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### County Budget Community Meeting

Saturday, April 6, 10 am - 12 pm Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE

The public is invited to participate in a discussion on the proposed FY2014 County Budget at a community meeting. Hosted by Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins. More Info: <u>www.fairaxcounty.gov/huntermill</u>

Council Candidate statements and election information are inside on pages 4 and 5! Freeman Store and Museum National Register of Historic Places Celebration Saturday, April 6, 2013 131 Church Street NE, Vienna, VA

*10 am to 5 pm* Tour the Civil War 150 History Mobile

Town<sub>f</sub>Vienna

- View artwork of historic buildings by Vienna's young artists
- ・ Visit the Little Library and Caboose (1-2 pm & 3-4 pm)
- Enjoy the "Roads to Rails to Trails" Museum Exhibit

Inee for all ages.

More Information www.viennava.gov www.historicviennainc.org 12 pm to 2 pm Participate in Children's Activities

2 pm to 4 pm Participate in the dedication of the Freeman Store and Museum Enjoy an Old Fashioned Picnic

Freeman Store Tours Available 11 am and 12:30 pm

*Featuring* the James Madison Madrigals and the Vienna Community Band!

**DON'T MISS THE VIENNA GREEN EXPO ON APRIL 18!** See page 8 for more details about this annual Vienna event!

# PUBLIC HEARINGS ON BUDGET, TAX RATE AND WATER & SEWER RATES SET FOR APRIL

The Vienna Town Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 1 on the Town's proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2014 budget. In addition, public hearings on the proposed tax rate and water & sewer rates will be held on Monday, April 15. Both meetings will be held in the Town Council Chambers in Town Hall, 127 Center Street, S and will begin at 8 pm. The public in encouraged to provide their comments during these public hearings.

The Town's proposed budget is available for review online at <u>www.viennava.gov</u>, in the Finance Department at Town Hall and at the Patrick Henry Library. For more information on the budget, please view pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter.

### **TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS**

The following items are extracts of recent Town Council actions and are not official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas and meeting videos are available online at www.viennava.gov/index. aspx?nid=567. All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

#### February 25, 2013

- Endorsed the 2012 Louise Archer Elementary School Travel Plan.
- Deferred a request to vacate the excess public alley right-of-way at the rear of 130 Wilmar Place NW to a work session on April 8.
- Approved an increase of \$7,600 in the Superior Paving Corporation contract for increased asphalt cuts.
- Approved a \$17,089.60 • emergency purchase of tubgrinder parts after the fact from W.H.O. Manufacturing to repair the tubgrinder used to make mulch.

#### March 4, 2013

- Approved for the Town to enter into an agreement with Faith Baptist Church for the purchase of the property located at 114 Locust Street SW in the amount of \$489,200. (Approved 6-0-1; Cole Abstained.)
- Approved an appropriation of \$25,787.50 for public parking garage design expenses by Paul Layer Architecture.
- Approved the purchase of three Tesco Control battery backup systems from ATS-Sales, LLC for \$13,500.
- Approved a \$6,000 increase in the contract with RDA for survey plats on Lullaby Lane SE.
- Approved a contract award not to exceed \$25,000 to AMEC Environment and Infrastructure, Inc. to assist with compliance under new

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#### Vienna, Virginia VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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FAX (703) 255-5729 • e-mail pio@viennava.gov Deadline for the May issue is April 15.

Municipal Separate Storm

- Sewer System (MS-4) Permit. Set a public hearing on the
- proposed budget for Monday, April 1, at 8 pm.

### UPCOMING COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

All public hearings are held at Town Hall, 127 Center St. S at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.

- Proposed FY 13-14 Budget Public Hearing: April 1.
- Proposed FY 13-14 Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Rates, April 15.
- Public Works Fees: April 15.

Visit www.viennava.gov/index. aspx? NID=453 for up-to-date public notices.

### WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

These businesses received business licenses during the month of February.

#### Maple Acupuncture, LLC

Acupuncture 226 Maple Avenue W, Ste 205 (718) 314-1121

#### Koru Family Pathways, LLC Counselor 501 Church Street NE, Ste 209 (703) 283-5556

David A. Guillaudeu Writer (703) 255-3115

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

Congratulations to Hope C. Sherman on achieving 10 years of business in the Town of Vienna during the month of April!

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## FINANCIAL SERVICES RELOCATED DURING RENOVATIONS

Beginning March 21, financial services including water and sewer bills and customer service, dog licenses, vehicle licenses, business licenses, meals taxes, parking tickets and all other cashier services will be located in a temporary facility behind Town Hall throughout the duration of the renovations. The facility will be open to the public during normal operating hours, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm.

For specific questions related to the renovation, contact the Department of Public Works at (703) 255-6380 or jsergent@ viennava.gov. For all other inquiries, contact Public Information at (703) 255-6330 or pio@viennava.gov.

### THE VIENNA SATURDAY FARMERS' MARKET IS MOVING!

In 2013, the Vienna Saturday Farmers' Market is relocating to the Faith Baptist Church parking lots, 301 Center Street South. The new location is just blocks from the old location, so it should be no problem finding us!

The Farmers' Market itself reopens on May 4, 2013 and will run continuously on Saturdays through October 26. Hours of operation are 8 am to noon. Limited street parking will be available in front of the church and in the back church lot itself.

The new market location will afford patrons the opportunity to attend ball games, visit and work on the nearby Vienna Community Garden, ride over from the nearby W&OD Trail, the Vienna Community Center, Fire Department or the Vienna Elementary School.

The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna operates and sponsors the market and all market fees go towards supporting youth. In keeping with the spirit of youth, the Faith Baptist Church plans to offer special children's programs, such as a bouncy house, once a month on-site. New vendors this year include an organic mushroom vendor and an organic meat producer, plus we'll feature a new growing trend: "pit beef sandwiches." More to come!

Visit us at <u>www.viennafarmersmarket.com</u>, like us on Facebook\Vienna-Farmers-Market, or email us at <u>manager@</u> <u>viennafarmersmarket.com</u>.

# Drug Take Back: April 27

On Saturday, April 27, 10 am to 2 pm, participants may drop off old, expired, unused or unwanted medications at the Vienna Police Station, 215 Center Street S. For more information, contact MPO Gary Lose at (703) 255-6396.

# BOARD AND COMMISSION SPOTLIGHT: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Vienna's Board of Zoning Appeals is a "quasi-judicial" board, the members of which are recommended by the Town Council to the Circuit Court of Fairfax County for appointment. The Board is empowered by the Code of Virginia to perform the following functions: hear and decide appeals of decisions made by the Director of Planning & Zoning in his capacity as the Town Zoning Administrator; grant variances from the zoning code; authorize conditional use permits; and interpret the zoning map, although it cannot rezone property, grant prohibited uses, make changes to the Town's zoning ordinance or substantially change zoning boundaries. Some recent decisions include the grant of a conditional use permit for a week-long Hypothermia Shelter within the Holy Comforter Church and the grant of conditional use permits for the construction of "brick-and-mortar" additions to Cunningham Park and Marshall Road elementary schools.

The Board meets the third Wednesday of each month, except August, at 8 pm in the Council Chamber at Town Hall, and interested citizens are always welcome to attend. Members are Donald Chumley, Chair, Robert Dowler, Vice-Chair, George Creed, Gregory Haight, William Harrison, Robert Petersen and Marshall Potter, Jr. Citizens can contact the Board through Planning & Zoning Director Greg Hembree at (703) 255-6341 or ghembree@viennava.gov.

# VIENNA GREEN BUSINESS RECOGNITION NOMINATIONS DUE APRIL 5

The Town of Vienna encourages local businesses to adopt sustainable and environmentally-friendly practices that protect the environment by conserving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving water quality.

To help meet this objective, the town recognizes businesses that adopt green practices. Generally speaking, being a green business means changing the way an organization purchases, develops, produces and provides products and services so it has a positive effect on the environment.

Participating businesses and non-profit organizations located in the town are considered for this recognition and the award is provided in a ceremony at the Green Business expo in April.

To submit a nomination, email <u>egoodman@viennava.gov</u> by April 5, 2013.

### TOWN COUNCIL CANDIDATES APPEAR ON THESE TWO PAGES

I would like to thank you for the privilege of serving you for a second term, and I'm proud to share some of our progress over the past two years. The Town expanded its communications with citizens; secured a long-term water agreement with Fairfax Water; and made investments in the Town's infrastructure. The Town had a record number of single family homes redevelop and entered into a PPEA agreement for a parking facility behind a new commercial building on Church Street. The Maple Avenue Steering Committee is making recommendations for ordinance changes along the Town's main commercial corridor.



Even though the Town has made a number of enhancements, there are always opportunities to improve services, communications and overall efficiency. I would like the Town to develop a series of performance measures so departments can see whether they are delivering quality

LAURIE DIROCCO

services to the citizens. I believe it is important government works on behalf of its citizens and provides the services that are valuable to the community while maintaining fiscal responsibility.

I have an MBA in finance and a professional background in finance and human resources. I have served the Town as Vice-Chair of the Transportation Safety Commission, Chair of the Planning Commission, and currently as a Council member. I believe it is essential for the Town's long-term viability to have citizen involvement and input. I ask for your vote on May 7th so I can continue to listen and work on your behalf. Please visit <u>www.lauriedirocco.org</u> for more information.



I am honored to represent you on Town Council. Maintaining the delicate balance between preserving the small town community and fostering purposeful growth, so that the future needs of Vienna's citizens and businesses are met, is my main priority.

It is important to monitor and react appropriately to encircling development, in particular, along the Silver and Orange Metro lines. I am pleased of recent progress as the Town, citizens and businesses collaborate with consultants to update our anchoring "Vision" for Maple Avenue. Working closely with the new Vienna Business Association, I support community businesses continuing to thrive through mutual benefit with the Town and its citizens. Look for the VBA Newsletter and "GoLocal" for more efficient ways to connect with these businesses.

#### CAREY J. SIENICKI

Providing safer, environmentally friendly and more convenient connections for citizens is a primary concern. Prioritizing necessary infrastructure improvements such as water & sewer, drainage, bike routes, sidewalks & roads at value, especially when grant funding is available, is imperative. Maintaining the Town's AAA bond ratings affords low cost financing of capital projects and effective management of our budget yields a projected FY 2013-14 lower real estate tax rate. Constant two way communication will pull Vienna to the forefront. Most especially, I thank everyone for working together to share time, talents and treasures, especially those who continue to serve on Town Boards, Commissions and Committees. See more at <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/careysienicki">https://sites.google.com/site/careysienicki</a>.

I again ask your confidence and vote for working together, so Vienna continues to become a better place to live.

### **VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15**

Monday, April 15, is the last day to register to vote in the May 7 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 <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov.</u>

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.

# CANDIDATE FORUMS AT COMMUNITY CENTER

**April 9:** Vienna-Oakton National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) hosts a candidate forum at 1:30 pm. For more information call Shirley Keyes at (703) 698-1838.

**April 24:** North East and South West Vienna Citizens Associations host a candidate forum from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm in the auditorium. Meet and get your questions answered by Council candidates.

# PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO VOTE ON MAY 7

It has been an honor and privilege to represent you on the Town Council for almost four years. As a second- term Council member in today's challenging economic environment, I have continued to work to make sure Vienna remains fiscally responsible; encouraged the construction of new sidewalks; supported the successful implementation, at no additional cost, of a new, more effective trash, recycling and special pickup program; addressed numerous local neighborhood issues; worked hard to stabilize the water rates by getting a long-term water supply agreement signed with the Fairfax Water Authority; and hired a new Town Manager to replace the previous manager who retired after 27 years of dedicated service to our community. I have strongly supported Vienna's long- standing policy of limited growth and low-density zoning. I am a 16year resident who is actively involved in a wide range of community organizations that reflect the Vienna community.



HOWARD J. SPRINGSTEEN

If re-elected, I will continue to work to ensure Vienna is a special community to live in and

for businesses to work in and we continue to provide high-quality services to our residents. While we will face numerous challenges from the upcoming redevelopment of Tysons Corner, we need to continue to work with the elected officials in Fairfax County to address the impact of traffic on Vienna and bordering neighborhoods.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you and our Vienna community. I ask for your continued support and vote on May 7th at the Vienna Community Center to keep working for our great community.



RYAN THOMAS

My name is Ryan Thomas and I have lived in Northern Virginia since July of 2007. I graduated from BYU with both a Bachelors and Masters degree in Accounting and have been working in Tysons Corner ever since moving here. I am running for town council because I want to bring a fresh face and new ideas to the town council.

As the Metro opens in Tysons at the end of the year, there will be important conversations (now and in the future) about how to handle parking, traffic, pedestrian safety, public transit, and development in Vienna and the surrounding areas. I want to be a voice for common sense and fiscal responsibility as resolutions to these issues are developed. As an accountant, I have first-hand experience in financial matters such as taxes and budgeting. I also understand the importance of responsible long term planning. I believe planning for the future requires a

balanced approach that views growth within the context of community values and financial accountability. If elected to the Town Council, I will bring this view to the discussions I have with the various parties I will work with to help craft solutions.

I love living in the Town of Vienna because of the special community feel it has. My number one priority is to make sure the growth of Tysons and the surrounding areas do not overshadow that. I believe we can adapt to this future growth while still protecting what makes Vienna special.

#### TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 7. All voting will take place at the Vienna Community Center from 6 am to 7 pm. This year, Vienna voters will elect three Town Council members who will begin new two-year terms July 1.

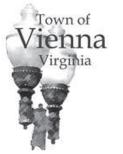
For election results, call the Vienna Information Line at (703) 255-6333 one to two hours after the polls close on May 7, visit the Town's website at <u>www.viennava.gov</u> or the Town's Facebook or Twitter pages.

#### **ABSENTEE VOTING**

If you will be out of town on election day or are unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability, you may vote by absentee ballot in person or by mail. In-person absentee voting will be conducted at the Fairfax County Government Center from March 22 through May 4, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm, Thursdays from 8 am to 7 pm and Saturday, May 4, from 9 am to 5 pm. May 4 is the last day to vote absentee in person.

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot by mail is April 30, at 5 pm. Ballots must be received in the Office of Elections by 7 pm on election day in order to be counted.

For more information, call (703) 222-0776 or visit <u>www.fairfaxcounty.</u> <u>gov/eb/absentee.htm</u>.



# A Look at the Proposed Budget For Fiscal Year 2013-2014

### MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

The Town of Vienna's Proposed Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Operating Budget has been presented to the Town Council. The proposed budget attempts to keep tax payers' cost down while maximizing the Town government's operational efficiencies with regard to service delivery to the Town's citizens and customers. Overall, the Town's fiscal position is strong.

For 2013, the average existing residential assessments increased by 6.99% over 2012 while the average commercial assessment decreased by 2.75%. The Town did experience new construction and improvements to existing residential properties of almost \$59 million during 2012, while during the same time period commercial properties decreased by \$3 million. As of January 1, 2013, the percentage ratio of residential to commercial value in Town is 80/20 versus a 78/22 ratio in 2012. While the change is slight it does show that commercial assessments are not keeping pace with the increase in residential assessments.

As in previous years, we have continued our practice of conservative revenue forecasting. The FY 2013-14 proposed budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 23.69 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation which represents a reduction from the FY 2012-13 rate of 24.21 cents, but is an effective tax rate increase of one percent as defined by law. During the March 9 and 11 work sessions, Town Council revised the proposed budget to reflect a tax rate of 23.44 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Expenditures for the Water and Sewer Fund total \$7,622,000, an increase of \$124,788 or 1.7 percent. This puts the Town on course to recover \$300,000 of the \$900,000 loss to the Water and Sewer Fund balance experienced last year as part of our three phase recovery plan. This plan projects to make up \$170,000 of the amount identified in phase two of the recovery plan, without increasing the current Water and Sewer rates of \$4.75 per 1,000 gallons for water consumption and \$6.66 per 1,000 gallons for sewer use. The Water and Sewer availability fees are proposed to be increased to match Fairfax Water fees.

I invite you to read the entire budget message and proposed budget. The budget is available for public review at Town Hall, the Patrick Henry Library and online at <u>www.viennava.gov</u>. We also have a tax calculator widget on the website so that citizens can compute their actual Town taxes for 2013-2014 versus the 2012-2013 rate. Citizens are also encouraged to attend a public hearing on the budget, scheduled for the Town Council meeting on Monday, April 1, beginning at 8 pm in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Also, a public hearing on the proposed tax rate and water and sewer rates is scheduled for Monday, April 15.

Sincerely,

Mercury T. Payton Town Manager

#### FY 2013-2014 REVISED PROPOSED BUDGET

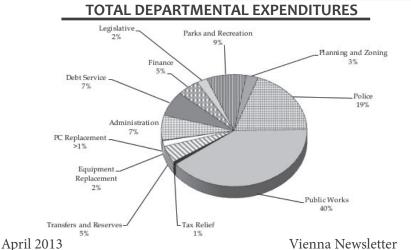
#### GENERAL FUND Revenues

| Revenues                                |              |
|---|--------------|
| Property Tax                            | \$9,355,448  |
| FY 13-14: \$.2344 per \$100 of assessed |              |
| valuation.                              |              |
| Other Local Taxes                       | 7,180,500    |
| Permits, Fees & Licenses                | 148,800      |
| Fines & Forfeitures                     | 460,500      |
| Use of Money & Property                 | 195,365      |
| Parks & Rec Fees                        | 761,000      |
| Special Services Fees                   | 12,000       |
| Miscellaneous Revenues                  | 112,300      |
| Categorical Aid                         | 2,085,661    |
| Non Categorical Aid                     | 0            |
| Interfund Transfers                     | 900,000      |
| Use of Prior Year Reserves              | 750,000      |
| Equipment Repl. Reserve/<br>PEG         | 0            |
| TOTAL                                   | \$22,028,574 |

#### Expenditures

| Legislative           | \$731,200    |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Administration        | 2,206,680    |
| Finance               | 1,405,947    |
| Police                | 6,166,575    |
| Public Works          | 6,794,123    |
| Tax Relief            | 258,700      |
| Parks & Recreation    | 2,818,258    |
| Planning & Zoning     | 845,208      |
| Transfers & Reserves  | 265,000      |
| PC Replacement        | 50,000       |
| Equipment Replacement | 486,883      |
| TOTAL                 | \$22,028,574 |

#### TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS: \$31,869,608



# WATER & SEWER FUND

| Revenues                      |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Use of Money                  | \$1,200     |
| Water & Sewer Charges         | 7,261,800   |
| Miscellaneous Revenues        | 125,000     |
| TOTAL                         | \$7,388,000 |
| Expenditures                  |             |
| Water Services                | \$2,941,180 |
| Meter Maint. & Reading        | 406,650     |
| Billing/Customer Service      | 180,579     |
| Sewer Services                | 2,379,608   |
| Transfers                     | 1,280,115   |
| Equipment Replacement         | 30,715      |
| TOTAL                         | \$7,218,847 |
| DEBT SERVICE FUND<br>Revenues |             |
| Other Local Taxes             | \$1,906,833 |
| Use of Money                  | 4,700       |
| Federal Revenues              | 35,010      |
| Interfund Transfers           | 350,115     |
| Use of Prior Year Surplus     | 0           |
| TOTAL                         | \$2,296,658 |
| Expenditures                  |             |
| Administrative Costs          | \$300       |
| Debt Service                  | 2,296,358   |
| TOTAL                         | \$2,296,658 |
| STORMWATER FUND               |             |
| Revenues                      |             |
| Stormwater Revenue            | \$226,000   |
| TOTAL                         | \$226,000   |
| Expenditures                  |             |
| Personnel Expense             | \$92,528    |
| Program Costs                 | 179,736     |
| Transfers                     | -46,264     |
| TOTAL                         | \$226,000   |
| ITAL EXPENDITURES             |             |

## BUDGET PREPARATION AND ADOPTION

The Code of the Town of Vienna requires that by July 1 of each year, the Vienna Town Council adopt by ordinance a budget establishing the tax rate for the incoming year. Estimated revenues must be equivalent to estimated expenditures. It is mandated in the Code that the fiscal year begin on July 1 and end on June 30.

At least one public hearing must be held on the budget prior to its adoption. Seven days prior to this hearing, the Town Clerk must publish a notice of Council's intention to hold such an event. The budget cannot be adopted at the same meeting at which the public hearing is held. Two notices, again at least seven days apart, must then be published in a paper of general circulation announcing Council's intention to adopt the budget. Following this advertisement, Council may then adopt the budget. After this action is taken, the Town Clerk publishes the final notice of adoption.

The Town of Vienna's budget process begins in January of each year when Council presents to the staff its budget priorities for the upcoming year. Citizens who have suggestions about what items should be given priority for funding are encouraged to express their views in writing to the Town Manager. In addition, non-profit Vienna organizations may apply for donations of Town funds.

The Town Manager then prepares and submits to the Town Council his proposed budget, and copies are made available to the public. This year, budget work sessions were scheduled for March 9 and 11. The public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at the Town Council meeting on April 1, which begins at 8 pm in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. If Council considers it necessary, a final budget work session to discuss comments made at the public hearing will be held on April 22, at 7:30 pm. A separate hearing on the proposed tax rate and water and sewer rates will be held on April 15. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the May 13 Council meeting.

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### VIENNA GREEN EXPO: APRIL 18

April showers bring May flowers - and the return of the Vienna Green Expo. For the fifth year running, Vienna will host the Green Expo at the Community Center on Thursday, April 18, from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm. This year's event is larger than in the past and will be packed with demonstrations and practical information to help you make green choices for your home and garden. Did I mention all the giveaways?

Expo organizers are excited to be hosting five alternative fuel vehicles including a Tesla, BMW Z3 and a converted bi-fuel, plug in hybrid-electric Prius. When talking to Bruce Lawton, owner of the converted Z3, I was fascinated to learn his car is now 30% faster than it was when powered by gas. The showcased cars are all owned by area residents who will be on hand to answer your questions.

We'll once again have the passport program for elementary students where, after visiting the exhibits, they can hand their passport in for a prize drawing. The most exciting addition to this year's event has to be the science fair projects that will be showcased by Vienna students ranging in age from 12 to 18. It is very rewarding to see that our students are thinking creatively about ways to improve their future.

There will be dozens of juried exhibitors that can help you save money and energy, and do a good turn for the future. The Community Enhancement Commission and the Parks and Recreation Department invite you to join us for another great Vienna Green Expo!

The Vienna Theatre Company Presents: HALLELUJAH GIRLS



Back Row (l-r) Carole Preston, Nick Matich, Edye Smith, Meg Hoover, Barbara Hayes and Janice Zucker. Front Row (l-r) Tina Anderson and James Ginther.

Photo By: Harold Bonacquist

Hilarity abounds when the feisty females of Eden Falls, Georgia, decide, after a series of life events, to shake up their lives and create SPA-DEE-DAH, a day spa, in an abandoned church. This is a side-splitting, joyful comedy that will make you laugh out loud and shout "Hallelujah!"

#### **Show Times**

Fridays and Saturdays, April 19 - May 4, 8 pm Sundays, April 28 and May 5, 2 pm Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE Tickets on sale now. www.viennatheatrecompany.org

# **TEDDY BEAR PICNIC**

Saturday, April 20 10:30 am - 11:30 am Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue E *Sponsored by the Patrick Henry Library* Free; Registration Required

Bring a snack, a blanket and your favorite teddy bear and join us for an outdoor picnic on the Vienna Town Green (weather permitting). There will be stories and opportunities for children and caregivers to read together. All ages with adult.

Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library or call (703) 938-0405.



Saturday, April 27 11 am - 8 pm 400 Center Street S Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Parking Lot Rain or Shine Free Admission

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department is hosting the 2nd Annual Taste of Vienna on Saturday, April 27. Over 25 vendors from the Greater Vienna area will be on site selling food and beverages throughout the event. Proceeds benefit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

### RECYCLING EVENTS

The following recycling opportunities are provided by Fairfax County. For more information on these events, contact Ben Boxer at (703) 324-5052 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling.

Wednesday, April 3: Business Hazardous Waste Clean-up Day for Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators, 9 am to 2 pm, I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax

Saturday, April 20: Household Hazardous Waste Collection, 9 am to 2 pm, Reston Park & Ride Lot, 2531 Reston Parkway, Reston

Saturday, April 27: Document Shredding, 8 am to 12 pm, I-95 Complex, 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton AND

10 am to 4 pm, SpringFest 2013, Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Fairfax

Sunday, April 28: Electric Sunday, 10 am to 3 pm, I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax

# **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: <u>www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=545</u>.

#### JUST FOR MATURE ADULTS

**The 5-Step Estate Plan,** Mon., Apr. 8, 10 am to 11:30 am. No registration required.

Writing Your Personal History -Spring/Summer Session will be held Thursdays, April 4 through July 25, from 10:40 am to 12:40 pm. This class is run by participants and does not have formal instruction. The fee of \$5 is payable in class for administrative support and refreshments.

#### JUST FOR TEENS

#### For Teen Center Members

**Club Phoenix Friday Nights,** after 7 pm middle schoolers can take part in tournaments, watch movies, hang out with friends and play a pick up game of basketball. Check the calendar online at <u>www.viennava.gov</u> for weekly Friday Night events.

**Dining Skills and Etiquette for Teens**, Saturday, April 27, 9:15 am to 11:15 am, for ages 13 to 17. Cost is \$40 for residents and \$50 for out-of-town participants.

#### JUST FOR KIDS

**Dining Skills and Etiquette for Youth,** Saturday, April 13 and 20, 9:30 am to 10:30 am, for ages 5 to 7, and 10:45 am to 11:45 am for ages 8 to 12. The cost is \$40 for residents and \$50 for out-oftown participants.

#### **POTPOURRI**

**Starting Seeds For Spring,** Sat., April 6, 9 am to 10 am, Nutley Street Greenhouse. Learn how to start seeds indoors; greenhouse trays, seeds and growing media will be provided. The cost is \$10 for residents and \$12.50 for out of town participants. Register in advance.

**Morning Fitness Wakeup**, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6 am to 7 am. This is a group personal training class run by certified personal trainers and incorporates weight training, cardio, weight management and flexibility. The classes are continual; new tenclass sessions start April 1 and 29 and May 29.

## Community Center Feasibility and Needs Assessment Community Forum

The Town is in the process of conducting a feasibility and needs assessment to determine the potential future growth of the Vienna Community Center. Working with the Community Center Advisory Committee, a Community Forum is being held on **Tuesday**, **April 23**, **at 7 pm** at the Community Center to gather your input and ideas. Specifically, the project's architects will be hosting a session to get your input on how you currently use the facility, what you like and dislike about the facility and what you would like to see in a renovated and expanded Vienna Community Center. This is your opportunity to voice your input and to give us your ideas to help us better serve the residents of Vienna.

#### POTOMAC WATERSHED CLEANUP DAY: APRIL 6

Volunteers are needed for the Potomac Watershed Cleanup Day on Saturday, April 6, from 9 am to 12 pm. No registration required. For more information, visit <u>www.fergusonfoundation.org</u>.

39th Annual Walk On the Hill When: Sunday, April 28 Time: From 2 to 5 pm Where: Through the Windover Heights Historic District Rain Date: May 5 FREE

Walk through any yard with a "Yard Open" sign and tour the grounds of the Historic district.

Concert by Vienna Community Band at 3 pm. Old Tyme Machine throughout the afternoon at 223 Walnut Lane.

Roads close to vehicles at 2 pm. Refreshments will be served.

For information call (703) 938-5187 or visit <u>www.historicviennainc.org</u> Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc. and the Residents of the District.

#### **Coming Soon: Bike Rodeos in May**

Mark your calendar for two Bike Rodeos occurring in Vienna during the month of May.

- Saturday, May 4, W&OD Safety and Bike Rodeo, 10 am - 1 pm, Vienna Presbyterian Church Parking Lot, 124 Park Street NE. Pre-register online at <u>www.</u> <u>viennabac.com</u>. Sponsored by Vienna Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- Saturday, May 5, Bike Rodeo, 3 pm - 5 pm, Marshall Road Elementary School Blacktop. Sponsored by Town of Vienna, Marshall Road Elementary School PTA and Safe Routes to School.

# 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 am to 7 pm. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at (703) 281-2498 for information.

The Vienna/Oakton VIP Resource Group will meet on Mon., April 15, from 10:15 am to 12 pm at the Patrick Henry Library and will feature Burt Levy, owner of Beyond Specs and the White Cane '& More'. If you need a ride, please contact The Shepherd Center at (703) 281-0538 or Steve Sedgwick at (703) 255-0515. For other VIP related inquiries, please call Chato Carter at (703) 938-1533.

The 9th Annual Vienna Elementary PTA Viking 5K and 1 Mile "Run for Fun" on Sun., April 28, 8am at Vienna Elementary School. We have partnered with The DC Road Runners Club and will be using a chronotrack timing system to "chip time" runners on our USATF certified 5K course. The cost is \$25 if registered before April 23, and \$30 after. Children 14 and under are \$15. For more info or to register, please visit our website at <u>www.</u> vienna5krun.org.

**The Vienna-Oakton NARFE (National Association of Federal Retired and Active Employees)** will meet on Tues., April 9, at 1:30 pm at the Vienna Community Center. The meeting will include presentations by Town Council candidates running for election in the May 7 race. For more information, contact (703) 938-7346.

**Sign up with Northern Virginia Senior Softball (NVSS)** to play 2 slow-pitch 7 inning games Tuesday and Thursday mornings, April 9 - August 2. Average age is 65. Placement on one of 26 teams in one of 3 skill-level conferences is by skill assessment, not a try-out. Everyone present bats; 11 play defense. Fee includes skills training and a conditioning program, February 12 - April 4. For fun, fitness, and friendship, see <u>nvss.org</u> and call Dave at (703) 524-5576.

Koinonia Koffeehouse, Sat. Apr. 6, 7 to 10 pm, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, De Sales Hall, 8601 Wolftrap Road. Open Mic. Light Refreshments. Friendly audience. All ages welcome. Information: Patrice Roe, (703) 896-7424, <u>development@olgcva.org</u>.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel School**, a K-8 "Blue Ribbon" School, is accepting applications now for all grades for the 2013-2014 school year. For more information: (703) 938-3600; www.olgcschool.org/admissions.

The Five Hills Garden Club will present a program on Tropical Plants at their next meeting on Tues., April 16, at the Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park Street, at 9:30 am for socializing. The meeting will commence at 10 am followed by a light luncheon at noon. Open to the public, visitors may wish to email ahead to <u>fivehillsgardenclub@gmail.com</u> so the club can prepare a friendly welcome and give specific directions.

**Chili Cook-Off,** Fri. April 12, 5:30 to 8 pm, \$8, at the Vienna American Legion, 330 Center Street N. Call (703) 938-9535 for more information.

**The 2nd Annual Spring Bazaar**, hosted by the Vienna Host Lions Club, will be held on Sat., May 4, at the Vienna Community Center from 9:30 am until 3 pm. At this time, there are five spaces left and we would love to fill them. Please contact Lion Nancy Volpe at (703) 938-7716 or at <u>n.volpe8@verizon.net</u> if you'd like more details and an application.

**Second Sundays,** presented by the Vienna Arts Society, is a reception on the second Sunday of each month at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant Street NW. On Sun., April 14, from 2 to 4 pm, meet the artists and enjoy light refreshments at the Awards Reception for "It's a Spring Thing". The exhibition features dozens of original artworks by members, and is open Tuesdays - Saturdays, 10 am to 4 pm, April 2 through 29. Free and open to the public. (703) 319-3971 www.ViennaArtsSociety.org

Five Talents in Vienna, VA fights poverty, creates jobs and transforms lives, empowering the poor using innovative savings and microcredit programs, business training and spiritual development. Join us for the 10th Annual X-OUT Poverty Golf Classic on Mon., June 24, at International Country Club in Fairfax, VA. For more information, to become an event sponsor or to play, email JenniferRuff@fivetalents.org, call (703)242-6016 or visit www.fivetalents.org.

**Vienna/Oakton House and Garden Tour**, sponsored by the Garden Club of Fairfax, will be held on Tues., April 23, 10 am to 4 pm. Ticket price includes admission into five area homes and gardens and the Meadowlark Botanical Gardens. Advance ticket purchase through April 9 is \$20; for more information contact (703) 978-4130. Tickets can be purchased on the day of the event at the Church of the Holy Comforter or any of the homes on the tour. Visit <u>www.</u> <u>vagardenweek.org</u>.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold an open house and registration for the Spring semester of its Adventures in Learning classes on Thurs., April 11, from 10 am to noon at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Class will be held from 9 am to 2 pm on Thursdays from April 18 to June 13 and include Bridge, T'ai Chi, a Health series, National and World Affairs and a section of Potpourri topics. The fee is \$40.00 for all classes. For more information, call (703) 281-0538 or visit www.scov.org for current schedule.

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.

**Vienna Choral Society and Reston Chorale** invite you to listen to a joint performance - 150+ voices sing "Opera For The People" at two performances: 7:30 pm, Sat., May 18, at the Reston Community Center and 4:30 pm, Sun., May 19 at OLGC (DeSales Hall) in Vienna. Early-bird tickets on sale now at <u>www.viennachoralsociety.org</u>.

**Breakfast Buffet,** Sun., Apr. 21, from 8 am to 12 pm at the Vienna American Legion, 330 Center Street N. Adults \$8, children \$3: omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. Open to the public. For more information call (703) 938-1379.

The Welcome Club of Northern Virginia invites you to join us at our spring "New Friends Coffee" on Thurs., April 25. This is an opportunity to meet Club officers and board members at no cost or obligation. The Club offers an interesting variety of social and civic activities, truly something for everyone! Whether you're a new or longtime resident, new friendships await. If you would like to attend, please visit <u>www.</u> <u>welcomeclubnvirginia.com</u> for information about the Club and how to receive your invitation.

**Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.** will meet on Thurs., Apr. 18, at 7:30 pm at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane. Harold Bonacquist will share his personal perspective of the U.S. extended effort to reconstruct Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom, so as to create a strong, democratic and dependable ally in the Middle East. The general public and veterans are invited; admission is free. For information, call (703) 255-0353 or visit <u>www.vva227.org</u>.

Antiques Appraisers Josephine Thrasher and Jim Johnson, hosted by Historic Vienna, Inc., will be at the Freeman Store on Sat., April 20, from 12 to 4 pm. Due to the popularity of this event, there is a strict limit of two items per person and appointments are necessary. The cost is \$9.50 per item for members of Historic Vienna, Inc. and \$14.00 per item for non-members, with all proceeds supporting the programs of HVI. Appointments begin on April 3. To schedule an appointment, please call (703) 938-5187.

#### **APRIL TOWN MEETINGS**

Meetings are at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S, at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.

Monday, 1st: Town Council Meeting

**Tuesday, 2nd:** Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 pm

Monday, 8th: Town Council Work Session

**Tuesday, 9th:** Mayor's Volunteer Reception, 7:30 pm, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department

Wednesday, 10th: Planning Commission

**Thursday, 11th:** Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 pm

Monday, 15th: Town Council Meeting

Wednesday, 17th: Board of Zoning Appeals

A Talent Show Extravaganza, presented by the Vienna Adventist Academy's 7th and 8th grade classes, will be held on Sun., April 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. This will be a black tie dinner, served by the 7th and 8th graders, followed by a showcase of the best VAA talents! There will also be a silent auction with items ranging from services offered by students, to deals from local area businesses. The extravaganza is open to community members. Come and be dined and dazzled by the VAA students! Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$12 for students. Please call the school office at (703) 938-6000 for more information.

**The North East Vienna Citizens Association and South West Vienna Neighborhood Association** will host a Candidate's Forum on Wed., April 24, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm in the auditorium of the Vienna Community Center. Come and hear the Town Council Candidates present their vision for Vienna's future and respond to questions from Vienna residents. All Vienna residents are welcome. For further information contact Dan Mulville at (703) 850-9053 or <u>dmulville@cox.net.</u> **Thursday, 18th:** Board of Architectural Review; Bicycle Advisory Committee, Vienna Community Center

**Monday, 22nd:** Town Council Budget Work Session, 7:30 pm

**Tuesday, 23rd:** Community Center Feasibility Community Forum, 7 pm, Community Center

Wednesday, 24th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 25th: Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 pm

**Tuesday, 30th:** Transportation Safety Commission

**Historic Vienna, Inc.** will begin collecting books on Mon., April 1 for their 2013 Used Book Sale fundraiser. Books may be brought in to the Freeman Store, 131 Church Street NE, during store hours (Wed.- Sun., 12 to 4 pm) or left on the front porch at any time. Please do not bring textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines or condensed books. The Sale will be held on June 8 and 9 at the Vienna Community Center. For information call (703) 938-5187 or visit <u>www.historicviennainc.org</u>. POLICE FIRE & RESCUE EMERGENCY 911 (Voice & TDD) VIENNA POLICE DIRECT 703-938-4900 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD) NON-EMERGENCY 703-255-6366 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD)

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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

**April 2003:** After a quarter century of efforts on many fronts to save the Moorefield house and restore it to a condition representative of the late 1700's, based on recommendations made by Historic Vienna, Inc., the Town Council voted to raze the building and to construct a commemorative park on the site. A commemorative park will be created on the site with appropriate markers and signs providing information on the life and contributions of Jeremiah Moore.

**April 1993:** As lawn mowing season approaches, the Public Works Department has announced that beginning April 5, it will collect grass clippings from town residents on the first pick up day each week. Collection of clippings early in the week will be more convenient for residents who mow the lawn on the weekend.

**April 1983:** A vigorous enforcement program has begun to halt the illegal posting of signs on utility poles, in median strips and in the right of way between sidewalks and roadways. Town personnel will remove and record all illegal signs, and as a follow-up, the Zoning Administrator will conduct a second survey to identify any signs that have been replaced.

**April 1973:** The U.S. Post Office Department has purchased the property on Lawyers Road directly opposite Church Street as the site of Vienna's new post office. Since 1965 the Town's Master Street Plan has provided for the extension of Church Street from Lawyers Road through to Pleasant Street. Postal officials have requested the Town to abandon the plan for the Church Street extension.

### TEMPORARY CHLORINE TASTE IN WATER

Beginning April 2 through July 2 you may notice a slight chlorine taste and odor in your drinking water as Vienna's drinking water supplier will temporarily switch the disinfectant it uses in the distribution system from chloramines to free chlorine. This temporary change is performed annually and is part of a regular process used to keep water mains clean and free from potentially harmful bacteria. As always, the Department of Public Works will continue to monitor the drinking water to ensure that it meets all federal and state drinking water standards.

If you are sensitive to the taste of chlorine, you may be able to reduce the taste by refrigerating a pitcher of drinking water overnight. If you have questions, please contact Acting Water and Sewer Superintendent Donald Kahn at (703) 255-8610 or <u>dkahn@viennava.gov</u>.

# VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DAY

Mayor Jane Seeman has proclaimed Tuesday, April 9, as Volunteer Recognition Day in the Town of Vienna to celebrate and promote volunteerism in the community. A special meeting of Vienna At Your Service will be held on April 9, at 7:30 pm in the Flame Room of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center Street S, to recognize the individuals nominated as outstanding volunteers for 2013. The public is invited to attend.

Check the Town's website at <u>www.viennava.gov</u> for a complete list of this year's honorees.