Jan.-Dec. 2008

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**Total \$31,820 from 160 angels**



*\*Names printed as received.  
Please let us know of any errors.*

## Memorial Donations

*Gifts were given in memory of  
the following people in 2008:*

James T. (Bud) Calloway

Linda Clark

Nathaniel Paul Dixon

Darlene Good

Kenneth Growney

Clarence Holcher

James L. Lane, Jr.

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## Matching Gifts

*Sally's Angels  
recognizes and thanks  
companies who generously  
match their employees'  
contributions, including  
R.J. Reynolds*

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*Wachovia*

*Please remember to include  
your employee matching  
gift form if your company  
offers a matching gift.*

## Golf Pays!

Sally's Angels offers its deepest thanks to Toby Robertson who again selected us to receive part of the proceeds of the 2008 T. Wayne Robertson Memorial Golf Tournament held at the Tanglewood Championship Course.

Sally made a special appearance shown below, and this generous gift



**Sally, Lisa Kennedy & Toby Robertson**

made it possible for Sally's Angels to help countless families in crisis last year.

Memorial gifts such as this one have enabled many of Sally's Angels' loved ones' legacies to carry on. Sally's Angels accepts and acknowledges memorial and honor gifts year-round.

# Angels Who Have Found Their Wings

The Board of Directors of Sally's Angels would like to acknowledge those Sally's Angels supporters we are aware of who "found their wings," departing this earthly world for a heavenly home in 2008, including those in whose names gifts were given in their memory, shown listed on page 4. Also we extend a special thank you to the family of **Bob Robbins**, who selected Sally's Angels as the recipient of memorial gifts.

Special contributions to Sally's Angels in **honor** or **memory** of those you wish to recognize are welcome at any time in the year, and we will send letters of acknowledgement. See our **new Honor Cards** at the Coffee on Aug. 29th!

## Angel of the Year

At last year's Afternoon Tea, the Sally's Angels Board of Directors recognized our first ever, "Angel of the Year" for 2008, Thomas Pranicoff, M.D., Associate Professor, Section of Pediatric Surgery, Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. Dr. Pranicoff holds a special place in the hearts of all of Sally's Angels for all he has done to care for Sally.



***"We cannot change the outcome, but we can positively impact the journey."***

~ Anna Rice, Sally's Angels Co-Chair

Join us for Coffee  
Saturday, August 29th  
9:30 - 11am  
Forsyth Country Club

Please reply on the enclosed envelope.

## Behind the Scenes

Sally's Angels has raised over **\$80,000** since its inception through 2008, and we have given out **over \$20,000/year**, all with only **2%** fundraising costs as a percentage of total expenses. Not many nonprofit organizations have that record!

VOLUNTEER POWER makes all of this possible. **Referrals from social workers, who know Sally's Angels** and what our funds support, come directly to board members whose roles include determining disbursements, cutting checks and accounting.

Board members produce and coordinate this once/year mailing and plan our one event/year, which we all support.

This is grassroots community support! Thanks to all of you for your hours of dedication and your contributions of funds ~ YOU are why we are all "Sally's Angels!"

# You Are Invited! Please Join Us...

*~Spread Your Wings ~*

## Sally's Angels Coffee



**Saturday, August 29th**

**9:30—11:00am**

**Forsyth Country Club**

RSVP 336-922-7624 or [sallysangels@triad.rr.com](mailto:sallysangels@triad.rr.com)

### Sally's Angels

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who help make this organization possible:*

**Clare Altmann · Lisa Kennedy  
Dara Kurtz · Stacy Mayhew  
Beth Miller · Erin ReVile  
Anna Rice · Mary Schultz &  
Edie Wachtel**

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*★Sally's Angels can receive and acknowledge gifts to honor or  
memorialize loved ones all year (even teacher gifts!).*