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SCNOVA NEWSLETTER

Fall 2025 Edition/ SCNOVA



The SCNOVA Development Committee - Serving Up Another Great Pickleball Festival



Each year, the SCNOVA Development Committee spearheads the Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia's largest annual fundraising event, the SCNOVA Pickleball & Golf Festival and silent auction. They have planned something bigger and better than ever for this year's silent auction, and excitement continues to rise as the festival day approaches. The committee has truly outdone itself, acquiring over \$17,000.00 worth of fabulous silent auction items and experiences to choose from.

Whether you are a sports fanatic, a lover of travel, or a fine dining foodie, there is something for everyone. Expect to find a fun staycation at the Capital Hilton, Nationals tickets, Dinner with Mayor Linda Colbert at Evelyn Rose on historic Church Street, and much more!

The SCNOVA 2025 Silent Auction is currently open and will close September 17th (the day after the event) at 8:00 pm. To access the auction and view all the exciting items we have to offer, type the following link into your browser: www.32auctions.com/scnovasilentauction2025 or use the QR code in the above lefthand corner. Open your phone camera viewer and hover it over the code. A link will pop up. Click that link to take you to the **SCNOVA Silent Auction 2025**.

SCNOVA would like to extend a special thank you to the ladies and gentlemen of the SCNOVA Development Committee, pictured above from left to right: Akram Aleahmad, Nikita Mutter Riverson, Kerry Massie, Frieda Errico, Ambre Tomlinson, Kay DeMarco, Kim Carroll, Jayne Young, Nancy Appler, Anne Nelson, and Marsha Komandt. Not pictured but equally loved: Melinda O'Brien, Carolyn Pennington, and Steve Gurney.

SCNOVA Calendar and Photo Recaps

2025 Calendar of Events

***Sept 16** - 4th Annual Pickleball Festival, Worldgate Athletic Club & Spa, Herndon VA 3:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

Oct 8 - Murder Mystery Lunch N Life, Floris United Methodist Church, Herndon VA 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, \$20. Register ASAP, tickets are almost sold out!

Sponsored by - **Brightview Senior Living**

Oct 20 - Bingo Night at Foster's Grille - Vienna, VA, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, \$10 for 10 games.

Sponsored by - **Rachel Hemich Cheng**

Nov 6 - Harvest Festival with the Vienna Community Center, Vienna VA, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, \$20.

Sponsored by - **Greenspring by Erickson**

Dec 9 - Holiday Tea & Sweets celebration St. Mark Catholic Church Vienna, VA, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, \$20.

Sponsored by - **Sunrise Senior Living - Hunter Mill**

Dec 15 - Bingo Night at Foster's Grille - Vienna, VA, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, \$10 for 10 games.

Sponsored by - **Eldementals**

***Registration opens 30 days before the event. To register please call 703- 281-0538 or visit www.scnova.org.**

Active Aging & Wellness

Wednesdays 10:45 - 11:45 am Via Zoom

8 Week Sessions \$50 per Session

(See remaining 2025 sessions below)

8/27/25 thru 10/15/25

10/22/25 thru 12/10/25

Contact Casey Tarr to register now,

703-850-4131. Email: Eileen

Meileentarr1@verizon.net

Tai Chi / Qigong

Every Monday and Thursday at 9:00 am.

Mondays at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Rd, Vienna, VA 22181. **Thursdays** are at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fairfax, at 2709 Hunter Mill Rd, Oakton, VA 22124.

(See remaining 2025 session below)

Fall Session (Oct – Dec)

***Registration & waiver required. Call the SCNOVA Office to register, 703-281-0538. New participants are welcome with a suggested donation of \$45 per session.**

Appraisal Roadshow



Caregiver Support Group

Meets via Zoom, at 10:00 am to 11:30 am on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

For more information, or to attend please contact Jack Tarr at 703-821-6838, tarrjack5@gmail.com or Marcia Baumgartner at Baumgartner@gmail.com

Walking Club with Casey Tarr

The Walking Club meets every Tuesday at 1:00 pm. Please contact Casey Tarr to register now and learn about the next meeting location

Phone: 703-850-4131

Email: EileenTarr1@verizon.net

Interested in volunteering with the Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia? Give us a call at the SCNOVA office and let's go over all the great opportunities to give back to your community, 703-281-0538.



From the very beginning of her journey with the Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia, it was clear that Jayne Young's years of caregiving for her mother had fueled her support of the SCNOVA mission to provide vital services to older adults. As former Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia Director of Operations & Events as well as interim Executive Director, Jayne's commitment to the center was more than a volunteering commitment, but also a personal charge to support her community. Her passion for supporting SCNOVA has remained strong during her years of service. Jayne joined the SCNOVA Board of Directors in June of 2018. Jayne Young currently holds the titles of Board Vice Chair, Executive Committee, chair of the Development Committee, co-Chair Volunteer Committee, and sits on both the HR and IT Committees.

Each year, Jayne organizes SCNOVA's biggest fundraising effort of the year with the help of the SCNOVA staff, Development & Hospitality Committees. Jayne keeps everyone organized, and under her leadership, efforts to obtain sponsors, silent auction items, and event space have far exceeded expectations.

Make sure you join SCNOVA for their 4th Annual Pickleball & Golf Festival on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, from 3:30 pm -7:00 pm at the Worldgate Health Club & Spa, located at 13037 Worldgate Drive, Herndon, VA. This event will feature ten indoor pickleball courts, on-site coaches and athletic professionals, a golf simulation lounge with famous golf courses to choose from, raffle prizes, a silent auction with awesome items & experiences, tasty refreshments, swag bags, and a fun photo booth. The golf courses featured include: Beaver Hills, Blue Bayou, Broken Tree, Butterfield Blue, Carnoustie Championship, Colonial Country, Kinsale Golf, Linfield National, Merion, Pebble Beach, Real Club Valderrama, Royal Birkdale, Royal Lytham, Royal Troon, Spanish Bay, Spyglass Hill, St. Andrews Castle, St. Andrews Jubilee, St. Andrews New, St. Andrews Old, Tall Pines, Teton Pine, The Farms, Wentworth West, Willow Crest, Glen Flora, Potter's Park. Last year's SCNOVA Pickleball Festival raised over \$73,000 with proceeds helping to fund SCNOVA's programs, services, operating costs, and free transportation for adults over 50 living in Vienna, Oakton, Great Falls, Dunn Loring, Merrifield, Reston, and Herndon, plus some areas of Fairfax.

Learn more and register at scnova.org/event/pickleball-golf-festival-2025 while tickets last.



REGISTER NOW!

**FOR SCNOVA'S
PICKLEBALL & GOLF FESTIVAL
FUNDRAISER**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

3:30PM - 7:00PM

WORLDGATE ATHLETIC CLUB & SPA

(13037 WORLDGATE DRIVE, HERNDON VIRGINIA 20170)

*FEATURING MULTI-LEVELS OF PICKLEBALL PLAY (BEGINNERS CLINIC AND
ADVANCED TOURNAMENT), AWESOME GOLF SIMULATION CONTESTS,
GREAT PRIZES, WORLD-FAMOUS COURSES, RAFFLE SPECIALTIES, AND A
SILENT AUCTION WITH FABULOUS ITEMS & EXPERIENCES!*

**REGISTER FOR TICKETS
BELOW WITH THE QR CODE**



**ACCESS THE SILENT AUCTION
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Honoring Yesterday
Celebrating TodaySM



Pazzo Pomodoro
Authentic Italian Food
A Crazy Tomato Company



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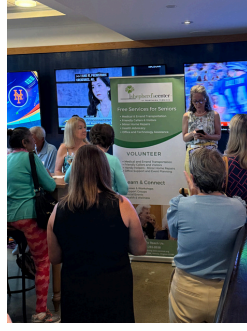


A Word from SCNOVA Chairman of the Board - Scott Schroth



As we reach the fall, some things change. We've moved our offices from Vienna Baptist Church, our wonderful and gracious host for almost 30 years, to a great new space in the middle of Vienna on Church Street. And some things don't change! We are celebrating the work of our staff and volunteers with our many community friends and sponsors at the annual Pickleball Fundraiser-- see you there!

Volunteer Social at Bear Branch Tavern Photos



Special thanks to our August 13th SCNOVA Volunteer Social Sponsors!



Honoring Yesterday
Celebrating TodaySM

&
The Ed Lowry Family



If you happen to take any snapshots of the SCNOVA events you attend, please feel free to submit them via email to, Communications@scnova.org to be featured in the next edition of the SCNOVA newsletter!

Appreciation for Your Support



What inspires you to reach higher, think deeper, and discover new solutions? You would be right if your answer is “pickleball”, especially participating in the Shepherd’s Center 4th Annual Pickleball & Golf Festival. You would also be right if you answered “volunteering”. The founder of the Shepherd Centers, Dr. Elbert Cole, often said that the Shepherd Center volunteers frequently discovered gifts and depth of service for which they were unaware. Our current volunteers share the same sentiment. I encourage you to keep reaching and discovering new horizons!

Special Thank You to Our Congregational Advisory Council Members & Supporters

If you are interested in participating in the next meeting Sept. 23rd, please reach out to the office for zoom and/or in person information, 703-281-0538. All are welcome to join.

Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church
Antioch/Redeemer Christian Church
Christ the King Lutheran Church
Church of the Holy Comforter
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Emmaus United Church of Christ
First Baptist Church of Vienna
Oakton United Methodist Church
Our Lady of Good Counsel
St. Francis Episcopal Church
St. John Neumann Church
St. Mark Catholic Church
The Church of the Good Shepherd
Unity of Fairfax
Vale United Methodist Church
Vienna Baptist Church
Vienna Presbyterian Church
Wesley United Methodist Church

GIVING TUESDAY

As fall approaches and we usher in another holiday season, please keep the Shepherd’s Center of Northern Virginia in mind and use the QR code below to participate.



Your support directly impacts programs and services that foster socialization and independence for older adults in the communities we serve. Giving Tuesday is **December 2, 2025**. Thank you.



111 Church St. NW, Suite 202B
Vienna, VA 22180

Dedicated to improving quality of life as we age, through supportive programs and services, personal enrichment and volunteer engagement.

Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia serves Oakton, Vienna, Reston, Herndon, Great Falls, Merrifield, Dunn Loring and parts of Fairfax North of Rt. 50

SCNOVA Spotlight - Fall 2025



Shepherd's Center thanks Navy Federal Credit Union for printing this newsletter!

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Operations/Volunteer Manager - Nikita Mutter Riverson, 703-281-0538, office@scnova.org

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