

THE SHEPHERD'S CALL

**MAY/JUNE 2016** 

# SCAS Lunch N' Life and Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Thursday, May 26th

11:30 AM—1:15 PM

St. Mark's Lutheran Church 5800 Backlick Rd. Springfield, VA. 22150

Join us for a "Polynesian Party". Wear your Aloha shirts and colorful clothes. See Polynesian dancers and help us honor our volunteers. All are welcome!

Cost \$10, which includes food, fellowship, music, and a chance to win a door prize.

**ACCA Food Pantry Donations** wanted. Drop off any non-perishable food and we will deliver to ACCA.

Please **call the SCAS office** to reserve your seat by Tuesday, May 24th at **703-941-1419** and **send your check** to the office. Our luncheons are catered and we need to pay in advance.

# Day Trip to Brookside Gardens in Wheaton, MD



Thursday, June 23rd, 2016

Board the bus at 10:00 am and return about 3:00 pm

from Annandale United Methodist Church, 6935 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA. 22003

\$35 for the bus and entry fee. Lunch on your own at Mrs. Kay's Tollhouse

Reserve your seat now-they go fast! Call 703-941-1419.

**Quote of the month:** "Life is short, time is fast. No replay, no rewind. So enjoy every moment as it comes." Unknown

# ACCA and SCAS To Offer Combined Transportation Program

Beginning May 1, the ACCA Transportation Ministry, which offers rides to medical appointments using volunteer drivers, will join with the transportation program offered by the Shepherd's Center of Annandale Springfield (SCAS). The combined Shepherd's Center of Annandale Springfield/Annandale Christian Community for Action Transportation Program will offer rides to medical facilities. SCAS also provides rides to grocery stores, food banks, and banking facilities to clients over age 50 on weekends. ACCA will continue to offer volunteer drivers for clients under age 50 who are referred to ACCA for medical appointments.

"Combining our operations lets ACCA take advantage of the Shepherd's Center's efficient and user-friendly software for ride scheduling," said Gail Coleman.

Ms. Coleman chairs the ACCA Transportation
Committee, which coordinates with SCAS in administering the combined program.

The Shepherd's Center will provide free training to all ACCA volunteer drivers on RideScheduler, an Internet-based software program provided by NVRides, used to match riders with volunteer drivers.

Eleven ACCA churches currently participate in the Transportation Ministry. "All of our current clients will continue to be served, and I am hopeful ACCA's volunteer drivers will sign up to volunteer with the combined SCAS/ACCA program," said Ms. Coleman.

Barbara Gatorian, Office Director of SCAS said, "We welcome this affiliation with ACCA, which has a long tradition of providing volunteer drivers to those who cannot drive themselves." For more information about the program or about becoming a volunteer driver, call Gail Coleman at (703) 354-0656, email gv.coleman@verizon.net, or call the Shepherd's Center at (703) 941-1419 or email shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com.

# Annandale Christian Community for Action (ACCA)

## Get to Know ACCA

The Shepherd's Center has a new partner in the Annandale Christian Community for Action (ACCA). Even if you are not familiar with ACCA, there's a good chance you know one of its 26 member churches. ACCA is a church-related voluntary organization that provides a range of services for the low income families in the Annandale, Lincolnia, Bailey's Crossroads and Culmore areas regardless of ethnic background. Its core ministries are providing developmental childcare, emergency food and hygiene products, pickup and delivery of furniture, rental assistance, and transportation to medical appointments.

ACCA's mission is "Doing what Jesus would do by serving our neighbors in need." You can learn more about ACCA at www.accacares.org.

## **Election Officers Needed in Fairfax County**

The Office of Elections currently is recruiting voters to serve as Election Officers a few days a year, including the upcoming 2016 elections (<a href="www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm">www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm</a>). Training begins in May, and bilingual voters are urged to serve as Elections Officers. Election Officers are needed at each of the 242 precincts in Fairfax County to run the polls and assist voters. To be an Election Officer, you must:

- Be fluent in English
- Be a registered voter in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Be able to fulfill the Federal I-9 employment eligibility requirements
- Attend a 3-hour training class
- Arrive at the polling place at 5 a.m. and remain until all work has been completed after the polls close at 7 p.m.
- Have basic computer skills.

Election Officers may accept a stipend of \$175 for serving a full day, or volunteer their time. Residency in Fairfax County is not required. For more information and to apply, call the Office of Elections at 703-324-4735; TTY 711, send an e-mail to elect@fairfaxcounty.gov,

or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm.

### Newsletter by Email

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# The Shepherd's Center of Annandale Springfield (SCAS)

SCAS is a non-profit interfaith organization sponsored by area congregations and community groups to serve seniors 50 and older in the Annandale and Springfield areas of Northern Virginia. Since 2004, the SCAS has been providing programs for enrichment, socialization and learning for senior adults.

## Recent Lunch N' Life:

The Lunch N' Life on March 24th at United Baptist Church was a hugh success thanks to Mr. Ron Freeman, David Tillitson, and Reverend Dr. Chris Looker.

Pastor Wayne Yawn of UBC started our day with a few words of wisdom and prayer. Pastor Chris Looker told us about bagpipes and gave a demonstration on his authentic bagpipes. Ron Freeman was great on the piano accompanying David Tillitson who sang some good old Irish songs with his very beautiful voice. Pastor Looker played guitar and sang some lively Irish songs and had a sing-a-long. We had many laughs. It was great fun!

Many thanks go to Barry Uhlig for making Shepherd's Pie and Irish Soda bread to round out the Irish lunch.

The winner of the gift card to Ihop was Ming Cribbs. A card is given away at every Lunch N' Life so join us in May and maybe you will be the next lucky winner.

Thanks to Reverend Dr. J. Wayne Yawn and United Baptist Church for hosting the Spring 2015 Adventures in Learning (AIL). The generous use of the Fellowship Hall and Yoga room is very much appreciated. Thanks for UBC's continuous support.

## Volunteers Needed at SCAS

Do you have a few hours a month you can spare to help SCAS? Do you like to talk to people? Volunteers are needed on committees and in the office. We could also use help promoting the Shepherd's Center.

Drivers for our transportation service are always needed.

Please call to volunteer or to find out more.

### Consider SCAS in your estate Planning

Your donation will be put to work to provide services that assist senior adults (50+) in our area to live independently. All donations are greatly appreciated!

### **Need Documents Notarized?**

Notary services are available in the office of Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross during business hours Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 5 pm. Call for more information 703-256-7717 before you go for instructions and appointments.

## Annandale Hospital Bed Race

Join the fun in this community-building event that raises funds for local activities and projects. See the fun on Saturday, May 14th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon in McGill's Parking Lot., 7201 Little River Turnpike.

Businesses gather teams of 5 for this whacky relay race using pediatric hospital beds that have been decorated with great enthusiasm. Awards for best decorated bed, most enthusiastic team, and the fastest team will be presented at the end of the race.

## Shepherd's Center Fairfax-Burke Lunch N' Life

May 19th from noon until 2:00 p.m. Hear Don Hakenson, historian and author, speaking on the Civil War in Fairfax County Jubilee Christian Church Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main Street, Fairfax, VA For reservations, call Faye Quesenberry at

703-620-0161, by May 13th.

The cost is \$10.00.

See www.scfbva.org for more information

# Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna Lunch N' Life

June 13, 2016 from noon until 2:00 p.m. Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Rd. Vienna, VA The Washington Sangerbund strives to preserve German song and the German language. They cultivate the study of music and instruct their members in choral singing and in the theoretical knowledge of music.

Cost: \$10. reservation and prepayment required by June 6th

Call 703-281-0538 to register.

# Annandale American Legion Bicentennial Post #1976

This very active Post is looking for new members. Veterans and family members are welcome to join.

Party hall rental is free for all members. For all others reasonable rates apply.

Check out their website at www.post1976.org for upcoming events. For more information call Diane Ramsey at 703-408-9123.



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

5/26 Lunch N' Life and Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

6/23 Day Trip to Brookside Gardens





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