

Fundraising Banquet & Auction

Saturday, December 5, 2015

Dinner is on us!

Oehler's BBQ Barn
4503 Ridge Rd., Charlotte NC

Preview and Silent Auction starting at 500 pm
Dinner at 6:00PM
Program & Live Auction 7:00-9:00 pm.

**Your attendance is desired,
but a reservation is required.**

RSVP at OneSpecialChristmas.com
or Call 704-360-0643

Wear what you want,
as long as it's got a pocket for your wallet, 'cause
everyone will get a chance to give!

“Whenever you did one of these things
to someone overlooked or ig-
nored, that was me—you did it to me.”
-- *Matthew 25:40 (The Message)*

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*What if we could give a family one
life-changing Christmas by helping
them meet some of their greatest needs?*
One Special Christmas 2015

Believe

Extreme giving:
**CHRISTMAS
EDITION**



Don Chapman

“We want to really impress on each child that there are people on this Earth that care about him, and he’s as important and worthy as any child. The objective is to make them feel cared about and loved in a big way.”

-- *Don Chapman*
Founder of One Special Christmas

Mission: One Special Christmas is a volunteer organization that provides a special Christmas once in a child’s life. It’s not the gifts given, but the memory of love and caring that comes with a special Christmas.

How it works (new in 2015!): An all-volunteer group of folks will donate handmade furniture and art, sell it at an auction, and use the proceeds to help ONE SPECIAL FAMILY have ONE [life-changing, unforgettable] SPECIAL CHRISTMAS. Think of it like– Extreme Giving : CHRISTMAS EDITION.

With the community’s support we will give a GREAT-BIG hand-up to ONE SPECIAL FAMILY. The family’s specific needs will be announced before the auction. After the auction we will get to work together to do everything we can to fulfill their specific needs to help them overcome some of their greatest hardships, as well as fulfill their Christmas wishes.

History: The project began in 1973. Don Chapman, then a student at the Memphis College of Art, could not make it home for Christmas and decided to make some wooden toys for an orphanage next door to the school.

When he came back to Mooresville, Don continued making the toys, each year adding friends to help. He was an instructor at Central Piedmont Community College, so the college let him to use the wood-working shop.



Wooden Toy

In 1989, it was decided to switch to furniture-making. The plan was to hold an auction, sell hand-made furniture and other hand-made craft items, and use the money to buy toys for children. In that way, many more children could have One Special Christmas.

The project continued in this way until 2014. In those years, the auction raised more than \$800,000 to help children experience the feeling of being special. This year One Special Christmas is celebrating its 27th annual auction on Dec 5.



Hand-Made Furniture

The auction features handmade furniture, and arts and crafts by local and nationally renowned artisans such as Bob Timberlake, and Cotton Ketchie.

We need you. Whatever you have been blessed with – talents, abilities, money – it’s exactly what we need. Everyone has their own special part to play.

We need help with: Fulfilling Christmas wishes, coordinating & media contacting, donations of art, hand-made furniture, nicely done crafts, money, materials, lumber, printing, & anything else that you can do to help.

For more information go to:
www.OneSpecialChristmas.com

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“For the kids, it is One Special Christmas one time. For me, it is One Special Christmas EVERY year.”

~Steve Snow
volunteer