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This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

SEPTEMBER 1999 – The grand opening of Club Phoenix Teen Center is scheduled for September 18. The renovated facility, featuring a big-screen TV, jukebox, CD player, and pool table, will host a variety of dances and special events throughout the school year.

SEPTEMBER 1989 – Fairfax County's first-ever lacrosse festival will be held September 30 at James Madison High School. According to the Lacrosse Foundation, Fairfax County is one of the country's lacrosse "hotbeds," with youth teams growing by about 50% a year.

SEPTEMBER 1979 – The public is invited to hear writer and lecturer Chris Sizemore, author of the best-seller "I'm Eve" and subject of the movie "The Three Faces of Eve," September 19 at the Community Center. Sizemore was diagnosed as having a multiple personality disorder in 1952 and has been undergoing treatment and study since then.

SEPTEMBER 1969 – Mayor Jim Martinelli wrote, "Looking forward to next summer, our water shortages should not recur. Since, with the press of tremendous growth, Vienna has had to rely on Falls Church for a great deal of its water, we are dependent upon conditions there. Next year, Falls Church will have completed its new five million-gallon storage tank, which should amply supply us during dry periods."

INFORMATION 24 HOURS A DAY

Vienna Newsline – 703-255-6333

www.viennava.gov

Banner Applications Available Oct. 1

Application forms to display banners across Maple Avenue in 2010 will be available in the Public Works Department at Town Hall beginning Thursday, October 1. Applications may be submitted by non-profit community organizations any time through November. Organizations displaying banners this year will automatically receive application forms in the mail. Banner space will be awarded in December via a lottery. Each banner will be displayed for two weeks.

Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Batteries

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze, and car batteries is Saturday, September 12, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E. (entrance at the dead end of the street). This service of the Public Works Department provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products. For more information, call 703-255-6381.

Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 7, for Labor Day. Trash will be picked up as usual that day for residents on the Monday collection route.

Recycling Roadshow

Fairfax County's Recycling Roadshow will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Navy Federal Credit Union, 820 Follin Ln., S.E. The event is free of charge and will include document shredding and collection of televisions, computers and peripheral devices (keyboards, printers, scanners, etc.), and compact fluorescent light bulbs. Long fluorescent light tubes and electrical household appliances such as vacuums, microwaves, and toaster ovens will not be accepted.

A limit of five reasonably-sized boxes of paper per household will be accepted for shredding. Please remove paper from binders and remove binder clips. All shredded paper will be recycled.

For more information, call the Recycling Infoline at 703-324-5052 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/recycling.

2010 Calendar Deadline

Attention Vienna non-profit organizations! September 1 is the deadline to submit information about your community events for next year to be published in the 2010 Town Calendar. Address calendar items to the Public Information Office, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180, fax 703-255-5722, or e-mail pio@viennava.gov.

NE Quadrant Residents Invited to Voice Concerns about Traffic

The Vienna Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) will be holding public hearings over the next few months to listen to citizen concerns and suggestions relating to traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. The first meeting, for residents in northeast Vienna, will be held on Tuesday, September 29, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Future meetings are scheduled as follows:

October 27	Northwest quadrant
November 24	Southeast quadrant
January 26	Southwest quadrant

Residents may also send written comments to TSC Chairman Steve Kenney in care of Town Hall or e-mail tsc@viennava.gov.

Special Pickup Deadline Oct. 1

Thursday, October 1, is the last day for Town of Vienna residents to call for a Special Pickup this year. No orders for Special Pickups will be taken in October, November, December, and January so that Town crews can concentrate on leaf collection.

To dispose of furniture, building materials, brush, and other debris not included in the regular trash collection, residents can order a Special Pickup. Place discards at the curbside, then call the Special Pickup recording at 703-255-5727 and be prepared to leave the following information: your name, address, daytime phone number, amount of debris, and type of debris. Special Pickups can also be arranged online; go to www.viennava.gov/Town_Services/trash.htm#pickups.

See Page 4 for Special Pickup Guidelines

Please order your Special Pickup as soon as debris is placed at the curbside. Piles of trash that go uncollected for weeks on end because of residents' failure to call for a Special Pickup are an eyesore and a potential health and safety hazard. It is illegal to place debris in the public right-of-way without arranging for a Special Pickup. When an illegal pile of trash is spotted by or reported to Town personnel, the resident will receive a notice to call for a Special Pickup within 48 hours. If no action is taken by the resident after the notice is issued, the Town will seek legal remedy to gain compliance.

Each residence is allowed two free Special Pickup loads each year. Additional pickups may be arranged at a charge of \$75 per load for all items except brush; additional loads of brush will be charged at \$25 each. Each Special Pickup is limited to one single-axle dump truck load (about the size of a Volkswagen "beetle").

“Celebrating Community Service”

Parade Deadline September 30

Wednesday, September 30, is the entry deadline for the 63rd annual Vienna Halloween Parade. Entry application forms and information about the parade can be downloaded from the Town’s Web site, www.viennava.gov, or call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. Because space is limited to the first 90 approved applicants, the parade may fill before the entry deadline.

The parade will step off at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 28, on Maple Avenue. The theme of this year’s parade is “Vienna Celebrating Community Service” and the Grand Marshal will be recently retired Town Councilwoman Maud Robinson, a long-time resident and community volunteer.

Become a Parade Sponsor

Invest in a memory! Become a sponsor for the Halloween Parade and help maintain the parade’s excellent level of entertainment. Thrill your friends, kids, grandkids, office mates, or potential clients by putting your name (or theirs!) in front of thousands of parade watchers. All sponsor donations go directly to this and future Halloween Parades, a not-for-profit community project. For information, call the Vienna-Tyson Regional Chamber of Commerce at 703-281-1333.

Redskins Band to March in Parade

Hail to the Redskins! Again this year, the Washington Redskins Marching Band is scheduled to appear in the Vienna Halloween Parade. The Redskins Band is the country’s oldest professional football marching band and one of only two pro football marching bands still in existence. The band entertains fans with pregame and halftime shows, upbeat music during Redskins drives and, of course, their famous fight song whenever the team scores. The band is sponsored by Air Treatment Company.

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Send news to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
 FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@viennava.gov
 Deadline for the October issue is September 15.

“Vienna at Your Service” Features Freeman House

Join Mayor Jane Seeman at the next “Vienna at Your Service” meeting on Tuesday, September 8, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E.

Historic Vienna Inc. president Anne Stuntz will talk about the operation of the Freeman House museum and old-fashioned general store, which was restored under the group’s guidance. The house served at various times as a residence, store, Civil War hospital, railroad station, post office, and fire department.

Vienna at Your Service was designed to give citizens the opportunity to learn more about their community. Participants are asked to register with the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, call 703-255-6360.

Town Engineer Receives PE License

Department of Public Works engineer Matthew M. Randall has recently completed the requirements to become a licensed Professional Engineer (PE), a significant achievement in his professional career.

License requirements include graduation from an approved engineering curriculum, at least four years of qualifying engineering experience, and successful completion of a rigorous examination.

Randall has been employed by the Town of Vienna since September 2008 and previously worked for Tri-Tek Engineering in Herndon, Virginia. He is a graduate of the University of Maine in Orono.

NEW IN TOWN? There’s a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	Labor Day Town Hall closed	Mayor’s Advisory Committee “Vienna at Your Service”	Planning Commission	Town/Business Liaison Committee	Patriot Day	Drop off used motor oil, antifreeze & batteries at Northside Property Yard 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Town Council	Board of Zoning Appeals	Board of Zoning Appeals	Board of Architectural Review	Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Town Council work session	Autumn begins	Planning Commission			
27	28	29	30	Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week		
	Town Council	Transportation Safety Commission				

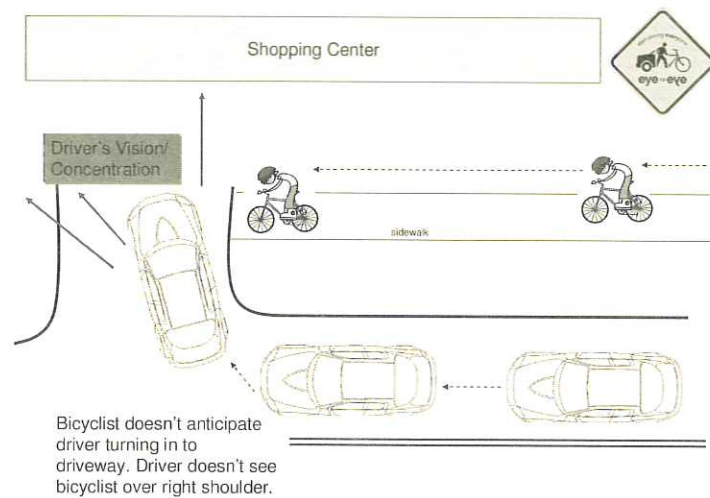
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Vienna Police Want You to Stay Safe by Seeing "EYE TO EYE"

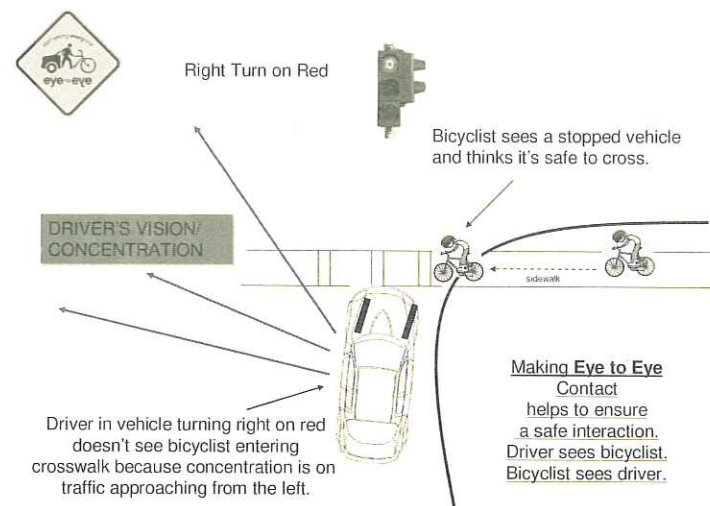
By Master Police Officer Bill Murray, Community Relations Officer

The Town of Vienna Police Department has introduced a new safety campaign targeting motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians in hopes that the interaction of all three can be a bit safer. Too often in Vienna our agency responds to crashes involving a motor vehicle and either a bicyclist or pedestrian. Most times we believe that had the two involved parties made "EYE TO EYE" contact, the crash might have been avoided. Many crashes are easily prevented if one or more of the parties anticipates and acts defensively in order to avoid the crash, regardless of who was right and who was wrong. Even though one party might have the right of way, action taken by the other can prevent a crash. Being right and getting injured is never better than being a little inconvenienced and staying safe.

In Vienna we continue to see two basic types of crashes recurring throughout the year. One is a scenario in which a bicyclist (or pedestrian) is traveling along the sidewalk and crossing a driveway apron. The bicyclist does not anticipate the car turning into the driveway and the car's driver does not look far enough back to see the bicyclist or pedestrian.



The second example is a bicyclist (or pedestrian) attempting to cross a street at a crosswalk while a motor vehicle is attempting to turn right on a red signal. The car's driver has his attention focused to the left while looking for a break in traffic. The bicyclist (or pedestrian) enters the crosswalk assuming they have the right of way because the car is at a stop.



In both of these scenarios, if the involved parties had simply made eye contact, the crashes would probably have been prevented. Citizens will begin seeing the new "EYE TO EYE" logo around town in hopes that we can improve the bicycle, pedestrian, and motor vehicle interactions and have everyone traveling through Vienna make "EYE TO EYE" contact before proceeding.

Comment from the Council Table VML Enhances Service to Citizens

By Michael J. Polychrones
Vienna Town Councilman

This past year has been very interesting in many ways. In October of 2008, I was elected to serve as President of the Virginia Municipal League (VML), which is the association of cities and towns throughout Virginia. I had the honor of being the third person from Vienna to be elected President of the league. I was preceded by former Town Manager Clay Harrell and by the late Charles Robinson, our former Mayor. By the time this article is printed, I will have one month left on my term as VML President and I must say it has truly been an incredible experience as I have met many other local officials from across the USA and it is very interesting to note that while state boundaries and philosophies may be different, it is here at the local level, serving the citizens of our communities, that is the common thread.

First to give some background, VML is 105 years old and represents localities across the Commonwealth of Virginia on issues that affect the daily operations of the local government entities. VML also produces training seminars and forums in which its members can participate to enhance their knowledge of their respective duties and responsibilities as local elected and appointed officials of their city, county or town. The Town of Vienna, for many years, has been very active in the VML at various levels on the policy committees,

workshops and governing board. Personally, I feel that Vienna's level of participation in the various league endeavors has only enhanced our service to you as citizens as we become informed about most matters of state government as it relates to the localities and we learn from other communities how they are handling various issues as they arise, especially what measures are working and proving effective.

The honor of being elected President of VML, you soon realize, means that you are not only the voice of local government for your city or town, you are now the voice of local governments throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. I had the privilege of going down to Richmond during the General Assembly session and testifying on legislation that would affect the ability of cities, counties and towns to respond to citizens concerns and problems. The most important of these, of course, was the budget for the Commonwealth. If you have never witnessed this process before, it is very fascinating to watch this unfold. Local governments are just a part of what makes up the legislative process and must compete with other interests and matters of state. Local governments were not spared from the economic conditions. I was involved along with other local elected officials from around Virginia in work-



Councilman Polychrones

ing with Governor Kaine's administration as to how the federal stimulus dollars would be allocated. Whether you (or I for that matter) agreed with the process or the funds being distributed, it was fascinating to work with others and advise as to when and how those stimulus dollars would be used and received by the localities.

Another duty is to represent Virginia at the National League of Cities and at the Southern States Municipal Conference. It is here that many elected and appointed officials from across the country were able to share their concerns about our country as well as listen to the common issues that are dealt with every day. It was a true learning experience and an eye-opening event to listen to the common issues that drive all of us. Whether it is overdevelopment, traffic, or budget constraints, we as local officials throughout the country tackle these issues, on your behalf, every day.

While many of the people I met from around the country run for office or are appointed to their jobs, everyone feels that this is an extension of helping their fellow man. To make sure we keep the schools safe and clean, and foster an environment where learning can take place, or keep the water running into our neighbors' homes, or keep the towns safe from crime so businesses and citizens can prosper is the way we serve you, the citizens, and personally I have always believed that service to others and the community IS the best work of life.

Permit Now Required for "PODS"

At its August 17 meeting, the Town Council adopted a \$25 permit fee for the placement of portable storage containers in residential zones. (Commercial and industrial zones would be part of site plan review.)

All portable storage containers now must have a permit and for a maximum time period of 30 days in any 12-month consecutive time period, except for bona-fide construction activity. If a valid building permit is in effect, a container may remain up to 6 months within any 12-month time period. The dimensions of all containers cannot exceed 16 feet in length, 8 feet in width, nor 8 feet in height. All containers must be located on private property on a paved surface or driveway (except where a building permit has been issued).

There are a number of these containers currently around Town; some have remained for much longer than 30 days. All such containers are temporary in nature and will not be "grandfathered" by virtue of these changes to the Town Code.

Please Review These Guidelines Before Calling for Your Special Pickup

Special Pickups are for the sole use of the property where the trash has been generated and cannot be transferred to another property in the town. All items must be placed at the curb or edge of pavement in front of your property. Discards should not be placed so that they block the sidewalk or street, under power lines or trees, or close to shrubs, walls, or vehicles. Place all piles in an open area accessible to a crane truck.

The amount and type of debris are limited to the following:

1. Discarded furniture (except plastic), swing sets, and playground equipment (except plastic).
2. Sod and brush. Brush must be separated from other Special Pickup materials.
3. 300 pounds of scrap metal, small automobile parts such as engine blocks, transmissions, and tires. All tires must be removed from the rim.
4. Trees and limbs of a diameter greater than 1½ inches and less than 6 inches, and no more than 8 feet in length.
5. Building materials (not generated by contractor), which include the following items: wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall, and paneling. Each residence is limited to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc. per pickup. If you employ contractors for home renovations or other services, they must take any waste away with them. The Town's Special Pickup program is meant to aid residents in disposing of bulky materials after performing the work themselves. Contractor-generated waste material will not be picked up.

All sharp items such as box cutters, razors, saw blades, and large panes of glass should be wrapped in several layers of newspaper. In the interest of safety, parents should caution their children not to play in or around debris placed at the curb for a Special Pickup.

The Public Works Department will not pick up the following items:

1. Gas tanks.
2. Fuel oil tanks.
3. Any motor powered by gas or diesel fuel.
4. Pressurized tanks such as propane, air, or Freon.
5. Mounted tires. (Town crews will pick up the tire and the rim as long as they are separated.)
6. Tree stumps and tree parts over 6 inches in diameter. Large tree stumps or tree parts over 6 inches can be disposed of at the Fairfax County Transfer Station located on West Ox Road or at the Fairfax County Landfill located in Lorton.
7. Paint cans. Hazardous materials such as fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, fluorescent light tubes, etc. can be disposed of through the Fairfax County Hazardous Waste Disposal Program. The drop-off center for hazardous waste is the I-66 Citizens' Recycling and Disposal Facility at 4618 West Ox Rd. (just beyond the Fire and Rescue training academy). Call 703-324-5068 for more information.
8. Biohazardous waste, including needles and syringes.
9. Contractor-generated material.
10. Brush and trash that are mixed.
11. Dirt.
12. White goods, including stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, window air conditioners, whole house air conditioners, microwave ovens, hot water heaters, garbage disposals, washing machines, dryers, cook-tops, dehumidifiers, and furnaces.

PLASTIC ITEMS AND CARDBOARD ARE RECYCLABLE
AND SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN A SPECIAL PICKUP.
PLEASE PLACE RECYCLABLES OUT ON YOUR RECYCLING DAY.

Flu Meetings Set

All Fairfax County residents are invited to meet with the Fairfax County Health Director this month to get answers to questions about seasonal flu and H1N1 (swine flu) and what to expect this flu season.

The meeting for the Hunter Mill District will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 22, at the North County Governmental Center at 12000 Bowman Towne Dr., in Reston. Meetings are also scheduled at eight other locations around the county. For a complete schedule, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd or call 703-246-2411.

Canine Flu Warning

Two cases of canine influenza were confirmed at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter last month. According to shelter director Karen Diviney, while this illness is not contagious to humans or other pets, it does spread among dogs although it is generally not life-threatening to them.

There are steps dog owners can take to protect their pets:

- Avoid taking your dog to places where dogs gather.
- Ask your kennel if there have been cases of illness before boarding your dog.
- If your dog shows symptoms of respiratory illness (such as coughing or wheezing, runny nose or fever), seek veterinary care.

For more information about canine influenza, visit www.cdc.gov/flu/canine.

Donations to CHO Help the Needy in the Vienna Area

Instead of using a Special Pickup to dispose of unwanted furniture and other household items, consider donating them to the Committee for Helping Others (CHO). You'll help a neighbor in need and you'll get a receipt for tax purposes.

CHO picks up donated household articles in usable condition and redistributes the items to those in need. CHO's warehouse stocks everything from beds and washing machines to knives and forks. To arrange for a pickup, call 703-281-7614.

Lunch n' Life, sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, is scheduled for Monday, September 14, from noon to 2 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Rd. Following lunch, enjoy local band "Black Coffee" performing favorite jazz standards. The cost is \$10 per person, and payment is required by September 7. For reservations and more information, call 703-281-0538 or e-mail office@scov.org.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group will meet at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, September 17, at Patrick Henry Library. Officer Bill Murray of the Vienna Police Department will discuss scams and fraudulent activities affecting homeowners. For information or transportation, call Steve Sedgwick, 703-255-0515, or Rhoda Stevens, 703-281-9679.

Vienna Arts Society will present its annual judged themed show during the month of September at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W. This year's theme is "Water," and all media and genres are included. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.viennaartsociety.org.

Life Line Screening will be held on Wednesday, September 23, at Vienna American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N. Screenings will be offered for carotid artery blockage, abdominal aortic aneurysms, hardening of the arteries in the legs, irregular heartbeat, and bone density. The cost for all tests is \$149. Blood testing is also available for an additional \$70. Appointments are required; call 1-800-324-1851, code HSC3549.

Southwest Vienna Neighborhood Association (SWVNA) will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 16, at Marshall Road Elementary School. The group hopes to enhance the sense of community among the neighborhoods in the southwest quadrant of town. For more information, visit www.swvna.org or call Anne Rutherford at 703-281-6178.

Entertainment Books feature savings of up to 50% on restaurants, shopping, travel, entertainment, and more. Books are available from the Vienna

Vienna Names in the News

The Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce has announced its award recipients for 2009:

- Dominion Virginia Power** – Business of the Year
- Jerry Magri, Magri & Associates** – Business Person of the Year
- Diana Carlin, Damon Galleries** – Entrepreneur of the Year
- Debijo Wheatley, Designs by Debijo** – New Member of the Year
- Christie Radomsky** – Citizen of the Year
- Patrick Henry Library** – Non-profit of the Year
- Manson Tillman, Oakton High School** – Educator of the Year
- All Star Movers** – Lifetime Service Award
- Rebecca Diamond, Rebecca Diamond Marketing** – Chairman's Award
- Dan Govan, Govan Builders** – Outstanding Board Member Service Award

Again this year, the **Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter** has put Virginia in first place for the DAR's national Literacy Challenge. The chapter collects magazines and paperback books for detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Town resident **Florence Roseborough** chairs the project and thanks everyone who has donated.

chapter of NARFE (National Active and Retired Federal Employees) for \$30 each, and all proceeds go to Alzheimer's research. To order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

"Walk for Growing Hope," sponsored by the Optimist Club of Vienna to assist local children diagnosed with cancer, will be held on Saturday, October 3, starting at 8 a.m. from the Vienna railroad station at Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 703-200-3850 or visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org.

"Spies in Crinoline" will premiere at the Fair City Mall Cinema Arts Theatre on Sunday, September 20, with showings at 5 and 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. This documentary recounts the life of Antonia Ford, who was jailed for aiding the Confederacy during the Civil War. The parlor and dining room of Vienna's historic Freeman House were used for several scenes. For more information, contact screenplay writer Karla Vernon at kvernon@cox.net.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, September 17, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping

Center. Steve Kirtley will discuss his experience as a young Marine embassy guard in Iran who spent 444 days in captivity as one of the 52 hostages there. For more information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit www.vva227.org.

Hablemos Claro, a Toastmasters club for area Spanish speakers, meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Monday and the last Wednesday of each month in the community room at Tysons Corner Center. The club welcomes native speakers and those who want to improve their business Spanish. For more information, call Louisa Meruvia at 703-839-5790.

Vienna Woman's Club Holiday Bazaar is filling fast! Interested crafters and vendors should contact Nancy at 703-938-7716 or n.volpe@verizon.net for information and an application. The bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 14, at the Vienna Community Center.

Madison High School 50th anniversary celebration is planned for October 9 and 10. Activities will include tours of the renovated school building, homecoming game, golf tournament, and a gala at the Tysons Corner Marriott. For details, visit http://www.fcps.edu/MadisonHS/News/50_anniversary.html.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Farmers Market, located in the caboose parking lot on Church Street, will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon each Saturday through October 31 (except for October 3). Fresh produce includes tomatoes, peaches, melons, and green vegetables, and with September come pumpkins and other gourds. Crepes made to order, fresh donuts, and kettle corn are special market features. On September 19 the La Leche League will be taking photos of kids as a fundraiser. Space for other non-profit organizations is still available on a limited basis. For more information, visit www.viennafarmersmarket.com or call 703-200-7806.

5K run/walk, sponsored by Navy Federal Credit Union, will be held on Saturday, September 19, beginning and ending at Navy Federal's headquarters, 820 Follin Lane, S.E. Check-in time is from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and the race will begin at 9 a.m. The event will include Chrono-Track timing, post-race refreshments, and raffle prizes. Proceeds will benefit CHO (Committee for Helping Others). To register and for more information, visit www.runwashington.com or call Julia McNaney at 703-206-4362.

International Children's Festival will be held at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts Saturday and Sunday, September 19 and 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The festival will feature the U.S. dancing group TAP KIDS, young performers from Georgia, Serbia and Spain, and local artists and performing groups. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens and children (free for ages two and under). Advance sale discounts are available. For more information, call the Arts Council of Fairfax County, 703-642-0862, or visit www.internationalchildrensfestival.org.

Scrapbooking weekend to benefit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department will be held at the fire station, 400 Center St., S., October 2 from 6 p.m. to midnight and October 3 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Bring your own materials or purchase supplies and get expert advice from on-site vendors. The fee of \$50 (\$55 after September

15) includes lunch on Saturday, snacks, and a goody bag filled with products and coupons. Dinner will be sold both nights. To register and for more information, call 703-281-5797 or e-mail amy.vernon@vafd.org.

Open house, hosted by the Vienna Branch of the American Association of University Women, will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at Patrick Henry Library. Drop by for coffee, snacks, and conversation about the group's upcoming programs and special interest groups. For more information, call 703-314-9609 or visit www.aauwofva.org/branches/vienna.

Open house at the Vienna Railroad Station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. For information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org. Vienna's red caboose will also be open to visitors, thanks to the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold an open house ice cream social and registration for the fall session of its Adventures in Learning program on Thursday, September 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd., Oakton. Classes will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursdays, September 24-November 12, and include bridge, T'ai Chi, a health series, national and world affairs, creative writing, and more. The fee of \$40 covers all classes. For more information, call 703-281-0538 or e-mail office@scov.org.

"Operation Spycraft" will be presented by Linda McCarthy, Former CIA employee and creator of the CIA's museum of espionage memorabilia, at 6 p.m. Monday, September 21, at Patrick Henry Library. Also this month: Around the World in Film series continues with a movie from Belgium at 6 p.m. Wednesday,

September 2. Landscape Design Master Consultant Karen O'Meara will present "Hostas Are Hot" at 1 p.m. Saturday, September 12. The global food crisis is the topic of the Great Decisions Seminar at 2 p.m. Tuesday, September 22. Participate in the All Fairfax Reads movie and discussion of *A Lesson Before Dying* at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 23. The Fall for the Book program at 3 p.m. Saturday, September 26, will feature authors Pam Jenoff and C.M. Mayo. To register for these free programs and for more information, visit the library or call 703-938-0405.

Vienna Wireless Society, established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in the Northern Virginia area, will meet September 11 and 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at Oakton High School. (Park near and enter Door 2 of the school.) You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to attend or participate in club activities. For more information, visit www.viennawireless.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@parsonage.net.

Northern Virginia Long-term Care Ombudsman Program will conduct training for new volunteers at the Fairfax County Government Center September 14, 15, and 25 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Volunteer ombudsmen are assigned to visit local nursing homes and assisted living facilities, resolving problems and working to ensure that the residents' rights are being protected. For more information, call 703-324-5861 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/LTCOmbudsman.

"Vienna Remembers World War II," an exhibit portraying life on the home front and the stories of our hometown service men and women, continues at the Freeman House store and museum, 131 Church St., N.E. Free admission. Hours are Wednesday-Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. For information, call 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

Vienna's original "Little Library," the oldest building of its kind in Fairfax County, is open the first Sunday of each month on the grounds of the Freeman House.

Celebrate Oktoberfest!

**Saturday, October 3 (rain or shine)
11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
on historic Church Street**



Live entertainment on main stage & children's stage, beer garden, food vendors, free children's activities, festival marketplace

Enjoy these bands on the main stage beginning at 11:30 a.m.:
Alte Kameraden – German band
Mercury in Summer – original modern/alternative rock
Switched at Birth – original rock
Radioviolet – original modern/alternative rock
Mojo – classic rock

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and the Town of Vienna
Call 703-281-1333 for information**

Help Fight Invasive Plants at Northside Park

Interested in keeping Northside Park free of invasive plants? The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department is seeking volunteers for a Northside Park Invasive Management Team Training set for Saturday, September 26, from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet on the Glyndon Street side of the park.

Invasive management is more than just pulling weeds. The main goal is to reduce invasive plants in the park and to maintain a healthy habitat for native plants and wildlife. This volunteer-led program gives residents an opportunity to connect with their neighbors while taking care of this valuable natural resource.

Find out how you or your organization can participate in this project year-round. No registration is required; just plan to attend and be willing to learn about invasives and how to eradicate them from Northside Park. Please bring gloves and wear comfortable protective clothing such as long-sleeved shirts and long pants. For more information, contact Cathy Salgado at csalgado@viennava.gov or 703-255-6356.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in July:

Little Hands Family Home Daycare
childcare
511 Walker St., S.W.
703-242-3857

Law Office of Kevin L. Fast
law office
380 Maple Ave., W. #207
703-261-6686

Patricia Chen
reiki healing
311 Maple Ave., W. #J
703-472-3481

Whizz Wireless
cellular phone sales
301A Maple Ave., W. Elm Bldg. #E
571-201-8146

Fairfax Propane
propane sales
420 Mill St., N.E.
703-352-5777

SHOP IN VIENNA
Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries in September: *20 years* – Church Street Graphics; *10 years* – Cyrus Rug Gallery, Ekas Consulting, Nova Exteriors, Peking Express of Vienna, Trousseau.

CORRECTION: Due to a typographical error, ophthalmologist Lisa Framm Sklar's name was misspelled in last month's newsletter. Congratulations to Dr. Sklar on her 20 years in practice.

The law requires drivers to stop for school buses taking on or discharging passengers and to remain stopped until passengers are out of the street and the bus is again underway. This applies to drivers approaching from any direction.

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

This September is the 10th anniversary of Club Phoenix! Celebrate with a party open to all teens registered at Club Phoenix. The party will include a DJ, caricature artist, photo wall, food, contests, and more. Then, bring the whole family to Club Phoenix for a reception to mark 10 years of programs and service to area teens.

PLEASE NOTE: The schedule listed in the fall brochure for the Club Phoenix 10th anniversary celebration may be changed. For dates and times, call 703-255-5721 or visit www.viennava.gov.

After-school program for students in grades 6-8 is available beginning September 8, Mondays from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Kids can get help with homework and enjoy cooking classes, book clubs, sports and fitness activities, and more. Free of charge.

Babysitters training for boys and girls age 12 and older will be offered on Saturday, September 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A certified American Red Cross instructor will teach basic child care, safety, first aid, and what to do in emergency situations. The fee is \$70 for town residents.

Start off the new school year right with a Welcome Back Dance at 3:30 p.m. Friday, September 11. Admission is free. Bring a friend who is new to Club Phoenix and receive a goodie bag.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Fall coed softball league games will be played at Southside Park on selected weeknights beginning the week of September 7. The team fee of \$400 includes regular season games, umpires, softballs, post-season play, and awards. For information, contact Enrique Guzman at 703-255-6352 or eguzman@viennava.gov.

Adult fall tennis league begins September 12. Men's singles games will be played on Saturdays and women's singles

games on Sundays at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Each league member will play a minimum of seven matches during the season. The fee is \$15 for town residents, and the registration deadline is September 5.

Chair volleyball for seniors is a new game played with a beach ball while seated. It's easy to learn, good exercise, and no skills are required other than being able to lift your arms. Games will be played on Fridays, September 11-25, and the cost for all three games is \$15 for town residents.

Monday morning walkers will visit local trails, neighborhoods, and parks each Monday, September 14-October 19 (no walking October 12), from 10 to 11 a.m. The fee for town residents of \$5 for all five sessions includes a guide for each walk and written directions.

Friday Adventure Walkers will meet from 10 to 11 a.m. each Friday, September 11-October 9, at different locations around Fairfax County. The fee is \$10 for town residents and includes walking guides and maps. Transportation to walk destinations is on your own. Each walk is about three miles and goes rain or shine.

BUS TRIP

Atlantic City Overnighter is scheduled for October 8 and 9. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. Thursday and return around 8 p.m. Friday. The cost for town residents of \$166 per person single occupancy, \$121 double occupancy, and \$115 triple occupancy includes transportation, casino package, food coupon, and overnight accommodations at the Hilton Resort and Casino. Reservation deadline September 16.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Financial Literacy for teens and youngsters will be held on Mondays, September 14-November 9 (no class October 12). Ages 13-18 will meet from 3 to 4 p.m.

and ages 7-12 will meet from 4 to 5 p.m. Topics will include saving and wise spending, living on a budget, handling credit, and avoiding temptation and debt. The fee is \$99 for town residents.

What to Feed a Living Trust will be presented on Monday, September 14, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss Virginia trust law, funding your trust, what every banker doesn't know, trusts and mortgages, trusts and the IRS, record keeping, making amendments, and more. This seminar is free of charge, and no advance registration is required.

PERSONAL HISTORY

Vienna Parks & Recreation offers a variety of activities to help you document your life story. For details, see the fall recreation brochure or visit www.viennava.gov.

Writing Your Personal History – September 10-March 25, Thursdays from 10:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. Class members select topics about which to write and read their work to each other for supportive feedback. This informal, group-run class is free of charge; a donation of \$5 will be used to provide coffee and tea.

Foundations of Writing: The Memoir – September 24-November 5, Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Award-winning writer Joanne Lozar Glenn will lead participants in weekly writing exercises and share the results in a supportive atmosphere. The fee is \$70 for town residents.

Create your own cookbook – October 2-November 13 (no class October 23), Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Diane King, former editor-in-chief of Pillsbury Cookbooks, will teach you how to research, design, and publish your cookbook using your family's unique recipes, traditions, photos, and memories. The cost is \$75 for town residents.

POTPOURRI

Tickets go on sale September 22 for the Vienna Theatre Company's production of the mystery "Sleuth." Tickets are \$10

general admission and \$9 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older. The show is scheduled October 23, 24, 30, 31, and November 6 and 7 at 8 p.m., and November 1 at 1 p.m.

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction (MBSR) will be offered this fall. MBSR is a deep relaxation experience aimed at improving health, self-esteem, and enjoyment of life. An overview of the MBSR program will be presented on Friday, September 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. and repeated on Sunday, September 13, from 3 to 5 p.m. There is no fee, but registration is required. For more information about the program, visit www.umassmed.edu/cfm.

Dining Skills and Etiquette for Adults will be held on Saturday, September 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The fee for town residents is \$40. **Dining Skills and Etiquette for Kids** will be held September 19 and 26 from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. for ages 5-7, and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. for ages 8-12. The fee for both sessions is \$40 for town residents plus a \$5 materials fee.

Chess group for all ages will meet each Sunday in September and October from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Play, learn to play, or just watch. The group will meet at the picnic tables outside the Community Center, weather permitting. For more information, call coordinator Frank E. Boyko, at 703-938-7063.

"Beauty Spot"

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for their beautification projects. The latest "Beauty Spot" award, for attractive landscaping, goes to the Connell residence, 962 Nicholas Ct., S.E.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180 or e-mail nriddel@viennava.gov.

Commission meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month (except July, August, November and December) at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Former Parks & Recreation Director Richard Black

Richard S. Black, Director of Parks and Recreation from 1981 to 2002, died on July 22. During his tenure, two additions to the Community Center were completed, Southside Park was redesigned, programs for teens and senior citizens were expanded, and a connector trail was built through Northside Park from Glyndon Street, N.E., to the W&OD Trail. That trail was dedicated in his honor on June 1, 2002.

He also served as the Town staff liaison to Historic Vienna Inc. and the Community Enhancement Commission, and assisted many local garden clubs, scout troops, sports teams, and other organizations with their community service projects.

Following his retirement, he continued to enjoy outdoor recreation activities such as running, biking and golfing, and volunteered at the Oak Marr Recreation Center golf course in Oakton.

"A DAY TO REMEMBER"

9-11 Community Commemoration

Friday, September 11, 2009

10:00 a.m.

at the Freeman House
131 Church Street, N.E.

Guest speaker

Sgt. Maj. Michael D. Rew, USMC

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those who lost their lives
and to show support
for those engaged
in the ongoing
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