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Mayor's Vienna At Your Service

Date: March 10 Time: 7:30 p.m. Topic: Community Enhancement Commission- The Importance of Sustainability

The Mayor's At Your Service is a forum for citizens to learn more about Town departments, services and issues. It is also an opportunity for representatives of Vienna area clubs and organizations to share information about upcoming events. Program suggestions are always welcome from participants.

Vienna Green Business Recognition

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. To submit a nomination, email pio@viennava.gov by April 3, 2015. Please title the email Green Business Award and provide the business name, contact information and why they should be considered for a Green Business Award.

Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit

CONTEST ENTRIES

Thursday, March 19, 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Friday, March 20, 12 p.m. -3:45 p.m. **EXHIBIT**

Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday, March 22, 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.



The Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit will be held March 21 and 22. Entries will be accepted Thursday, March 19, and Friday, March 20. 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. Visit <u>www.viennava.gov</u> for more information.

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. Hope to see everyone there!

Curious to know what life was like in 1890, the year that Vienna was established? The US population was 62,979,766. Also, this was the year President Benjamin Harrison signed the first law requiring the inspection of meat products. It required the USDA, through the Bureau of Animal Industry, to inspect salted pork and bacon intended for export.



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.

January 5, 2015

- Awarded a sole source purchase of LED lights for the Glyndon Park baseball field to Musco Lighting in the amount of \$171,860.
- Set a Public Hearing for the February 2, 2015, Town Council meeting to consider disposal of a portion of Ninovan Road SE East of Tapawingo Road and adjacent to 911 Ninovan Road SE. (Approved 4-3. Attanasi, Majdi and Springsteen voting nay)
- Awarded a \$1,185,000 Tapawingo & Cottage Street SW sidewalk construction contract to Sagres Construction.
- Set a public hearing for the establishment of the Vienna Arts Commission on February 2, 2015.

Budget Work Sessions and Public Hearings Scheduled

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year (FY) 2015-2016 is underway. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at public hearings during the April 13 and 27 Town Council meetings.

FY 2015-2016 Budget Calendar

- Sat., March 21, 9 a.m: Budget Work Session
- Mon., March 23, 8 p.m: Budget Work Session
- Mon., April 13, 8 p.m: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget •
- Mon., April 20, 8 p.m: Budget Work Session (if needed) •
- Mon., April 27, 8 p.m: Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Tax Rates
- Mon., May 11, 8 p.m: Adoption of Budget, Tax Rate and Water and • Sewer Rates

All meetings are held in the Town Council Chambers, 127 Center Street SE, and are open to the public. The proposed budget will be available to the public by March 9.

For more information on the budget process, contact the Town's Finance Department at (703) 255-7824.



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Send news to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall FAX (703) 255-5729 • email pio@viennava.gov Deadline for the April issue is March 10.

Watch Planning **Commission Meetings** Live!

Starting in March The Town of Vienna's Planning Commission meetings will be broadcast live on the Town of Vienna Community Network (TVCN) on Cox channel 27, Verizon FIOS channel 38, and streamed on the Town's website at www.viennava.gov. March Planning Commission meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, the 11th and Wednesday, the 25th at 8 p.m. Other meetings are noted on the Town Calendar.

Upcoming Council Public Hearings

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

March 16

1. Proposed Ordinance to amend the Code on the dedication and completion of Sidewalks for single lot development.

2. Proposed Pedestrian Master Plan.

Vienna Newsletter

The Community Emergency Response Team Program

Scenario: Severe storms -- like 2012's derecho, only worse -- strike Fairfax County, causing widespread flooding, power outages, and road closures. Many buildings are damaged; people are injured, and 911 is overwhelmed and unreachable. If the town of Vienna was affected, would you know what to do?

The Community Emergency Response Team program (CERT) teaches regular people emergency preparedness and disaster response skills so they can safely help themselves, their families and their neighborhoods during major emergencies where first responders may be delayed.

Taught by experienced instructors from the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and CERT volunteer instructors, the free class combines 20+ hours of classroom learning with hands-on training in light search and rescue techniques, disaster medicine, fire suppression, lifting and cribbing, and other necessary skills. CERT training is free to students, and all people 18 years or older who live, work, worship, or spend significant time in Fairfax County are eligible for CERT training. Students of all abilities are welcome to participate.

Also, CERT students are given a basic kit of disaster response and personal protective equipment, including a helmet, reflective vest, backpack, headlamp, and more. Fairfax County CERT classes are generally held in the spring and fall at the Fire and Rescue Academy in Fairfax, meeting in the evenings from 7-10 PM weekly for seven weeks.

CERT classes are also held year-round at locations in the community. If you're a member of a faith-based group, workplace, homeowners' or condo association, or other community organization and are interested in having CERT training for your group, please email training@fairfaxcountycert.org for more information. All that we require are a minimum of 12 students, a location to hold the classes, and a commitment that the students will attend all seven sessions. To register your interest in CERT training, please visit http://bit.ly/InterestCERT and click "Apply" to create volunteer account.

Town Election Filing Deadline: March 3

Tuesday, March 3, is the filing deadline for candidates in the May 5 Town election. This year, voters will elect three Town Council members for two-year terms beginning July 1. Candidates must be qualified to vote for and hold the office sought, a resident of the Commonwealth of Virginia for one year immediately preceding the election, and a resident, by the time of filing, of the Town of Vienna.

Candidates for office are required to file specific documents in order to appear on the ballot. The information packet for candidates

is available at the State Board of Election's website, <u>www.sbe.</u> <u>virginia.gov</u>, or call tollfree 1-800-552-9745 and ask for the Election Services Division.



March Town Meetings

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

Tuesday, 3rd: Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, 9th: Town Council Work Session

Tuesday, 10th: Mayor's Vienna: At Your Service, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 11th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 12th: Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 p.m.

Monday, 16th: Town Council Meeting

Wednesday, 18th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, 19th: Board of Architectural Review

Saturday, 21st: Town Council Budget Work Session

Monday, 23rd: Town Council Budget Work Session

Wednesday, 25th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 26th: Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 31st: Bicycle Advisory Committee, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, 31st: Transportation Safety Commission

Property and Liability Coverage for the Town of Vienna

Often times homeowners try to do all they can to protect their homes from natural disasters and fires. Many take out warranties for appliances. But some property owners may not have adequate insurance protection against potential sewer or water damage, in which the utility is not legally liable.

Virginia localities are financially responsible for private property damage only in instances in which the locality is legally liable for damages. In those cases in which the Town is liable, Vienna, like many other localities, carries property and liability coverage through a municipal liability insurance program.

In addition, the Town carries \$10,000 in no-fault coverage that applies to certain situations in which the Town is not legally liable. This no-fault coverage can be used for damages during certain unfortunate instances such as a sewer or water main break. However, if damages exceed the "no-fault" amount, the Town does not pay for the additional damage.

Some homeowner and tenant insurance providers do not cover all types of property damage. Some will cover certain classes of damages if you pay for specific types of coverage. For that reason, the Town strongly suggests residents and customers of the Town's utilities check with their insurance provider to ensure that they have purchased an adequate amount of coverage to protect their property. Anyone with questions about their property insurance may contact the Town at (703) 255-6351.

Welcome New Businesses

These businesses received business licenses during the month of January.

Blue Bird of Vienna Childcare 1101 Park Street SE (703) 938-5955

Harmeet Kaur Grover

Childcare 632 John Marshall Dr NW (703) 319-1831

Vienna Vaping & Tobacco LLC Electronic Cigarettes 167 Maple Ave E (202) 818-0900

Studio Pilar LLC Facials 311 Maple Ave W (703) 888-8092

Promised Land Services, LLC Handyman 111 Berry Street SE 102 (571) 471-8973

Vienna Insurane Agency Insurance Agency 243 Church St NW 200B (703) 938-0500

Sanae Minagami Massage Therapy 243 Church St NW 200A (703) 298-4643

Mediate Fairfax LLC Mediation Service 217 Talahi Rd SE (703) 865-7456

Potbelly Sandwich Shop Restaurant 416 Maple Ave E (312) 951-0600

Board and Commission Spotlight: Board of Architectural Review

Vienna's Board of Architectural Review encourages the construction of attractive buildings, signs and landscaping while helping to prevent the deterioration of the physical appearance of the town, which could create hazards to public safety and health.

The Board is charged with reviewing all applications for construction, alteration or restoration of any structure, building, landscape feature or sign within the town, except for detached single-family residences in singlefamily detached residential zones.

Recent applications before the Board have included renovations to the Vienna Community Center, exterior modifications for the former Wu's Garden and improvements to Glyndon Park.

The Board of Architectural Review meets at 8 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 127 Center Street South.

All meetings are open to the public, and interested citizens are invited to attend. Commission members include Chairperson Shirley S. Damon, Vice-Chairperson Paul Layer, Michael Cheselka, Laine Hyde and Roy Baldwin. Citizens may contact the Board through staff representatives Matthew Flis at mflis@viennava.gov or Jennifer Murphey at jmurphy@ viennava.gov.

Recycling at Northside

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, March 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill Street NE (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) 255-6380.

Why Not Begin a Vegetable Garden to Reduce Your Carbon Footprint?

By Maureen Alonso, Community Enhancement Commission

Looking for simple ways to reduce your carbon footprint? Why not start your own vegetable garden? An edible garden can save on fossil fuel and reduce the carbon emissions.

You can save about two pounds of carbon from entering the atmosphere for each pound of produce you grow. That is because most produce sold in stores must be shipped thousands of miles before it reaches our plate. These food miles equate to a lot of energy. Growing your own food will reduce the miles your food travels. A home vegetable garden will reduce the use of fossil fuels necessary to bring fresh produce to your table and can help reduce your grocery bill as well.

Even a small garden can provide a great deal of produce for a family of four. Two 8x4 foot raised beds are enough to grow up to five tomato plants, salad greens, green beans and eggplant and squash, for example. A common mistake is starting too big and growing too much. It is easy to become overwhelmed with a garden, so start small and grow only things that you would buy at the store on a regular basis to begin with. Early crops such as peas, radish, kale, spinach and lettuce enjoy our early spring temperatures and do not mind the cooler soil temperatures. They can be sown as early as mid-March to early April. These plants are best grown from seed; one \$2 packet of each plant type is typically all you will need to get started. Growing plants from seed helps save money and reduces our footprint by reducing the need to ship small plants from grower to retailer. Many types of vegetables are best grown from seed sown directly in the garden. Tomatoes, peppers; eggplant and basil are an exception to this rule. These plants must be started indoors and moved out in early May when the soil temperatures warm.

Once you begin to grow plants from seed the many different varieties of seeds available is significantly greater than plants. It is fun to explore the various heirloom varieties that are available. There are many seed catalogs on line that provide valuable gardening information; www.seedsofchange.com is one of my favorites however there are many to choose from. Excellent seed selection can also be found at your local grocery store as well as nearby garden centers.

So why not begin a vegetable garden this spring?

Walk, Bike, Shop VIENNA!

By Peggy James, Town/Business Liaison Committee

Spring is around the corner and the annual Walk, Bike, Shop Vienna! challenge, slated for May 2 – May 9, is coming up! This event is hosted annually by local PTAs and Safe Routes to School Committees to encourage students and parents to explore green commuting options while shopping and dining in the Town. The Town/Business Liaison Committee, Community Enhancement Commission, Vienna Business Association and the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department have joined forces to support Walk, Bike, Shop VIENNA!

Interested businesses are asked to donate \$50 to an aggregate PTA fund, which will be distributed to all participating Vienna Elementary schools' PTAs. Five local restaurants will host a "Dining for Dollars" event during the week, and donate 5% of their total event proceeds. All businesses participating in the challenge will receive a display poster announcing their involvement. A flyer listing all participants of Walk, Bike, Shop VIEN-NA! will be distributed at the following events: Vienna Green Expo - Thursday, April 23, 6:30 – 9 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center; Taste of Vienna - Saturday, April 25, 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department; Vienna Bike Rodeo - Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m. – noon at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

In addition, participating businesses will be listed on a promotional flyer to be distributed to all families with kids attending Vienna elementary schools. The event will be promoted through the Town's Public Information Office, as well as through the VBA. Businesses wishing to participate in this community-wide green initiative must register by April 17 at http://virginia.viennabusiness.org/events/ details/walk-bike-shop-vienna-registration-919. Please direct all questions to info@ViennaBusiness.org.

Water Mains Flushed in Spring Recycling Events in Fairfax County

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 avoid traffic disruptions 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 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 cold water 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.

The following recycling opportunities are provided by Fairfax County. For more information on these events, visit www. fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling.

Saturday, March 21: Document Shredding, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mason Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA Event Contact: Erica Carter, 703-324-5313



Congratulations Parks and Rec!

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department won an award from the VBA on January 9th for exceptional service and support of Vienna business community events. Keep up the good Work!



Vienna's First Mayor: Orrin Eugene Hine (1836-1899) By Anne Stuntz, President of Historic Vienna, Inc.

Vienna's first mayor, in 1890, was Orrin Eugene Hine (1836-1899). Hine and his wife Alma Delano moved to Vienna after the Civil War, in which he had served in the 50th NY Volunteer Engineers. Hine was a local agent for the Freedmen's Bureau, and became active in local and state politics. By the early 1880s he was selling real estate in the Vienna area, as evidenced by his 1884 pamphlet, FARMS, VILLAGE HOMES, MILLS, AND TIMBER LANDS IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA. Read about Vienna in his own words below.

VIENNA.

Vienna is regularly laid out, but as yet a straggling village of three hundred inhabitants, situated on the Washington Ohio & Western Railroad, fifteen miles north from Alexandria, and about the same distance west from Washington. Is near the center of the county on one of the most public roads leading to the city, and from present indications is destined to improve into a beautiful village, and a considerable business and manufacturing center.

Already it has in operation a planing mill, grist mill and saw mill, two lime kilns, shoe and harness shop, stores, blacksmith and wagon shops, &c., &c. White and colored schools are maintained here and the white school has been advanced to a graded school the past year. It is connected with the county seat five miles distant by stage twice a day; with Washington by two trains each way, and with the whole world by telegraph. Is the center of a fine dairy region settled almost entirely by northern farmers, nearly all of whom are engaged in sending milk to the city. Over 300 gallons are sent daily from this neighborhood, averaging the farmer at his door, 10 to 12 cents per gallon in summer, and from 14 to 18 in winter. This is an excellent place to locate in, but property is advancing in price and it will soon be difficult to obtain such bargains as I can now offer.

Spring Street Sweeping Schedule

The Public Works Department's spring street sweeping program begins March 23. The Town has been divided into eight sections to be covered in the order 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

West of Lawyers Road to Town limit and north of Maple Avenue to Town limit

SECTION II

East of Lawyers Road to Beulah Road and north of Maple Avenue to Town limit

SECTION III

East of Beulah Road to eastern Town limit and north of Maple Avenue to northern Town limit

SECTION IV

East of Glyndon Street and east of W&OD Trail to western Town limit and south of Maple Avenue

SECTION V

East of Center Street and east of Lullaby Lane to Glyndon Street and W&OD Trail and south of Maple Avenue to southern Town limit

SECTION VI

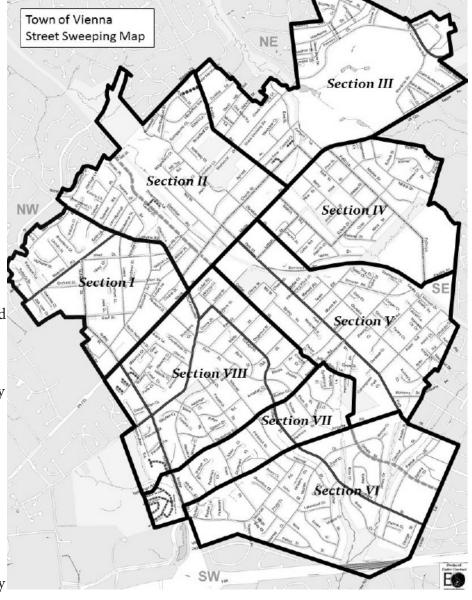
South of Kingsley Road to Cedar Lane and southern Town limit

SECTION VII

North of Kingsley Road, west of Lullaby Lane, south of Tapawingo Road and east of Town limit



North of Tapawingo Road, west of Center Street, south of Maple Avenue and east of Town limit



Only Rain Down The Storm Drain

Nutrients in stormwater runoff have been identified as the number one pollutant and threat to the health of the ecosystems of the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay watersheds. Much of this pollution is the result of the activities of watershed residents who are unaware of the link between their daily behavior and the water quality downstream.

Stormwater runoff pollution comes from many sources, including parking lots, lawns, driveways, golf courses, and roads. Rainwater that runs off these surfaces picks up contaminants like motor oil, fertilizer, pesticides, and bacteria from pet waste. This stormwater runoff flows into storm drains and then into local streams and the Potomac River, the sources of drinking water for many residents in the Washington, D.C., area. The runoff ultimately contributes to the pollution affecting the Chesapeake Bay.

What can you do to prevent water pollution? Follow these simple tips:

• Dispose of used motor oil and household hazardous waste (paint, household cleaners, etc.) properly, rather than pouring it on the driveway or into the storm drain.

• Avoid excess fertilizer or pesticide use, especially before rain is predicted;

• Wash your car at a commercial carwash, or in a location where the soapy water will not run into the storm drain.

• Sweep up grass clippings and other yard waste instead of washing them down the driveway or into the gutter.

• Always pick up pet waste from your yard, sidewalk, or park area.

• Report storm drain dumping. During business hours, call the Town's Environmental Concern Line, 703-255-6343. Afterhours, call the Police Department's non-emergency number, 703-255-6366.

For more information, visit the Northern Virginia Clean Water Partners' Web site, www.onlyrain.org.

7TH ANNUAL VIENNA GREEN EXPO

SAVE THE DATE

When: Thursday, April 23 **Time:** 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Introducing Solarize Vienna- Learn how "SOLARIZE" makes purchasing solar for your home or business easier and less expensive. Learn how energy efficiency saves you money

30 Juried Exhibits

Featuring tips for purchasing local organic products, creating sustainable gardens, recycling, and the latest in electric & bi-fuel vehicles & more!

Where: Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE Sponsored by the Vienna Community Enhancement Commission.

Vdot Surveyors

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT, www. virginiadot.org) is considering the improvement of Interstate 66. The purpose of this proposed improvement is to enhance safety and improve the existing highway.

In order to plan improvements to existing highways, it is necessary for a location survey to be made to determine the safest and highest quality alternatives. VDOT Surveyors or their consultants may need to enter your property to locate physical features, property lines or to set aerial targets for photogrammetric mapping, etc.

This survey work does not indicate that a highway across your property is imminent or that a decision on an improvement has been made. This survey is simply for the purpose of gathering data and is one of the early steps toward determining the feasibility of highway improvements. For more information please contact info@VirginiaDOT.org.

Nominate A Vienna Volunteer By March 1

Mayor Laurie A. DiRocco invites you to nominate an outstanding volunteer in recognition of his/her service to the Town of Vienna. Mayor DiRocco plans to honor these volunteers at the Mayor's Volunteer Reception on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. Please visit <u>www.viennava.</u> <u>gov</u> to download the form and send it to Mayor DiRocco at 127 Center Street S, Vienna, VA 22180 or e-mail <u>mclark@</u> <u>viennava.gov</u>. Nomination forms are also available in the January and February Town newsletters. *Nominations must be submitted by March 1, 2015*.

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>.

Scholarships

The Town of Vienna Parks and Recreation Department is committed to creating a community through people, parks and programs. Through our Scholarship program, we are making our classes and camps available to all residents of the Town of Vienna. To be eligible for a scholarship, a child must meet one or more of the following requirements:

1. Receive assistance through one or more of the following programs:

- a. Free or reduced school lunch
- b. Temporary Assistance for needy families
- c. Aid for dependent children
- d. Foster Care
- e. Medicaid
- 2. Live in the Town of Vienna
- 3. Be enrolled in school (kindergarten
- through 12th grade)

4. Committed to attend the class/camp after the scholarship is awarded.

Scholarships are limited to one program/ per person/per season, unless otherwise directed by the designated Parks and Recreation Staff. Visit viennava.gov for more info.

NIGHT "OWL" WALK AT NORTHSIDE PARK (MEET AT THE ENTRANCE OFF OF THE W&OD TRAIL) SUNDAY, MARCH 1 AT 4:45 PM. FREE

Bring your coats and flashlights as we explore a beautiful conservation park at dusk! Presentation begins at 4:45 p.m. and the children's portion will start at 5:00 p.m. Both presentations will be followed by a 20 minute walk through the park.

Workshops

Learn How To Grow Your Own Food is a hands on demonstrative program about how to prepare your garden. The lecture will include what to plant, when and how to prepare your soil, as well as adaptive techniques that one can use, when planting. Attendees will plant an assortment of seeds to take home and nurture until it is planting time. Registration is required. A \$10 supply fee paid to the instructor. This lecture will take place on March 2 at 10 a.m. at the Vienna Community Center.

An Appraisal Event will be held on March 16 at 10 a.m. at the Community Center. Look around at the items in your home and decide which ones you want to learn more about: gems, jewelry, diamonds, gold, silver, timepieces and coins. A NovaGold GIA Certified Appraiser will be presenting and advising you on what you have, how old it is, where to sell, estate planning, insurance, tax issues and donations, as well as repair and restoration. This is a free event; however registration is required.

The Getting Fiscally Fit seminar will teach you simple strategies that you can start using today to take charge of your finances and achieve peace of mind. Speaker Sam Eisen, of LPL Financial, will discuss topics such as how to: overcome the roadblocks to financial success; create and maintain a financial blueprint; identify cash flow traps; and, put dollars back into your monthly cash flow through proper taxplanning. This free lecture will be held on March 30 at 10 a.m. at the Community Center.

Family Trips

The Philadelphia Flower Show trip will take off from the Vienna Community Center at 8 a.m. on March 4, and return at 7 p.m. Experience the magic of movies and horticulture as the 186th PHS Philadelphia Flower Show celebrates the silver screen. The Show features large-scale gardens, elaborate landscapes, and over-the-top floral creations. The cost is \$69 for residents and \$86.25 for out-of-town participants. Register early to reserve your spot!

Just For Mature Adults

Mindfulness Meditation And Yoga will be held on March 24 at 9:30 a.m. Come and improve your ability to pay deep attention to mind and body, as you enhance flexibility, improve balance, relieve stress, improve sleep and stimulate creativity with yoga.

Just For Youth

The TNT - Towards No Tobacco Program, presented by Club Phoenix and the Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, teaches teens about tobacco use and ways to say no. Sessions begin at 3:45 p.m. on March 9. If you are interested in having your teen attend, contact Tammy Funk at (703) 255-5736.

The Young-Preneur class will empower your teens to look at the world differently and bring their ideas to life through FUN activities and collaboration with other students. Students will learn about Mission, Vision, Inventions 101 (Trademark, Copyright and Patent) and create a basic Marketing/Business Plan. Students will present their business on the last day of class. This class will be held on March 15 at 1 p.m.

Sports and Fitness

Adult Tennis will begin on March 11 at 9:45 a.m. Players new to the game learn the fundamental strokes: forehand, backhand, volleys, overhead and serve. Students start to build consistency in the groundstrokes and develop and initial ability to rally. Students are encouraged to repeat this class until they can consistently put the ball in play.

Nominate Your Favorite Business for a Community Service Award

The Vienna Town/Business Liaison Committee invites nominations of businesses and business owners for the 2015 Carole Wolfand Community Service Award. The award is given each year to a Town business entity or owner in recognition of outstanding contributions to the community life and spirit of Vienna.

Submit entries by March 6, to Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Stephanie Baynes, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center Street South, Vienna, VA 22180 or email to sbaynes@ viennava.gov. Put "TBLC award" in subject line. Visit viennava.gov for more info.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

The Vienna Woman's Club will award a \$1,500 scholarship to a Vienna high school senior living in the 22180-22182 zip codes. A qualified applicant must have a 2.5 GPA and a burning desire to further their education. Both young men and women are encouraged to apply. Applications are available by contacting your high school career center, or Jo-Lynn Westlund 703-698-1237 or on their web site www.viennawomansclub.org. Deadline is March 17, 2015.

The Vienna Chapter of the AAUW hosts author, Linda S. Johnston, on March 10th. Join us at the Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East in Vienna on March 10th at 7 p.m. to hear true stories of pioneer life in the 1850's. Linda S. Johnston, Virginia author of Hope amid Hardship: Pioneer Voices from Kansas Territory will present a program sharing stories from her latest book. In a woman oriented approach to history, Linda brings together the words of sixty settlers who wrote about pioneer life in 1854-1861. Our program is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. For more information, please contact: ViennaAAUW@yahoo.com

Epiphany Preschool, an outreach of Epiphany United Methodist Church, is now registering students for the 2015/2016 school year. To schedule a tour or for more information, please call the office at 703-938-2391 or email at epiphanypreschool@ vacoxmail.com

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. The March 2015 meeting of the Fairfax **County Chapter of the National Daughters** of the American Revolution (NSDAR) will be held Friday, March 6 at 10:00 a.m. at the Penderbrook Community Center, 3704 Golf Trail Lane, Fairfax, VA 2003. Mr. Stephen Powers will present a program, "DC Boundary Stones". The forty Boundary Stones represent the original boundaries of the District of Columbia as surveyed in 1791-92. Guests are cordially invited to attend as the meeting is a good opportunity to talk to others about joining the DAR. Please contact Mrs. Judi Blaine-Stewart at j.blainestewart@yahoo.com or (703) 273-3312 if you are interested in attending or joining the DAR.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired (VIP) Resource Group Meeting Monday, March 16, 2015 at 10:15 a.m. - Noon at the Patrick Henry Library 101 Maple Ave. East. Vienna, VA 22180. Guest Speaker: Brigid Doherty, M.A., COMS Metro System Orientation Specialist. Ms. Doherty will cover issues related to Metro Access, as well as Free Travel Training and the Reduced Fare Program. If you live in the vicinity and need a ride, please call: The Shepherd Center at 703-281-0538 (3 days advance notice required) or David Hirsch at 703-963-4220. For other VIP related inquiries please contact: Chato Carter 703-938-1533 or chatovcarter@yahoo.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc., invites all veterans, friends, and the general public to attend the March 19, 2015 chapter meeting at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna, Virginia, at 7:30 p.m. Matt Zeller, an Afghan army veteran, will discuss his program, "No One Left Behind" to bring Afghan and Iraqi citizens who served as U.S. military unit language translators to our country. Their life-saving service has placed them and their families on enemy "death list". Admission is free. For information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or email grunt69@gmail.com or visit the web page at www.vva227.org. The membership serves as a "Fire Support Base" for veterans who are seeking closure on their Tour of Duty and a renewal of their Vietnam camaraderie. The chapter supports veteran's activities and non-veteran community projects.

Early Steps Bilingual Preschool http:// www.earlystepsbilingualpreschool.org is accepting students ages 2-5. We offer full and part time programs. 1014 Country Club Dr. Vienna, VA 22180. Our vision is to be a center of integral development, in which children can develop basic knowledge and fundamental skills to succeed in life through bilingual (Spanish/English) education. What greater gift can we give our children than the gift of a second language. Please call us for more information at (703) 405-5156 or email us at earlystepsbilingual@ gmail.com.

The Vienna Arts Society, a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization dedicated to "enriching our community through the arts", announces the following:

WEATHER OR NOT Members of the Vienna Arts Society exhibit and sell original artworks in several continuing shows in the area, to include the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant Street, NW, Vienna VA 22180. Pick up a map of locations and meet Ginger Sanaie and other artists at a reception at the Art Center on Friday, March 13, 7 - 9 p.m. The exhibition continues 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Tuesdays - Saturdays, March 3 - April 4. ARTIST'S DEMONSTRATION Discover how Potomac artist Jack Harding creates subtle textural effects with watercolors on distressed rice paper at the Art Center on Thursday, March 12, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Free and open to the public. 703-319-3971. ANNUAL FREE CHILDREN'S PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP Children ages 7 - 12 are invited to create prints using fish, vegetables, and more at a workshop co-sponsored by Patrick Henry Library on Tuesday, March 24, 4 - 5 p.m. Register by calling the Children's Librarian at 703-938-0405.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Historic Vienna, Inc. will hold its Spring Membership Meeting on Tues., March 24, at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 127 Center Street S. The speaker will be Lincoln scholar and tour guide Craig Howell. His talk "Dueling Conspiracies of the Lincoln Assassination: Confederate Plot or Stanton's Cabal" is about John Wilkes Booth in light of April's 150th anniversary of Lincoln's assassination. The meeting is free and open to the public. For information, visit www. historicviennainc.org or call (703) 938-5187.

Historic Vienna, Inc. is collecting books for its 2015 Used Book Sale, now through April 10. Books may be brought into the Freeman Store at 131 Church Street, NE during store hours or left on the front porch at any time. The Book Sale will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19, with the Members Only Preview Sale on Friday, April 17. We ask that you do NOT leave encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines or condensed books! For information or to volunteer to assist with sorting books call (703) 938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org

The Freeman Store and Museum has an opening for a part-time storekeeper. This job share position combines selling local and other merchandise, while sharing Vienna's history with Freeman Store and Museum visitors. For more information, call Anne Stuntz at (703) 938-1894.

Antiques Appraisers Josephine Thrasher and Jim Johnson will be hosted by Historic Vienna Inc. on Saturday, April 25, Noon-4 P.M. Maximum of 2 items per person, \$10 per item for HVI Members and \$15 per item for non-HVI members. Reservations for these verbal appraisals begin at noon on March 1, at 703-938-5187. Please leave a message with your phone number. Freeman Store and Museum, 131 Church Street NE.

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will host an All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast Saturday March 7, 2015 8 a.m. - noon at the Fire Station 400 Center Street S. The Cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for children under 12, and free for children under 4. The price includes all you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, coffee. etc. There will also be tours of the fire equipment. For more information please contact: joanie@vvfd.org

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will be hosting a Spring craft show/Bazaar on March 14, 2015 from 10am to 4 p.m. Vienna Fire Department 400 Center Street. Admission is FREE. There will be many yummy baked goods for sale baked by our talented Auxiliary members. There will also be lunch for sale.

Ayr Hill Garden Club invites you Monday March 23 @ 12:45 p.m. to attend the presentation: Our Favorite Garden Tools. Come listen to several club gardeners talk about, see and hold the many tools used to support their extensive gardening efforts. It promises to be a fun hour. Held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church-Upstairs 2589 Chain Bridge Road, Vienna, VA 22181. Light refreshments served from 12:30 p.m. until presentation starts. Please rsvp to emilielarson@rcn.com

The Town of Vienna Community Band performs a free concert for all ages at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Mar. 1 at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE. The Band will perform selections including "Bond ... James Bond", "The Beltway Jam", "Country Gardens", "Mobbusters", and "Tritsch Tratsch Polka". No tickets necessary. For more details visit www. viennacommunityband.org

The Lou Neeley Experience Friday, March 27th at the American Legion Patriot Hall, Vienna, VA. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Pop, R&B, Blues, Oldies by Lou Neeley—The Music Maker, \$5 cover charge. Bring your family and friends and enjoy some good music and dance the night away.

The Oakton Church of the Brethren Community Concert Series welcomes pianist Dr. Raffi Kasparian for a concert on Sunday, March 22 at 4 p.m. Dr. Kasparian will perform Modest Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" and "Carnaval," Opus 9, "Little Scenes on Four Notes," by Robert Schumann. No tickets or reservations are required for this free concert -- just come, take a seat and enjoy! Donations will be accepted for the outreach programs of Oakton Church of the Brethren. The church is located at 10025 Courthouse Rd., Vienna, Va., where Courthouse Rd. intersects Rt. 123 near Oakton. For more information, see www.oaktonbrethren.org, or call 703-281-4411.

The Women's Center is located at 133 Park Street, NE, Vienna, VA 22180. We offer workshops for men, women and families. The workshops that will take place in March 2015 are:

Divorce 101-Information, Strategies & Tips - 3/7/15, 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. (\$40). Federal Job Application Workshop - 3/10/15, 10 a.m. - noon (\$35). The Smart Split - Legal Aspects of Separation & Divorce - 3/14/15, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. (\$55). What Every Woman Should Know About Investing - 3/17/15, 7-9 p.m. (\$35). Reclaiming Your Future -Financial Planning During Separation & Divorce - 3/19/15, 6:30-9:30 p.m. (\$50). Divorce 102 - Information, Strategies & Tips - 3/21/15, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (\$40). Re-Entering the Workforce - 3/23/15, 10 a.m. - noon (\$35). Family Abuse: What Is It & What Can You Do About It? 3/23/15, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. (FREE). Job Interviewing Skills - 3/28/15 from 10 a.m. - noon (\$35). Divorce, Custody & Support - Discovery Process - Preparing Your Case - 3/30/15, 7-9 p.m. (\$55).

Teen workshops are free. For more information, see our website at www. thewomenscenter.org under EVENTS or call 571-385-0365

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THIS MONTH IN HISTORY From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

March 2005: Locks of Love is coming to Vienna! Locks of Love is a national organization created to help children with hair loss. Town residents are invited to let their hair grow until September 26, when free haircuts will be given to those who wish to make a donation to the program, which provides hairpieces to children who suffer from an auto-immune condition called alopecia areata, for which there is no cause or cure, and other medical condition that result in hair loss.

March 1995: The Virginia Department of Transportation will hold an open forum on the Cottage Street reconstruction project on March 27. The project includes the reconstruction of the street at its existing width between Moore Avenue and the rear of the Vienna Shopping Center; replacement of curb, gutter and sidewalk; addition of storm sewers; and replacement of water and sanitary sewer lines.

March 1985: The Vienna Jaycees and the Vienna Elementary School PTA are building the Center Street Playground. This "creative playground" is designed for children of all ages, including the handicapped. Another creative playground is planned for Louise Archer Elementary School.

March 1975: The Town's long -awaited curbside newspaper pickup program will begin March 19. The program will continue on a biweekly basis with a series of Town trucks covering the entire Town. Trash crews will not pick up refuse that includes newspapers.

Vienna Business Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following businesses on achieving milestone anniversaries in March 2015:

30 Years

- Maplewood Grill25 Years
- Law Office of Robert Taylor
- Teresa Kingsley

20 Years

- Counseling Services of Vienna
- KCW Consulting
- Ocean Cleaners
- Physiotherapy
 Associates #662
- Staats Developers, Inc
- The Smith
- Investment Group

15 Years

- Dastvan, Inc
- Zaid Khalil, MD,
- P.C

10 Years

- Estate Contractors LLC
- Fahimeh Farmand
- Lakdiva Technology Group Inc
- Mill Street
 Plantworks
- Park & Grait, LLC
- Total Carpet Care, LLC

5 Years

- Apprentice Systems, Inc
- Battle Street Builders, LLC
- Freezeawayfat, LLC
- Lindsay A.
- Alexander, LLC
- Partners In Healthy Relationships

