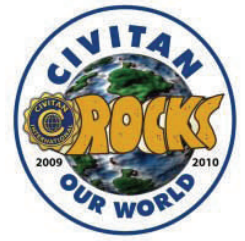




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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET ON FEBRUARY 25

Thursday, February 25 was the date of the recent board meeting. The Board gathered at Dave and Donna Hartmann's for dinner and the meeting. Here is a brief summary of what we discussed:



- Profit from the Barnes & Noble pre-holiday book-wrapping: \$3,463.39
- The profit from the sale of White House Ornaments as of now is about \$3600. Not all money has been turned in.
- Income from helping at the Arlington Garage Sale for the 2009 season: \$800
- The initiation fee of \$17.25 will be waived for new special needs members.
- Our club will reimburse members one-half of the registration fee for District and International Meetings/Conventions.
- We will keep the same prices for hot dogs, drinks, and chips for the July 4th parade.
- We will continue helping at the Arlington Garage Sale as a fundraiser for us and service to another Civitan Club.
- We will plan for "Civitan at the Stables" for May/June. Watch for more information.
- Initiation of new members will take place in April, rather than in March.
- Our club submitted a Scholarship Application for Morgan Robey, one of the students that we sponsored for the Leaders in Freedom Conference.
- Because of our contribution to the Civitan Golf Benefit, we have received a free registration certificate for one of our members who attends the International Convention in Cancun in early September. We also received a \$120 gift certificate for use at the Civitan Supply House.
- We will support Maribeth's efforts in establishing a new luncheon club in Springfield.

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- New Member Initiation scheduled for our April Meeting
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Meeting Information:

1st Tuesday of the month*
 Gather at 6:30 pm w/dinner at 7 pm
 Adjournment by 9 pm
 Red Lobster Restaurant
 10325 Fairfax Boulevard
 Fairfax, VA 22030



FOR FIRST TIME VISITORS
 DINNER IS FREE!

*Projects are scheduled at other times during the month.

SAVE THE DATES

FRIDAY – SUNDAY, AUGUST 13-15

The Chesapeake District's Annual Convention will be held at the Fair Lakes Hyatt. We will be sponsoring it, and we will need your help.

Do you remember the convention in August of 2008 that our Area 3 Clubs sponsored along with the Area 4 Clubs?? The club had a fantastic time and treated convention attendees to culinary delights from veggies & dip to meatballs, cheese, shrimp cocktails, and a wonderful chocolate fountain as part of the Hospitality room. In addition, our club sponsored a free breakfast for attendees on Saturday morning, complete with yummy egg casseroles, donuts, danishes and made to order Belgian waffles. We received RAVE reviews for our efforts. We're thinking of doing something similar this time. It was a lot of fun, but it was also a lot of work!



Give us your ideas and be sure to **KEEP THE DATES OPEN**, and we'll be letting you know how you can help as we get closer to August. Thank you in advance!

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Civitan on the Web

<http://www.fairfaxcivitan.org>
Visit our Fairfax Civitan Club Web Page!

<http://www.chesapeakeidistrict.org>
The Chesapeake District Web Page

<http://www.civitaninternational.com>
See what's happening at Civitan International headquarters!

<http://www.circ.uab.edu/>
Visit Civitan's flagship project – UAB Civitan International Research Center

<http://www.nvtc.dmhmrzas.virginia.gov>
Visit our Fairfax Civitan Club's flagship project – Northern Virginia Training Center

Elicitations from Elaine

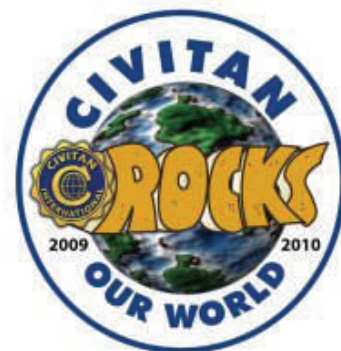
... Rockin' Notes From our President—Goals 2009-2010

For the past five months, I have been talking with you about my/our five goals for 2009-2010: providing valuable service projects, recruiting new members, having informative speakers, providing fellowship events, and increasing fundraising efforts. If we can succeed with these goals, then we will achieve our overarching goal of becoming an Honor Club for 2009-2010.

The Honor Club Application has four categories: Club Recruitment and Retention; Service and Fundraising Projects; Knowledge, Fellowship and Club Administration; and Civitan International Charitable Support Activities. The category of Fellowship and Club Administration is subdivided into Knowledge, Fellowship, and Club Administration/Marketing/Recognition.

Each category lists many ways to satisfy the requirements. For example, under Club Recruitment and Retention, there are nine activities listed. To satisfy the requirements for the category, we need to be able to check off five of the items. In some of the categories, we are pretty close to satisfying the requirements; in others, more effort is needed. So keep talking Civitan to your friends, neighbors, and co-workers so that we can increase our membership which will enable us to help others even more. As you get ideas for speakers, service projects, fundraisers, and fellowship opportunities, please make sure you let me know.

If you would like, I'd be happy to send you a copy. You can also find it on the website for Civitan International. To access it, go to fairfaxcivitan.org and click on "Links" on the left side. Then click on Civitan International Home Page. Click on Awards on the left side, and select "Honor Club." You can then select whether you want to see the PDF file or Microsoft Word file.



Let's "Rock Our World," Fairfax Civitans!!

POP TOPS AND INK CARTRIDGES

We are continuing to collect Pop Tops—the little metal parts of a can that enable you to open it. These are taken to a metal recycling center, traded for cash, and that money is donated to the Ronald McDonald House. Have your workplace collect them, and collect them at home. Bring them to each meeting. This is a project of the Civitan Club at Central



Fairfax Services—CFS Proud Hearts. They will really appreciate your donations, and so will the families of very sick children who are able to stay at the Ronald McDonald House.



Denny Vaughan continues to collect used ink cartridges. He turns them in at Office Depot and they give him reward cards for the purchase of office supplies. We donate these reward cards to organizations that we support. You can also receive credits towards reward cards by making purchases using the Office Depot Work Life



Rewards Member account number 1569775917.
Contact Denny with any questions: 703-476-4814.

BINGO EXCITEMENT AT WELLSRING

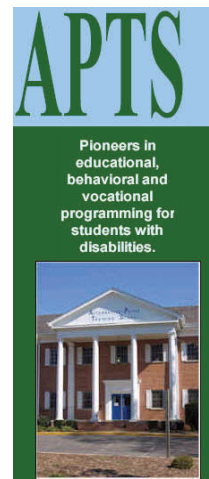
The sound of “BINGO” was heard over and over again at the Wellspring Group Home on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 21. The five ladies, Adelle, Cathy, Libby, Michelle, and Susie, won lots of prizes from lotions and shampoos to lunch carriers to Mrs. Duck and Mr. Lion. Of course, there were other Fairfax Civitans playing Bingo and having lots of fun as well. Gabriella called most of the games, keeping the afternoon moving along and keeping track of everyone’s wins.

Meanwhile, counselor Patty kept bringing snacks for all of us to enjoy: cookies, jellies, popcorn, trail mix, and beverages. What a fun afternoon!!

OUR MARCH MEETING—TUESDAY, MARCH 2

Hopefully the weather won’t be playing bad tricks as it did in February so that we can have our regular March meeting at the Red Lobster on Route 50 a few blocks east of Rt. 123. Wren Griffith will be our speaker. He will be telling us about Alternative Paths Training School in Alexandria.

APTS is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving children with severe disabilities and their families living in the Washington DC Metro area. Established in 2002 with two students, it has grown to two locations with 70 students. These students have been referred to their program from eight Northern Virginia public education systems when it has been determined that the public special education programs were unable to meet the children’s needs. APTS offers expertise in educating children with autism, but they also have children with Downs Syndrome, emotional/behavioral disorders, mental retardation, and dual diagnosis (mental retardation/mental health issues). Their innovative program focuses on providing students with essential knowledge and practical skills. Come to our meeting on Tuesday and learn how APTS is helping children with very special needs.



INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS

At our April 6 meeting, we will be initiation several new members. As a result, this will be a very exciting meeting for our club. So if you are interested in joining with us to help support those with special needs and to help support persons with other needs in our community, please contact Elaine Senft (703-726-0965 or esenft@comcast.net).

Members—make sure you put this date on your calendar.

LETTER OF GRATITUDE FROM NVTC

We recently received the following note from Maureen Andretta, the Volunteer Services Director at the Northern Virginia Training Center:

*To the members of the Fairfax Civitans,
On behalf of the residents, staff and families at NVTC, please accept my sincere appreciation for the time you gave giving a holiday party to the residents of Home 5A and for the generosity of gifts given to support their holiday wish list needs We are grateful for your club’s ongoing support of our mission, programs, and most importantly, the lives of the NVTC residents. We look forward to working with you throughout the year and during the 2010 Holiday Campaign*

*Sincerely,
Maureen Andretta, NVTC, VS*

CIVITANS! LET'S ROCK OUR WORLD!!

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