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# Sharing the Caring In Huntsville and Madison County

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## Executive Director

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## Volunteer Staff

Currently 76  
dedicated volunteers

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*Jan Brewer*  
*Executive Director*



I hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying this warm weather! If you haven't taken a vacation and visited the beach, now is the time. I was fortunate enough to get away recently and enjoy some family time. It was so much fun! I once read a quote by James Dent that says, "A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken." I couldn't agree more, and my lawnmower really is broken!

Friends, Inc. is preparing for our 6th annual Autumn Evening. This is our sole fundraiser of the year, and has always been a great success due to your continued support. We are currently accepting donations for the silent auction. I am asking everyone to dig deep in their attics and bring out those heirlooms that they would be willing to donate. Suggestions for donations would be any type of service, jewelry, furniture, antiques, art, vacation get-aways, baskets of goodies, or anything that would bring in a buck!

Autumn Evening promises to be a great night of fun featuring Tim, Danny, and Roberta of Hott Mixx singing their hearts out for your listening pleasure. There is certain to be much chatter and excitement over the fabulous silent auction items, amazing hors d'oeuvres and desserts, and the always popular chocolate fountain with all the trimmings. This year we are exceedingly fortunate to have Dr. Kelley Smith's wife, Liz Smith, preparing the most delightfully scrumptious desserts I have ever tasted. You will not want to miss these desserts!

Currently we have a dinner party for eight donated by Jay and Valerie Chandler in their lovely home. In addition, we are extremely excited about the donation of a weekend get-away for ten to Lake Guntersville, not to mention a Amish Secretary donated by Ms. Vi Veitch. Your willingness to attend Autumn Evening to support Friends, Inc. will make this year's event our very best ever. If you would like to make a donation to our auction in order to benefit Friends, Inc., please know that we would greatly appreciate your kind generosity

Please feel free to call the office at 534-4079, or email us at [friends@friendsinc.net](mailto:friends@friendsinc.net) if you have any questions. May you always have love to share, health to spare, and Friends that care.

Blessings,

*Jan*

Special Thanks To  
**KIWANIS Club**  
**Huntsville West**  
For Supporting Friends, Inc.



# Sherry Bryant

## Volunteer Coordinator



Have you ever considered what a day in the life of one of our patients might be like?

With our mission at Friends, Inc. being to provide support to patients with serious illnesses or disabilities, most of our patients are exactly that; seriously ill or physically disabled, and facing considerable challenges. Almost all live alone with no family or friends to help them.

But here's the good news! Through the practical support and caring assistance that you give as a Friends, Inc. volunteer, our patients have the assurance that someone is truly concerned about their needs and cares about them personally. Our patients are not alone! Our patients have a friend in you! As a volunteer with Friends, Inc., you are making a positive contribution towards the well being of our patients. Their lives are greatly enhanced by your kind acts of volunteerism.

Please share with your friends and family about the fulfilling and worthwhile opportunities available to them as a Friends, Inc. volunteer. We are always in need of committed and compassionate volunteers to help provide support to our ever-increasing number of patients. Thank you for making such an incredible difference in our patients' lives. Thank you for being a Friend's Inc. volunteer!

### Sherry

#### Welcome New Volunteers

Ann Rising, Shirley Nard,  
Doreen Nard, Dorothy  
Cable, and Bill &  
Mary Ann Bodden

#### Happy Birthday Volunteers!

#### April-May-June-July

##### April

Dorothy Cable  
Debbie Harriman  
Nell Roberts  
Rae Starnes  
Celeste Fletcher

##### May

Valerie Baty  
Bill Bodden  
Chris Farber  
Kathy Sutton  
June  
Mary Ann Bodden

Sonny Bryson  
Greg Burgess  
D.L. Lusk  
Ann Rising  
Gail Taylor  
Sandra Vallely  
Don Wheeler  
Mary Frances Worley

##### July

Betty Bentley  
Debbie Chandler  
Wendell Kestle  
Karen Mills  
Pam Patrick  
Carolyn Pohlner  
Mary Reynolds  
Jim Wallace

#### Thank You

#### For Your Memorials, Honor Gifts and Donations

In Memory of Mr. Paul Chandler  
Given By: Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Bachelor

In Memory of Mr. Paul Chandler  
Given By: Friends, Inc. Board of Directors

In Memory of James Homer Caughran  
Given By: Mrs. Wilma Caughran

In Memory of Major Bothwell  
Given By: Ms. Patti Patrick

In Memory of Dr. Denom Rushing  
Given By: Mrs. Helen Rushing

In Honor of Mrs. Betty Bentley  
Given By: Mrs. Philip Bentley, Sr.

In Memory of Mr. Paul Chandler  
Given By: Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Brewer

In Memory of Mrs. C.F. Bethune  
Given By: Mrs. Marilyn Bethune

In Memory of Julia B. Hill  
Given By: Mr. and Mrs. J.H. McQuinn

In Memory of Mrs. Grace Plymale  
Given By: Mr. William Plymale

In Memory of Mr. Elmer Phipps  
Given By: Mr. and Mrs. Brent Smith

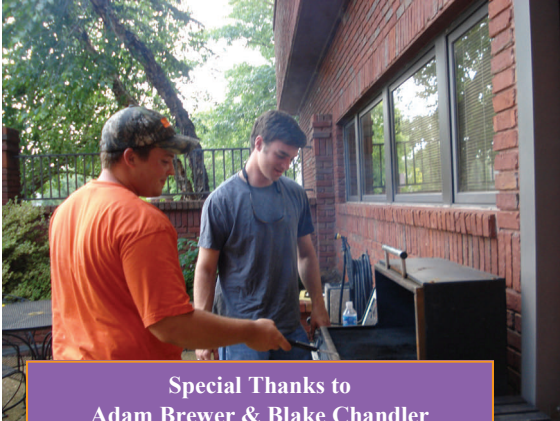
In Honor of Mrs. Patricia Patrick  
Given By: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patrick

Donations: Dr. and Mrs. Robert Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Bazzell, Dr. and Mrs. Dick Binger, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Boon, Dr. Anna Bordenca, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Bryan, Dr. and Mrs. Pat Burlison, Mr. Charles Carnes, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Chandler, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark, Mrs. June Cook, Dr. John Cryder, Mr. and Mrs. James Daniel, Dr. Thomas Davison, Dr. and Mrs. Jay Dinerman, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Duerr, Dr. and Mrs. Dick Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Fowler, Dr. Sharon Gardepe, Dr. and Mrs. Jim Goldbach, Ms. Pat Golley, Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Graham, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Griggs, Dr. Greg Gum, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Hale, Ms. Barbara Hanba, Dr. and Mrs. George Harriman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris, Dr. Nita Herrington, Mrs. Molly Holaway, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holt, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Horn III, Ms. Frances Jones, Dr. Lori Kaufman, Dr. and Mrs. Claude Kinzer, Ms. Ann Koontz, Dr. John LaFrentz, Dr. and Mrs. Troy Layton, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Litkenhous, Dr. and Mrs. Kelly Lynn, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Morley, Dr. and Mrs. Everett Mosley, Ms. Patti Patrick, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Pendley, Mrs. J. Earl Robertson, Ms. Frances Rochelle, Mr. and Mrs. David Rodgers, Ms. Helen Rushing, Dr. and Mrs. Calame Sammons, Dr. and Mrs. Steven Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Denny Sissom, Ms. Vi Veitch, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Warren, Dr. and Mrs. Don Wheeler, Ms. Carol Wright, and Drs. Paul and Tonya Zbell.

#### In Loving Memory of

Ms. Louise Baker, Ms. Carolyn Broten, and Tammy Joan Brooks  
Thank you for allowing Friends, Inc. to be a part of their lives.

# VOLUNTEERS ENJOY A PICNIC WITH EVERYTHING BUT THE ANTS



Special Thanks to  
Adam Brewer & Blake Chandler  
for cooking our burgers



WELCOME VOLUNTEERS  
Ann Rising, Shirley Nard, and Doreen Nard



Thank you to all the volunteers who attended  
the luncheon. It is always encouraging to see  
your smiling faces and hearing all about  
the many things you are doing.



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RETURN SERVICES REQUESTED

It is our mission to provide support to  
patients with serious illnesses or disabilities,  
enabling them to maintain their  
independence through caring volunteers.

*Autumn Evening with Friends, Inc.*

*Friday, September 25, 2009*

*7:00 p.m. ~ 10:30 p.m.*

*Enjoy Live Entertainment*

*Hors d'oeuvres & Wine*

*and beautiful views from*

*Monte Sano Lodge*

*Monte Sano State Park*

*\$35.00 per person*

