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**Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury Foundation’s “Northern Neck Entertains” to
Feature a Taste of Italy**

For the nineteenth year, the Rappahannock Westminster-Canterbury Foundation is hosting “Northern Neck Entertains.” This year’s gala will be held on Thursday, October 27, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Unlike similar functions held in the past, the 2011 event will be held in a central location, the Chesapeake Center on the RWC campus.

The theme of this year’s event is “Passport to Italy.” The RWC Dining Staff and executive chef David Coontz, renowned for his culinary expertise in Italian cooking, will prepare a variety of heavy hors d’oeuvres with a decidedly Italian look and taste.

Entertainment will be provided by a duo of talented local musicians. Violinist Mei-Li Beane and pianist Neil Smart will each play a medley of songs by Italian composers and some popular American standards as well. The two will occasionally team up for duets.

“The ‘Northern Neck Entertains’ series serves as the Foundation’s major fall fund raiser,” says RWC’s vice president for development Whiz Harris. “It’s a chance to dress up a bit and enjoy something special while contributing to a good cause.”

Proceeds from the event benefit the RWC Foundation’s Fellowship Fund, which provides financial assistance to current residents who have suffered financial reversals or new residents who cannot afford the entrance fee or monthly fees. Harris says the Fellowship Fund also underwrites participation by qualified individuals from the community in RWC’s Adult Day Program.

The cost of “Passport to Italy” is \$50 per person. Attendees should wear cocktail attire. Those wishing to attend may make reservations by sending a check made payable to “RWC Foundation” to RWC Foundation, 132 Lancaster Dr., Irvington, VA 22480. Checks may also be brought to the Reception Desk in the Chesapeake Center on the RWC campus. The deadline for reservations is October 20. Reservations will be honored on a first come, first served basis. The first two hundred paid guests will be guaranteed attendance; however, RWC will maintain a waiting list. For additional information, contact RWC at 438-4000.