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Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia
Pickleball & Golf Festival 2025

Tuesday, September 16, 2025, The Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia (SCNOVA) held its 4th annual Pickleball & Golf Festival Fundraiser at **Worldgate Athletic Club & Spa (13037 Worldgate Drive, Herndon, VA)** from **3:30 pm to 7:00 pm**.

Guests, sponsors, and honorary committee dignitaries gathered to enjoy what has become an annual tradition for the Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia. Attendees enjoyed 10 beautiful pickleball courts, an exciting tournament, a golf simulation lounge with famous courses to choose from, tasty treats, a fun photo booth, swag bag goodies, a raffle with great themed baskets, prizes for players, and a silent auction featuring many incredible items and experiences.

Pickleball & Golf Festival 2025 was a great success thanks to its committee members, event sponsors, community partners, supporters, and players. This fundraiser supports homebound adults over 50 who look to the Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia for medical and non-medical appointment transportation, social connection and other critical needs. These contributions to SCNOVA's programs and services will help ensure that SCNOVA's mission of fostering independence, lifelong learning, and socialization for older adults in the communities they serve will be accomplished in 2025.

SCNOVA would like to extend a special thank you to its media sponsor, The Golden Gazette, Delegate Holly Seibold, Delegate Karen Keys-Gamarra, Supervisor James Bierman Jr. and Mayor Linda Colbert for their attendance and support, as well as all sponsors (Our **title sponsor, The Adler Foundation**), staff, development committee members, and volunteers that made this event possible.

The Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia is dedicated to improving the quality of life for older adults in the communities it serves through supportive programs and services, personal enrichment, and volunteer engagement, enabling our senior neighbors to live full and productive lives while aging in place. Our hundreds of trained and vetted volunteers serve as transportation drivers, friendly callers and visitors, handy helpers, and lifelong learning enthusiasts. Please be sure to like us on Facebook (The Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia), Instagram (@Shepherds_Center_Nova), and LinkedIn. SHARE so others can learn about the services we offer! To volunteer, donate, or learn how you can help, visit <http://www.scnova.org> or contact the office at **703-281-0538**.

If you missed this event but would love to participate in an afternoon of great fun while playing pickleball for a purpose, make sure you join us next year for SCNOVA's Pickleball & Golf Festival Fundraiser 2026. **Watch the www.scnova.org website for registration information in August 2026**