

Transportation - Volunteers provided 35 rides to medical appointments for 28 people in April, and provided 52 rides for 42 people in May.

IN MEMORIAM

The ACCA community extends its condolences to the family of Gordon Furbish, who passed away in June. Gordon was a past president of ACCA and an active volunteer over many years.

GRANTS AND COMMUNITY DONATIONS

ACCA gratefully acknowledges donations and grants from the Annandale Rotary Foundation, Fairfax County, and Alternative Gifts International. We also thank the Quality Inn of Arlington for donation of beds and Harris Teeter for giving food for the Pastors' luncheon. ACCA also received an additional check from the estate of Rose Blanche Shields.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE SCHEDULE

June 23	Providence Presbyterian
June 30	CLOSED FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY
July 7	St. Alban
July 14	St. Michael
July 21	St. Barnabas / Cornerstone Evangelical
July 28	Latter Day Saints/ Friendship Methodist
WAREHOUSE CLOSED MONTH OF AUGUST	
August 25	Furniture Committee Annual Planning Meeting

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, July 17

Hope Lutheran Church

4604 Ravensworth Road, Annandale

7:30 pm refreshments and fellowship/ 7:45 pm meeting



NEWS

ANNANDALE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY FOR ACTION
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ACCA HONORED FOR REPAIR OF 100 HOUSES

Over the past 18 years ACCA has renovated 100 houses or group homes as part of Rebuilding Together—the nation's largest volunteer home rehabilitation effort, formerly Christmas in April. Nancy Hall, President, and Marie Monsen, Housing Liaison, were honored guests at the Monte Carlo Night benefiting the Robert Pierre Johnson Housing Development Corporation. ACCA received a beautiful plaque from RPJ celebrating ACCA's renewal of 100 houses. The plaque has an etching of the first house ACCA worked on, that of Mrs. Mary Brown.

On May 1, Patti Dennis of RPJ Housing and Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross attended the ACCA meeting to honor our accomplishment. Marie Monsen presented certificates of appreciation to long-serving volunteers, including Bill LaLiberte, Rob McAnally, Frank Spink, Ken and Camille Mittelholtz, Hunt Anderson, Jim and Ann Kemble, Betty Lee Thatcher, Max Drauchun, Frank Rupert, Jim Stewart, Ray Seifert, Brad Moffet, Patrick Boyle, and John Clarke. She also presented a certificate to volunteers from Inova Health System, received by Sarah Clem. Thank you to everyone who contributed time, talents and money for the Rebuilding Together/ Christmas in April effort over the years.

Marie Monsen has coordinated ACCA's work with this ministry for the 18 years ACCA has been involved. We thank Marie for her long commitment to the program and to maintaining affordable housing in our community.

At this year's workday on April 28, some sixty ACCA volunteers turned out to repair three homes. The workers came from Annandale United Methodist, John Calvin Presbyterian, Latter Day Saints, Lincolnia Methodist, Ravensworth Baptist, Queen of Apostles Catholic, Peace Lutheran and St. Barnabas Episcopal churches and Inova Health Systems. Volunteers did yard work, made a variety of repairs, and painted. We are grateful to the volunteers from Lincolnia Methodist, Queen of Apostles and St. Barnabas churches for serving food for workers.



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Special thanks go to all the churches and individuals who contributed funds to sponsor a house and to the Northern Virginia Builders' Association for their generous grant which helped offset expenses. As always, the work could never have been accomplished without the hard work and dedication of the house captains who worked with the homeowners, scoped out the work to be done and organized the volunteer effort.

HOST CHURCHES

The Rev. Tom Jackson and Sandra Winger welcomed us to St. Paul's Episcopal Church for the May ACCA Board of Directors meeting. Rev. Jackson said that St. Paul's is celebrating its 150th year in 2007. He mentioned St. Paul's role in establishment of the Bailey's Crossroads Community Shelter.

Lincolnia United Methodist Church hosted our June Board of Directors meeting. Pastor Bill Heinzman and Official representative Betty Lee Thatcher welcomed us. Pastor Heinzman spoke of the importance of ACCA's service to those in need in our community.

PASTORS' LUNCHEON GIVES INFORMATION ON SERVICES

Pastors and administrative assistants were invited to the Pastors' Luncheon, held May 17. The luncheon featured presentations on how to access Fairfax County services. We are very grateful for Harris Teeter supermarket's sponsorship of the food for the luncheon. We thank Annandale United Methodist Church for providing the meeting space. Thanks to Mary Lee DiSpirito, Sue Meekins and other committee members for their hard work in planning and making arrangements for the luncheon.

ACCA PLANS FOR NEXT FISCAL YEAR

The Board of Directors has adopted a budget for fiscal year 2008, which begins on July 1. Continued strong support from churches and individuals as well as grant funds will be needed to support ACCA's programs to help the needy in our community. The ACCA Board also worked on updating our strategic plan. Action on the update will be at the July meeting.

ACCA MEETING VISITOR

We were pleased to be joined by Tony Pomilla at the June ACCA meeting. Tony is the president of ECHO -Ecumenical Council Helping Others- which works in the Springfield area. It is helpful to share experiences with neighboring faith community service organizations.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER NEWS

Center Director Dr. Judith Falkenrath reported that the ACCA Child Development Center is fully enrolled. Fifty-nine of the oldest children will be leaving in the fall

to attend kindergarten. Now that the warm weather is here, the children are busy with their gardening. They enjoy the many field trips.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Save the date for ACCA's celebration of forty years of service to the community on October 2.

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES

Family Emergency – In April, ACCA assisted 57 households with funding toward rent, utilities, medicine and other urgent needs. A total of \$23,971 in assistance was given. In May, ACCA gave a total of \$19,185 in assistance to 44 households. ACCA will be distributing FEMA funding of \$28,635, which is limited to assistance for rent, half coming in FY07 and half in FY08.

Food Pantry - In April, Food Pantry volunteers delivered food to 43 households, serving 133 people. In May, the Food Pantry made 14 deliveries serving 148 people. The Post Office Food Drive was held May 12. The Pantry received about 10,000 pounds of food. We thank the Annandale Post Office for holding this drive. We appreciate the donations of food and the help of volunteers who helped deliver and shelve the donated food.

Furniture - ACCA Furniture volunteers made a total of 54 furniture pickups and deliveries during the month of April. Because of the Memorial Day holiday, the ACCA Furniture team only operated for three weeks during May but completed a total of 45 furniture pickups or deliveries. The warehouse is in great need of donations of beds (except for king size), dressers, chests of drawers, and sofas. The Quality Inn of Arlington donated 96 mattresses and box springs. ACCA is very grateful for this large supply of beds.

Grants - ACCA was told we will receive grants of \$40,000 for Family Emergency Assistance, \$20,000 for Food/Nutrition/Hygiene, and \$16,000-\$17,000 for Furniture Storage from Fairfax County's Consolidated Community Funding Pool. The ACCA Food Ministry will receive a donation of more than \$5000 from Alternative Gifts International by the end of June, thanks to a nomination from John Calvin Presbyterian. The Annandale Rotary Foundation awarded a grant of \$1000 to the Child Development Center, and a separate grant of \$1000 to the Family Emergency Assistance ministry.

Meals-on-Wheels - Volunteers delivered 517 meals in April and 555 meals in May. ACCA thanks United Baptist Church for allowing the Meals-on-Wheels program to use the church for meal distribution.