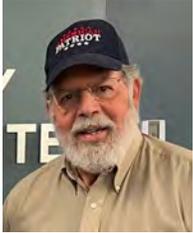




SENIORS' CHAT



Hello, Happy Hands Members and Friends,

Our upcoming May 7th monthly meeting's agenda will have an election of Fine Tuners for 2025-2026, "Think Of A Number," "IQ Test," and a presentation about a research project. See page 2 for details.

All of our recent events are reported with pictures in this newsletter for your reading pleasure.

Page 2 has information about election of officers for 2025-2026.

As usual, Stay Happy Safely with Our Awesome Hands!

~ Don

Picnic
June 4, 2025
10:00AM-4:00PM (Rain or Shine)
Lake Fairfax Park
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lake-fairfax>
See page 3
for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

...to the folks with birthdays in **May**

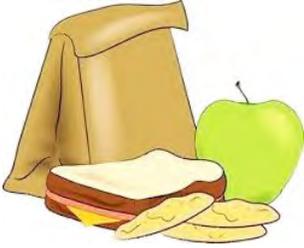


Steven Burton [3rd]
Margaret Huang [3rd]
Barbie Sidawy [5th]
George Sidawy [10th]
Walter Klatt [13th]
Felix Chevere [16th]
Steve Williams [24th]
Eve Christian [25th]
Joan Corley [31st]



Happy Hands In-Person Meeting

May 7 at 10:00 AM



We will have our monthly meeting on May 7, 2025 at 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH BAGS AND BEVERAGES.

Before lunch, we will have an election of Fine Tuners for 2025-2016, and Bob Hickey will present “Think of A Number” and “IQ Test.”



After lunch, Vanessa Arp, an adaptive instructor at Gallaudet University, will give a presentation on a balance exercise research project currently being conducted by her team, funded by the National Institutes of Health. They are preparing for their third cycle in fall 2025 and a fourth in spring 2026. The project focuses on Deaf seniors and aims to determine whether the balance exercise program can improve their balance and overall quality of life. The first two cycles have shown significant improvements in balance, confidence, and quality of life among participants in two different groups. For more information about the project, visit: <https://balancelab.wixsite.com/balancelab/copy-of-asl-adaptation-self-report> and see page 19.



ELECTION

Of Fine Tuners for 2025-2026

If you are interested in any of the positions below, please contact Pat Beech at pgbeech@aol.com.

- * Chair will lead meetings.
- * Vice Chair will substitute for the Chair when needed, and assist with other committee planning whenever needed.
- * Secretary will take minutes.
- * Treasurer will maintain detailed records of all cash activities.
- * Member-At-Large (3-5) will help wherever needed.





Picnic at Lake Fairfax Park

(Rain or Shine)

June 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Picnic Shelter K, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston, VA 20190
Shelter K is a short walk from the parking lot. The bathroom is close by.



<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lakefairfax>
<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/lake-fairfax/on-your-own>

Catered by Mission BBQ

Pulled Chicken and Pulled Pork
Broccoli Salad, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, and Cole Slaw

Provided by Happy Hands

Fruit and Desserts



Bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverages.

Because we need to know how much stuff to buy, we need RSVP by May 21. Please email Pat Beech at pgbeech@aol.com.

HH Members: \$20 for picnic
Non-Members: \$35 (\$20 for picnic and \$15 for membership)

Name: _____			
Pick only one meat (mark X)		Pick 2 or 3 side dishes (mark X)	
Pulled Chicken	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broccoli Salad	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pulled Pork	<input type="checkbox"/>	Potato Salad	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Baked Beans	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Cole Slaw	<input type="checkbox"/>

Payments must be received by May 28. There will be NO at-door registrations.

In person, you can give the \$\$ (cash or check) to Pat Beech. Make check payable to NVRC/Happy Hands. You can mail the check to: NVRC/Happy Hands, 10467 White Granite Drive, Suite 312, Oakton, VA 22124. To use Zelle, send the payment to accounting@nvrc.org. In the memo, say "Happy Hands Picnic 2025."

RECAP

Recap of Monthly Meeting on April 2, 2024

RECAP

Thirty-eight attendees came to the April 2 meeting. Highlights of the meeting were: April Birthday Song, 9-1-1 Survey, and Board Games. Here is YouTube link for the meeting: <https://youtu.be/GjWtUbZwC8U>.



Don Ames starts the meeting



Don signs "Happy Birthday" to the April folks:
Jonathan Kiell, Laurie Dowling, and Paul Daniels



Darren Marquardt, NVRC Executive Director



Jonathan Kiell, Eddie Drawdy, and Don Ames



Sitting: Margaret Huang and June Freeman
Standing: Denise Drake and Cathleen Potosky



Jean Buffardi



Sitting: Cheryl Rockburn and Bob Hickey
Standing: Tom Drake, Stan Smith, and Rocky Rockburn



RECAP

Recap of Monthly Meeting

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RECAP



Sitting: Cyril Potosky and Mary Ann Beatty
Standing: Serry Fahmy, Tim Lavelle, and Tim Beatty



9-1-1 Survey Team
Arber Deski and Linda Jackson



Eileen Goran, and Paul & Peggy Daniels



Steve & Melanie Williams



Laurie Dowling, Jonathan Kiell, and Tom Dowling



Jill Moebus and Eve Christian



Cathleen Potosky, Eileen Goran, Lynn Keefe, and Laurie Dowling



Cathy & Rick Thompson



Richard Cohen



Bill Morris, and Barry Harlan & Vicki Shank



Pat Beech and Lois Herberger



RECAP

Recap of Monthly Meeting

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RECAP



Buffet Table



Dessert Table



Playing Scrabble



9-1-1 Survey



Socializing



Mar-Apr Lunch at Lazy Dog on 04-07-2025




Sitting: Vicki Shank & Barry Harlan,
Jonathan Kiell, and Zina Zimina
Standing: Pat Beech, Denise Proulx, Peggy & Paul Daniels,
Melanie & Steve Williams, Lois Herberger,
Laurie & Tom Dowling, and Iryna Ravliuk

The Birthday Group
Sitting: Denise Proulx,
Barry Harlan, and Jonathan Kiell
Standing: Paul Daniels,
Laurie Dowling, and Iryna Ravliuk



Blowing out the
candles on the
Butter Cakes





News from Texas




Nancy Rarus and her SSSS group met for lunch on 04-07-2025 at Nancy’s daughter Kim’s home in Austin, TX. They had croissants filled with chicken & grape salad. For dessert, they had fruit pizza covered with cream cheese, marshmallow creme, and fresh fruits on top.

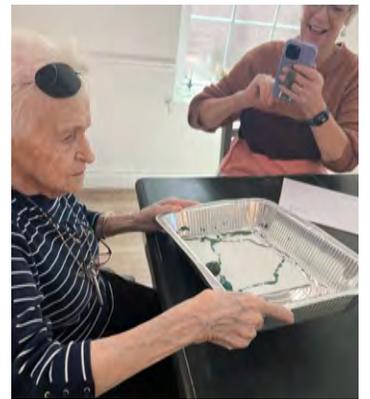
They did a craft where they rolled egg-shaped stones into paint over the canvas. Everyone took their artwork home.



The games were fun — Charades, Hot Egg (instead of Hot Potato), Beach Ball Slap, and Put Our Feet to Work.

Note: SSSS means Sexy Sassy Smart Seniors.

Kathryn Caldaugh, Lisa Bosson, Nancy Rarus, Sharon Having, Joann Brinstool, and Kim Rarus





More News from Texas



No tornados, snow, flooding this year (well, so far)! We had a very short winter. The summers tend to be a bit warm. White Oak is in the northeast part of Texas - about an hour from Shreveport, Louisiana and about 3 hours from Dallas. We moved here in October 2013.

I don't miss Northern Virginia traffic!!! The food store is about 3 minutes from the house. The veterinarian's office is 5 minutes' drive. Our doctor's office is about 7 minutes' drive down the road. Two major hospital centers are 20 minutes away. The shopping loop with hundreds of stores and restaurants is 15 minutes down Route 80. Mexican restaurant, subway shop, and pizza restaurant are 3 minutes away.

Sandy, the dogs and I are doing well. Sandy is keeping busy with his radios, fixing vehicles (cars and tractors) and farm chores on our 10-acre property. True is 11 years old and still up to his fun things. Dream just turned 5, and he is a sweet dog. Both dogs earned their American Kennel Club companion dog novice titles.

Meanwhile, I am keeping busy with crafts, spinning, knitting and making stamping up cards. The Methodist church next door keeps me busy with Bible studies and prayers. Sandy helps with church and electronics maintenance. Recently the church sponsored a wonderful bluegrass concert.

I have met only 2 deaf folks from out of town.



Sandy & Nan with Dream and True (Belgian Sheepdogs)



Title Ribbons



May 16, 2025

DEAF PRESIDENT NOW!

DIRS, NYLE DIMARCO & DAVIS GUGGENHEIM

Apple TV+

“Deaf President Now!” will premiere on Apple TV+ on May 16, 2025. The documentary highlights the landmark protests of 1988, when Gallaudet students demanded the appointment of a Deaf president for the university, marking a pivotal moment in advocacy for Deaf rights and representation.

This movie was directed by Nyle DiMarco and Davis Guggenheim.

For more information, see:

- * <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt3496596/>
- * <https://www.apple.com/tv-pr/originals/deaf-president-now/>



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Dinner at Ashby Ponds on 03-22-2025

Sitting: Paula Olejarz, Laurie Warren, Laurie & Tom Dowling, and Eve Christian
Standing: Lew Carr, Pat Beech, Jill Moebus, Sharon Harvey, Jean Balcom, and Jane Light



Sitting: Linda & Robert Whitworth
Standing: Pat Beech, Karen Schleifer, Jill Moebus, and Eve Christian



Birthday Celebration for Linda at Ashby Ponds on 03-23-2025

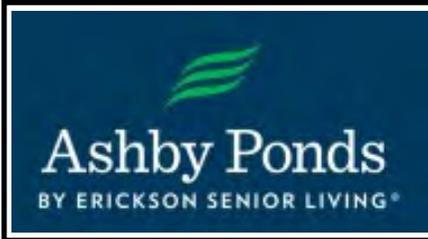


Karen Schleifer, Linda Whitworth, and Bev Young



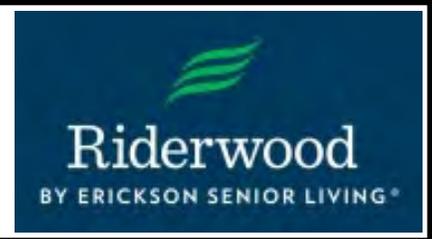
Lunch at Riderwood on 03-26-2025

Sitting: Holly Roth, Jill Moebus, and Jack Mitchiner
Standing: Eddie Drawdy and Pat Beech



Erickson

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Resident Life at Ashby Ponds sponsored a Cherry Blossom Art Pop Up on April 1, 2025. For more info about this artwork, see: <https://www.toddleratplay.com/2020/03/03/cherry-blossom-craft/>.



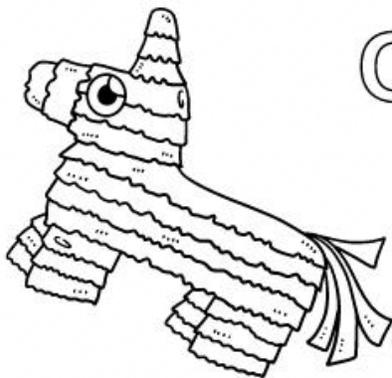
Pat Beech and Jill Moebus



Kelsey Hunt



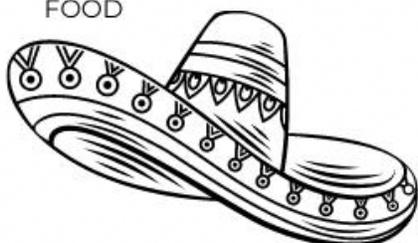
Paula Olejarz



CINCO DE MAYO

WORD SEARCH

- AMIGO
- BUENO
- BURRITO
- CACTUS
- CINCO
- CULTURE
- DANCING
- FIESTA
- FOOD
- GUITAR
- MAY
- MEXICO
- MUSIC
- PINATA
- SALSA
- SOMBRERO
- SPANISH



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Training at HKNC



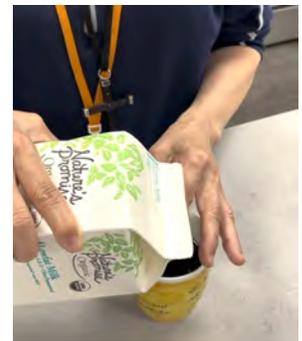
Lanny and friends play Skip-Bo on Friday nights



Reading story in Braille about Helen Keller's life



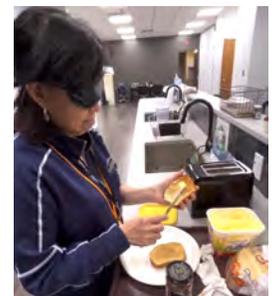
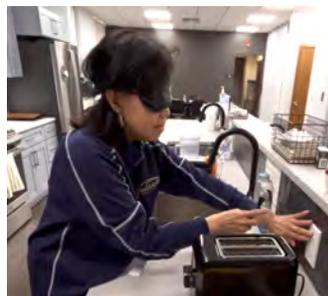
Learning to use Braille Display iPhone with Caitlin, hearing blind teacher (with two interpreters)



Making coffee blindfolded — Lanny had to learn to plug in the coffee brewer, put in the K-Cup, and put in sugar and milk [<https://youtu.be/wmwGun7-FHc>]



Lanny works at Jersey Mike's Restaurant, and Washer Room in a hotel every Monday. She gets free lunch with Pepsi.



Using toaster blindfolded — Lanny had to learn to plug in the toaster, put in two slices of bread, use settings on the toaster, and put butter and jelly on the toast [<https://youtu.be/OPIL1QC77gk>]



Training at HKNC

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Tutoring session with Tech Teacher, Robert Pena



Lanny and friends had fun making pizza. They got to pick toppings they like on the pizza.

Lanny, daughter and her husband visited Manhattan



Daughter and her husband visited Lanny at HKNC.



Training at HKNC

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Practice cleaning floor blindfolded



Deaf-Blind group at HKNC



Walk on Track for 45 minutes daily after dinner



The Deaf-Blind group celebrated Ahmad's 23rd birthday (wearing hat and glasses). He leaves for RIT in May.



Deaf-Blind and Hearing-Blind group at HKNC

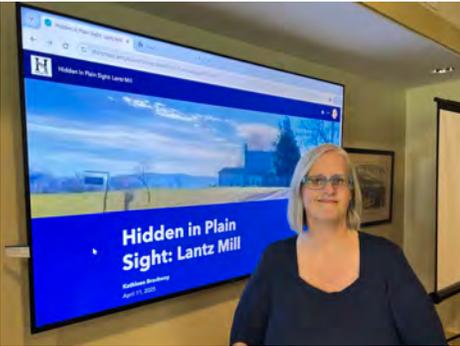


Easter Egg Hunt



Echoes Through Time

04-12-2025

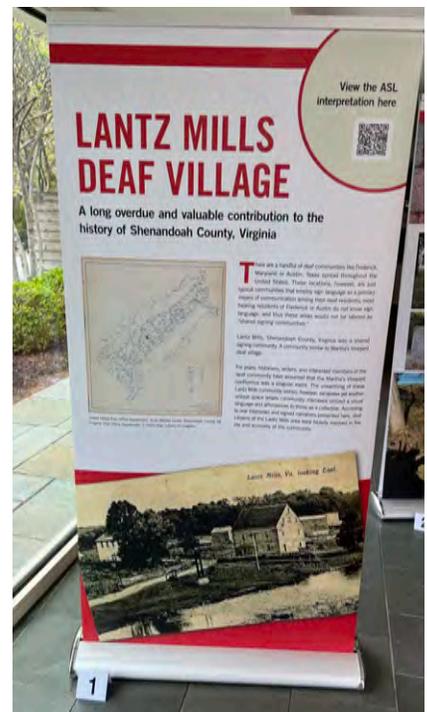


NVRC and the City of Fairfax Office of Historic Resources hosted the “Echoes Through Time” presentation by Kathleen Brockway at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim in Fairfax on 04-12-2025. Over 82 people attended. Fifteen cars were turned away due to the standing-room-only capacity.

Several descendants of the Lantz Mills Deaf Village attended this event: Eve Christian with son Dana, Denise Drake, and Bill Barber.

The Lantz Mills Deaf Village Exhibit is on display at the Fairfax Museum & Visitor Center until May 17.

Pictures on pages 15-16 by Pat Beech; Pictures on page 17 by Jeanne Lavelle



Echoes Through Time

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Sean Redmiles [Historic Resource Specialist II, City of Fairfax Office of Historic Resources]
Darren Marquardt [NVRC Executive Director]
Kathleen Brockway [lecturer]



Kathleen Brockway with Eve Christian and her son Dana



Denise Drake and **Bill Barber**

A DEAF-OWNED BUSINESS: CHRISTIAN & SONS



Above: Christian family photo with a painting of Isabella (Hollar) Christian held by Arthur, one of her sons. Isabella passed away on February 17, 1896, before the photo was taken. Top row: Samuel Lee Christian, Charles Edward Christian (deaf), Ferdinand Rhodes Christian (deaf), Cleveland Henrico Christian (deaf). Bottom row: John Jacob Christian (deaf), William Christian (deaf), his wife Isabella Christian (deaf) (photo), Arthur (below Christian (hard of hearing)). Photo courtesy of Denise Drake

Below: Christian Family photo. Seated left to right: James Milton Hollar (deaf) and Virginia (Lorens) Hollar (deaf), standing left to right: Milton Hollar (hard of hearing), Ida Hollar (CODA), and David Hollar (hard of hearing).



The growth of a deaf community centered in Lantz Mills really had its genesis after the Christian family moved there from the Readus area to open a funeral and furniture business. Even before it became more popular, deaf residents had been well established in the Madison District for years. Lantz Mills was a known unincorporated town that served as a local business district for the larger area of Edinburg. According to the *Shenandoah Herald*, local deaf entrepreneur William Christian founded "Christian & Sons" in 1877.

Notably, this enterprise is one of the first known deaf-owned and run businesses in nineteenth-century Virginia, a rarity but an important footnote in the Shenandoah County and Lantz Mills historical narrative. This deaf-owned business carried down the three generations of the Christians in the same wood shop, overall around 80 years.

ESTABLISHED 1877.
Wm. Christian & Sons,
 LANTZ MILL, VIRGINIA,
 Undertakers & Furnitue Directors
 All orders will receive prompt attention, on most reasonable terms.



Dana Christian is pointing to William Christian
 Denise Drake is pointing to Cleveland Henrico Christian



Eve Christian with her son Dana

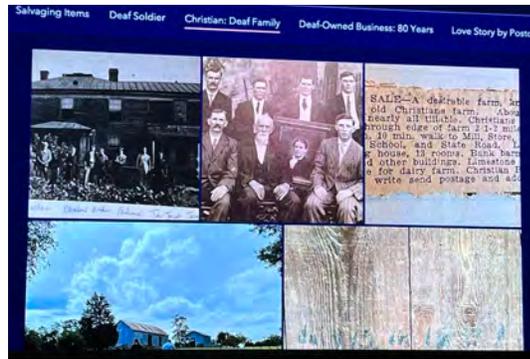


Kathleen Brockway with interpreters, Wes and Matt



Echoes Through Time

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Jeanne Lavelle and Bill Barber

Signing Community

<https://encyclopediavirginia.org/entries/the-shared-signing-community-of-lantz-mills/>

Daily Moth Interview

<https://www.dailymoth.com/blog/kathleen-brockway-on-historic-shared-signing-community-of-lantz-mills>

Traveling Exhibition

<https://edu.lva.virginia.gov/lantz-mills-traveling-exhibition/>

YouTube “I Have A Story”

https://youtu.be/mMtw8rv_BI

The Northern Virginia Daily

https://www.nvdaily.com/nvdaily/traveling-statewide-exhibit-tells-of-deaf-village-near-edinburg/article_39fc1670-72aa-59c2-8e88-eb913f904cff.html



Kathleen Brockway with Jeanne & Tim Lavelle

Lantz Mills Exhibit at Fairfax Museum on 04-19-2025



NVRC Volunteers
for the Lantz Mills Exhibit
Pat Beech, Barbara Eger-Klatt,
and Jonathan Kiell



NVRC Volunteers
for the Lantz Mills Exhibit
Andrew Linzie, Denise Drake,
Lois Herberger, and
DeBorah Bingham



Volunteer Barbara Eger-Klatt
and Museum visitors
(Richard & Yolette Cohen)
watched the Daily Moth interview
with Kathleen Brockway



Sean Redmiles
[Historic Resource
Specialist II,
City of Fairfax Office of
Historic Resources]



Pat Beech with prize
after completing Scavenger Hunt

Happy Hands Social Chat at NVRC on 04-23-2025



Bill Morris, Eileen Goran, Jonathan Kiell,
Richard Cohen, and Eddie Drawdy

Happy Hands Social Chat at NVRC on 05-28-2025



Carbon Monoxide Poisoning (Chemical Formula CO)

Presenter: Cathleen Potosky



Tentative Schedule:

- * "Carbon Monoxide Poisoning" by Cathleen Potosky
- * Lunch
- * Bingo



Learn How to Save a Life!

FREE sign-interpreted CPR training for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community, in partnership with the Fairfax County Health Department.

Learn Life-Saving Skills! Join Our CPR & AED Training

Saturday
May 3, 2025
NVRC
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

NVRC, 10467 White Granite Drive, Suite 300, Oakton, VA 22124

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:

- How to perform CPR on manikins
- How to use an AED



WHY ATTEND?

- Certified instructors with hands-on training for 20 students - earn a certificate of completion.
- Essential skills for everyone - no prior experience needed!
- Observers welcome! You will benefit from the training, but not receive a certificate.

Limited spots available! The class is limited to 20 hands-on students and 20 observers. Don't miss out, secure your spot today!



NVRC Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf & Hard of Hearing Persons
Improving Communication, Changing Lives

SAVE THE DATE



CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR DR. FRANK TURK, SR., '52 & H-'97

Please join us as we gather to remember and celebrate a life well-lived.

Friday, May 9
1:00 p.m. at Elstad Auditorium, Gallaudet University

A social gathering will follow at Peikoff Alumni House, ("Ole Jim").

For accommodations requests, please contact alumni.relations@gallaudet.edu.

Northern Virginia Association of the Deaf

NVAD General Meeting

and Bingo Game

Saturday, May 10, 2025

9:30AM to 3:00PM

Social: 9:30AM to 10:00AM
Meeting: 10:00AM to 12:00PM
Lunch: 12:00PM to 1:00PM
Bingo Game: 1:00PM to 3:00PM

NVAD will have a Bingo Game.
\$5 ENTRY. Pay once at the door.

Please bring your own lunch and drink

Northern Virginia Resource Center
Service Source Building
10467 White Granite Drive, Suite 312
Oakton, VA 22124

Any questions: please contact
NVAD Vice-President Joan Corley
at nvadvicepresident@gmail.com



JOIN US ON MAY 17TH FOR A SPECIAL PROGRAM ON SERVICE DOGS FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING!



We're excited to welcome Diane Bernier, Executive Director of **Fidos For Freedom**, for a powerful program on how service dogs support people who are Deaf and hard of hearing! Free and open to the public!

CART and ASL interpreters provided. If you need other accommodations, please contact us.

RSVP OR QUESTIONS:
703-352-9055 VOICE
571-350-8656 VIDEOPHONE
INFO@NVRC.ORG
WWW.NVRC.ORG

WHEN: Saturday, May 17, 2025
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

WHERE: NVRC Conference Room,
10467 White Granite Drive, Suite
300, Oakton, VA 22124

NVRC Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf & Hard of Hearing Persons
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VESTIBULAR &
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PHYSICAL
EDUCATION &
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OLDER, DEAF VOLUNTEERS NEEDED REDUCE FALLING & IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE WITH EXERCISE!

EXERCISE BEGINS | SEPTEMBER 22

LAST CLASS | NOVEMBER 14

MEET CAMPUS TWICE A WEEK
FOR 8-WEEKS

MONDAY | FRIDAYS | 12-2 PM

**YOU MAY PARTICIPATE
IF YOU ARE..**

**AGE 60 YEARS
& OLDER?**

**DEAF & FLUENT
ASL USER?**

PRE-ASSESSMENT ~ BEFORE SEPTEMBER 19

POST ASSESSMENT ~ AFTER NOVEMBER 14

EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION:

RESEARCH.BALANCE@GALLAUDET.EDU

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FOR MORE DETAILS:
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Happy Hands 2025 Members (as of April 23, 2025)

As of 04-23-25, Happy Hands has 92 paid members for 2025:

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| 1. Don Ames | 33. Kathy Ferris | 65. Bill Morris |
| 2. William Athy | 34. June Freeman | 66. Sally Newman |
| 3. Janice Barker | 35. Pam Gannon | 67. Paula Olejarz |
| 4. Mary Ann Beatty | 36. Laura Garrett | 68. Rose Otterman |
| 5. Tim Beatty | 37. Cheryl Gault | 69. Cathleen Potosky |
| 6. Pat Beech | 38. Robert Gault | 70. Cyril Potosky |
| 7. Josephine Bergner | 39. Ross Gilson | 71. Denise Proulx |
| 8. Claudia Brawley | 40. Selina Gilson | 72. Lanny Quarles |
| 9. Peter Brawley | 41. Eileen Goran | 73. Iryna Ravliuk |
| 10. Dot Brenner | 42. Barry Harlan | 74. Cheryl Rockburn |
| 11. Jean Buffardi | 43. Anthony Heller | 75. Rocky Rockburn |
| 12. Cindy Burton | 44. Lois Herberger | 76. Rebecca Sadler |
| 13. Steven Burton | 45. Bob Hickey | 77. Nancy Sanders |
| 14. Lew Carr | 46. Irene Hunter | 78. Thelma Schroeder |
| 15. Felix Chevere | 47. Margaret Huang | 79. Vicki Shank |
| 16. Patty Christenson | 48. Vicki Hurwitz | 80. Prudence Shaw |
| 17. Eve Christian | 49. Song Jo | 81. Shelley Simms (deceased) |
| 18. Richard Cohen | 50. Kathy Jones | 82. Barbie Sidawy |
| 19. Joan Corley | 51. Lynn Keefe | 83. George Sidawy |
| 20. Paul Daniels | 52. Mary Kay Kelley | 84. Stan Smith |
| 21. Peggy Daniels | 53. Jonathan Kiell | 85. Sharon Svenningsen |
| 22. Janice Dillman | 54. Maryann Kielsingard | 86. Cathy Thompson |
| 23. Laurie Dowling | 55. Barbara Eger-Klatt | 87. Rick Thompson |
| 24. Tom Dowling | 56. Walter Klatt | 88. Mike Toms |
| 25. Denise Drake | 57. Jill Kotchen | 89. Eleni Triantafell |
| 26. Tom Drake | 58. Jeanne Lavelle | 90. Melanie Williams |
| 27. Eddie Drawdy | 59. Tim Lavelle | 91. Steve Williams |
| 28. Nate Drown | 60. Kea Manfredonio | 92. Sam Yates |
| 29. Deanna Dunham | 61. Frances Marzolf | |
| 30. Phuong Duong | 62. Eileen McCartin | |
| 31. Newby Ely | 63. Kerry Anne Mike | |
| 32. Serry Fahmy | 64. Jill Moebus | |

For those who have not renewed or joined for the year 2025, here is the link for the Happy Hands 2025 Membership Form:
https://www.nvrc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2025Membership_Fillable.pdf

2025 MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 	2 	3 <p>NVRC CPR & AEM Training (p. 20)</p>
4 <p>Social Night at Wegmans (p. 24)</p> 	5 	6 	7 <p>HH Monthly Meeting (p. 2)</p>	8	9 <p>Celebration of Life for Frank Turk (p. 20)</p>	10 <p>NVAD Meeting and Bingo (p. 20)</p>
11 	12	13 	14 <p>HH Social Chat at Wegmans (p. 24)</p>	15	16 <p>"Deaf President Now" movie premieres on Apple + (p. 9)</p>	17 <p>NVRC on Hearing Dogs by Fidos for Freedom (p. 20)</p>
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Fine Tuners for 2024-2025

Front Row: Don Ames (Chair),
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and Steve Williams (Treasurer)

Back Row (All are Members-At-Large): Jill Moebus,
Lois Herberger, Bob Hickey, and Cathleen Potosky

Silent Social at Wegmans

This occurs on the first and third Sundays of each month at 7:00PM in Fairfax Wegmans at the corner of Route 29 and Monument Drive (Upper Level, near the stairs). Registration is suggested. The dates for the Silent Social Chat are May 4 and 18. FYI, some people arrive early (6:00PM) and grab some of Wegmans prepared food for dinner.



Please come join the very informal chat; the group often includes students and interpreters looking to learn and practice ASL. You can also get your groceries while you are there!

Also, HH Lunchtime Social Chat at Wegmans will be on May 14.

For more info, contact Jonathan Kiell at jona3ki@msn.com.

For the Sunday Chats see: <https://www.meetup.com/aslbridge/events/304987317>.

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