



NEVINS NEWS TO KNOW

A NEVINS INC NEWSLETTER

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NEVINS CELEBRATES 65 YEARS!

Milestone Anniversary to be marked at Summer Celebration

On May 14th, 1959, five families came together to form Nevins Inc. Nevins was the first vocational center of its kind in the Carolinas and was on the forefront of the fight against institutionalizing people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Today Nevins continues the tradition started so long ago. Our most recent additions have been an adaptive workout room, supported employment room, and a sensory room. We have also re-opened Cafe Nevins and are in the process of updating the Art Room.

65th Anniversary



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Please consider honoring Nevins with a \$65 donation to celebrate our 65 years. Use the QR code or the URL above to donate. We thank everyone who has contributed to this initiative.

FESTA ITALIANA



The 19th Annual Festa Italiana took place May 19th, 2024. We had over 300 people, so many wonderful restaurants, cafes, entertainers, vendors, and other presenters. We are always grateful to Dr. Vincent Voci and the St Anthony Foundation; they host this event every year and donate the proceeds to Nevins. Since its inception, Festa Italiana has raised close to \$300,000 for Nevins. Everyone who is part of this event is a volunteer, and this year Bank of America donated the use of the Gateway Village. Thank you to all of the sponsors listed to the right.

The 20th Festa Italiana Charlotte will take place on May 18th, 2025! We hope some of you will consider joining us!



Our participants had a hand in getting ready for Festa Italiana Charlotte. Metrolina Greenhouse once again provided us with a beautiful donation of flowers. Our participants painted pots for the flowers to go into. Once the flowers arrived, some of the wonderful folks at Elevation Church University campus came to help us plant them. The red and white flowers with their green foliage really added to the Italian flair and they were used as centerpieces and as decor around the venue.

Getting Ready for Festa!





UPCOMING EVENTS:

Nevins Camp	June 10
Summer Celebration	July 13
Harley Day	July 27
Chili Cook Off	Fall

Camp Nevins

Camp Nevins will once again kick off on Monday, June 10th. This year we will have theme weeks including: Parks & Recreation, Theater & Television, Around the World, Community Service Week, Butterfly Week, First Responders, Transportation, and Beach Week.

Camp Nevins is a chance for those Transitions Age (16-21+) who are close to finishing high school and figuring out their next steps a chance to go ahead and get their services in place and give Nevins a try. It also keeps them learning during their summer break so that they keep their skills sharp for the next school year.

We look forward to welcoming several camp participants into our Abilities & Possibilities program.

Elevation Church University Campus has blessed Nevins with a \$15,000 donation on February 4th, 2024.

Elevation has been a longtime supporter of Nevins and we are so grateful for their contribution. It was totally unexpected and most welcome.



Jessica Bustamante with Pastor Matt from Elevation Church University Campus

Elevation Church University will be joining us during Camp Nevins for LOVE WEEK. Members of Elevation will be hosting an ice cream social, dance party, Bingo, crafts, and more. We love when our friends come visit us!

Do you have a social, religious, or civil group that would be interested in hosting an event with our participants? Let us know!

**“DO WHAT YOU CAN, WITH WHAT YOU HAVE,
WHERE YOU ARE.”**

--TEDDY ROOSEVELT

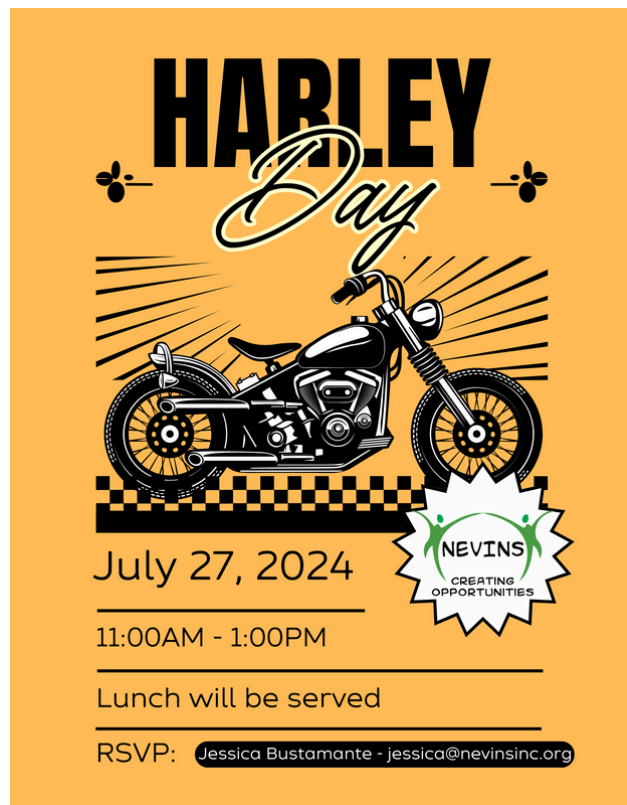
Harley Day is BACK!

Nevins will host Harley Day on July 27th, 2024!

Join us for a day of games, food, and of course, motorcycles! It will be a great way to cap off Transportation Week at Camp Nevins!

Lunch will be served, so it is essential that you RSVP so we can make sure we have an accurate count of the lunches we will need. Thank you to the Harley club for providing those lunches.

Families of participants are invited to attend as well. Please RSVP to jessica@nevinsinc.org, or by sending a note to your staff.



Open House

Nevins will host an Open House on July 13th, 2024.

We are celebrating our 65th Anniversary in conjunction with our Summer Celebration, and we're inviting the community out for tours and to learn if Nevins may be a fit for them or someone they love. Come see what Nevins has to offer.

In addition, Human Resources will be available to speak to anyone who is looking to work for Nevins. If you know someone interested in becoming a support professional, please invite them to our Open House.

Questions? Contact jessica@nevinsinc.org



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~ ESTHER DYSON



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