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From left, Samaritan Center Executive Director Steve Brown, Santa Claus and elf Nancy Manis.

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## Barefoot Charlie's benefits Samaritan Center

If you were near the Hendersonville Samaritan Center this past Monday morning, you might have seen Santa and a little elf delivering presents to Steve Brown, executive director of the center.

To show that even Santa can have an "island attitude," the delivery was made in a boat furnished by Drake's Creek Marina.

Barefoot Charlie's, a local restaurant on Old Hickory Lake on Sanders Ferry Road, had sponsored a fundraiser over

the past week to collect donations of toys, diapers and money, working with Mary Jane Hogle of the center. Santa was assisted by elf Nancy Manis, who is an owner at the restaurant.

The Hendersonville Samaritan Center, located at 126 Commerce Drive, helps families in the area get through a crisis that has disrupted their lifestyle and assists them in returning to self-sufficiency. In today's economy, the need is great. While the thrift store, located next to the center, is the pri-

mary source of income, these donations will be used in their Christmas program.

The thrift store sells used clothing, household items, furniture, appliances and other items to support its programs. Anyone wishing to make a tax-deductible donation may do so by dropping off your items during store items. To schedule the pick-up of larger items, call the store at 824-5652.

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