

THE CHESAPEAKE PILOT ONLINE

Do to the problems delivering the January Pilot newsletter, I made a .pdf. file of the entire issue to put on the District Website. Ray Krome has done this as Webmaster. He is also updating the information for registration on the website for the March Meeting in Annapolis.

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Reviving your Resolutions:

Several days after the New Year's celebration, I visited my local hair salon. What was normally a haven from the hectic world had turned into a headquarters for bickering, brash employees. When I asked my hairstylist what had caused the change, she replied, "Oh, we all quit smoking on New Year's Day." Then, she pointed to each of the employees with her scissors. "Tabitha lasted two days. Theresa's on day six. Mark lasted three days..."

It's easy to say what we want to do in the year ahead, but it's quite another to achieve that goal on a day-to-day basis. Now that the excitement of the New Year has waned, it's time to reinvigorate our dedication to the goal we have created – building new clubs. Now is the time to get down to business and take action to achieve this goal.

For many members, building a new club can be a stimulating, fulfilling experience. Sharing the benefits of Civitan by helping to establish another club is often one of the most meaningful activities Civitan has to offer. But even though club-building can be an extremely worthwhile endeavor—and vitally important to the continued growth of our organization—some clubs and members are still reluctant to get involved.

"We'd rather spend time building our own club," is one frequently heard explanation for why more clubs do not build new clubs. "Our Civitan Club would prefer to concentrate on community service projects" is another. What many clubs and members may not realize is that the process of building a new Civitan Club can actually serve to increase the membership of the sponsoring club. In addition, new club building is perhaps the best and most lasting "service project" of them all.

Once a Civitan club gets going on a new club

building project, it might notice an interesting side-effect: As the builders recruit members for the new club, their own club's membership could begin to climb at the same time. In many cases, the enthusiasm generated by the club members working together to start a new club rubs off in the form of membership expansion within the existing club. Members begin to say, "If they can do it there, why can't we do it here?"

Another benefit of the club-building process is many clubs discover that if a potential member for the new club cannot join because of a scheduling conflict with the day or time of the meeting, he or she may be able to make the meetings of the sponsoring club.

Some clubs view new club building and community service projects as two completely separate things. They sometimes hesitate to sponsor a new club because they would rather spend the time and effort on projects that directly benefit their community. But building a new club broadens the reach of our mission so that even more people can benefit. If your club is conducting important, worthwhile projects in its community, it can virtually double its impact by building another club in a nearby city or town.

Not only will the new club be able to conduct many of the same service projects as the sponsoring club, but also it will undoubtedly discover new needs that Civitan can meet. Perhaps the newly formed Civitan Club will develop innovative service projects that the established club can learn from and adopt.

New club building is a project that will pay dividends for a lifetime. You can share the gift of Civitan with others—and see your club's important service projects take on new life in a new community.

New Club Building is the BEST Service Project

"My mind works like lightning. One brilliant flash and it is gone."

Unknown

**G.I. TINKER MOUNTAIN
CIVITAN CLUB
FOR HANDICAPPED PEOPLE**

**Serving Our Community
Since 1948
CIVITAN CLUB OF ROANOKE**

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- ? Area 3: Maribeth Jacobs
- ? Area 4: Julie Ludwig
- ? Area 5: Doug Potter
- ? Area 6: Moved into Area 5.

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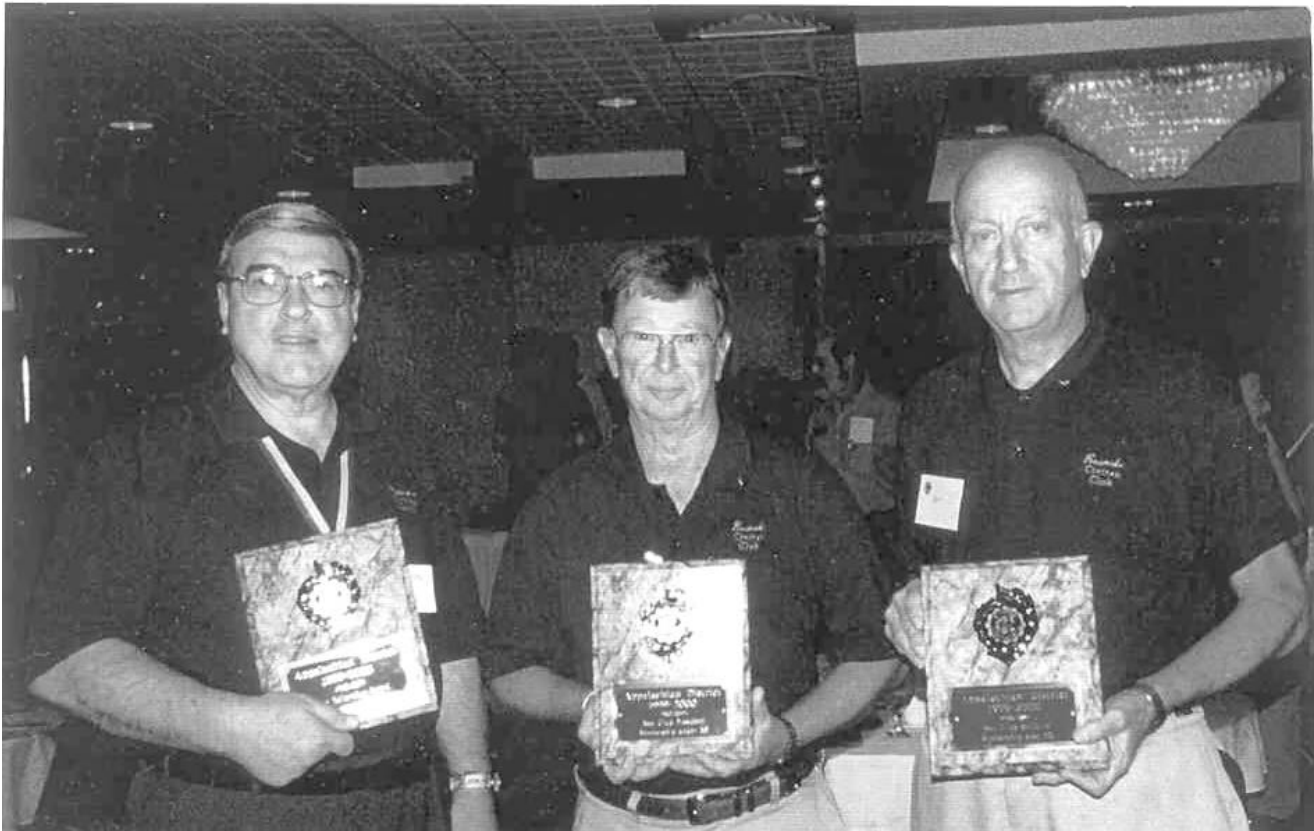
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Roanoke Times

Neighbors South
Thursday, September 4, 2003

Community



Roanoke Civitan Club members, left to right, John Markey, Ralph Craig and Willard Hamill. All were candy box award winners, Appalachian District, for 1999-2000.

Roanoke Civitan Club recognized for fund-raising efforts

The blue plastic candy boxes that appear in Roanoke Valley restaurants and businesses may go unnoticed, but the boxes are part of a fund-raiser for the Roanoke Civitan Club. Since the start of the candy box project in 1978, the club has raised about \$50,000 for the mentally and physically disabled individuals.

The Roanoke Civitan Club has been recognized by Civitan International for their efforts. The club ranks first in the world for amount of money raised, according to club treasurer John Markey. Markey said the club also donates money to the Special Olympics.

Founded in 1948, the Civitan Club of Roanoke is a branch of Civitan International, which has about 1,500 clubs in nine countries. Civitan International is a non-profit organization dedicated to community service.

From The International President

Hello, Chesapeake Civitans

Let's Talk Civitan!

Thank you for your \$300,000 contribution, from your Foundation for the Civitan International Research Center. What a wonderful tribute to Tommy McNulty and his parents.

Thank you for working on building a club with your District Club Builder Tammy Ponder. We must grow Civitan and you are doing it. I congratulate your district for having a 10 member increase for the second month of the Civitan year. Thank you!

Thanks to Gov. Fon and Past Gov. Charlie, for their dedication to growth and retention. Past Gov. Charlie is an excellent member of the International Growth and Retention Committee which met recently in Birmingham.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to Civitan and the difference that you make in your community. I hope each of you had a Happy Holiday Season.

Bobbie Walden, President

Civitan International

DISTRICT FUND RAISER BASKET RAFFLE



Governor Fon Smith asked that I manage and track the sale of tickets for a basket fundraiser for the Chesapeake District. Tickets are \$5.00 each and entitle the purchaser to a chance of winning one of five baskets valued between \$111.00 and \$204.00. Tickets were distributed to one representative from each club at the November 14 – 16 District Meeting in Charlottesville.

If additional tickets are needed, please contact me at jotoole@fredericknews.com or 800 486-1177 X221. All ticket stubs; money and unsold tickets need to be mailed to me by the end of February. My mailing address is Joe O'Toole, The Frederick News-Post, P O Box 578, Frederick MD 21705-0578. Winners will be drawn Saturday March 27th, 2004 in Annapolis. Let's make this project for these very popular baskets a huge success.

Joseph "Joe" O'Toole
Frederick Civitan Club

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Ann Krome, Cahplain

As a new calendar year begins this is a perfect time to reflect on the keys we hold in Civitan and the opportunities we have to pass on those keys to others:

Years ago an old man sat in a cathedral playing the organ. The music was melancholy since the old man was about to be replaced by one much younger.

When the replacement arrived the old man stood, removed the organ key, put it in his pocket and walked toward the door. "The key, please", said the young man.

The organist handed him the key and quickly walked away. The young man sat down to play and from his hands



Place A Sure Bet!!

**Vote for Chesapeake
District's Own Chip Hill
For International
President-Elect in Reno**

**Come to Reno, Nevada! Vote for Chip at the
2003-2004 Civitan International Convention.**

came the music of a genius. Such harmony had never been heard before. It resounded through the town and over the countryside, filling the hearts of all who heard it.

The old man listened with tears in his eyes. "What if I hadn't given him the key," the old man asked himself?

As we go through life, keys can make all the difference. Not all will boldly ask for the keys as did the young man in the story above, we must be advocates in transferring keys. In Civitan, pass on the keys you have for others to join. Willingly pass on the keys to service, the keys to fellowship and the keys to leadership. By passing on these keys our world will reap the rewards.

GROWTH MEANS!!!! **NEW CLUBS & NEW MEMBERS**

by: whitfield e mallory

Chesapeake District Civitans are all to be congratulated for the GROWTH that we achieved during our 2002-2003 Civitan year. Every Club, except one, added at least one new member during the year and we chartered a NEW CIVITAN CLUB.

We are pleased to welcome our two new clubs from the Appalachian District that transferred to our District on October 1 - Roanoke, VA and G. I. Tinker Mountain. May we grow together.

We have made a GREAT BEGINNING and now that we know how, we can really begin to rebuild our membership and increase our total number of clubs to 30.

We need for your club to consider sponsoring a new club-building effort. We can help plan the project and Tammy Ponder can head up the recruiting teams and help your club building team manage the project.

We need to build six new clubs to reach our goal of 30 clubs and to meet Civitan International's minimum number of clubs for a District.

We are off to a **GREAT START** for our new year. Remember that **MEMBERSHIP GROWTH** happens by planning, so make your plans and check them twice.

We need the ENTHUSIASTIC HELP of every Civitan in the District in order to reach our GOAL OF THIRTY CLUBS IN CHESAPEAKE. Working together we can achieve our GOAL. Let's talk about club building and making plans now.

Call me and let's talk about club building and membership recruitment. **THE TIME IS NOW.**

"Don't argue with an idiot; people watching may not be able to tell the difference." Anonymous.

Civitan's Children

By
Bill Wengert

Are you supporting **YOUR** Foundation? Our Foundation for the Mentally Retarded and Handicapped Children needs the support of every Chesapeake Civitan Club and every club member. Our Foundation is classified as a 501(c) 3 tax-exempt organization, subject to certain strict IRS requirements in order to remain exempt from taxes. In order to maintain our classification as a "**Publicly Supported Organization**" we must receive contributions from a wide range of individuals and organizations, i.e., the PUBLIC. If we fail to maintain this "Publicly Supported Status" we will revert to what is known as a "Private Foundation" and that would mean paying some Federal Income Taxes on our net investment income and various other IRS restrictions on our Foundation. As you probably already know, all contributions to the Foundation by individuals and companies qualify for tax deductions. Each of us can help in maintaining this "Public Support Status" by using the Foundation for all of our/your charitable contributions that benefit the retarded and handicapped citizens. Our Corporate Charter requires us to distribute funds only for the benefit of the mentally retarded and/or physically handicapped members of our society. We refer to this as the Foundation's giving guideline.

How can your club support your Foundation? Your club can make contributions to the Foundation's Unrestricted Fund or may designate the recipient that is to receive the funds as long as the recipient qualifies under our Foundation's giving guideline. Your contributions to the Unrestricted Fund would be used to help support the many other projects that we support. This can be done at any time, not only during a general meeting of the foundation that coincides with a district meeting or convention. Apart from a Foundation meeting, mail your club's check to our Foundation's Treasurer Whitfield Mallory at **2 Galphin Lane, Savannah, GA 31411-1334** (note: Whit's address is also listed in your current Chesapeake District Directory). Make checks payable to "Foundation For Mentally Retarded & Handicapped Children Chesapeake District Civitan International" or "Foundation For MR & HC". Accompany your check with a note or letter that gives the purpose and the recipient's name (organizational) and address. Indicate also whether the check should be mailed directly or returned to you for presentation. Whit will deposit the check and immediately cut a Foundation check as requested. Many Clubs make this a regular routine in their giving procedures. It helps the Foundation grow and firmly establishes it as a **public foundation**.

How can individuals support your Foundation? You or a friend or acquaintance can follow the same procedures described above for clubs. Remember that the Foundation's giving guideline also applies to individual contributions through the Foundation. Individuals can also name the Foundation as a beneficiary in their will or trust. All of these would be tax deductible contributions. If you have a question you can call Whit at 912/508-0724

Good Things Are Happening in Chesapeake!

Hope All Had a Happy Holiday!

Tammy Ponder

Congratulations to Martinsburg Civitan for sponsoring and chartering the Berkeley Springs Civitan Club. A special "Cheers" to Whit Mallory for his help in building this club. Whit

recruited for a week, was supportive throughout the club building effort and got this club off to its twenty-member charter on September 2003. A sincere Civitan thanks to Ann Krome and Gene and Patty Kinder for their support. Also, thanks to the many guests who came out in support on charter night. Chesapeake Civitans should plan to visit this luncheon club if ever possible. This is a dynamic group of Berkeley Spring's community members that are making a difference for the good of Civitan.

Martinsburg members marched on to invade the South and started club building efforts in Winchester, VA. Although the holiday season has its share of demands on one's time, several residents have come out in support of this new effort. The first members are signed and this club is on schedule to charter in January. This club has been asked to support the Reed's Home "Chain of Checks" holiday drive. Already the community has a need for this new club and many more will come. Special thanks to Laura Kempf, Martinsburg President and Club Builder for her help with correspondence and newsletters.

If your club minutes reflect meeting attendance of 10 or fewer members, then your club's first priority should be growth. Rockville is to be congratulated for answering this call to duty by planning a seek night complete with a Civitan Awareness theme. After a brainstorming session, the club members developed a list of guests to invite to this Civitan celebration. A program was initiated and members shared in the duties and responsibilities that make a seek night special. Many thanks to Rockville Civitans for their support!

A club that can plan and execute an effective membership night can develop and build a brand new club somewhere in our district. Our focus should be growth within our clubs and within our district. Publish the good things your club does and educate your community and beyond about the work of Civitan. When people ask, "What is Civitan?" Answer them with pride about your club's projects and the difference they make. Then ASK them to participate in a project or attend a meeting. CALL and remind them to attend. BE THERE when they arrive and get answers to all of their questions. Then ASK them to join. New members are treasures to be discovered in our district. Seek them with pride. How many treasures can you find in the Chesapeake district?

My eyes search for others to join in the fellowship and service of Civitan...My eyes are searching for next club building site. If your club would like to lay the groundwork by sponsoring a new effort, please contact me and we will develop a team and grow! Our district works well together and teamwork will make the job easy. This team will share the work, responsibilities, and rewards of watching a new club grow and charter. It is grand!

Contact Tammy at clubbuilder10@aol.com, 240-217-1100 or 304-754-6102 for assistance in club building efforts

JUNIOR CIVITAN

Quote from an article by the General of the North Gene Kinder

"Is your club sponsoring anyone to the Leaders in Freedom conference? This outstanding project deserves support simply because it provides so many young people with an opportunity which will never be duplicated for them. However, if you are sponsoring students to this fine event, especially if they are not current members of a Junior Civitan club, you have an ideal situation for assisting Junior Civitan to grow. Let me describe the ideal scenario. Of course, real life will vary a little from the ideal.

You select a member of the junior class from a school, which does not have a Junior Civitan club. That

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CHANGE TO CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT CIVITAN INTERNATIONAL POLICY NUMBER 2.

James M. Dellaripa, Sr., Judge Advocate

A review of the current charges for District Meetings and the Annual Convention at the November 14, 2003 District Meeting indicated a need to revise the functional fees charged for these meetings. The last change to Policy Number 2, which establishes the fees, was made in August 1997. The cost of living has risen over 17 percent since that time. Therefore, it has been difficult for host clubs to meet the expenses of meetings and conventions.

It is required by Article XIX, Section 2, Chesapeake District International, Inc. By-laws titled, "Amendments to District Policies" That any new policy change or changes to existing policies enacted during the year must be published in the District bulletin at least thirty days prior to the Annual Convention. Note: The changes must be confirmed by the general membership to change the policy.

It was resolved by the Board of Directors that Policy Number 2 titled, "District Meetings and Conventions" be amended as follows.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

3. Line number six; the function fee (exclusive of late charge) should not exceed \$70.00 without prior approval of the Board of Directors. The change increases the function fee from \$56.00 to \$70.00.

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

Change paragraph number "2" to read number "1". Then change the content of the paragraph to read: Same as District Meetings except the function fee (exclusive of late fee) should not exceed \$75.00 without approval of the Board of Directors. The change increases the function fee from \$60.00 to \$75.00.

Request the confirmation of the policy change in function fees by the voting members of the Chesapeake District Civitan International, Inc. at the August 2004 Annual Convention.

OPERATION ADOPTION

The **Roanoke Civitan Club** in response to a September 18, 2003 article in the Vinton Messenger began a project to support Lieutenant Jonathan Hartsock and his Tank Unit on duty in Iraq. The Vinton Messenger article requested that Vinton adopt the 35 soldiers of Lt. Hartsock's Unit. The Roanoke Civitan club responded by sending two packages in late September and two packages in October along with cards letters from several Civitans. Lt. Hartsock graciously acknowledged receiving the gifts and sent computer photograph scenes from Iraq. One of the October packages was of a case of one pound Claxton Fruitcake intended for Thanksgiving. In a conversation with his Mother, she noted that the cake did not last until Thanksgiving; they was consumed early in November.

The names of the men of Lt. Hartsock's unit are identified below along with the unit address. Anyone interested in corresponding or providing a care package to the men is encouraged do so.

(Soldiers name)
HHC 1-13 AR, 3 BDE, 1ST AD
UNIT # 92942

APO AE 09324-2942

Lt Jonathan Hartsock
Pvt Michael Stelter
Pfc Joseph Sanchez
Sgt David Storrs
Sgt David Goff
Sgt Paul Rothschilder
Pfc David Rodgers
Sgt Christian Valentine
Spc Aaron Bartal
Pv1 Ian Mally
Pfc Joshua Adkins
Ssg John Varney
Sgt Valeco Woolfolk
Sgt Chris Taylor
Pfc Robert Cypert
Pvt Michael Vess
Sgt David Gulley

Pfc Matthew Fosnot
Sgt Michael McCartney
Sft Mark Davey
Spc Brian Donovan
Spc Rhett Myers
Pfc Dana Harvey
Pv2 John Hammond
Pfc Richard Miller
Spc Nicholas Hughes
Sgt Shaun Goff
Pfc Dustin Cole
Ssg Fred Cady
Spc Daniel Hoefler
Sgt William Goolsby
Spc Desantos King
Pv1 Ian Mally

2003 Leaders In Freedom Conference

This was an amazing opportunity for leadership and a great learning experience, tons of fun. We had really fantastic speakers and kids. No complaints. Keep up the amazing work." Almost every conference participant completed by the high school participants carried a similar message. Overall, the kids enjoyed their time and extracted a lot of benefit from it.

Bob Tryanski, a dynamic motivational speaker and college instructor at Mississippi State University opened our 4-day adventure with his presentation, "I have a dream, too." He inspired our folks to look beyond a person's limitations and to realize that anyone with a dream could accomplish it. Bob followed his Thursday night performance with an excellent leadership workshop on Friday morning. During his Thursday session (and again on Friday) he announced his "I Have A Dream, Too" Foundation and its intent to give a \$1,000 grant to some young person who needs help making a life's dream come true. One of our participants will become eligible to apply.

Other notable speakers were William Young in the persona of Capt. John Paul Jones and our own Annapolis Civitan, Capt. Jack Fellowes who was a Viet Nam POW in the infamous Hanoi Hilton. On Saturday, Dr. Akiba Covitz from the University of Richmond and two of his assistants presented a workshop on Supreme Court decisions that shaped the President's powers during wartime. Later, Bosnian refugee, Mugdim Bilagic, described leaving his home and belongings under a hail of bullets to begin his new life in America. The final speaker was Paul Mellor, an accomplished marathoner who drew parallels between distance running and the discipline it takes to be a good person and leader. Our own Ann Krome and Pat Robson also conducted workshops on Civitan and the lobbying process.

The weather could have not been better and neither could the kids. Except for five boys who refused to go to sleep until after 2:00 a.m. and another who drank a whole, 8 ounce bottle of Texas Pete hot sauce on a dare, this was one of the best-behaved groups we've ever sponsored. Without being asked, several of the girls (most from the Martinsburg area) helped to set the tables, bring out the food, clean up afterwards, and vacuum the lounge at night.

Civitan owes a large vote of thanks to Judy Amato, Ann Krome, Ed Pyles, and Kathleen Holsinger, and Tammy Ponder for their excellent help throughout the conference. Each contributed greatly to make this our best conference ever. **PAT**

2004 Leaders In Freedom Conference

The 2004 Leaders In Freedom Conference is scheduled for November 19-22, 2004, again at Camp Easter Seal. The camp has been reserved and most of our 2003 speakers have been engaged to return in 2004.

It's too early to give a definite per capita cost, but we will probably hold the line at \$300 per student. This will include lodging, meals, programs, and transportation.

Your LIF Conference committee will meet at our March district meeting in Annapolis to critique each session and speaker and to set forth an agenda for the coming conference. Anyone who would like to sit in on that meeting would be more than welcome.

This would be an excellent time to begin your club's commitment to this project. If you have questions or would like help, please contact Conference Coordinator Pat Robson. His contact information is in the district directory under the Greater Richmond Civitan Club.

GENERALLY SPEAKING

A semi-occasional publication
of Eugene H. Kinder
General of the North
Number 2

Money matters. At all levels of existence we can say that money matters; sometimes less and sometimes more but it always matters. This will address some of the money matters associated with building membership in the Chesapeake District.

The first item can be considered a news bulletin. I have recently learned something about Civitan International policy, which I had misunderstood. I am sorry to report that many people in Chesapeake District who have attended one of my training sessions in recent years have been given incorrect information. The real fact is that any person who has ever been a Junior Civitan or a member of a Campus Civitan club is considered a transfer whenever they later join Civitan. That means that, under current policy, if you make contact with a person who twenty years ago was a member of a Junior Civitan club in middle school, that person may be added to your club roster as a transfer member.

That in turn means that if this new member is reported properly on the add form – in the transfer space -- there is no initiation fee. Transfers do not pay an initiation fee. And remember that reinstated members, Civitans who rejoin, whether they were originally a member of your club or some other pay only five dollars plus insurance. Similarly Civitan International charges full time undergraduate students who have never been in Junior or Campus Civitan only five dollars plus insurance for initiation.

In the same vein, the Civitan International and Chesapeake District charge the students half dues. Additionally, any person with developmental disabilities may be charged half dues as well. And a Civitan who may experience extreme hardship, usually health related, can be charged half dues for up to one year. In these cases, Civitan International and the district just need to be properly informed prior to their preparation of dues invoices. Also a Civitan who becomes unemployed may retain membership in Civitan International for up to two years. And finally we will mention again that members in the military are exempt while on active duty.

Add the special category of associate members and

From Your Governor and Immediate Past Governor



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With Your Help—Together We Can

we have a list of many ways that special situations can result in retention and growth. I will be glad to provide further details if asked or you can check international policy 800 or Article XV of district bylaws.

We have previously mentioned corporate membership as a special category of membership. Let me try to clear up some possible misconceptions. A corporate member is not just someone who has dues paid by his or her employer. That type of member is usually another active member. But current policy allows each club to solicit donations from corporations. The club can define such levels as it may wish. For purposes of illustration, let us assume that your club says that any corporation, which gives your club a donation of \$5000, is going to be called an Angel. The money is given to the club for use on any and all of its projects. But to sweeten the pot in solicitations your club allows all "Angels" to have specific perks as defined by the club. These perks could include things like being listed as an Angel on club letterhead, receiving a plaque from the club, special seating at club events or having a number of corporate members in the club. The donor would then name those people as members and the club would pick up all dues on them. Again, another win – win situation has been created.

We are fortunate that the Chesapeake District Foundation is supporting membership growth in the Chesapeake District. A motion has been passed that, for this entire Civitan year, any club which adds members may request a grant of \$500 for each member added up to a maximum of twelve members. Additional funds are available for clubs, which show more growth, but the application process is slightly more stringent. This special grant money can be spent on any project that would normally qualify for grants from the Foundation, i.e. projects to benefit people with developmental delays. So, a growing club can donate to Special Olympics, CIRC, or other project with greater generosity than would usually be possible.

The Foundation provides a similar grant of as much as \$5000 (\$2500 at charter and \$2500 after one year) to any club that builds a new club which charters with at least thirty members. Add to that the fact that Civitan International currently gives up to \$2000 with fewer strings attached to be used at the discretion of the club building team and we have great incentive to build, build, and build. Essentially, we have a situation where growth is actually a fundraiser for those projects we hold dear.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

Chesapeake District scholarship applications were distributed to the clubs at the November district meeting in Charlottesville. If anyone needs applications but did not receive one, please request one from your area director or David Shirk. If you received one, please duplicate additional copies as needed.

Applications must be submitted to the sponsoring clubs by February 14, 2004. Sponsoring clubs will then submit their top two entries plus one additional entry for each Junior Club sponsored to Dave Shirk so that he in receipt of them by the end of February 2004. Late or incomplete entries will not be considered.

This year more funds are available than ever have been before, so please work to submit good quality applications. For the first time this year a scholarship can be awarded from the John Cain Scholarship Fund with special emphasis going to a qualifying Junior Civitan.

Contact David Shirk at 1200 Spotswood Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23507-1238 for applications or with any questions. Dave may be reached by phone at 757-622-6170 or by email at DFS4WINDS@AOL.COM. Be sure to put "CIVITAN" in the title or subject line of the email as he does not open email unless he recognizes its origin.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ALL FUTURE DISTRICT FELLOWS

Fellows presentations will be made in the future with the following requirements being strictly implemented.

ALL material (Biography as well as \$500.00 check must be RECEIVED by David Shirk at his home address AT LEAST THIRTY DAYS PRIOR to the presentation date. Do not send any materials to anyone except Dave or they will not be honored for presentation.

Checks are to be made out to Chesapeake District Civitan.

Mail all materials to: David Shirk
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Norfolk, VA 23507-1238
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SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE!

To: All Chesapeake District Civitans

Civitan International, Chesapeake District Governor Fon Smith, and Neil Kuchinsky, President of the Colonial Heights Civitan Club are happy to announce a new club:

The Hopewell-Prince George Civitan Club

Charter Date: Saturday, January 17, 2004
Place: New Jerusalem Fellowship Church
Prince George, VA 23875-1487

Please send congratulatory messages and donations to:

Donald L. Wilson, President
Hopewell-Prince George Civitan Club
1615 Clear Springs Lane
Colonial Heights, VA 23834-5872

The Colonial Heights Civitan Club sponsored the new club. The club builders are: the late Robert S. Maitland, Jr., Vivian Maitland, Charles Smith, Fon Smith and George Shumaker.

Junior Civitan Cont. from Pg 5. student goes to the conference and meets many outstanding Junior Civitans and some outstanding Civitans. One of the special workshops at the conference is about Junior Civitan. The student becomes impressed with our organization. You invite the student and his or her parents to a club meeting to speak about the experience and the student meets more outstanding Civitans and in the course of conversations learns about many of the projects done by your club. The parents join your club. The student is now so excited about Civitan that he or she gets together a group of at least fourteen friends at school or in the community and a Junior Civitan club is born.

Your club has now met one of the qualifications for becoming an honor club of distinction because you have now built a Civitan club."

ANNUAL DISTRICT RAFFLE

for a

**NASCAR Race Weekend Package
for the NASCAR PONTIAC 400
Richmond, VA, May 14-15, 2004**

Sponsored by Jasper Engines



Raffle tickets were distributed to club presidents and district officers at the November meeting. For tickets and information call John Shiber at (304) 283-2993; email shiberj@adelphia.net.

This NASCAR Race Weekend Package includes two tickets to the Pontiac Excitement 400 at 7:30 PM on May 15th, 2004 at the Richmond International Raceway, Richmond, VA. This package also includes two passes to the Hospitality Reception for drivers and their crews, and a hotel room for two nights (May 14th & 15th) at the Days Inn, Richmond, VA. The value of this package is \$500. Proceeds will benefit persons with mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

The drawing is April 14th, 2004. The winner does not have to be present. The winners must supply their names, addresses, phone numbers and social security numbers for preparation of race credentials. This info will only be released to Jasper Engines and Transmissions who donated the tickets and passes to the Chesapeake District for this charity fundraiser.

Tickets sell 1 for \$5.00, or 6 for \$25.00. This is a "Hot Package" and sold well last year. Tickets to the race and reception are donated by Jasper Co. Race fans are eagerly awaiting their opportunity to buy chances to attend these events.

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS—Roanoke Club

I just received a newsletter from the Roanoke Civitan Club. From what they accomplished in 2003 is super; and what they have undertaken the first three months of this year is outstanding.

Tops, **#1, in Candy Box** collections in 2003 for all of Civitan; almost \$12,000 total!

In December they **placed 8000 pounds of fruitcake** for sale in various stores.

Shopped and shopped at various stores and supermarkets and put together 23 huge baskets of food for needy individuals and families—called **“Operation Christmas Basket.”**

Twenty-six members chose a card from the angel tree and donated clothing and other personal gifts to the members of the G.I. Tinker Mountain Civitan Club.

Sent a case of fruitcake to a Lieutenant stationed in Iraq to share with his unit. (Oh the postage!)


Roanoke is an example of what Civitan is all about.



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Bill Jackson, Immediate Past
Foundation President 2002-03,
extends best wishes to the
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year 2003-04 under
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