

Sharing and singing



Pearl River Resort employees participated in Angel Tree projects at both Silver Star Casino and Bok Homa. The employees adopted "angels," including 40 foster children, from the Neshoba County Residential Center, Choctaw Residential Center and Comfortcare Nursing Center. Toys and other items were purchased for these recipients and then delivered in time for Christmas. Associates also sang festive carols while delivering the presents.

Helping fellow workers



Hearts that Care, the employee donation program at Resorts Casino in Tunica, raised more than \$3,500 for the property's Angel Tree program in December. Directors, managers and the general manager joined in, adopting several employees' families and providing Christmas gifts. The casino general managers's wife wrapped more than 400 gifts for the 120 children.

Brightening the holidays

Every year, employees at Harrah's, Horseshoe and Roadhouse casinos team up with the Department of Human Services and the North Mississippi Sexual Assault Resource Center to brighten the holidays for members of their community. Employees select an "angel" in need from a specially decorated holiday tree and then purchase gifts for the person in need. The long-standing tradition is just one small way employees pay it forward in the Northwest Mississippi community.



Holiday cheer



For the fourth consecutive year, Treasure Bay adopted the Gulf Coast Women's Center for Nonviolence and collected holiday gifts for several families staying at the shelter. Employees answered the call, donating a record number of goods, including toys, games, bicycles, clothing and household items. Pictured are Treasure Bay crew members Pat Dimmett, Jamie Mitchell, Andy Davis and Charlene Krafnick with some of the items to be donated.

Packing up the goods



Gold Strike delivered 200 turkeys to the Tunica County Sheriff's Office to benefit TRIAD, a non-profit community endeavor for senior citizens.

Southland Park donates to Toys for Tots

WEST MEMPHIS, Ark. — Southland Park Gaming & Racing continued its work to make a difference in the community this holiday season with its seventh Annual Twelve Tournaments of Christmas promotion. The event provided 356 toys and \$6,500 for local children in need.

Donations were raised by hosting spin to win, handicapping, blackjack, poker and video poker tournaments during the first 12 days of December. A \$20 donation or toy with a \$20 value allowed guests to participate in any of the tournaments.



Southland Park donated hundreds of toys and \$6,500 to Toys for Tots.

"Southland Park is honored every year to facilitate this wonderful promotion which promotes what the holidays are really all about — giving," said Southland Park President and General Manager **Troy Keeping**. "There's no better feeling than the idea of putting a present under the tree for a child who might not otherwise receive one."

All monetary and toy donations were forwarded to Toys for Tots, a foundation created at the behest of the U.S. Marine Corps to provide toys to local children in need.

Cards for soldiers



Beau Rivage employees sent Christmas cards to soldiers on assignment and away from their families during the holiday season. Decorative supplies were provided and employees, including **Bryan Lear** and **Johnny Groom**, were encouraged to create cards to remind those deployed how much their service is appreciated. Approximately 150 Christmas cards created by employees were distributed by the American Red Cross to soldiers serving overseas.

Adopting families



Gold Strike employee volunteers partnered with Sacred Heart Southern Missions to provide holiday spirit for 28 families in need. Employees bought, wrapped and delivered toys, games, bicycles and more.

Packing up the goods



Hard Rock partnered with CASA of Harrison County to adopt 50 children for the holidays. Since many of these children move several times before finding a permanent home, Hard Rock's Rockin' the Coast Fund provided each child with a rolling suitcase. Hard Rock employees filled the suitcases with clothes and toys, and the CASA volunteers were grateful for the donations.

Ice skating party



Hollywood Casino Bay St. Louis delivered free ice skating passes to the Boys and Girls Club of the Gulf Coast Qatar Center at Pass Christian and the Hancock County Center. The passes included one free pass to skate at the casino's temporary ice rink and a coupon for a free hot dog and drink. Santa visited the Qatar Center on Dec. 18 to drop off the passes and visit with the children.

Holiday reading



Pearl River Resort team members recently brought the Christmas spirit to children at the Philadelphia Elementary School. The resort employees read Christmas-themed books to selected classrooms. Each team member carefully selected exciting Christmas tales appropriate to their specific age groups.