



Fairfax Hornblower



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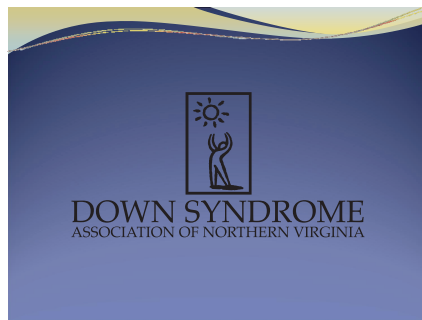
1st Thursday of the month*
Gather at 6:30 pm w/dinner at 7 pm
Adjournment by 9 pm



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.



Brian Ray & David Egan, representing the Down Syndrome Association of Northern Virginia (DSANV), spoke at our 4/7/2011 meeting.

The meeting room at the Red Lobster restaurant was again filled almost to capacity on April 7th as Board President Brian Ray and Board Member David Egan of DSANV told us about Down Syndrome and about their Association.

Their Vision is to see "A day in which every person with Down syndrome is a valued and contributing member of their community." Their Mission "is to ensure that all individuals with Down syndrome and their families receive the support necessary to participate in, contribute to and achieve fulfillment of life in their community."

Brian told us how he became involved in advocacy for persons with Down Syndrome. He shared information and facts about the syndrome, some of which we knew, and many of which we "thought" we knew. Down Syndrome is the most frequently occurring chromosomal disorder. Individuals with Down Syndrome have 47 chromosomes instead of the normal 46. Contrary to popular belief, the chance of Down Syndrome does not increase with the age of the mother. One of our "sister" clubs, the Civitan Club of Frederick, MD, already partners with DSANV to sponsor a workshop and recognition for Special Education Teachers that has proven very valuable.

David shared with us his life and his considerable accomplishments. David is an employee of Booz Allen and has been with the firm for 15 years. He is a very strong and eloquent speaker as a self-advocate, serving on the board of Directors of DSAMV. David has had many speaking engagements to talk about Down Syndrome including meetings with public leaders and testifying before Congress. He has helped raise awareness of the fact that individuals with Down Syndrome are more like others than they are different.

Both presenters shared with us ideas for ways that Civitan might partner with DSANV. If you were at the meeting (or even if you weren't!), please let President Steve or one of our Board Members know your thoughts about our Club participating with and/or supporting DSANV.



Support These Ongoing Fundraisers

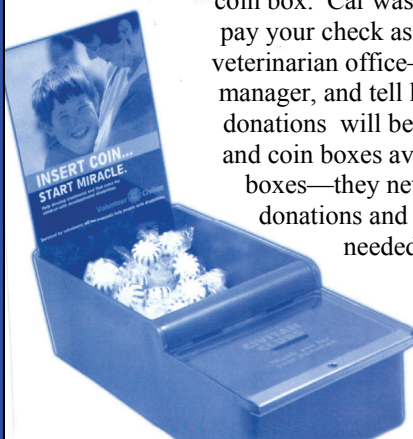


Please remember to bring your Pop Tops and your used printer Ink cartridges to our next Civitan meeting. Ed Senft is "in charge" of collecting the pop tops for a project supporting Ronald McDonald House (in partnership with our fellow Civitans at the CFS Proud Hearts Civitan Club). Denny Vaughan is our Ink Cartridge Re-cycling leader, helping to recycle cartridges and earn money and Office Depot credits to help other groups who we work with and support!



CANDY AND COIN BOXES

Keep on looking for good places to place a candy or coin box. Car washes, florists, restaurants where you pay your check as you exit, dry cleaners, your veterinarian office—the list is unending. Talk to the manager, and tell him/her what good things the donations will be used for. Elaine has both candy and coin boxes available. Encourage the coin boxes—they net us 50% of the donations and are easier to service (no candy needed).



This is a pretty easy way to raise money for the organizations that we help support. If each of us could place ONE box, we would see a real difference in our income.



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Tina Ciambuschini (2009-2011)
Denny Vaughan (2010-2012)
Gabiella Smith (2010-2012)
Josh Felts (2010-2012)
LaDonna Hartmann (2010-2012)

Civitan on the Web

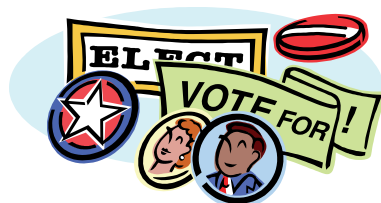
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<http://www.civitaninternational.com>
See what's happening at Civitan International headquarters!

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

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



Civitan Club of Fairfax Proposed Slate of Officers For 2011-2012

Elections will be held at May 5th Meeting - Nominations will also be accepted from the membership

President: Elaine Senft
President-Elect: Dee Leonard
Secretary: Sara Gorman
Treasurer: Howard Oberheu

Directors for 2011-2013
Tina Ciambuschini
Lynn Leitch

Directors continuing their 2010-2012 Term
Josh Felts
LaDonna Hartmann
Gabiella Smith
Denny Vaughan

Past President Director
Steve Leonard



Comments from the Chief*

*As most of you know, I am a retired Air Force Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt) usually addressed as "Chief". I have served in Civitan for even longer than I did in the Air Force, but I still call myself Chief.



April is Civitan Awareness Month. Are you spreading the news of Civitan to your friends and colleagues? Have you identified at least one person to invite to our Seek Meeting in June? If you have, then you are to be commended as a good Civitan; our future depends on new members. If not, then it is not too late. Talk Civitan!

Dee and I just attended two different membership meetings, one at Greater Loudoun Civitan Club and the other at the newly forming Chambersburg Area Civitan Club. Both of these meetings were upbeat, educational, and persuasive for the guests. That's what I want for our upcoming meeting on June 2, 2012. We will meet at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church and our own Linda Lilly will be catering it for us. All we need is a large crowd of Civitans and GUESTS! I want every member to provide me with at least one person's name and address that they want to invite to our Seek Meeting. Dee and I will send letters to each one, and follow up with telephone calls, as we get closer.

The Ben & Jerry's Free Cone Day for NOVACO was a great success, and lots of fun. It was 3+ hours of standing, but well worth it because we were putting the names of NOVACO and CIVITAN out to hundreds of people.

Our upcoming May meeting will be a business meeting with elections of 2011-2012 officers, new member(s) initiations, and the latest Civitan News and CIRC Videos. Our CIRC is making tremendous strides, and every Club Member should be very proud that over the last 20 years we, Fairfax Civitan, have donated over \$102,000 to CIRC. Hopefully it will "fire us up" in the search for others to join in the service and fellowship of Civitan!

I still have tickets for the District's Quilt Raffle. Three dollars each, Two for Five Dollars. Drawing will be at the District's August Convention in Martinsburg, WV. You don't have to be present to win!! We'll hand deliver the quilt if a Fairfax Civitan is the winner!

Our Annual Civitan at the Farm is coming on June 11th so clear your calendars. As usual; we will have food, fellowship and fun for old and young. I've ordered good weather. We'll see how that turns out! But remember that we've had a good time though heat waves and rain storms in the past. Cold Water, Cold Beer, and Great Food - Sounds like fun to me!

Keep Paying It Forward and Talking Civitan.

ARLINGTON CIVITAN CLUB'S GARAGE SALE TO BEGIN 2011 SEASON on April 2nd

Ok, folks! Now is the time to mark your calendar for the first Saturday of every month through November 2011. Again this year we plan to assist our Arlington Civitan Friends at their major fundraiser - the Arlington Garage Sale. For every hour that one person volunteers their time, \$10 is raised for our club's projects.

The Garage Sale is in the I-66 garage in North Arlington, adjacent to Washington-Lee High School and the Arlington Planetarium at 15th and north Quincy Streets in Arlington. 120-140 volunteer hours are needed to have the Garage Sale run smoothly. Volunteers are needed on the Friday before from 4:30pm until all preparations are done. On Saturday, volunteers are needed between 5am to 4:30pm (which includes clean-up). You select the time you want to volunteer. Volunteers can help visitors with parking, cutting onions, serving donuts, hot dogs & pizza, and all sorts of other tasks. On-the-spot training will be given. If you have questions, want to volunteer, or if you need directions, you can call or email Donna Hartmann at 703-978-4902 or donna_hartmann@cox.net.

Donna and Barbara d' Andrade, both FAITHFUL Garage Sale workers from our Fairfax Club, said that help was scarce on April 2nd, due in part because many Civitans were in Fredericksburg for the District Meeting. Virtually the whole snack bar operation was staffed by the Fairfax Club. Please pitch in and help with this project in the coming months!

Just make sure that you sign in and out to insure credit for our club. Remember that for each hour you volunteer, our club gets \$10. Over the years, this has become one of Fairfax's more lucrative fund raisers.

THANKS A LOT!! The people we help support will be most grateful for your efforts!



We're going to be BUSY



- **May 1, 2011** - The 2nd Annual Langley Bowl at Bowl America-Shirley, 6450 Edsall Road, Alexandria, VA 22312; 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm in support of Langley Residential Support Services who now operate "Langley-Indigo House Group Home," home of our members who just moved from the Wellspring Sideburn House. Fairfax needs 5 bowlers for our team - Contact Elaine Senft at (H) 726-0965 or (C) 571-212-9096 (Dee & Steve will bowl if needed, but if you want our spots, let Elaine know!!)
- **May 5, 2011** - Business Meeting, Elections for the 2011-2012 Civitan Year, New Member Initiation
- **May 7, 2011** - Arlington Garage Sale - Help needed Friday evening and Saturday 5:00 am - 4:30 pm
- **May 22, 2011** - Party at Lake Ridge Fellowship House in Woodbridge featuring the 5/4 Trio. Club Members will be providing snacks, sandwiches, fruit, cookies, etc. Dave Hartmann will be sending e-mail with the time and as a reminder!
- **May 26, 2011** - Civitan Variety Show at NVTC at 10:00 am - Admission FREE - Come see this great show!
- **June 2, 2011** - Fairfax Civitan Meeting - SEEK MEETING - Please invite someone!! This special Meeting will be held at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 8922 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax, VA 22031. Our own Linda Lilly will be catering the event for us. Guests' dinners are free - Members dinners will be less than \$20 (price being determined!), please bring CASH or Check - no credit cards.
- **June 4, 2011** - Arlington Garage Sale - Help needed Friday evening and Saturday 5:00 am - 4:30 pm
- **June 11, 2010** - Civitan at the Farm at Brass Ring Farm, Midland, VA - Pony Rides, Moon bounce, sun shine, fellowship, hot dogs, beer, sodas & pot luck dishes to share. ALL COME!! Contact Steve or Dee Leonard for more details at 540-439-1502 or 703-401-7741
- **July 2, 2010** - Arlington Garage Sale - Help needed Friday evening and Saturday 5:00 am - 4:30 pm
- **July 4, 2011** - Fairfax Civitan Hot Dog & Soda Sale at Fairfax City's Independence Day Parade -7:00 am - noon - come out to help sell hotdogs and sodas. Contact Gabriella Smith at 703-378-9241 or Joni Jarrett at 703-690-2802 for details
- **July 6-9, 2011** - Civitan International Convention in New Orleans, LA



Fairfax Civitan Office Depot "Work Life Rewards"
Member A/C # is 1569775917 or Denny's phone # 703-476-4814

Our Club receives credit if you make your Office Depot Purchases using the above referenced account number. Your purchases will help the club accumulate points toward reward cards which we then distribute to groups we support. These credits are in addition to recycling printer cartridges. Contact Denny Vaughan with any questions (703) 476-4814.



**Langley
Residential
Support Services, Inc.**

In case you didn't know, Wellspring's Sideburn House Group Home was purchased in December by Langley Residential Support Services, Inc. Our members who were residents of the Sideburn House, have been moved into a beautiful new home on Indigo Lane, just a few blocks from the previous address. Santa & Mrs. Claus, Anne Sale, and Elaine Senft were able to visit the new home during the Christmas holidays. It is beautiful and the residents are happy and excited about their new location. We understand that Langley will be planning an Open House so that visitors can come to see the new home.

The 2011 Civitan International Convention will take place in historic, fun-filled... New Orleans, Louisiana!

Location: Sheraton New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA

Date: July 6 - July 9, 2011

To register for the convention online, [click here](#).

To make your reservation online with the Sheraton New Orleans, [click here](#).

Update: Registration is now open for the Magnolia host district event, **Rolling on the River!** Sign up now for two hours of food and fun on the Mississippi river, aboard the Natchez Steamboat! Just [click here](#) to register online, or to download a mailable registration form.



"The Big Easy." "The Crescent City." Or to many, simply, "Nawlins." The destination for Civitan's 2011 International Convention has almost as many names as cultures found in this one-of-a-kind city. In July, Civitans from around the world will represent their own cultures at our annual convention in New Orleans, Louisiana. Our host hotel, the Sheraton New Orleans, is strategically situated on Canal Street, at the eastern edge of the famous French Quarter.

New Orleans has plenty to offer history buffs, with roots in Native American, French, Africa, Cajun, and Creole cultures. [Click here](#) to find out more about historical tourism in New Orleans!



The history of New Orleans is inseparable from its music, of course. Jazz musicians such as Louis Armstrong, Harry Connick, Jr., and countless others have hailed from New Orleans. The city is recognized as the cradle of jazz, second line, Mardi Gras, and other musical milestones. [Click here](#) to see more of the musical attractions New Orleans has to offer.

No visit to New Orleans is complete without sampling the city's famous food. Try an authentic [muffaletta](#) at the French Market, dig into a bowl of gumbo at the historic [Napoleon House](#), or even have a Sunday brunch at [Antoine's](#), which has served upscale French cuisine since the 1840's. Those looking to stay close can enjoy cajun cuisine right in the comfort of our host hotel, at the Shera-



That's all in addition to the great events, workshops, and functions you've come to expect at each Civitan International Convention! We will post more information in the coming months, so check back to find out more. Online registration is now open, so register soon!

[Click here](#) to make your reservation online with the Sheraton New Orleans (click "Book a room"), or call the hotel directly at 504-525-2500. The rate for a standard single/double guest room is \$115 per night.

Parking at the Sheraton is \$21 per day, plus tax. There are also several parking areas near the hotel, with a range of daily rates.

For more information about the 2011 convention in New Orleans, or the 2012 convention in Tallinn, Estonia, contact Mary Luck at 1-800-CIVITAN, ext. 121, or via email at maryluck@civitan.org.

