



Lieutenant **Philip Mazzara** shows off *The Connection* from the cockpit of an F/A-18E Super Hornet at 15,000 feet above Virginia Beach, VA. (Don't worry, the autopilot was engaged!) An instructor pilot in Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 106, Mazzara is stationed at Naval Air Station Oceana in Virginia Beach, where new pilots are trained to fly the F/A-18 Hornet and Super Hornet. His time at VFA-106 is considered shore duty, meaning that he does not have to deploy aboard an aircraft carrier. This gives Mazzara uninterrupted time to devote to his work as a volunteer with Virginia Beach CASA.

Swaziland

CASA of Humboldt Executive Director **Steve Volow** and CASA volunteer **Trina Massion** (at right) visited their daughter Aiesha in Swaziland, where she is serving in the Peace Corps. One of Aiesha's projects has been to set up a 25-school children's theater competition, with the themes being HIV and domestic violence prevention. Her mother, Trina Massion, teaches art to children, including one she served as a CASA volunteer. This child in turn helped launch CASA of Humboldt's greeting card program (see humboldtcasa.org/Cards/Casacards.html). Steve Volow says he believes in CASA because "when the candle of hope flickers in a child's life, it is often the CASA who turns that flicker into a beacon."



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