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Epilepsy Stroll in Charlottesville turns out to be a huge success with parents and children alike.

Epilepsy Awareness Day

Chesterfield County issues official awareness day

The board of supervisors of Chesterfield County issued a resolution in which they officially recognize November 13th as "Epilepsy Awareness Day." The Board of Supervisors, who approved this resolution, urge all residents to join efforts in

increasing understanding and research regarding this neurological disorder. This is a big breakthrough for the Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia as it will improve relations with public institutions and fundraising. This resolution is similar to the 2008 resolution passed by the general assembly, which endorsed the Use A Helmet

campaign although this time it is in terms of community and local government.



a night to remember



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On April 19th 2011, there will be an educational event held in honor of Dr. Stephen Corrie's loyal support of the Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia and people with epilepsy. The Corrie event will be held at the Crown Plaza in Richmond, VA for Dr. Corrie and his colleagues. The EFVA has worked with Dr. Corrie since 1994 and is proud to organize a celebration in his name. This event aims to generate publicity about epilepsy in the media and recognize the contributions of those who dedicate their time and energy towards work with epilepsy. The EFVA has put on several of these celebrations, beginning in 1994 with Dr. Dreifuss.

south west epilepsy support groups

	Lynchburg	Roanoke	Blacksburg
	3:30-5:30pm	10 am-12pm	10 am-12pm
	February 25th May 19th August 18th November 17th	January 28th April 28th July 28th October 27th	March 24th June 23rd September 29th December 15th
	Lynchburg General Hospital 1901 Tate Springs Rd. Lynchburg, VA Private Dining Room	Roanoke Memorial Hospital 1906 Belleview Ave. Roanoke VA Conference Room B 1 West	Regional Health Diagnostics 210 Professional Park Dr. Blacksburg, VA Suite 10

Kids Speak Up

Epilepsy hero, Katlyn Kenny, and her father will be representing Virginia at the 2012 Kids Speak Up and Public Policy Institute in Washington D.C. on April 1-3. The purpose of these meetings is to provide two solid days of training on public advocacy to teenagers with epilepsy and their families. The last day of the conference, Katlyn and her father will meet with state representatives at Capitol Hill. Their task will consist of informing policy-makers about epilepsy and encourage them to support legislation that improves the lives of those that suffer from the disorder.

Clarification

In the previous newsletter, the article titled, "Medical Mystery," caused some confusion from readers. It was meant only to be anecdotal and not to be a recommendation to anyone to disregard prescriptions. It is extremely rare for a patient to improve after stopping medication and we do not condone this in any way. The EFVA policy, to achieve seizure control, is to follow the instructions given by the physician and take all medications as ordered. The story was included merely to share an anomaly and was not meant in any way to be read as advice. The consequences for disregarding medication can be severe and may even cause SUDEP (Sudden Unexplained Death In Epilepsy). Medical compliance is vital in reducing the risk of SUDEP and should not be taken lightly. The EFVA apologizes for any misunderstanding.



Commendation

Nathan Fountain has been elected as the future president of the professional advisory board of the National Epilepsy Foundation. Congratulations, Nathan. We are also grateful that he has decided to remain on the professional advisory board of the EFVA.



+ Epilepsy Health Fair



Refreshments.
Literature.
Discussions.
Ask Questions,
Get Answers.



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Not another moment lost to seizures™

+ Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia

Who: Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia

What: Invites you to attend an Epilepsy Health Fair

When: April, 4, 2012, 9 AM- 5 PM

Where: Neurology Specialists

6161 Kempsville Circle #315

Norfolk, VA 23502

Why: To provide an opportunity for open discussions and questions about epilepsy to interested parties who wish to participate.

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