



Fairfax Hornblower

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Hey, Everyone! Be sure to come to our February 1st Meeting - Our Leaders In Freedom Students and their parents will be our guests!

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.

Holiday Celebration at NVTC's Home 5A



Sunday, December 12 was a delightful afternoon for the men living on Home 5A. After the Fairfax Civitans had everything set up in the dining room, staff brought in the men as joyous holiday songs were playing. Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived and chatted with each of the men and staff. Civitans helped each of the men decorate an ornament for their tree while each resident had his picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus. (These photos were later glued into a holiday card and sent to their family or guardian.) Santa and Mrs. Claus also gave each gentleman a bottle of aftershave.

Then came the time for the goodies—cake, ice cream, and punch. It truly was a fun afternoon for residents, staff, and Civitans!



By the way, we have gotten word that the men really liked the presents that they received on Christmas morning. They extend their deepest thanks to all the Civitans who donated presents and monetary donations to make their Christmas morning very special.

Christmas Party at Indigo House (formerly Wellspring)



What a fun party this was on Saturday, December 18!! We Civitans first got a tour of their new home—it is truly spacious and lovely! The ladies helped put out the prizes, and then we got down to playing BINGO! While we were playing Bingo, Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived with lots of presents for each of the ladies. They were all very excited with the presents that Santa brought for them.

Because they had just moved into their new home, Civitans brought Christmas cookies and soda which were enjoyed by everyone in their informal dining room. It was a most delightful afternoon with the ladies on Indigo Lane.



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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.dmhmsas.virginia.gov>
Visit our Fairfax Civitan Club's flagship project – Northern Virginia Training Center

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!



Katrina performs in *FROSTY the Snowman*



Fairfax Civitan member, Katrina Ciambuschini, is shown here waving to the standing room only audience following her outstanding performance as a Townsperson in the December 11, VSA Arts of Loudoun County production of *Frosty the Snowman*. The performance was held at the Franklin Park Arts Center in Purcellville VA.

This is Katrina's second performance in a VSA Arts production. Last year she was seen in *Cinderella*. When not on stage, she keeps busy helping with the Club's bingo events and other activities.

Congratulations, Katrina, for a job well done!!

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.



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.



At the November District Meeting I was privileged to see the Fairfax Civitan Club get the commendation that it deserves as it swept the 2009-2010 District Awards with Best Civitan Club, Best Club President, Best Club Newsletter, and our very own Elaine Senft was named the Chesapeake District Civitan of the year. The whole club worked together to win these awards under Elaine's leadership. You are all to be commended for your efforts.

December was a very busy month for the Club. We had Christmas gifts, Christmas parties, visits to group homes and NVTC units. And our own Santa and Mrs. Claus spread Christmas joy at many other events. Our two biggest fundraisers are also in December - the White House Ornaments and the B&N Book Wrapping. Both fundraisers out performed last year's results thanks to the dedicated efforts our members. The hours at B&N were long, and sometimes boring, but we met our obligation of manning from the day after Thanksgiving till Christmas Eve. Thanks to the members and friends who helped us reach that goal.

Our Leaders in Freedom students will be at our February meeting to tell us all about their experiences. It is always enjoyable to get feedback on this activity. Don't miss it.

I will be out of town at the Civitan Governor-Elect Academy in Birmingham, Alabama on January 14-19, 2011. I should come back full of enthusiasm for both the District and the Club, hopefully with new ideas we can use for membership growth. Till then, keep Paying it Forward!

Civitan Santa's NOVACO Visit

We just got these photos from Victoria Neeley, Executive Director of NOVACO. Santa made an appearance (with Mrs. Claus, his trusty sidekick!) at the NOVACO Christmas Party on Sunday evening, December 19th. Everybody loves Santa as evidenced by these photos.

