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'Tis the Season...

It is once again time for our Annual Holiday Luncheon Celebration. Each year the Atlanta Claims Association pauses to reflect on the true meaning of this holiday season, the importance of old acquaintances, friends and the joy of sharing in the spirit of the holiday season with others. This year our luncheon committee and speakers' committee has planned a very exciting celebration luncheon for us that will include delicious food, delightful singing and engaging entertainment. This year you will have the opportunity to experience the inaugural performance of the ACA Carolers, and the wit of "Chicken" George Goddard along with delicious food all for the inclusive price of \$20.00, so make your reservations early as we are sure you will not want to miss this exciting lineup.

The location for the luncheon this year has changed in order to accommodate the overflow capacity crowd that we have each year for our holiday luncheon; Maggiano's at Cumberland Mall is the site for this year. Please see the inside of the newsletter for directions and reservation details. The luncheon committee is seeking sponsors for the holiday luncheon. This will be a key opportunity for you to promote your services to the members and guests of the Atlanta Claims Association. Please contact Robin Weidman at rweidman@metlife.com or (770) 977-2358 to secure your spot for the low cost of \$200.00.

Additionally, as is the tradition of the ACA we will once again support local charities through our toy drive and perishable food donations. Once again we will be

supporting A Friend's House with our gift donations and the Atlanta Community Food Bank with our non-perishable food items.

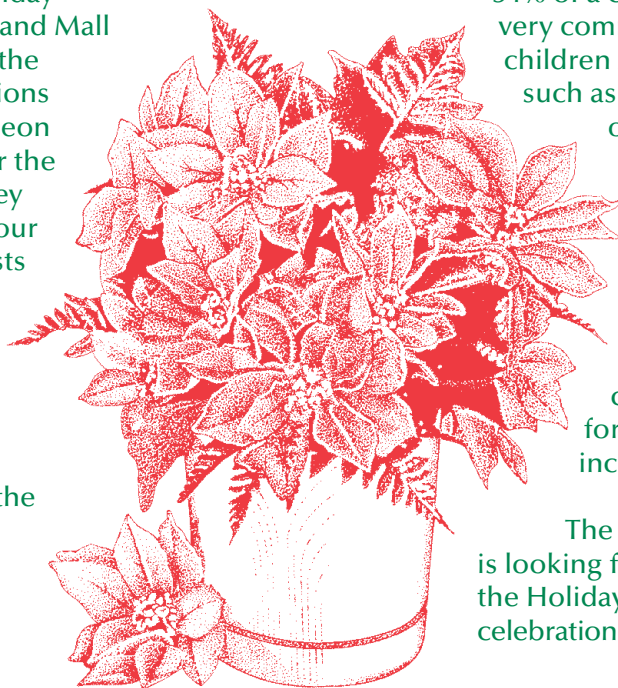
Nan Jenkins, Director of Development shares that "A Friends House is a home for children in crisis located in Henry County, though we serve children from all over the state of Georgia. We are entering our 11th year serving the children of our community and have served over 1560 children during that time. At this time, our primary residents are teenagers; however, we have younger children as well who are a part of sibling groups.

Our facility can hold up to 24 children and at the writing of this note, we currently have 17. The children who live at A Friend's House receive a per diem to cover their basic room and board; however, this only covers

54% of a child's daily stay here. We have a very committed staff who takes care of our children 24/7. It is support from groups such as yours that we are able to provide

opportunities for our children to participate in various outings and have little extras like other children. On behalf of the children and staff of A Friend's House; thank you for your contributions and for making a difference in the lives of these children." A suggested list of items for donation to A Friend's House is included on page 6.

The Atlanta Claims Association is looking forward to a great kick-off to the Holiday Season with a time of festive celebration and reflective moments of thanks!



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