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#### Mayor's Volunteer Recepition

On Tuesday, April 14, the Town will celebrate Volunteer Recognition Day to acknowledge and promote volunteerism in the community. A special ceremony will be held at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center Street S, to recognize the individuals nominated as outstanding volunteers for 2015. This event starts at 7:30 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

Check the Town's website at <u>www.</u> <u>viennava.gov</u> for more information about this special ceremony.

## Hello Sunshine! Vienna Program Makes Solar Easier and More Affordable

By Tara Ruszkowski, Community Enhancement Commission

In its continuing effort to make Vienna a more sustainable community, the Town Council voted unanimously at its February 23 meeting to approve a program that will make it easier and more affordable for area residents and businesses to purchase solar energy systems.

Solarize Vienna is a community-based initiative jointly sponsored by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and the Local Energy Alliance Program. Through June 30, Vienna-area residents and businesses can take advantage of free solar assessments and bulk purchasing discounts to reduce the cost of a solar system.

Center Street residents, Julie and Kent Morton, made the move to solar in January 2014 installing a 9.9 kW system . "We have been very pleased with our solar system and the results to date. In 2014, our system generated over 11,850 kWh, which equated to a \$0 annual electricity payment for our 5 bedroom home that runs primarily on electricity (gas water heater, first floor furnace, and stove top)." using the sun as a free fuel source is the satisfaction of having offset over 9 tons of carbon emissions, according to their onsite monitoring system, that would have otherwise been released into the air. That's equivalent to the annual carbon absorption intake of 235 trees.

If you're not a candidate for solar power, Solarize Vienna also offers a free energy checkup to those who register before June 30. Valued at more than \$150, the checkup includes a home evaluation, advice from an energy coach and installation of energy efficient products such as CFL light bulbs, smart power strips, pipe insulation and door weatherization. Councilmember, Carey Sienicki has already registered for her checkup. "We had talked about looking into solar and this was just the push we needed to start the process," Sienicki said.

Solarize Vienna will be featured at the Town's Green Expo on April 23 at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Expo will be a one-stop-shop for residents to learn about solar power options, meet installers, and sign up for a solar assessment or an energy checkup. More details and registration are available at solarizevienna.org.

For the Morton's, another benefit of

#### **Vienna Green Business Recognition**

The Town of Vienna encourages local businesses to adopt sustainable and environmentally-friendly practices that protect the environment. To help meet this objective, the Town recognizes businesses that adopt green practices.

Participating businesses and non-profit organizations located in the Town are being considered for the Green Business Award. 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.



**Curious to know what life was like in 1890, the year that Vienna was established?** Of gainfully employed US citizens, 43 percent were engaged in agriculture. Also, during this time a typical day's diet included two kinds of meats, eggs, cheese, butter, cream, bread, several types of vegetables, jellies, and preserves.

#### **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 26, 2015

- Set a public hearing for March 16, 2015 for the consideration of a proposed Ordinance to amend the Code of the Town of Vienna, Chapter 17, Subdivisions, Article 5, Improvements, Section 17-67.1 Dedication of Sidewalks for Single-Lot Development; and Section 17-67.2 Completion of Sidewalks for Single-Lot Development. (Approved 6-1. *Majdi absent*)
- Set a public hearing for March • 16, 2015 for the consideration of a proposed Pedestrian Master Plan. (Approved 6-1. Majdi absent)
- Awarded a \$27,800 professional • services contract to Amec Foster Wheeler, Inc. for MS-4 Permit Compliance under RFP 14-04 account 55111--47404.

(Approved 6-1. Majdi absent)

- Approved an amount not to exceed \$16,500 for C3Cyber Club, Nina Crissey, and UK Elite Soccer for 2015 winter classes. (Approved 6-1. Majdi absent)
- Waived purchasing regulations and approve a contract to RE Lee for the installation of the Musco ball field lights at Glyndon Park in the amount not to exceed \$52,723 from account #300710-48803 and \$5,000 from account #10713-47403 (Approved 6-1. Majdi *absent*)
- Approved the additional A&E fees of \$53,710, under RFP 14-03, for Lukmire Partnership for the Vienna Community Center. (*Approved 6-1*. *Majdi absent*)

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April 2015

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Deadline for the May issue is April 10.

VIENNA GREEN EXPO Thursday, April 23, 2015 6:30 - 9 p.m. Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE

**7TH ANNUAL** 

#### **Presenting 30 Juried Exhibits**

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

Sponsored by the Vienna Community Enhancement Commission. *Free, family friendly event.* 

## **Upcoming Council** Public Hearings

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

#### April 13

2016 Fiscal Year Operating Budget

#### <u>April 27</u>

- 2016 Fiscal Year Tax Rate
- 2016 Fiscal Year Water and Sewer Rates

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

## **Voter Information**

## Town Council Election: May 5

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 5. All voting will take place at the Vienna Community Center from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. This year, Vienna voters will elect three Town Council members who will begin new two-year terms July 1. For election results, a few hours after the polls close on May 5, visit the Town's website at <u>www.viennava.gov</u> or the Town's Facebook or Twitter pages.

## **April Town Meetings**

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

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

**Thursday, 16th:** Board of Architectural Review

Wednesday, 8th: Planning Commission

**Thursday, 9th**: Town Business Liaison Committee, 7 p.m.

Monday, 13th: Town Council Meeting

**Tuesday, 14th:** Mayor's Volunteer Reception, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 15th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Architectural Review

**Monday, 20th:** Town Council Work Session

Wednesday, 22nd: Planning Commission

Monday, 27th: Town Council Work Meeting

**Tuesday, 28th:** Pedestrian Advisory Committee, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, 28th:** Transportation Safety Commission

## **Spring Fertilizer Tips**

As we are approaching spring and our lawns begin to grow, please remember the environment if you wish to use fertilizer by considering these guidelines:

1. Fertilize when grass is actively growing and can take up the nutrients. Look for fertilizers with a high percentage (30 percent or higher) of slowly available nitrogen. It releases fertilizer slowly, and your lawn makes better use of it. 2. NEVER apply more than 1 pound of soluble nitrogen per 1,000 square feet at a time. More is not better. Lawn fertilizer is applied in pounds per 1,000 square feet. To determine square feet, multiply the length by the width of the area to be fertilized.

**3.** NEVER apply fertilizer to driveways, sidewalks or roadways. Sweep or blow fertilizer spilled on hard surfaces into the turf.

## **Voter Registration Deadline**

Monday, April 13, is the last day to register to vote in the May 5, 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, by mail or online. 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 or visit http://www. fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/vregis.htm

## **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. Inperson absentee voting will be conducted at the Fairfax County Government Center from March 20 through May 2.

The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot by mail, e-mail or fax is April 28, at 5 p.m. Ballots must be received in the Office of Elections by 7 p.m. on election day in order to be counted.

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



Please take the time to vote on May 5, 2015

#### **Town Council Candidates**



**Carey Sienicki** 

It has been an honor to serve on your Town Council, especially as we mark the 125th anniversary for Vienna.

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, remains my highest priority.

I am committed to providing safer, environmentally friendly and more convenient connections for citizens and prioritizing necessarv infrastructure improvements such as water & sewer, stormwater, bike routes, sidewalks and roads in an efficient manner. In particular, updating our Maple Avenue Corridor zoning ordinance and renovating the Vienna Community Center to include LEED Certifications has been a great collaboration of Town staff, citizens, businesses, and consultants.

As a business owner, maintaining and operating a company within the Town, I have been actively working with the Vienna Business Association as an Ambassador to better connect the Town, businesses, and citizens. I have been particularly pleased to help as a committee member on the new and successful First Night Vienna and Vienna Oktoberfest events.

Serving as Mayor (pro-tempore) from February to April last year, I was reminded of the value of community activism and am I am particularly thankful for those who share their time, treasures and talent on Town Boards, Commissions, and Committees. It was a pleasure to see the new Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committees established and to work to lead the Mayor's Advisory Committee for the M. Jane Seeman Memorial, which became a catalyst for establishing the Vienna Public Art Commission.

If you would like to know more, visit https:// sites.google.com/site/careysienicki/. I again ask for your confidence and vote for working together, so Vienna continues to become a better place to live.



#### **Howard Springsteen**

It has been a privilege to serve Vienna citizens for a third term on the Town Council. I am an 18-year resident, and homeowner on Upham Place NW, who is actively involved in a number of organizations that reflect and serve the Vienna community.

On February 28th, Vienna celebrated its 125th anniversary as a Town in front of the historic Freeman Store on Church Street. Over 500 residents braved the cold to come out and watch the play describing the formation of Vienna as a town in 1890, and to celebrate the exceptional day. I was proud to be able to participate in the play "The Incorporation of Vienna 1890". The Town's birthday event reinforced Vienna's history, small town feeling, and our sense of community. We should all be proud of the remarkable network of volunteers, community groups and small businesses who give their time and talent for the betterment of Vienna.

For the past two years on the Town Council, while providing high quality and fiscally responsible services, I have continued to focus on maintaining Vienna as a special place to live and work. I consistently work to make sure Vienna is a walkable area by supporting new sidewalks where they are needed and wanted. I have strongly encouraged addressing the need to replace and upgrade aging water and sewer pipes (a number of replacements are now funded and scheduled to be addressed this spring and summer). Also, I have stressed sound fiscal decisions and made sure neighborhood concerns and issues are promptly addressed. I have strongly supported the Vienna Community Center renovation and expansion project. I have worked to have the Community Center project undertaken in one construction phase instead of two phases, which should make the project shorter and more efficient and hopefully reduce overall construction costs. Lastly, I am a big supporter of continuing to maintain Vienna's long-standing policy of limited growth and low -density zoning.

I am running for re-election because I want to continue to maintain our sense of Vienna community and continue to help provide a common sense voice on town government decisions. I ask for your support and vote on May 5th so I can continue to serve and work for our community. If re-elected I plan on continuing my focus on making Vienna a great place to live and work. In addition, I will make sure needed infrastructure improvements are made and neighborhood concerns and issues are promptly addressed.



Tara Voigt

Vienna has been my home for over 15 years. We were drawn to its small town feel, walkable streets, neighborhood parks, and a vibrant commercial area. As a parent of three, homeowner, patron, and employee within Vienna, I've remained active in the community and take advantage of many of the town's services and activities.

With the rapid growth and development in and adjacent to the Town of Vienna, especially in Tysons Corner, innovation will maintain the balance between Vienna's endearing qualities and purposeful growth. I support the Maple Avenue Corridor redevelopment and look forward to seeing its implementation. Vienna has had a successful 125 years, and this plan ensures our future will be progressive and innovative.

I want to maintain Vienna's small town feel. A top challenge is keeping traffic flowing through and around the town at all times. Residents and nonresidents face the challenge of stop and go traffic down Maple Avenue and Church Street. Traffic management including traffic light timing, alternative transportation, and roadway improvements can help make the trip less frustrating. We must also maintain and improve our sidewalk grid to allow pedestrians and cyclists safe passage to the wonderful programs, dining, and shopping Vienna has to offer.

I am committed to serving the community in which I live. I served on the Town's Transportation Safety Commission, including a term as Chairperson, from 2005-2014. Since 2014, I have served on the Planning Commission. I am currently working with my fellow commissioners on updating the Town's Comprehensive Plan. I have also served in volunteer leadership positions at F.B. Meekins Preschool, Marshall Road Elementary and Madison HS Parent-Teacher associations, and with La Leche League and youth activity organizations including Vienna Youth Soccer, Vienna Aquatic, and Girl Scouts.

Thank you for considering me for Vienna Town Council to serve the residents and businesses of Vienna. I ask for your "Vote for Voigt" on May 5th. Visit www.taravoigt.org for more information.

# <u>Vienna Thanks Green Businesses</u>

#### By Greg Bernhard, Town/Business Liaison Committee

Thursday, April 23rd is Vienna's Green Expo. The expo is free to attendees and features a juried showcase of local/regional exhibitors educating the public on how to achieve a green lifestyle. It also gives our community the opportunity to recognize businesses that choose to implement green practices. Throughout February and March, the TOV's Business Liaison Committee accepted nominations for green businesses. Generally speaking being a green business means to adopt sustainable and environmentally-friendly practices that protect the environment by conserving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving water quality.

Participating businesses and non-profit organizations located in the town are considered for this recognition, and the recognition is presented at the Green Expo. Previous recipients include The Maple Avenue Restaurant and Café Amouri. The community appreciates all businesses that go out of their way to conserve resources and protect our environment.

## Arbor Day

The Town of Vienna and the Community Enhancement Commission invites the public to attend the annual Arbor Day ceremony on Thursday, April 23, at 4 p.m. The tree planting ceremony will be held in front of Peet's Coffee at 332 Maple Ave E, Vienna, VA 22180. After the ceremony, the public is invited to attend the 7th annual Vienna Green Expo at the Vienna Community Center from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.



## **Temporary Chlorine Taste in Water**

From April through July 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 the Water and Sewer Superintendent at (703) 255-8610 or visit https://www.fairfaxwater.org/contact/index.htm.



#### Happy Anniversary!

These businesses will celebrate milestone anniversaries in April! -- 35 Years --Boring & Pilger, P.C.

> -- **25 Years** --Anita's Mexican Food Togashi Graphics

-- 20 Years --Junior Construction, Inc. KBT Minerals Lynn Davis

-- 10 Years --Brett Cordeau Photography J's Professional Lawn Services Papa John's Pizza #1916 Swan Cleaners -- 5 Years --Caribbean Sun Tanning, Inc. CKH Consulting LLC Eagle HR, Inc. Enterprise Business Consulting Pho N More Pro Energy Consultants Tyler Sue Virginia Functional Medicine Winning Proposals, Inc.

# A Look at the Proposed Budget For Fiscal Year 2015-2016

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**

The Town of Vienna's Proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget has been presented to the Town Council. The proposed budget attempts to keep taxpayers' cost down while maximizing the Town government's operational efficiencies concerning service delivery to the Town's citizens and customers. Overall, the Town's fiscal position is strong.

For 2015, the average existing residential assessments increased by 3.67% over 2014 while the average existing commercial assessment also increased slightly, by 0.33%. The Town did experience new construction and improvements to existing residential properties of almost \$95.6 million during 2014 while during the same time period commercial properties increased slightly by \$3.8 million.

As in previous years, we have continued our practice of conservative revenue forecasting. The FY 2015-16 proposed budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 22.88 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation which is the same tax rate the Town has operated with for the last two fiscal years.

Expenditures for the Water and Sewer Fund total \$6,990,510, an increase of \$169,510 or 2.0 percent. This puts the Town on course to recover the \$900,000 loss to the Water and Sewer Fund balance experienced in prior years as part of our recovery plan. As such there will be no requirement to increase rates this fiscal year, and we are on course for a rate adjustment in an every other year cycle. The next projected rate adjustment will occur in FY 2016-17.

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 www.viennava.gov. We also have a tax calculator widget on the website so that citizens can compute their actual Town taxes for 2015-2016. Citizens are also encouraged to attend a public hearing on the budget, scheduled for the Town Council meeting on Monday, April 13, beginning at 8 pm in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Also, a public hearing on the proposed tax rate is scheduled for Monday, April 27.

Sincerely,

Mercury T. Payton Town Manager

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#### FY 2015-2016 Proposed Budget GENERAL FUND

#### Revenues

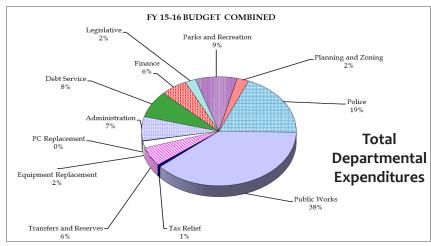
Revenues		
Property Tax	\$10,193,070	
FY 15-16: \$.2288 per \$100 of a valuation.	assessed	I
Other Local Taxes	6,229,980	B
Permits, Fees & Licenses	179,500	
Fines & Forfeitures	455,000	
Use of Money & Property	125,000	
Parks & Rec Fees	795,000	
Special Services Fees	25,000	
Miscellaneous Revenues	144,100	
Categorical Aid	3,195,900	
Federal Revenue	113,500	I
Interfund Transfers	900,000	F
Use of Prior Year Reserves	750,000	
Equipment Repl. Reserve/ PEG	100,000	
TOTAL	\$23,206,050	
Expenditures		
Legislative	\$745,440	1
Administration	2,356,530	
Finance	1,674,460	
Police	6,320,960	
Public Works	6,795,430	-
Tax Relief	237,300	I
Parks & Recreation	2,897,790	
Planning & Zoning	817,350	
Transfers & Reserves	654,200	
PC Replacement	50,000	
Equipment Replacement	656,590	
TOTAL	\$23,206,050	

**Total Budget for all Funds:** 

\$33,219,690

#### WATER & SEWER FUND Revenues

Revenues	
Use of Money	\$2,000
Water & Sewer Charges	6,891,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	125,000
Interfund Transfers	0
TOTAL	\$7,018,000
Expenditures	
Water Services	\$2,714,220
Meter Maint. & Reading	460,870
Billing/Customer Service	180,200
Sewer Services	2,408,480
Transfers	1,223,530
Equipment Replacement	3,210
TOTAL	\$6,990,510
DEBT SERVICE FUND	
Revenues	
Other Local Taxes	\$2,299,960
Use of Money	4,700
Federal Revenues	35,010
Interfund Transfers	301,330
TOTAL	2,641,000
Expenditures	
Administrative Costs	\$300
Debt Service	2,640,700
TOTAL	\$2,641,000
STORMWATER FUND	
Revenues	
Stormwater Revenue	\$232,130
Use of Prior Year Surplus	150,000
TOTAL	\$382,130
Expenditures	
Personnel Expense	\$114,260
Program Costs	325,000
Transfers	-57,130
TOTAL	\$382,130



## 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 December of each 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 21 and 23. The public hearing on the proposed budget will be held at the Town Council meeting on April 13, 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 20, at 8 pm. A separate hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held on April 27. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the May 11 Council meeting.

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# The Vienna Theatre Company and the Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation Presents:

Other Desert Cities by Robin Baitz Directed by Rosemary Hartman Produced by Richard Durkin

"Other Desert Cities" tells the story of the fictional Wyeth family a clan led at the top by a mother and father highly regarded in old Hollywood circles and admired by Republicans for their service to and friendship with the Reagans in their heyday. The play explores the dark family secrets that threaten to destroy external and internal perceptions about the life the family members lead. This riveting play was nominated as a Finalist for the 2012 Pulitzer Prize and a 2012 Tony Award.

Show Times

Fridays and Saturdays, April 17 - May 3, 8 p.m. Sundays, April 26 and May 3, 2 p.m. Ticket prices: General Admission \$14.00 Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE Tickets are available to purchase in advance at VCC or at the door To reserve tickets email vtcshows@yahoo.com



Actors portraying the fictional Wyeth family for the upcoming production of the "Other Desert Cities"

Pictured back row Left to Right: Jeff McDermott as Trip Wyeth, Kathy Ohlhaber as Brooke Wyeth and Patrick David as Dad, Lyman Wyeth Front row Left to Right: Jessie Roberts as aunt, Silda Grauman and Susan Garvey as Mom, Polly Wyeth

## **Recycling Event**

This recycling opportunity is provided by Fairfax County. For more information on recycling events, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling.

**Saturday, April 25:** *Document Shredding*, 8 a.m to 12 p.m., North County Human Services Center, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston, VA. Event Contact: Erica Carter, 703-324-5313,

#### POTOMAC WATERSHED CLEANUP DAY: APRIL 11 SITES: Northside Park & Wildwood Park at Follin Ln

The Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup has become a decisive catalyst for progress that ignites people throughout the watershed with the Alice Ferguson Foundation's community spirit. The largest regional event of its kind, the Cleanup provides a transforming experience that engages citizens and community leaders and generates momentum for change.

Volunteers are needed for the Potomac Watershed Cleanup Day on Saturday, April 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Clothes and shoes may get dirty. Wear old clothing that is weather appropriate and bring extra layers. If working near water, waterproof boots or waders may be helpful. No registration required. For more information, visit <u>www.</u> fergusonfoundation.org.

41st Annual Walk On the Hill When: Sunday, April 26 Time: From 2 to 5 p.m. Where: Through the Windover Heights Historic District Rain Date: May 3 FREE

Walk through any yard with a "Yard Open" sign and tour the grounds of the Historic district. Programs throughout the event, including a concert by The Old Time Machine from 2 to 5 p.m. and Vienna Community Band at 3 p.m. Roads closed to vehicles at 2 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

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



# **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>.* 

**Family Fishing Rodeo** is fun for all ages. The event will take place Saturday April 25. Time Slots are at 10 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. 11 a.m.; 11:30 a.m.; 12 p.m. The cost is \$5. Join us at Wolftrap Creek for this exciting event! The stream will be stocked with trout. Bring your fishing pole and we will supply the bait! Fishing poles will be available on-site to borrow (limited quantity).

Health and Wellness Fair on Saturday, April 11th from 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This free Health and Wellness Fair is for Mature Adults age 55+ at the Vienna Community Center. Attendees will benefit from medical screenings and educational opportunities from over 30 local vendors providing a wide range of resources to enhance the physical and mental wellbeing of older adults. There will be free instructor-led demonstrations offered in Yoga, Zumba, Tai Chi, and Chair-assisted Exercise.

Ford's Theatre - History on Foot Walking Tour will be held on April 15 at 9 a.m. Led by an actor in costume, the tour explores sites in downtown Washington related to Lincoln, the assassination, and the Civil War. Wear comfortable shoes. The tour will take place rain or shine. After the tour we will have lunch at Old Ebbitt Grill. Come revisit the sites and clues from the investigation into the Lincoln Assassination Conspiracy!

#### Just for Young Adults

**Teen Spring Break Day Trip to Luray Caverns** will be held on April 1 at 8 a.m. Guided tours along well-lighted, paved walkways will lead us through cathedralsized rooms with ceilings 10-stories high, towering stone formations, and natural wonders at every turn. For more information, please contact Brian Hanifin 703-255-6352, bhanifin@viennava.gov.

#### Just for Children

**Twoosy Doodlers** is a special art class just for toddlers and parents (or helpers).

Little fingers will experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, printing and creating while developing fine motor, language, and self-help skills. Each session has new activities and mom's helpers get to play too. This class will begin on April 7 at 9:15 a.m.

**Clay Studio for Children**, will introduce children to the basics of working with clay: wedging, rolling and using slabs, tile making, coils, and hand built sculpture. Several small projects will be worked on and everyone can expect to complete at least three different pieces. The final week we will experiment with glazes and other surface enhancements. Open to all skill levels. Classes are held at the Bowman House, starting on April 13 at 4:15 p.m.

#### Just for Adults

**Pilates with Props** extends the benefits of Pilates by employing small apparatus including flex bands and sponge balls to increase the range of intensity of Pilates mat exercises. The latter weeks of class add an element of balance work through the use of the Swiss Ball. Please bring a mat to class. This program begins on April 14 at 12:30 p.m.

Intermediate Wheel is designed to expand on the basics taught in beginning wheel. In this class, we usual work in depth on one or two projects per session. Projects include, but are not limited to, throwing larger forms, lidded pieces, decorating techniques, refining our work, glazing and much more. All students interested in this class should have at least two years of current beginning classes or approval from the instructor prior to registering. Students should bring an old towel, sponge, and wear old clothes to class. This program begins on April 7 at 7 p.m.

**Computer Maintenence** class teaches students how to keep their computers running smoothly by learning system tools, utility programs, firewalls, and virus protection. They will learn how to handle a computer crash, decipher error messages, delete files, cookies and unwanted programs and keep their computers updated automatically. In addition, computer hardware maintenance will be discussed, along with proper surge protection and wireless network protection, and much more. This class will begin on April 16 at 10 a.m.

#### Just for Mature Adults

**AARP Smart Driver** will be held on April 13 at 10 a.m. This comprehensive

classroom driver retraining course is geared to the specific needs of motorists aged 50 and older. The course will cover the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions and accident prevention measures. Graduates of the course could receive a five to ten percent discount from their car insurance company. The cost of the course is \$15 for AARP Members and \$20 for non-members. Advanced registration is required.

**Multigenerational Travel** will be held on April 20 at 10 a.m. Peter Himmelberger, a Master Cruise Counselor with the Cruise Lines Industry Association (CLIA) will present a fun and informative view about the cruise market, how to understand cruise pricing, and how the cruising industry is marketing to and creating special opportunities for multigenerational travel. We will explain the cruise line markets how to read the pricing, This is a free lecture.

Writing Circle: Relationships will center on our connections with parents, sweethearts, friends, and mentors. Constructive and supportive feedback from fellow writers will help you deepen your writing. Feel free to bring previous writing along these lines to share and discuss as well. This class is open to new as well as experienced writers. This class will be held on April 9 at 1 p.m.

# 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 May 2015 meeting of the Fairfax County Chapter of the National Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) will be held Friday May 1 at 10 a.m. at the Penderbrook Community Center, 3704 Golf Trail Lane, Fairfax, VA 2003. Ms. Grace Han Wold will present a program, "Comfort Women of World War II". Comfort Women were women and girls forced into sexual slavery by and for the Imperial Japanese Army before and during World War II. Guest 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.

**The Vienna Arts Society,** a 501 c 3 non-profit organization dedicated to "enriching our community through

the arts", announces the following: Members of the Vienna Arts Society exhibit and sell original artworks in several continuing shows in the area. Come to the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant Street, NW, Vienna VA 22180 to pick up a map of locations. Art Center hours are Tuesdays - Saturdays from 10 a.m. -4 p.m. Special events at the Vienna Art Center include the following, all of which are free and open to the public:

JAM SESSION Acoustic musicians and fans are invited to gather Friday, April 3, 7 – 9 p.m.

"SPRING'S SPRUNG" Open April 7 - May 2. Meet the artists and enjoy light refreshments at the Awards Reception Saturday, April 11, 4 - 6 p.m.

ARTIST'S DEMONSTRATION Artist Bryan Jernigan will show how he goes from sketch to a finished abstracted landscape painting in an easy-to-follow, step-by-step process, Thursday, April 9, 7:30 pm. GENTLE COMMUNITY YOGA Thursdays from 8:45 - 10:00 a.m. Surrounded by the ever-changing displays of original art in the lightfilled gallery space, certified yoga instructor, Poonam Salona, leads a complete and gentle work-out. All levels welcome. Those new to Yoga will learn what it's all about and strengthen their core. Those with experience will find their level. Bring a mat and a towel or small blanket. (Donations gratefully accepted to benefit the fine arts in Vienna) Please register by emailing ArtCenter@ViennaArtsSociety.org

PFLAG Fairfax, a community group for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and FLY, a social group for LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet concurrently on Tuesday, April 7, 2015, 7:30-9 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, Program Building, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. FLY also holds Teen Lounges on the 3rd Friday of every month, alternating between movie and pizza nights at UUCF and outside venues. E-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com for information on both groups or visit www.pflagdc.org. Visit FLY on Facebook at http://www.facebook. com/groups/fly.pflag/

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc., invites all veterans, friends, and the general public to attend the April 16, 2015 chapter meeting at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna, Virginia, at 7:30 p.m. Cdr. Stephen P. Phillips, USN, Retired, will speak on "U.S. Navy EOD from WW II to the Global War on Terrorism". EOD involves the safe disposal of conventional, chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons and improvised explosives. Upon graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1992, he served as a Special Operations Officer and

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EOD Technician in several EOD units. 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.

Historic Vienna Inc. (HVI) annual Used Book Sale will be held at the Vienna Community Center in April. SALE HOURS - Friday April 17th -7 p.m. till 9 p.m. (HVI MEMBERS ONLY). Public Sale Saturday April 18th - 9 a.m. till 7 p.m. Sunday April 19th Noon till 5 p.m. At the sale there will be thousands of books neatly sorted into categories - \$1 paperbacks & \$2 hardbacks plus our Treasures section with higher quality books. HVI will also have an exhibit of posters from Thoreau Middle School's Oral History Project. Books can also be purchased and donated to help our local Wounded Warriors. We look forward to another truly wonderful sale, made possible by the donations which pour in from our very literate, very generous community. Book collection at the Freeman Store ends on Sunday April 12. If you would like to come and volunteer, let us know at admin@historicviennainc. org or 703 938 5187.

Antiques Thrasher and James Johnson will be Vienna will hold an open house at the Freeman Store on Saturday, and registration for the Spring se-Apr. 25, from 12 to 4 p.m. This is mester of its Adventures in Learn a 'By Appointment Only' event ing classes on Thursday, April 16th, and interested persons may bring from 10 a.m. to noon at the Unia maximum of two items for a tarian Universalist Congregation verbal appraisal. The cost is \$10 of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, per item for HVI members and Oakton. Class will be held from 9 \$15 per item for non-members. a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursdays from Appointments may be at (703) 938- April 23 to June 18 and include 5187 or in person at the Freeman Bridge, T'ai Chi, a Health series, Store, 131 Church Street NE. National and World Affairs and Stop by the Freeman Store and a selection of Potpourri top-Museum where you will find ics. The fee for all classes is our custom commemorative tile, rabbits, peeps and bunnies and birdhouses, and hand painted ornaments. Newly arrived "Made AAUW will hold a meeting on in America" recycled cotton baby April 14th at 7 p.m. at the Patrick throws and irresistible. We are open E, Vienna, Va. The public is wel-Wednesdays – Sundays, noon-4 p.m come. The program for the evening

Vienna Oakton Vision Impaired and services in Northern Virginia. (VIP) Resource Group Meeting We will hear from two speakers. When: Time: 10:15 a.m. - Noon Where: low with the American Immigra-Patrick Henry Library 101 Maple tion Council. Her work focuses on Ave. East, Vienna, VA 22180 Guest protecting the due process rights Speaker: Sharon Payne, Orienta- of individuals facing removal, intion & Mobility Therapist Colum- cluding by seeking to ensure acbia Lighthouse for the Blind (CLB) cess to courts and access to counsel. If you live in the vicinity and need Dr. Courtney Gaskins is the Director a ride, please call: 703-281-0538 (3 of Program Services for Youth For days advance notice required) or Tomorrow. She provides oversight David Hirsch at 703-963-4220. For and guides program implementaother VIP related inquiries please tion to YFT's three components: rescontact: Chato Carter 703-938- idential, education and counseling.

Appraisers Josephine The Shepherd's Center of Oaktondesigned Vienna \$40.00. For more information, children's call 703-281-0538 or visit www. decorative scov.org for current schedule.

Virginia-made The Vienna Area Branch of are especially colorful Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue will be about immigration issues Monday, April 20, 2015 Kristin Macleod-Ball is a Legal Fel-1533 or chatovcarter@yahoo.com Light refreshments will be served.

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#### **This Month in History** From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

**April 2005:** During their February 7, 2005 Town meeting, the Town Council approved the establishment of an Information Technology Specialist position in the Police Department. Also, the Town Council approved a contract for temporary clerical services for the Police Department.

**April 1995:** The Fairfax County Health Department's Air Quality and Chemical Hazards Section recently reported to the Town results of its six-year study of air quality around the Vienna Metro Station, which indicate that "air quality in the Vienna Metro area has not been adversely impacted." The opening of the station in 1986 had prompted citizen concerns about air quality due to projected increase in traffic volume.

**April 1985:** Vienna's Spring cleanup will be conducted quadrant by quadrant this month and next. Council has adopted several revisions to the cleanup regulations. Leaves will not be picked up during the cleanup. Leaves in plastic bags will be picked up on regular trash collection days. Scrap metal is limited to 200 pounds per residence per cleanup. Whole automobile bodies will not be removed. Also, each residence is limited to 300 pounds of concrete per cleanup.

**April 1975:** Congressman Joe Fisher told the Town Council at a recent meeting that he will "do anything I can do" to get the Dulles Access Road open to commuter traffic. The road is currently open to airport traffic. The Town would like to see the highway opened to reduce traffic now using Town streets.

# Taste of Vienna

Saturday, April 25 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. 400 Center Street S Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Parking Lot Rain or Shine Free Admission www.tasteofvienna.org



The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department is hosting the 4th Annual Taste of Vienna on Saturday, April 25. Many vendors from the Greater Vienna area will be on site selling food and beverages throughout the event. Proceeds benefit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

#### WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

This business received a business license during the month of February.

Instabul Blue Euro Mediterranian Restaurant 523 Maple Ave W (703) 938-8948

> Zoe's Kitchen Restaurant

418 Maple Ave E (703) 255-3822

Aldeerah Restaurant/Hookah 262 Cedar Ln SE (703) 992-9994