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## GARBAGE BAGS NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT TOWN HALL

Garbage bags will no longer be available for purchase at the Finance counter in Town Hall once the current stock has been depleted.\* Residents may purchase bags of similar size and weight at local retail stores.

\*Please call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323 before arriving to check availability of stock. The Town will order bags to sell once the current stock has sold out.

## 4TH ANNUAL VIENNA GREEN EXPO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

When: Thursday, April 19 Time: 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Where: Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, SE

Presenting practical information & demonstrations to help you make green choices! Great ideas that can save you money & help the environment! Featuring energy efficiency tips, purchasing local organic products, creating green gardens, recycling options & much more!

> The Vienna Green Expo is seeking vendors. Contact Cathy Salgado at csalgado@viennava.gov or 703-255-6356 for a vendor application. Applications due by March 16.

# NATIVE PLANT AND WATER CONSERVATION PRESENTATION, MARCH 13

The Community Enhancement Commission will host a presentation on Native Planting and Water Conservation by Reid Folsom at Cafe Amouri on March 13, at 7 p.m. as part of the cafe's Penny University speaker series. Folsom will discuss the benefits of growing native trees and shrubs in landscapes, as well as water-wise landscaping for water conservation. The event is free; no registration required.

Folsom graduated from Florida State Forest Ranger School in 1953 and has a BS in Forestry from the University of Florida and a Masters of Forestry from Duke University. Throughout his career, he has worked in several capacities in both the public and private sectors in the forestry field, as well as in academic research. Currently, Folsom and his wife operate Virginia Beech Tree Farm in Rappahanock County, which produces and sells native Virginia trees and shrubs.

For more information, contact Cathy Salgado at csalgado@viennava.gov or 703-255-6356.

## **MARCH TOWN MEETINGS**

Meetings are at Town Hall, 127 Center Street, South, at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Monday, 5th: Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, 6th: Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, 8th: Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 p.m.

Saturday, 10th: Town Council Budget Work Session, 9 a.m.

Monday, 12th: Town Council Budget Work Session

Tuesday, 13th: Vienna At Your Service, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 14th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 15th: Board of Architectural Review; Bicycle Advisory Committee, Lower Level Conference Room

Monday, 19th: Town Council Meeting

Wednesday, 21st: Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, 22nd: Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m., Lower Level Conference Room

Tuesday, 27th: Transportation Safety Commission

Wednesday, 28th: Planning Commission

## TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

Town Council minutes, agendas and meeting videos are available online at www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=567. For a hard copy of the most recent approved Town Council meeting minutes, please contact the Town Clerk at 703-255-6303 or clerk@viennava.gov.

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## UPCOMING COUNCIL **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### February 27 Public Hearings:

- Bond Ordinance for Capital Improvement • Projects
- Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act (PPEA) and the Public-Private Transportation Act (PPTA) Guidelines

#### May 7 Public Hearings:

FY 13 Budget, Tax Rate and Water & Sewer Rates

#### **Upcoming Public Hearings:**

- Changes to the Town Code 13A: Refuse Storage, Collection and Disposal
- Bond Resolution containing planned • Capital Improvement Projects (March)

## VIENNA BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following Vienna Businesses who will celebrate milestone anniversaries in March 2012.

20 Years Floral Keepsakes Hometown Enterprises Symphony To Go

10 Years \*Iams Pet Animal Scan \*MBH Settlement Group, LLC \*Paul Layer Architecture

# WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

These businesses received business licenses during the month of December.

American Investor's Solution Contractor 618 Gibson Dr., SW 703-296-6111

Call of Doody, LLC Dog Waste Removal 1106 Walker Cir., SW 703-785-5314

Kathleen Paolini Reiki Teacher 311 K Maple Ave, W 703-346-8494

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## TAX RELIEF FOR SENIOR & DISABLED, LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS

Both the Town of Vienna and Fairfax County offer real estate tax relief for low-income homeowners who are 65 years old and over, or permanently and totally disabled. To qualify, the following requirements must be met:

• Total household income of \$72,000 or less. This amount excludes \$6,500 of income of relatives, other than the spouse, who reside in the household. Also excluded is \$7,500 of any income received by the disabled homeowner. One-hundred percent tax relief is given for total combined income of \$52,000 or less, 50% tax relief between \$52,001 and \$62,000 and 25% tax relief between \$62,001 and \$72,000.

- Total combined assets of no more than \$340,000. This amount excludes the value of the residence, up to one acre of land and household furnishings.
- Disabled persons applying for the first time must show evidence of disability.

In addition to real estate tax relief, Fairfax County provides rental grants and relief from personal property tax for one automobile per household. Applications for 2012 for all programs are due April 2. This date may be extended to December 31 of next year for first-time filers or if hardship conditions exist which, through no fault of the applicant, prohibit applying by April 2.

For more information and to obtain Town application forms, call 703-255-6325.

For County applications, call 703-222-8234. Applications and information can also be found at www.viennava.gov and www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

## BUDGET WORK SESSIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year (FY) 2012-2013 is underway. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at a public hearing during the April 16 Town Council meeting.

## FY2013 Budget Calendar

- Sat., March 10, 9 a.m.: Budget Work Session
- Mon., March 12, 8 p.m.: Budget Work Session
- Mon., April 16, 8 p.m.: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget, Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Tax Rates
- Monday, May 7, 8 p.m.: Adoption of Budget, Tax Rate, Water and Sewer Rates

The proposed budget will be available to the public prior to May 10.

For more information on the budget process, contact the Town's Finance Department at 703-255-7842.

## POTOMAC RIVER WATERSHED CLEANUP

Saturday, April 14 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Meeting Location:** Glyndon St., NE Entrance **Coordinator Contact:** Rick Ayers 703-989-3221 or rayers@esri.com **For more information:** www.fergusonfoundation.org

### Seeking Volunteers!

Join in the Alice Ferguson Foundation's 24th Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup and help make the Potomac trash-free by 2013!

## VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 9

Monday, April 9, is the last day to register to vote in the May 1 Town election. You are eligible to register if you are a Vienna resident, at least 18 years old by election day and a U.S. citizen. You may register in person in the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at the County Government Center or by mail. Application forms are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, all public libraries and other locations around the county and at www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for the Town election; however, you should check your voter registration card to be sure it lists your current name and address.

For more information, call the Fairfax County's Office of Elections at 703-222-0776.

## NORTHSIDE PARK INVASIVE REMOVAL AND NATIVE REPLANTING DAY

Saturday, May 19 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Contact:** Cathy Salgado 703-255-6356 or csalgado@viennava.gov

#### **Seeking Volunteers!**

Northside Park, Glyndon Street, NE Entrance No registration required. Rain or Shine. Bring gloves, shovel and/or wheel barrow.

# PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK

In conjunction with the United States Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and state and local law enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will again participate in a oneday initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from area homes.

On April 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., individuals can drop off old, expired, unused or unwanted medications at the Vienna Police Department Headquarters, 215 Center Street, South. All prescription medications, controlled or non-controlled substances and over the counter drugs may be turned in anonymously.

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing it and disposing of it directly into the collection box. If an original container is used, the individual should remove any identifying information from the label. Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage. Intravenous solutions, injectables and syringes will not be accepted due to associated hazards.

For more information, contact MPO Bill Murray at 571-251-0770 or wmurray@viennava.gov.

## MAPLE AVENUE SHOPPING CENTER INSTALLS BIKE RACKS, RIBBON CUTTING IN APRIL

The Vienna Bicycle Advisory Committee congratulates the Maple Avenue Shopping Center for obtaining approval from the Town's Architecture Review Board to install 11 bike racks. The application was filed by Ms. Monica Madden, the center's property manager, in November; Ms. Madden comments, "I was very pleased to submit an application to have bike racks installed at the Maple Avenue Shopping Center. As a company, we believe in giving back to the community, our patrons. Both ownership and the management company have a strong sense of passion in promoting safety, good health and green practice." Many of the 11 racks will be installed throughout the center's brick promenade.

The bike racks will be shipped from the manufacturer and installed in March, just in time to bring the family out and take advantage of the spring time weather. To celebrate the installation with Town residents, Maple Avenue Shopping Center invites the public to the Center's Ribbon Cutting with Mayor M. Jane Seeman on April 21, at 11 a.m. Mark your calendars for a fun event for the whole family. Join us in welcoming the Maple Avenue Shopping Center as a "Bike-Friendly Business" in Town.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING UNDERWAY

At the February 13 Town Council work session, Council reviewed the Town's proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP identifies capital projects that the Town plans to undertake over the next several years and outlines a financing plan to support those projects.

The Town Council will hold a public hearing on February 27 on an ordinance to finance CIP projects this spring. Following the approval of the ordinance, Council will consider a resolution in March that will specify the projects to be financed.

A few of the projects being considered for inclusion on the bond that is expected to be issued this spring include:

- Police Facility Assessment (\$100,000)
- Emergency Power Generators at Police Station (\$235,000)
- Town Hall Renovation including HVAC (\$300,000)
- Community Center Expansion Assessment (\$125,000)
- Storm Drainage Projects
  - Meadow Lane & Gibson Drive (\$300,000)
  - Nutley & Marshall (\$500,000)
  - Center Street (A&E) (\$25,000)
  - Ninovan & Talahi Roads, SW (A&E) (\$25,000)
  - Street Reconstruction Projects
  - Drake Lane, SW (\$900,000)\*
  - Center Street, S (\$300,000)\*
- Walker Street End Wall (\$50,000)
- Glyndon (\$50,000) and Village Green (\$25,000) Drainage Assessments
  - Revenue Sharing Local Matches
    - Lakewood Street (\$700,000)\*
    - Spring & Battle Streets (\$500,000)\*
    - Mill Street (\$400,000)\*
- FHWA Grant Walk-to-Downtown Initiative (\$1,200,000)\*
- Train Station Enhancement Grant (\$200,000)\*
- New Sidewalk Construction (\$500,000)
- Police Facility Land Acquisition (\$525,000)
- Water and Sewer Projects (\$1,590,000)

# \*These projects are partially funded by other funding sources.

Once the Capital Improvement Plan has been finalized, it will be available to the public on the Town's website at www.viennava.gov and in the Finance Department at Town Hall. For more information on the Capital Improvement Plan, contact the Town's Finance Office at 703-255-5752.

## WALK SMART AND SAFELY- DON'T RELY ON OTHERS FOR YOUR SAFETY

*By MPO Bill Murray, Community Relations/Police Public Information Office* 

Drive with care. Walk with caution. That's the message the Town of Vienna Police Department wants all residents and visitors to remember as they make their way around our community. Here are a few tips to make your travels safer:

#### **Pedestrians**

- Use marked crosswalks when walking across roadways and make 'Eye to Eye' contact with drivers at intersections.
- When crossing Maple Avenue, go to the marked crosswalk and push the button. The pedestrian crossing system will not activate unless the button is pushed.
- Wait on the sidewalk. Look both ways to ensure safety and cross with the pedestrian signal. The pedestrian signal does not turn green until left turn traffic has been stopped.
- If you approach the intersection and the hand symbol is already flashing do not enter the crosswalk. Push the button and wait for the next cycle.
- If there is no signal cross only at intersections or marked crosswalks.
- Parents, please, take the hand of your child when crossing the street.

#### **Drivers**

- Please drive with care. A red light means stop!
- Obey speed limits.
- Increase your awareness of walkers both young and old.
- The pedestrian has the right-of-way over a vehicle while in crosswalks and while a vehicle is making a turn into the highway.
- Visibility is worse at night so proceed with even more care.
- Expect the unexpected and remember to watch out for children. Young people are not aware of all the traffic laws and may not be as mindful as an adult.

In the past there has been some confusion about pedestrians having the right of way in crosswalks. According to Virginia State Law 46.2-924:

"No pedestrian shall enter or cross an intersection in disregard of approaching traffic. The drivers of vehicles entering, crossing, or turning at intersections shall change their course, slow down, or stop if necessary to permit pedestrians to cross such intersections safely and expeditiously."

## FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION

AARP Tax-Aide is the nation's largest free, volunteerrun tax preparation service available to tax payers with low and middle income, with special attention to those 60 and older. AARP Tax-Aide program operates between February 1 and April 17, this year. The majority of the sites operate on a walk-in basis, with appointments required at some. For more information, visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.

> AARP Tax-Aide Site in Vienna Sun Trust Bank of Vienna 515 Maple Avenue Operating: Monday-Fridays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## **REGISTER NOW FOR ViVa! Vienna!**

Registration is open for vendors, crafters, service providers and organizations for the 2012 ViVa! Vienna!, the annual town festival on historic Church Street. This year's festival will be held Memorial Day weekend, May 26 through 28. You will have a great opportunity to reach out to a large number of people by renting booth space on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Showcase your handicrafts, retail business products, professional services, political parties and candidates or community non-profit organizations.

Booth space is limited so register and pay for your space now to guarantee your booth space for the 2012 ViVa! Vienna!. Register and pay online at www.vivaviennava.org. Questions should be e-mailed to info@vivaviennava.org or call 703-255-4742 and leave a message.

ViVa! Vienna! is the major fund-raising project for the Rotary Club of Vienna, and proceeds are distributed to local community organizations.

## CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY- A GLIMPSE BEHIND THE BADGE

The Fairfax County Police Department offers a free, 35-hour program designed to provide members of the public with a glimpse behind the badge. Participants meet on ten Thursday evenings at various police facilities around the county. Students learn about all aspects of police work and various job tasks within a typical police agency such as Fairfax County. Applicants must be 18 years of age and able to pass a screening process. For additional information or to download an application please visit: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/ services/citizens-police-academy.htm.

## WATER MAINS FLUSHED IN SPRING

Each spring the Town of Vienna flushes the water mains in its distribution system in order to maintain a high standard of water quality and to ensure proper and efficient operation of the fire hydrants. The preventive maintenance program begins in early April, and flushing usually occurs between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.; however, some flushing will be performed during nighttime hours due to the hydrant's location or not to interrupt traffic flow on major roadways.

Water mains are flushed by opening the fire hydrants and allowing the water to flow freely for a short period of time. The flushing cleans out sediment that normally accumulates during the summer and winter and enables the Town to test and perform routine maintenance on the 800+ fire hydrants within its service area.

Flushing may result in some discoloration and the presence of sediment in the water reaching your home or business. These conditions are not harmful and should be of short duration. If you encounter discolored water in your home, run the faucet until the water is clear. The Town appreciates your tolerance of this inconvenience. If you need more information, please call the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office at 703-255-6385.

## FIRST MONDAYS WITH SUPERVISOR HUDGINS

#### Next First Monday:

March 5, 1-3 p.m., Reston Regional Library

Supervisor Catherine Hudgins holds "First Mondays" each month to hear from residents. Every month, alternating between the Reston Library and the Patrick Henry Library in Vienna, residents are invited to come and share concerns or issues with Supervisor Hudgins.

First Monday hours are from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome, or residents can schedule an appointment by calling the Hunter Mill District Office at 703-478-0283. Page 6 Vien

## RECYCLING AT NORTHSIDE: DROP OFF USED MOTOR OIL, ANTIFREEZE AND CAR BATTERIES

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor antifreeze oil. and car batteries is Saturday, March 3 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.

Too often, used oil is improperly poured down storm drains or into sewers. Just one quart of oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water, releasing toxic metals such as lead, cadmium and arsenic into the environment. Recycled oil is a valuable resource that can be remanufactured into new fuels. Antifreeze, like oil, can contaminate water and should never be disposed of in drains or sewers. In addition, antifreeze stored around the house presents a great danger to children and pets; it tastes sweet but is deadly poison. Improper disposal of automobile batteries is a leading cause of lead contamination in landfills and energy recovery facilities. In Virginia, it is illegal to dispose of automobile batteries with refuse.

## **RECYCLING EVENTS** Recycling at Northside Property Yard

March 3, 8 a.m. -2 p.m. 600 *Mill Street, SE, Vienna* Drop off used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries.

## Electric Sunday

March 25, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. I-95 Complex 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton

Fairfax County residents can recycle televisions, computers and peripheral devices, and unbroken fluorescent light bulbs and tubes.

## **Document Shredding**

March 31, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. South County Center, 8350 Richmond Hwy, Alexandria Shred up to five medium-sized packing boxes of paper per household. Personal documents only.

For more information on Fairfax County recycling events, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar/ShowCalendar.aspx.

## SPRING STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE

The Public Works Department's spring street sweeping program begins this month. The town has been divided into eight sections to be covered according to the schedule below. Residents are requested not to park on the street during the scheduled time for their section to allow the street sweeper to do a thorough job. As the time for each section approaches, signs will be placed on streets as a reminder, and residents can also call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6380 to obtain a more definitive date of when the street sweeper will be on their block. The schedule is subject to change in case of inclement weather.

#### SECTION I

MARCH 26-30 West of Lawyers Rd. to town limit & north of Maple Ave. to town limit

#### SECTION II

ARPIL 2-6 East of Lawyers Rd. to Beulah Rd. & north of Maple Ave. to town limit

### SECTION III

#### **APRIL 9-13**

East of Beulah Rd. to eastern town limit & north of Maple Ave. to northern town limit

#### SECTION IV

**APRIL 16-20** 

East of Glyndon St. & east of W&OD Trail to western town line & south of Maple Ave.

#### SECTION V

**APRIL 23-27** 

East of Center St. & east of Lullaby Ln. to Glyndon St. & W&OD Trail & south of Maple Ave. to southern town limit

#### SECTION VI

**APRIL 30-MAY 4** South of Kingsley Rd. to Cedar Ln. & southern town limit

#### **SECTION VII**

MAY 7-11 North of Kingsley Rd., west of Lullaby Ln., south of Tapawingo Rd. & east of town limit

#### SECTION VIII

MAY 14-18 North of Tapawingo Rd., west of Center St., south of Maple Ave. & east of town limit





Saturday, April 28 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. 400 Center St, S., Vienna Parking Lot Rain or Shine Free Admission

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department is hosting the 1st Annual Taste of Vienna on Saturday, April 28. Over 25 vendors from the Greater Vienna area will be onsite selling food and beverages throughout the event. Participating restaraunts include:

- Aditi
- Alegria

Noodles and Company **Outback Steakhouse** 

Pure Pasty Co.

Silva's Patisserie

Sweet City Desserts

Peking Express of Vienna

Purple Onion Catering Co.

- Panache Tysons
- Bazin's on Church Brio Tuscan Grille
- Caffe Amouri
- California Tortilla
- Chef Geoff's Tysons Corner
- Church Street Pizza
- Crepe Amour
- Culinaria Cooking School
- Famous Dave's BBQ
- Kabob Tavern
- La Sandia
- Maple Ave Restaraunt
- Maplewood Grill

Proceeds benefit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

## SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION **BEGINS IN MARCH**

Registration for Vienna Parks and Recreation summer camps begin March 5 for Town of Vienna resients and March 12 for out-of-town participants. Registration is available online at www.viennava.org or in-person at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, SE.

Camps include: Summer Playground Camp, Teen Excursion Camp, Extended Day Camp, sports camps including baseball, football, lacrosse, fencing, softball, field hockey and tennis, All-Sports Camp, computer and robotik camps, drama camps and art camps. View the Summer Camp Brochure online or at the Community Center to see what we have to offer!

## Summer Camp Refund Policy

Camp fees must be paid in full at the time of registration. Requests for refunds prior to 14 calendar days of the camp start date will incure a 50% penalty or \$100 maximum per camp session.No refunds or credits will be given less than 14 calendar days prior to the start of camp unless a doctor's note is presented and the vacant spot can be filled.

## AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY **CONTEST AND EXHIBIT**

#### **CONTEST ENTRIES**

Thursday, March 15, 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 16, 12 p.m. -3:45 p.m. **EXHIBIT** Saturday, March 17, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday, March 18, 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit will be held March 17 and 18. Entries will be accepted Thursday, March 15, and Friday, March 16. Ribbons will be awarded in eight categories: animals, architecture, digital, nature, pictorial, photojournalism, portraiture, and scenic. There will be a separate contest section for middle and high school students.

The entry fee is \$10 per person. Entries are limited to four photos with a maximum of two per category. Thanks to the Vienna Photographic Society for its assistance with this event.

## **Free Concert Community Center** March 4, 7 p.m.



The Town of Vienna Community Band will perform a free conccert on Sunday, Mar. 4, at 7 p.m. at

the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE. The Band will perform selections including "The Magic of Andrew Lloyd Webber", "Lerner and Loewe in Concert" and "L'Arlesienne/Farandole". Jennifer Lowery (mezzo soprano) will also sing an aria from Carmen. No tickets necessary. Open to all ages. Call 703-282-8214 or visit www.viennacommunityband.org for more information.

## CASINO NIGHT

When: Saturday, March 3 Time: 7 p.m. to Midnight



Where: Westwood Country Club Tickets: \$85 pre-sale/ \$95 at the door

Mark your calendars now for the Taste of the Town & Monte Carlo Casino Night! Join us at the Westwood Country Club, 800 Maple Ave., E, on Saturday, March 3, from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. for an evening of casino gaming and tasty delights as over 15 restaurants will be sampling their favorite dishes FREE of charge. Represented last year were favorites such as Capital Grille, Lebanese Taverna and the Pie Gourmet. Your ticket to the event is all you'll need to live it up til midnight.

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- Tequila Grande Mexican Cafe
- Vienna Inn
- Whole Foods Market
- Yirasai Sushi & Grill

# **NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & RECREATION**

All classes are held at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, unless otherwise specified. Register for Parks & Recreation classes online at: www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=545. Spring registration begins Feb. 13 for in-town and Feb. 21 for out-of-town participants.

#### FAMILY TRIPS

**Philadelphia Flower Show**, Wed., March 7, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. From towering waterfalls and waves of orchids, to glowing volcanoes and serene sunsets, the 2012 Flower Show is an immersion in the dramatic landscapes and tranquil spirit of Hawaii. Cost is \$72 for residents and \$90 for out-of-town participants.

#### JUST FOR TEENS

Take Charge Program/Project Toward No Tobacco Use, presented by Club Phoenix Teen Center and the Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, teaches teens what is in tobacco, stages of tobacco addiction, skills for building self esteem, tips for effective listening and how to be assertive to say 'NO' to peer pressure. Sessions begin at 3:45 p.m. and are on March 13 and 15, March 20 and 22, and March 27 and 29. For more information or to have your teen attend this class, contact Tammy Funk at 703-255-5736.

#### JUST FOR MATURE ADULTS

Mark Twain - A Portrayal at the "Marco Polo Luncheon Theatre" will be on Wed., March 14, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Participants will enjoy a portrayal of Mark Twain performed by Dwane Starlin, enjoy a hot buffet lunch and meet and mingle with Mr. Starlin. The cost is \$32 for residents and \$40 for out-of-town participants.

**What to feed a Living Trust** will be held on Mon., March 12, 10-11:30 a.m. Free. No registration required.

#### SPORTS AND FITNESS

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, Wednesdays, March 28 - May 23, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Classes are highly participatory and practical and includes guided instruction on mindfulness meditation, mindful movement exercises, group discussions and exercise. Cost is \$400 for newcomers, \$200 for class repeaters.

**Mom and Baby Yoga**, Saturdays, April 14-June 16, 10:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. The class addresses basic postpartum needs such as building core strength and stability while restoring core alignment and strengthening pelvic floor and abdominal muscles. For moms and babies 4 weeks (or 6 if cesarean birth) to before you baby will begin to actively crawl. Cost is \$77 for residents, \$96.25 for out-of-town participants.

**Prenatal Yoga**, Saturdays, April 14-June 16, 9 a.m.-10:15 a.m. This class will help you through the journey of pregnancy while improving flexibility, toning muscles and providing natural relief from some common pregnancy discomforts. Cost is \$84 for residents and \$105 for out-of-town participants.

**Vienna's Coed Spring Softball League** is now forming. Games will be played on Sundays at 10 a.m. at Southside Park. A temporary roster and \$500 team fee will be required at the time of registration. Teams are accepted on a first come, first serve basis; league is limited to 12 teams. For a tournament packet, contact Enrique Guzman at 703-255-6352 or email eguzman@ viennava.gov.

#### **POTPOURRI**

**Skate Park on Wheels** is back on Sat., April 7, 1-4 p.m. in the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Parking Lot. For ages 6 and up. Beginners and first timers are welcome. Helmets are REQUIRED for everyone. Wrist guards, elbow pads and knee pads are required for anyone under the age of 16. Free.

#### **CAMPS**

**Spring Break Camps** are available for the week of April 2-6 and include drama, art, computer and sports camps. View page 6 of the Spring Brochure for information on spring break camps.

#### Old Fashioned Easter Egg Roll

10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 31 at Historic Freeman House 131 Church Street, NE No rain date.

Free of charge; bring your own basket. For ages 12 and under and their parents. Visit with the Easter Bunny, search for hidden eggs and listen to a storyteller. For more information, call Historic Vienna, Inc. at 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

#### Family Flashlight Egg Hunt

7:00 p.m. Friday, March 30 *rain or shine* at Glyndon Park

Tickets will be sold at the Vienna Community Center Saturday, March 10, 9-10 a.m. (in-town residents only) & Monday, March 12, at 8 a.m. \$3 per family member (under 12 months free) Maximum six tickets per family.

# HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Your old magazines and paperback books are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. Regular donors may leave publications in sturdy plastic bags at the usual location on the last Tuesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Historic Vienna, Inc. will host Antiques Appraisers at the Freeman Store on Sat., March 17, from 12 noon until 4 p.m. There is a strict limit of two items per person and appointments are necessary. The cost is \$8.50 per item for members of Historic Vienna, Inc. and \$12.00 per item for non-member, with all proceeds supporting the programs of HVI. Appointments begin on March 1. To schedule an appointment, please call 703-938-5187.

**Capitol Steps**, will be performing on Sun., March 27, at 4 p.m. at the James Madison High School Auditorium. Proceeds to benefit the Class of 2011 All-Night Grad Party. To preorder ticket(s), include your name, telephone, address & e-mail and mail your \$25 (per ticket) check payable to: JMHS All-Night Grad, 2500 James Madison Drive Vienna, VA, 22181. Contact: madisoncapitolsteps@ yahoo.com.

Vienna Choral Society presents the Celtic Arts Festival on Sat., March 17, 1-5 p.m., at Vienna Elementary School. One ticket buys admission to the whole event which features an afternoon of Celtic music, dance and culture. More information at www. viennachoralsociety.org.

Wesley UMC Preschool's annual Yard and Bake Sale will be held on Sat., April 28, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., 711 Spring St. SE. Spots are \$20 each or two for \$30. All proceeds will be used to purchase supplies for the school. For questions or to purchase a spot: yardsaleforwesley@gmail.com. Christ Church Vienna, a new church in Vienna started out of The Falls Church (Anglican), began meeting for Sunday worship on Nov. 6. Lead pastor The Rev. Johnny Kurcina is a graduate of Madison H.S. ('93). CCV's worship services are held every Sunday at 10 a.m. at Louise Archer Elementary (324 Nutley St., NW). For more information visit www.ChristChurchVienna.com.

The Women's Center will host several workshops during the month of March. All classes are held at The Women's Center (TWC), 127 Park St., NE or at Vienna Presbyterian Church (VPC), 124 Park St., NE. For more information or to register, visit www.thewomenscenter.org or call 703-281-2657, ext. 276. The cost for each course is \$35 registration fee/\$25 for Members, unless otherwise noted. Topics include anger management, handling elder issues, separation and divorce, interviewing skills, career planning, emotional coping strategies, domestic abuse, bullying, life after 40, and more. A complete listing of classes, dates and costs is available online at www.thewomenscenter.org/calendar list.asp.

Western Fairfax PFLAG, a support group for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and FLY, a support and social group for youth ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet concurrently on Tues., March 6, 7:30-9 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. In addition, FLY will meet on Sun., March 18 at UUCF from 3-4:30 p.m. E-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com.

Vienna Presbyterian Church's Passages program assists with individuals experiencing the pain of separation and divorce. The next 12-week DivorceCare series will be held Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. beginning on Tues., Feb. 28, 124 Park St. NE. Cost to cover materials is \$20; scholarships available. For more information or to register, call 703-938-9050 or email Passages@ViennaPres.org. **8th Annual Vienna Elementary PTA "Run for Fun" 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk,** Sun., April 29, 8 a.m., Vienna Elementary School. The cost is \$25 before April 23, and \$30 after. Children 14 and under are \$15. For more information or to register, visit our website at www.vienna5krun.org or call 703-625-0247.

Marshall Road Elementary School and its PTA present the **50th Anniversary Benefit and Auction Gala** in honor of Marshall Road Elementary School, Fri., March 23, 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Westwood Country Club. Cost \$50.00 per person includes heavy appetizer buffet and dessert. \$75.00 at the door.

**Marshall Road Elementary School PTA** is seeking donations for the annual Silent Auction on Thurs., March 8. Sponsors receive recognition both at the 50th anniversary event and online. Funds raised will go towards building a track at the school, technology and other needs. Please contact Ingrid Rapavy at ingridrapavy@verizon.net or 703-938-4570.

The Town of Vienna Sesquicentennial Committee will meet on Tues., March 20, 6:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 127 Center St., S. Upcoming events sponsored by HVI or the Town of Vienna include a Civil War Film Festival on the Town Green, an afternoon of "Civil War Vintage Baseball" on June 23, and a History Tour of the Hunter Mill Road Corridor. For more information call 703-938-5187 or 703-255-6360.

Chapter 227 Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. will hold its chapter meeting on Thurs., March 15, 7:30 p.m. at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Richard Williams of the US American Vietnam War Commemoration Committee will discuss the nation's program to honor all who served in the Vietnam war. Admission is free. General public is welcome. For more information, call 703-255-0353 or visit www.vva227.org.

Unless specifically noted as an event conducted or sponsored by the Town of Vienna, the events listed are published for informational purposes only. The listing of these events does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the event or necessarily reflect any policy or position of the Town of Vienna or its employees.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 will hold a Breakfast Buffet on Sun., March 25,\* from 8 a.m. to noon. Adults \$8, children \$3. Open to the public, 330 Center St., N. Includes Omelettes, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. For more information, call 703-938-6580. \*Moved from 3rd Sunday to 4th Sunday for March, only.

**The Five Hills Garden Club** presents Josh Dean of Merrifield Gardens on Tues., March 20 with advice on contrast, repetition and focal points in landscape planning. The Club meets at the Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park Street, with socializing at 9:30 a.m., meeting commencement at 10 a.m., followed by the program and a light luncheon. Open to the public, visitors may wish to email ahead to fivehillsgardenclub@gmail.com so the club can prepare a friendly welcome and give specific directions.

**Vienna Adventist Academy,** 340 Courthouse Rd., SW, will host an Open House on Thurs., March 15, at 6 p.m. Vienna Adventist Academy, a private Christian school, educates children from pre-kindergarten through 8th grade. More information available at www. viennaadventistacademy.org or you may contact the school office at 703-938-6200 or viennaadventistacademy@gmail.com.

The Women's Center is hosting the 26th Annual Leadership Conference at the McLean Hilton, Tysons Corner, VA, on Sat., March 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The theme this year is "Celebrating the Power of Resilience." For more information, visit www.thewomenscenter.org.

**The Lou Neeley Experience** at the Vienna American Legion, Fri., March 2, 7:30 p.m., American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N. Free, open to the public. Entertainer, the fabulous guitarist/singer Lou Neeley provides an extensive variety of music (country, blues, pop, jazz) to please everyone. Featuring Mardi Gras Wings this event only.

**The Vienna Arts Society presents its Children's Printmaking Workshop,** Tues., March 20, 4-5 p.m. for kids ages 7-12, Patrick Henry Library. Register by calling the Children's Librarian at 703-938-0405. The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna is sponsoring a free Chronic Disease Self-Management Workshop for older adults with chronic health problems. These workshops will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax (UUCF), 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton on Wednesdays, March 7-April 11, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. To register please call SCOV at 703-281-0538.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna presents Lunch n' Life on Mon., March 12 from noon to 2 p.m. The speaker will be Jack Calhoun, author of Hope Matters: The Untold Story of How Faith Works in America. Please call SCOV office for reservations at 703-281-0538. Cost of lunch \$10.00.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America will show the movie, "21 and a Wake Up" on Sun., March 25, at 7 p.m. at the University Mall Theatre, 10659 Braddock Road. Admission is free to Vietnam veterans and VVA Associate members. General admission is \$3. Proceeds support the chapter veteran support and community outreach programs.

Koinonia Koffeehouse, Sat., March 10, 7-10 p.m., Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 8601 Wolftrap Road, 703-896-7424. Live performance/open mic, light refreshments, good fellowship. Irish music/poetry/etc. in honor of St. Patrick's Day welcome! All ages.

**Sign up with Northern Virginia Senior Softball** to play 2 slow-pitch, 7 inning games Tuesday and Thursday mornings, April 12-August 5. Fee includes Conditioning Program through April 7. For fun, fitness, and friendship, see www.nvss.org and call Dave at 703-524-5576.

Patrick Henry Library Mega Book Sale, Sat., March 31, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sun., April 1, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., 101 Maple Ave., E. Fill-a-bag with books on Sunday for \$5. Free parking and admission. Hardbacks \$2.00, trade paperbacks \$1.00, pocket paperbacks 50 cents! CASH only. All proceeds benefit our community library. Sponsored by the volunteers of the Friends of the Patrick Henry Library. Questions: email FPHL101@gmail. com or call 703-938-0405. Historic Vienna, Inc. will hold its Spring Membership Meeting on Tues., March 20, 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 127 Center St., S. Following a brief business meeting, there will be a program by local musicians The Old Time Machine. The meeting is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served. For more information call 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

**The Vienna, Oakton Vision Impaired Group** will meet on Mon., March 19, at the Patrick Henry Library at 10 a.m. Mary Cramer, of the Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Dept. will talk on "Emergency Preparation." If you need a ride please call Steve Sedgwick at 703-255-0515 or Rhoda Stevens at 703-281-9679.

**The Welcome Club of Northern Virginia** invites you to join us at our spring New Friends Coffee on Thurs., March 15, 10 a.m. Whether you're a new or long-time resident, new friendships await. If you would like to attend, please visit www.welcomeclubnvirginia.com for information about the Club and how to receive your invitation.

**Epiphany Preschool**, an outreach of Epiphany United Methodist Church, is currently registering new students. Space is still available for 3 and 4-year-olds for the 2011/2012 school year. To schedule a tour or for more information, please contact 703-938-2391 or epiphanypreschool@vacoxmail.com.

Ayr Hill Garden Club will host Jan and Malcolm Fraser on Mon., March 26, 1 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Road. They will share pictures of their memorable trip to Monet's famous garden in Giverny, France. The program is open to the public. If interested in attending, contact Pam Weiss at plhweiss@yahoo.com.

**The Vienna Woman's Club** will once again award two \$1,000 scholarships to Vienna high school seniors living in the 22180-22183 zip codes. Applications are available by contacting your high school career center, or Jo-Lynn Westlund 703-698-1237 or on www. viennawomansclub.org. Deadline is Apr. 6. POLICE FIRE & RESCUE <u>IMIERGENCY</u> 9111 (Voice & TDD) VIENNA POLICE <u>DIRECT</u> 703-938-4900 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD) NON-EMERGENCY 703-255-6366 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD)

**703-255-6360** (Voice) **TTY Virginia Relay 711** 120 Cherry St., S.E. Vienna, Virginia 22180 WTENNA TOWN HALL 703-255-6300 (Voice) TTY Virginia Relay 711 127 Center Street, South Vienna, Virginia 22180-5719 Business Hours Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. PRSRT STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID Vienna, VA Permit No. 36

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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TTY 711.



# THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

**March 2002:** Construction of Phase I of the Northside Park Trail is scheduled to begin this spring. The trail will connect Northside Park with the W&OD Regional Trail via a bridge across Piney Branch. The Town has received grant funds totaling \$56,540 for the project from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation, which will cover over half of the construction costs. Phase II of the project will continue the trail through the park to Glyndon Street, NE.

**March 1992:** At its March 16 meeting, the Town Council adopted a Community Beautification Ordinance to enhance volunteer efforts to improve the appearance of all areas of town. The ordinance establishes a Community Beautification Commission to act as the focal point for beautification programs. Commission membership will include four residents, one from each quadrant of town; four members from the business sector, and a student from James Madison High School.

**March 1982:** After a year and a half in operation, the Vienna-Oakton-Tysons Corner Jitneybus system has failed to meet the minimum ridership requirement of ten passengers per trip and will be discontinued. The last day of service will be March 6.

**March 1972:** Back at work in the Zoning Department is our Vietnam veteran, John Donnelly. Johnnie was just notified that he is to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross for his service as a helicopter pilot.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE ON YOUR WATER AND SEWER BILL

Your January, February and March water bills will be green instead of yellow to bring attention to important information on the Town's public hearing process for setting water and sewer rates.

There will be a public hearing on April 16 at 8 p.m. in Town Hall on FY 2013 Water and Sewer Rates and all Vienna water customers are invited to provide their input. Questions? Contact the Finance Department at 703-255-6385.

## TRAIN STATION AND CABOOSE OPEN HOUSES, MARCH 17

The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will host an open house of the Vienna Train Depot and the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna will hold an open house of the W&OD Caboose on Saturday, March 17 from 1 to 5 p.m. Both are located on Historic Church Street.

View a Model Railroad in the historic Vienna Depot, located at 231 Dominion Road, NE. The layout depicts the Western North Carolina Railroad during the period of transition from steam to diesel. The Open House also features Thomas the Tank Engine and some of his friends. For more information on the Depot, visit www.nvmr.org.

The W&OD Caboose #503 will also be open for residents to go inside of the caboose. For more information on the caboose, visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org.

Admission is free. Donations accepted.

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