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CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH AREA | COMMUNICATIONS AND ACCOUNTABILITY DEPARTMENT

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Local Organization Urges Residents to Keep this Ornament on Display All Year Long

Holiday cheer is still in the air. Whether you take down your tree today or in a few weeks, Beaufort County reminds its residents that there is one ornament that can remain on display all year long - the ABLE ornament.

"This ornament is special," said Sue Ann Bolick, ABLE Foundation chair. "Not only because it's enameled in brass and features bright, bold colors of the sea. And not simply because it is an ornament that can be displayed throughout the entire year. It's special because it changes lives."

All proceeds from ornament sales go towards Camp Treasure Chest, a summer camp for special needs children in Beaufort County.

"Camp Treasure Chest is truly a life-changing experience for the campers," said Erin Womack, Beaufort County Disabilities and Special Needs Family Support Director. "Because of the specialized care needed, many of our campers would not be able to attend a summer camp in this area. This wouldn't be possible without ABLE's assistance, and without the funding from ornament sales."

The boxed ornaments are being sold for \$18 at several locations in Beaufort County, including:

- Budget Print
- Guys & Dolls
- Michael's Salon
- New Image Salon
- Offices of Beaufort County Disabilities and Special Needs
- Santa Elena Foundation
- Smiles by Wyles Dentistry

After December 30, ornaments will only be available for purchase at the following locations:

- ABLE Foundation
843-592-1731 (Call to Order)
- Beaufort County Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
[100 Clearwater Way, Beaufort, SC 29906](http://100ClearwaterWay.com)
- Select local events and festivals



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Click here to watch the [2016 ABLE ornament promotional video](#).

About Camp Treasure Chest

For more than 30 years, [Camp Treasure Chest](#) has served children with intellectual disabilities in Beaufort County. Many of the participants are unable to attend other summer camps in the area due to limited resources for special needs children. The camp is funded by ornament sales, grants and donations.

About the ABLE Foundation

ABLE, the Disabilities Foundation of Beaufort is a non-profit 501(3)(c) whose mission is to foster and support the activities and purposes of organizations serving people with developmental disabilities. The Foundation hosts Camp Treasure Chest, supports the Cinderella Fella Ball, and offers mentoring programs, family financial support and community education and advocacy.

For more information on Camp Treasure Chest, the ABLE Foundation and ornaments, please visit ablefoundationbc.org. You may also visit the ABLE Foundation on [Facebook](#).

