



**Peninsula  
Metropolitan  
YMCA**

**We build strong kids,  
strong families,  
strong communities.**

**April 12, 2008  
10am - 1pm**

**Behind the  
YMCA office and  
Rice's Hotel &  
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**Moonwalk**

**Giant Slide**

**Healthy Cooking**

**Games**

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# Character Note

*Northumberland Family YMCA*

Caring

Respect

Responsibility

Honesty

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## Another Major Pledge to YMCA Project

by Mark Huffman

The Northumberland Family YMCA is moving closer to its financial goal, enabling it to renovate the present Northumberland High School Gym into a 22,000 square foot, full service facility.

David and Carolyn Scarbrough of Heathsville have pledged a \$75,000 unrestricted gift to go toward turning the gym and 16 surrounding acres into a state-of-the-art YMCA campus.

"We are deeply appreciative of David and Carolyn's generous gift. This brings us another step closer to our \$3.6 million Capital Campaign goal," said Betty Hall, Chairman of the Capital Campaign Committee. "It illustrates their belief in this project and devotion to their adopted home."

The Scarbroughs moved to Northumberland more than three decades ago and have been active

participants in the county's business and civic community ever since. It's one reason they feel so strongly about this project.

"Northumberland County really needs this," David Scarbrough said. "Not only will this be a wonderful facility, but the YMCA is the one organization that can use it to benefit nearly everyone in some way."



Pictured left to right: Betty Hall, Campaign Chair, Carolyn and David Scarbrough

"With this new facility, the YMCA will not only increase its services for children, but will also be able to expand its offerings for older adults," Carolyn Scarbrough added. "It will meet a critical need, and it's hard to think of another organization with the potential to touch so many people in a positive way."

The Northumberland Family YMCA has signed a 50-year lease with the county for the high school gym and adjacent acreage. It is currently raising

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## We build Strong Kids, Strong Families, Strong Communities

The Northumberland Family YMCA is committed to providing high quality, affordable programs in a Christian environment to all Northumberland County individuals and families. These programs are as diverse as cheerleading, volleyball, health instruction, family events, t-ball, Tae Kwon Do, summer camp and many more.



Your local YMCA is committed to never turning anyone away because of the inability to pay. Our Strong Communities Campaign helps provide low cost programming as well as scholarships through the Guardian Program. Last year the Strong Communities Campaign allowed nearly 2,000 participants to enjoy Y programs, while the Guardian Program provided 167 individual scholarships, all in Northumberland County.

Throughout the spring season, the YMCA contacts businesses and individuals that have supported the Y in the past and works to get others involved. Many have been extremely kind to the YMCA in that past and we hope that continues.

A \$250 contribution pays for a Y family event, \$200 pays for two full weeks of summer day camp, \$125 for a full Bright Beginnings experience and \$50 pays for a session of a child's favorite Y sport.

If you would like to help provide quality Y programs and ensure no one misses the opportunity due to costs here in Northumberland County, contact Cristian Shirilla at 580-8901.

**Y Strong  
Communities**  
YMCA annual charitable giving campaign

# Holiday Camp Success



Derek Smith and Austin Roberts exchange stock investment tips



Hanging out with friends!



Alayshia Thompson, Hailey Pease, Kendall Barnhart and Derek Smith at Stan's Skateland



Attentive kids get fishing instructions from Cristian Shirilla



Aariana Hudson fishing for the very first time



Say CHEESE!

Spring break for local Northumberland and Lancaster school age children was anything but ordinary this year. Twenty-two children participated in the YMCA's signature Holiday Camp experience. A grand time was had by all!

Adventure was the name of the game, as these boys and girls traveled to many places throughout the week. They met new people, experienced new things, played new games and made new friends.

Monday their travels took them to the indoor playground and swimming pool at the Northern Neck Family YMCA, where they played and swam all day long! Many parents reported bed times as early as 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday the group ventured to Stan's Skateland for a private skate party. "Stan's has always been great to the Y. They really make it a fun experience," says Y Director Cassie Leichy.

While donning wheels on their feet, many children mastered roller skating while the counselors seemed to prefer time on the floor!

Wednesday came quickly and the group found themselves bowling a 'collective' 300 at Hillside Bowling in Gloucester. The highlight of the day was Savannah Goodman bowling several strikes, boosting the group's score!

Thursday morning eyelids were heavy and feet were slow, but we mustered the energy for a few games of kickball before meeting Congressman Rob Wittman and Bank of Lancaster President Austin Roberts. The gentlemen stopped by camp to talk to the kids about smart spending! Derek Smith made small talk with Mr. Roberts about the stock market, even offering the bank some of his stock market success tips. That afternoon we hit the fishing hole

and discovered a few new anglers.

Friday would provide our last adventure for the week, and we decided to make the most of it. A trip to Chuck E. Cheese was in order. The bus was packed, and we were ready to go! Pizza, games and prizes for everyone! At the end of the day the kids had pooled their winnings to get the largest prize possible. They decided to give it to the Northern Neck YMCA kids as a thank you for allowing us to swim in their pool and play on their playgrounds.

"Moments like that mean the most," says local Y guy Cristian Shirilla. "You know in those times that you have a great group of kids, and they understand and display our values..."

Caring, Honesty, Respect and Responsibility."

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## Major Gift for YMCA

money for the renovation, and Hall says the Scarbrough's and previously announced gifts have sparked strong interest in the community.

"We look forward with excitement and anticipation to other members of the community joining the Scarbroughs in making significant commitments," Hall said. "Gifts may be in the form of one-time donations or through pledge commitments stretched over a five-year term of stock, cash, land or a variety of other asset transfers."

Hall said anyone considering making a gift can contact her at her office in Burgess, (804) 453-3701, or can get in touch with Cristian Shirilla at the YMCA office in Heathsville (804) 580-4116 or (804) 580-8901.

More information about the new facility, including architectural drawings, can be found online by going to [www.NorthernNeckToday.com](http://www.NorthernNeckToday.com) and clicking on the Northumberland YMCA icon at the top of the page.

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