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Town acquires late former mayor's property

The Town of Vienna has acquired the 124 Courthouse Road SW property, home of late former mayor Charles Robinson and his wife, late former Councilmember Maud Robinson. The Town was the successful bidder November 22 in an online auction hosted by McGuire Group, LLC. Including a 5% buyer's fee, the total purchase price is \$1,438,500.

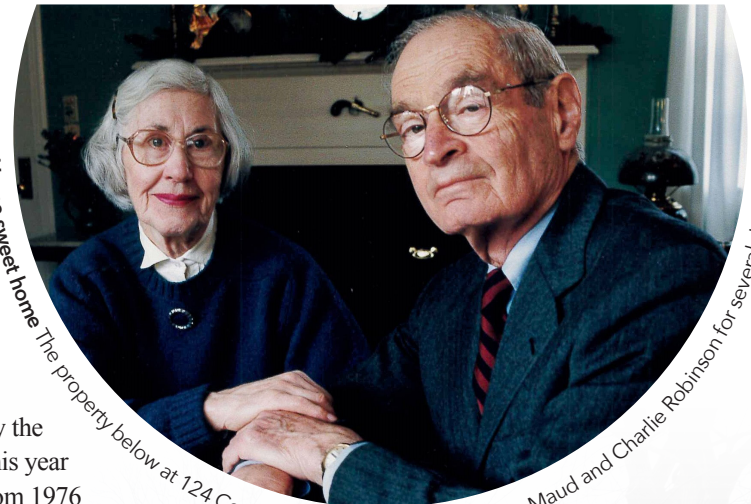
Following discussion in a closed session earlier in November, Town Council authorized staff to bid on and purchase the property at a cost not to exceed a certain limit. Town Council officially authorized the purchase at its December 9 meeting, and the Town has since closed on the property.

The nearly three-quarters of an acre property includes a single-family house and outbuildings. The property was made available via auction by the executor of Maud Robinson's estate; Robinson passed away March 11 this year at the age of 96. Her husband served as Vienna's mayor for 24 years, from 1976 until his death in 2000.

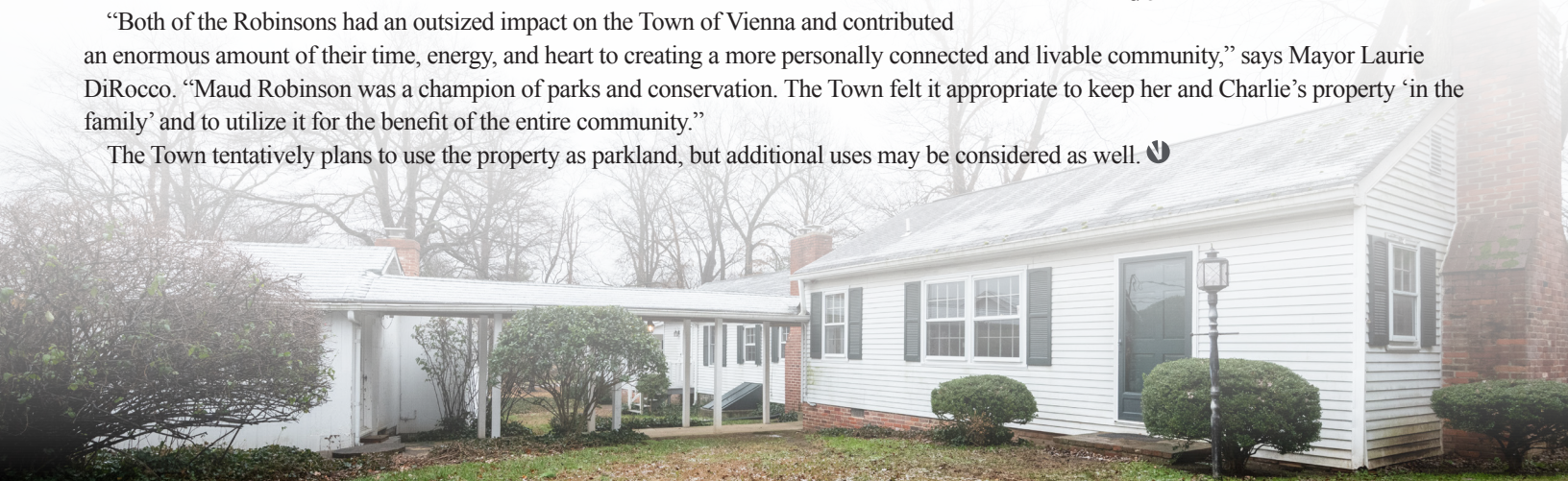
"Both of the Robinsons had an outsized impact on the Town of Vienna and contributed an enormous amount of their time, energy, and heart to creating a more personally connected and livable community," says Mayor Laurie DiRocco. "Maud Robinson was a champion of parks and conservation. The Town felt it appropriate to keep her and Charlie's property 'in the family' and to utilize it for the benefit of the entire community."

The Town tentatively plans to use the property as parkland, but additional uses may be considered as well. 📌

Home sweet home



The property below at 124 Courthouse Road SW was home to Maud and Charlie Robinson for several decades.



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TOWN HALL MEETING

January 11 • 9:30-11:30 am • Town Hall

Hosted by Sen. Chap Petersen
and Del. Mark Keam

'Cinderella' aims to bring circle-of-theatre life to Vienna youth

by Communications Specialist Adam Kincaid

Last year, the Vienna Theatre Company (VTC) staged a fantastical, audience-engaging, fourth wall-breaking production of J.M. Barrie's *Peter Pan*, an innovative reimagining that was a first of its type in the company's 40-plus years. After viewing that show, Mary Ann Hall, a producer of numerous VTC shows over 20 years, thought about how involved the audience was in *Peter Pan* and had an idea: "Why don't we do this specifically for kids?"

With this mission in mind, Hall phoned Scott Olson, her colleague who has directed theatre in Herndon with her for many years, and suggested: "What if we did a show that was made for kids, aimed at getting them into theatre at a young age, but that anyone could come to?" And, without hesitation, Olson was in.

After conferring with the VTC board, the two thespians settled on crafting their own interactive version of Ruth Newton's nontraditional take on *Cinderella*. And thus, a new VTC program for children's theatre was born.

Cinderella will waltz onto the Vienna Community Center stage at 11 am and 2 pm Saturday, January 25 and February 1. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased only at the door.

"We wanted something new to get kids into theatre at a young age and to introduce them to the magic on stage," says Olson, adding that the ultimate goal is to develop programming that actively engages the audience in theatre throughout various stages of their lives.

Audience members should expect the unexpected in this production of *Cinderella*.

"We saw it in *Peter Pan* with the gender-swap casting, silly updates, and jokes," says Hall. "An example from our show is


that the classic glass slipper is replaced with a glass tennis shoe. And, instead of it happening on stage, our Prince Charming clamors through the audience to present our protagonist with the sneaker.

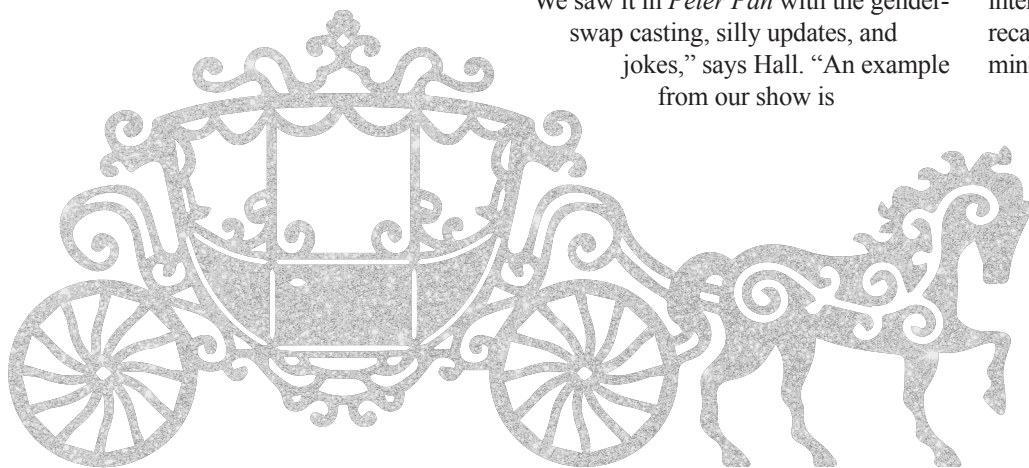
"Kids love a kind of fractured fairy tale aspect to theatre," she adds.

Hall and Olson realized after last year's production of *Peter Pan* that post-show interactions also present engagement opportunities.

"We noticed...that the actors were doing autographs for the kids, and each time there were huge lines," says Olson.

Hall recalls that the actor who portrayed *Peter Pan*'s crocodile initially was shy about participating in the autograph sessions because she was doubtful about her character's appeal. "The young girl playing the crocodile thought kids would have no interest in receiving her John Hancock," Hall recalls. "She said, 'Why would they want mine?' But with a little push, she started signing – and the entire line shifted over to her."

The pair hopes that, at only an hour runtime, this production of *Cinderella*, with its energy, interaction, and accessibility, will provide an auspicious start to an exciting new program that will inspire a lifetime of engagement with theatre. 



SPEAK UP

Vienna's economic development manager is on a listening tour

Natalie Monkou, the Town's new economic development manager, who came on board in November, is in the midst of a listening tour – and she's eager to hear from a variety of business tenants, owners, and property managers as well as other community stakeholders.

Town business and community organizations, Councilmembers, Town staff, developers, economic development organizations, regional partners, and, of course, business representatives are among the many groups and individuals Monkou plans to touch base with over the next couple of months. Monkou is scheduling at least 45 tour engagements.

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'Leading Ladies' engenders laughs

by Communications Specialist Adam Kincaid

Gender-swapped roles have been a source of hilarity across theatrical history, from Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* to Billy Wilder's 1959 Marilyn Monroe classic *Some Like it Hot*. The Vienna Theatre Company's winter production of Ken Ludwig's farce *Leading Ladies* engenders similar hijinks and hilarity when two modern day down-on-their-luck Shakespearean actors conspire to obtain a wealthy woman's fortune by pretending to be her long-lost English nieces and heirs.

Get ready to "cackle" until your "face hurts," (as the *Houston Press* says in a review of Ludwig's play) when the Vienna Theatre Company stages *Leading Ladies* over the last two weekends of January and the first weekend of February.

"I love Ludwig's plays because he frequently combines classical theatre references with modern settings," Director Eleanore Tapscott says. "My training was in classical theatre, and I also love farce. In this play I get to work with language and physical comedy as well. In a way, I get to have my Shakespearean cake and eat it, too."

"Ludwig noted in an interview that there's a bit of the female in all men and a bit of the male in all females," she adds. "It's just how we're made. To see it emerge full blown like that can be very funny and joyous. There is enough going on in the world outside of theatre, and right now we really need to laugh."

Leading Ladies takes the stage at 8 pm Friday, January 17, 24, and 31, and Saturday, January 18, 25, and February 1, at the Vienna Community Center. Matinee productions are at 2 pm Sunday, January 26 and February 2. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased online at viennava.gov/webtrac or at the community center. 📞



'Listening tour' from page 2

"I'm trying to meet EV-ER-Y-BODY," Monkou says, in order to gather data, feedback, and ideas related to Vienna's current business climate, challenges, and areas for opportunity.

"I want to hear from a wide variety of folks on what they think are the needs and challenges of the Town's business community," Monkou says. "How are businesses doing? What else would people like to see here?"

In addition to scheduled meetings with groups and individuals, Monkou will host two drop-in, pop-up "office hours" this month at Caffè Amouri. Stop in to say "hello" and share your concerns and ideas. Look for possible additional "pop-up" opportunities on the Town's Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram feeds – follow @TownofViennaVA. 📞

Natalie Monkou's ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LISTENING TOUR

@ Caffè Amouri

11 AM • JANUARY 15 & 6 PM • JANUARY 23

A 'pop-up' office hour for Vienna business representatives and residents to meet the Town's first economic development manager and to share concerns and big ideas.



Business chatter Economic Development Manager Natalie Monkou is visiting Town businesses and chatting with business representatives, including Caffè Amouri's Michael Amouri (opposite page), as part of her listening tour. She wants to hear from you, too.

photo by Adam Kincaid

Vienna undertaking study to boost businesses

With financial support from Fairfax County, the Town of Vienna is poised to undertake an economic development strategy and market study that will focus on ways to bring more vibrancy and activity to Vienna's commercial corridors, including its light industrial zone. The analysis will include strategic recommendations to strengthen the existing business community, reduce vacancies, and identify unmet needs and "place" improvements in order to make Vienna an even more attractive location for business.

The Town has allocated up to \$50,000 from its fiscal year 2020 general fund for this study; an additional up to \$50,000 will be provided through Fairfax County's economic opportunity reserve. The Town expects to issue a request for proposals from consultants early this year with the study likely to begin this summer and requiring about eight months to complete, says Economic Development Manager Natalie Monkou.

"This market analysis and strategy development study is especially important for Vienna," Monkou says, "because it's never been done here before. If we don't know where our needs and challenges are, then we won't be able to solve the problems."

"If Vienna wants to be an attractive location for businesses," she adds, "we need to clearly identify the challenge areas and create a viable plan for addressing them."

The Town's funding request to the county, submitted earlier this year, reported a 15% commercial vacancy rate or 138 empty spaces, with 68 located on Maple Avenue.

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Photo by Adam Kincaid

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Deadline for the February issue is January 10.



Town adopts pilot program for shared mobility devices

At its December 9 meeting, Town Council adopted a year-long pilot program that defines usage guidelines and operator requirements for shared mobility devices, such as electric scooters, within Town. State code requires that, in order to regulate usage of shared mobility devices within their communities, municipalities had to have ordinances or pilot programs in place by January 1. State code does not allow communities to ban shared mobility devices.

The Town's pilot program is an amalgamation of those adopted in other communities, particularly the one implemented by the City of Fairfax in July. Vienna's program may bring electric scooters and other mobility devices to Town, depending upon vendor interest. Applications to participate in the pilot program are due January 31.

This program, says Transportation Engineer Andrew Jinks, who worked

with the Transportation Safety Commission and town attorney to develop it, "gives us a year to determine what exactly the impacts of these devices on Town will be." He adds that the Town will be able to make changes to the program's specifications based on experiences.

Program documents are available at viennava.gov/scooters. A few highlights from the program's parameters include:

- parking guidelines and operator response requirements
- the required use of geofencing to limit scooter speeds on Maple Avenue, Nutley Street, and around schools, parks, and recreation centers to 8 miles per hour; it's anticipated that scooter-users will utilize sidewalks along Maple and Nutley
- operator commitment to community outreach and education. 🚲



On a roll Town Manager Mercury Payton tried out electric scooters at the Virginia Municipal League conference in Roanoke this fall.

2020 Census is coming

One of the things on your household's 2020 to-do list is to be counted by the United States Census. It's required by law.

The federal government's decennial count of every person living in the United States will be undertaken this year and will result in the redrawing of legislative districts, based on population changes, and determination of how hundreds of billions of dollars in federal funding is allocated each year for the next decade.

Fairfax County has established a Complete Count Committee to create awareness about the census and to target hard-to-count populations. For more information about the census, visit fairfaxcounty.gov/topics/census.

April 1 will be observed as Census Day nationwide. By this date, every home will

have received an invitation to participate – online, by phone, or by mail – in the 2020 Census. When responding to the census, residents will report where they live as of April 1, 2020.

On its website, the Census Bureau says: "The law requires the Census Bureau to keep your information confidential and to use your responses only to produce statistics. We cannot publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you. We will never share your information with immigration enforcement agencies such as ICE, law enforcement agencies such as the FBI or police, or allow it to be used to determine your eligibility for government benefits."

#NoVACounts

United States Census 2020

In April, Census takers will begin visiting college students who live on campuses, people living in senior centers, and others who live among large groups of people. The Census Bureau will begin visiting homes that haven't responded to the 2020 Census in May.

The Census Bureau is hiring census takers for spring and summer employment, but, those interested should apply now. These temporary positions pay \$25/hour in Fairfax and Loudoun counties. Visit 2020census.gov/en/jobs for more information. 🚲

Parks & Rec Sampler

Two free programs at the Vienna Community Center this month offer tips for dealing with year-round dangers that sometimes spike in winter months.

Life Safety Education Specialist Wyleng Liew will discuss common fire types and strategies for prevention at a January 14 Focus on Fire Safety workshop from 10–11 am. She'll also provide details about the File of Life medical information program and other fire and rescue department initiatives.

At 9:30 am January 27, Total Health Concepts will present on Coping with Depression. In addition to discussing how depression affects teens, young adults, and family systems, the presentation will cover signs and symptoms, coping skills, and tips for when to seek treatment.

While the programs are free, please register at viennava.gov/webtrac.

Town businesses keeping it green

The Town of Vienna's 2019 certified "sustainable" list of businesses includes one newcomer. Blend 111, which opened with a green intent earlier this year, joins seven other Town businesses on the environmentally elite list.


Each year, the Conservation and Sustainability Commission calls businesses to green action through the Vienna Sustainability Challenge. The challenge is a checklist of "green practices" for which businesses and organizations can earn points toward sustainability certification. For example, if a business collects one calendar year's worth of utility bills that equals two points.

For businesses with fewer than four employees or no outdoor property, 42 points must be tallied in order to be certified; for businesses with four or more employees or outdoor property, the goal is 60 points. In order to be recertified from year to year, a business must earn an even higher point total.


"Our philosophy from the beginning was to limit waste," says Blend 111 owner Michael Biddick. "We try to limit the waste we are producing, and we also are looking to invest in composting and carbon offsets."

"You can always move in the right direction," he adds. "It's a journey and a process, so you always have to keep working at it."

Vienna's 2019 certified sustainable businesses will be recognized at the January 6 Town Council meeting. Congratulations to:

- Blend 111
- Caboose Tavern
- Caffè Amouri
- Cycle Chi
- Joanne Ehreth Burke, CPA, LCC
- Purple Onion Catering Company
- Social Burger
- The Sustainability Guys. 

Snow removal etiquette

Before the snow flies, the Town of Vienna would like to thank businesses and residents for being proactive about shoveling snow from sidewalks, which helps make it safe for children to walk to bus stops and school, and for NOT blocking streets, rights-of-way, and public sidewalks with snow shoveled or plowed from private property. Not only is piling snow on public streets, sidewalks, and rights-of-way bad form, it also is a violation of Town code and constitutes creation of a public nuisance. 





Two ways to save money and make your home more comfortable

by Susan Stillman, Conservation and Sustainability Commission

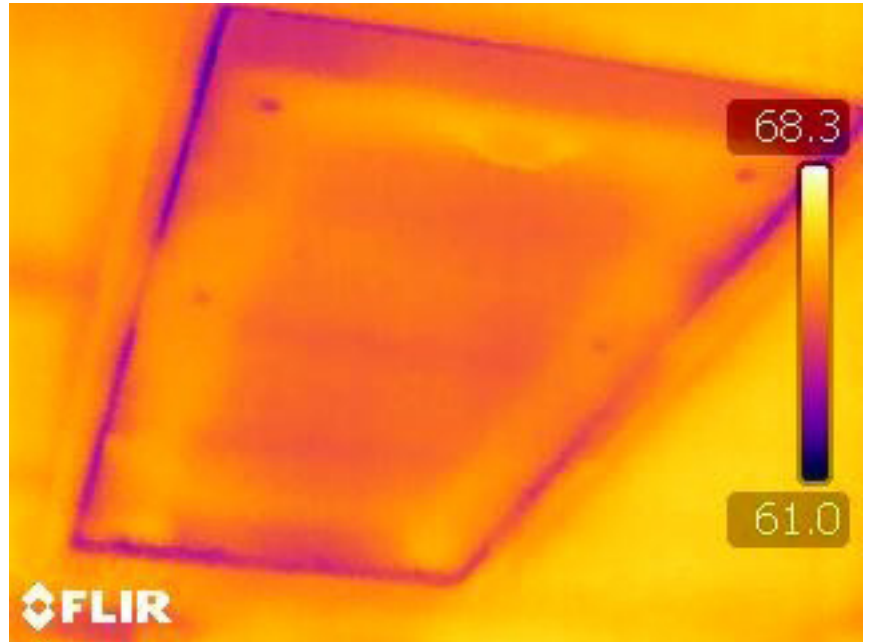
You've probably already noticed the impact of our chilly late fall/early winter on your home energy bills. If you're interested in lowering those bills and making your home more comfortable at the same time, consider two timely opportunities.

January and February are great months to utilize thermal cameras that attach to the bottom of your smartphone in order to find leakages around your home, which reduce your family's comfort and increase your heating/cooling bills. Residents may borrow, at no charge, one of these cameras, either for Apple or Android phones, from the Town of Vienna. Just call 703-255-6360 to get in the queue.

A second option is to utilize Dominion Energy programs that support energy efficiency. Residents, like me, who receive bills online may not be aware of these state-mandated programs. Visit dominionenergy.com/home-and-small-business/energy-conservation-programs/home-energy-assessment for information about home energy rebate applications and reduced-cost home energy walk-throughs.

Through Dominion's program, a home energy contractor will conduct a 30-60 minute walk-through of your home and install simple measures while identifying other energy-saving opportunities. The contractor will assist you in submitting appropriate rebate applications for work completed.

It is a great time of the year to take advantage of these energy-efficiency opportunities. Changes you make now will be felt not only in your wallet, but also in your comfort level and in the reduction of your carbon footprint year in and year out into the future. 🍂



'Businesses' from page 4



Monkou says that the study will catalog Vienna's current business mix, identify what's missing, and develop strategies to attract those missing elements.

Monkou expects that study consultants will interview and interact with business stakeholders, including tenants, owners, and property managers; review local policies and regulations that impact business growth; identify challenges and constraints on a market level; and survey local competitors as well as economically comparable communities nationwide. Opportunities for community engagement and feedback will be built into the study process. 🍂

About 30 businesses bring shoppers 'home for the holidays' with annual window decorating competition

by Deepa Chakrapani, Town Business Liaison Committee

Nearly 30 Town of Vienna retail businesses showcased their creative and festive spirit – and helped bring residents and other shoppers to Town storefronts over the holiday season – as part of the Town Business Liaison Committee's (TBLC) third annual Holiday Window Decorating Competition. Thank you to all of the businesses who participated and helped make the Town look so festive over the holidays and to those residents who supported our businesses by shopping local.

Winners of the annual competition were announced at the Church Street Holiday Stroll December 2. Congratulations to the winners, who were assessed based on elements of the Town's brand – exuberant, nurturing, and unexpected.

1st

**Merle Norman
Cosmetics Studio**

2nd

**Vienna Rexall
(who partnered with Jud Tile)**

3rd

Social Burger

Honorable mentions for exuberant displays went to Alya Salon & Spa, Diamond Spa, and Ghaffari Orthodontics. Honorable mentions for theme-based displays were awarded to Bards Alley, Caffè Amouri, and Vienna Arts Society Pop-Up Market.

As the winner of the competition, Merle Norman received an assist from Mayor Laurie DiRocco, who spent a couple of hours December 20 helping out with the holiday rush.

"Vienna is known for its community," says Merle Norman owner Sharon Holland, "and I think the TBLC has reinforced that with the window contest and the work they do to get the word out there. It makes Vienna feel like a place where you want to both live and shop." 🎁



photos by Adam Kincaid



Thanks for making Vienna sparkle

Thank you to all of the businesses that participated in the Town of Vienna's annual window decorating competition.

Alya Salon & Spa	Diamond Spa	Rita's Italian Ice
Bards Alley	East Wing Spa	Salon O Tony
Blend 111	Ghaffari Orthodontics	Savvy Rest
BRAWS	Historic Vienna, Inc.	Social Burger
Caboose Tavern	Kiln & Co.	Trousseau
Caffé Amouri	Lofty Salon & Spa	The Wine Outlet
Church Street Pizza	Merle Norman Cosmetics Studio	Vienna Arts Society Pop-Up Market
Cocoa Vienna	Orangetheory Fitness	Vienna Inn
Cycle Chi	Potomac River Running	Vienna Rexall Drug Center (with Jud Tile)

30
years ago...

In celebration of the Town's 100th anniversary, Vienna Centennial commemorative coins were minted, according to the January 1990 Town of Vienna newsletter. The coins were available in five colors – gold, copper, red, aluminum, and blue.

Vienna businesses with staying power

Congratulations to the following Vienna businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries this month.

60 YEARS

American Legion Post 180

45 YEARS

Oakton-Vienna Veterinary Hospital

40 YEARS

Guarantee Shoe Repair

30 YEARS

JAS Roofing

Mark Eckman Attorney at Law

Park Street Barber Shop

Referential Systems

A Synagogue Catering

25 YEARS

Hickory Management

Karin's Florist

20 YEARS

Evolution Health and Fitness

J.D.A. Custom Homes

Pass Inc.

Tim's Interior Renovations

15 YEARS

Bruce MacPherson Illustration

Moto Photo

Rudy's Friends Dog Training

Yas Bakery

10 YEARS

Apex Hand Therapy

Christine E. Doyle

CVS #1403

CVS #1847

Dobson, Davanzo & Associates

Elizabeth Corrigan

Engel & Volkers Tysons

Fisher Custom Homes

MC3 Environmental

Network Security Services

Operational Excellence

Pelvicore Physical Therapy

Protective Management Corporation

Salwa Hashish

Vienna Leash

Walgreens

5 YEARS

Aurora Landscape

Blue Bird of Vienna

DCP Data Consulting

Dempsey Young

Dolce Ladybug

Dominion Dive Club

Duresport Media



E Allora

Kids Planet Daycare

Long & Foster Realtors

Mediate Fairfax

Potbelly Sandwich Shop

PSI Fund II

Sanae Minagami

Smart Logic

Stephanie Miller's Personal Training

Studio 76

Sue's Store

Team Miller

Vienna Tax & Accounting

Town Council Actions

The following items represent recent Town Council actions, but do not constitute official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas, and meeting videos are available online at viennava.gov.

December 9

- Held a public hearing related to issuance of 2020 bonds. Following the public hearing, Council authorized the issuance of general obligation public improvement bonds in an amount not to exceed \$35 million. Council also authorized the town clerk and bond counsel to advertise notice of adoption of the bond ordinance.
- Awarded a contract for \$43,500 to Affordable Lawn Sprinklers for installation of an irrigation system at the Vienna Community Center.
- Approved expenditure of \$87,604.80 for replacement of two parks and recreation vehicles through the Vehicle Replacement Program.
- Awarded an amended contract for plan review software to include a GIS module to idtPlans for an additional one-time set-up fee of \$5,000.
- Approved expenditure of \$20,000 in fiscal year 2020 capital improvement funds for on-call milling and paving projects with Arthur Construction.
- Authorized the town manager to accept a \$51,000 Department of Criminal Justice Byrne/JAG Law Enforcement Equipment grant to be utilized for equipment replacement.
- Approved the Transportation Safety Commission's recommended, revised guidelines for the Pedestrian Advisory and Bicycle Advisory committees.
- Approved, with modifications, a shared mobility devices (e.g., electric scooters and bikes) pilot program and memorandum of agreement as recommended by the Transportation Safety Commission.
- Directed planning and zoning staff to expand the scope of the Maple Avenue Commercial (MAC) zone and other proposed commercial zone amendments to include a request for proposals preparation for the comprehensive reorganization and update of chapters 17 and 18 of the Town Code; consultant interviews and selection recommendations for consulting firms with national and Virginia experience; and determination of a realistic moratorium period for the MAC zone, based upon the scope of work identified. Council further directed that all pertinent work accomplished to date by staff, committees, commissions, boards, and Council as well as relevant results from public comments, surveys, and workshops be retained and shared with the selected consulting firm for use in development of the code reorganization and update.
- Tabled to the January 27 meeting consideration of a motion to request that the Conservation and Sustainability Commission develop a formal policy for tree conservation in the Town right-of-way and that the Board of Architectural Review provide written recommendations for improving the approval process related to preservation of trees on Town property.
- Deferred to the January 6 meeting award of a Maple Avenue utility undergrounding feasibility study.
- Approved changing the name of Northside Park to Northside Park - Maud Robinson Wildlife Preserve.
- Approved purchase of property at 124 Courthouse Road SW for \$1,438,500, plus additional closing costs in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- Referred proposed amendments to proffered conditions for 374-380 Maple Avenue W to the Planning Commission for recommendations and public input and set a public hearing on this matter for January 27.
- Set a public hearing regarding amending the Comprehensive Plan as it relates to Town-owned properties located at 114 Locust Street SW and 440 Beulah Road NE for February 3 and referred the matter to the Planning Commission for consideration.

Appointed to serve

At its December 9 meeting, Town Council appointed or reappointed the following individuals to boards and commissions:

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| • Theresa Bachmann
Windover Heights Board
of Review | • Friderike Butler
Town Business Liaison
Committee | • Dann Nash
Recommended to Fairfax
County Circuit Court for
appointment to the Board
of Zoning Appeals | • Linda Van Doorn
Board of Architectural
Review |
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HAPPENINGS around town

Vienna Community Band rehearsals resume at 6:15 pm Sunday, January 5, at the Vienna Community Center. The band is recruiting enthusiastic musicians in all sections, especially for clarinets, bassoons, oboes, tubas, and euphoniums. If interested, simply attend a weekly Sunday evening rehearsal. The band's next concert is March 1. For more information, visit viennacommunityband.org.

Nationally recognized artist **Katriel Srebnik** will demonstrate his unique approach to **painting people with color and light** from 7-9:30 pm Thursday, January 9, at the Vienna Art Center, 243 Church Street NW. The demonstration is free and open to the public. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit ViennaArtsSociety.org.

In partnership with Wolf Trap Foundation's Institute for Early Learning through the Arts, **Green Hedges School** will host an **interactive program for children ages 2-5** from 10-11 am Friday, January 10, at the school at 415 Windover Avenue NW. Through a dramatization of *Ask Mr. Bear*, children will use body movements, props, and chants to explore ordinal numbers, counting, sorting, sequencing, and problem-solving. The program is free and open to the public, but space is limited. To reserve a spot, visit greenhedges.org/wolftrap.

Sample free classes, tour the school, and meet instructors when **Harmonia School of Music & Art** hosts an **open house** beginning at 2 pm Saturday, January 11. A special registration offer is available to anyone who attends the open house. For more information, call 703-938-7301 or visit harmoniaschool.org.

Jen Morrow, owner of Bards Alley, will present **Women Entrepreneurs: Creating a Sense of Community** at the **AAUW-Vienna Branch** meeting at 2 pm Saturday, January 11, at the Patrick Henry Library. Morrow will speak about her experience as a woman entrepreneur creating a sense of community through partnerships with patrons, other institutions, and the local economy. Doors open at 1:30 pm, and light refreshments will be served. Co-hosted by the Patrick Henry Library, this event is free and open to the public.

American Legion Post 180 offers its **monthly breakfast buffet** from 8 am-noon Sunday, January 19, at 330 Center Street N. The spread includes omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, and more. For more information, call 703-938-6580.

Jeanne Ha, co-founder of DC Metro Flower Design School and co-owner of Park Florist, will present **Unique and Spontaneous Designs** at the **Five Hills Garden Club** meeting at 10 am Tuesday, January 21, at Vienna Presbyterian Church. A silent auction of Ha's designs will follow the program.

Have you been thinking about trying **CBD oil**? Know the facts first. **Rexall Drug Center** pharmacists will host a **community learning**

event at 7 pm Monday, January 27, at the Vienna Community Center. No products will be sold or advertised during the event, but questions will be answered. For more information, call 703-938-7111, email VDCPharmacyManager@gmail.com, or visit viennarexall.com.

Even though the **Freeman Store** is officially closed January and February, you may make appointments for tours or to make **used book donations**. Appointments may be made by calling 703-938-5187, or bagged or boxed books may be left on the store's front porch year round. The store's Used Book Cellar is seeking volunteers, especially someone to list books on Amazon. Again, call 703-938-5187 if interested in volunteering.

Over the next couple of months, **Historic Vienna, Inc.** volunteers will be working on the **2020 Freeman Store and Museum exhibit**, which will feature the 1960s. This exhibit will take viewers back to days of war and peace, the space race, and Woodstock. The exhibit will open with a reception from 2-4 pm March 8.

Happenings Around Town notices are printed as a community service, and items are included as space allows. Submit information by the 10th of the month preceding publication. Submissions may be edited. Listings do not constitute an endorsement of content nor necessarily reflect any policy or position of the Town of Vienna, Town Council, or employees.

Open for business

Town of Vienna business licenses were issued in November to these companies:

Chick-fil-A
restaurant
538 Maple Avenue W
571-363-3944

Trace the Zero Waste
online sales
550 Windover Avenue NW
202-841-9336



**Police,
Fire & Rescue
Emergency
911**
(Voice & TDD)

Vienna Police
703-938-4900 voice
703-255-5730 TDD
Non-emergency
703-255-6366 voice
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Community Center
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120 Cherry St. SE
Vienna, VA 22180

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127 Center Street South
Vienna, VA 22180-5179
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January **TOWN CALENDAR**

1	Holiday: Town Offices & Community Center Closed/ No Waste Collection
2	Waste Collection for Wednesday and Thursday (No brush, bulk, or yard waste)
6	Town Council Meeting • 8 pm
7	Windover Heights Board of Review • 7:30 pm
8	Planning Commission • 7:30 pm
9	Town Business Liaison Committee • 7 pm
11	Town Hall Meeting: 2020 Legislative Agenda • 9:30 – 11:30 am
13	Town Council Work Session • 7:30 pm
15	Board of Zoning Appeals/Public Hearing • 7 pm
16	Board of Architectural Review • 7:30 pm
17	Vienna Theatre Company: Leading Ladies (VCC) • 8 pm

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20	Holiday: Town Offices Closed/Regular Waste Collection
21	Public Art Commission • 7 pm
22	Planning Commission • 7:30 pm
23	Conservation and Sustainability Commission • 7:30 pm
24	Vienna Theatre Company: Leading Ladies (VCC) • 8 pm
25	Vienna Theatre Company: Cinderella (VCC) • 11 am & 2 pm
25	Vienna Theatre Company: Leading Ladies (VCC) • 8 pm
26	Vienna Theatre Company: Leading Ladies (VCC) • 2 pm
27	Town Council Meeting • 8 pm
28	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee • 7 pm
28	Transportation Safety Commission • 8 pm
31	Vienna Theatre Company: Leading Ladies (VCC) • 8 pm

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