

VIENNA Voice

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA • WWW.VIENNA.VA.GOV

DECEMBER
2024

You're Invited!

Ring in the holiday season at the Mayor and Town Council Holiday Reception, Friday, Dec. 13, from 4-6 p.m. in the Chambers at Town Hall. Enjoy refreshments and chat with elected leaders, friends, and neighbors, as the James Madison High School Madrigals and the Vienna Community Band keep the party going with live entertainment. The celebration is a Town tradition, and everyone is invited! 🎄



IN THIS ISSUE



2 PARADE
AWARDS



3 SANTA'S
RIDE



8 SNOW
PREPS

Vienna Halloween Parade Winners Announced

The James Madison High School Crew Team emerged as the big winner in the 2024 Vienna Halloween Parade. The team's Y2K float took the highest honor for Best in Parade for its overall performance and costumes that tied in with this year's theme, "Party like its 1999."

Award winners in multiple categories were announced on Nov. 18, 2024, at the Vienna Town Council meeting. Mayor Linda Colbert and Vienna Business Association Executive Director Peggy James presented the award ribbons for the 78th annual event. Here are the results by category:

YOUTH BANDS

1. Vienna Jammers Percussion Ensemble

ADULT BANDS

1. Northern Virginia Firefighters Emerald Pipe Band

FLOATS WITH MUSIC

1. One Neighborhood Foundation
2. Bobby McKey's Dueling Piano Bar
3. Vienna Arts Society

FLOATS WITHOUT MUSIC

1. Merrifield Garden Center
2. Stemtreet of Vienna
3. American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180

YOUTH PERFORMING GROUPS

1. Cuppett Performing Arts Center
2. Spotlight Dance Academy
3. Prince, Performing Like it's 1999

ADULT PERFORMING GROUPS

1. Bikes @ Vienna
2. Diablada Boliviana-Fundacion Socio Cultural Boliviana
3. Ghostbusters Virginia

ANTIQUE AND CLASSIC VEHICLES

1. Fairfax Virginia Harley Owners' Group
2. Vet's Retreat Virginia
3. Northern Virginia Corvette Club

EXCLUSIVE BEST IN PARADE - JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL CREW TEAM

This year's event featured 97 parade entries and approximately 30,000 spectators watched along the parade route, and hundreds of others viewed the parade recap on the Town's YouTube channel, @TownofViennaVA. The 2024 Vienna Halloween Parade was presented by the Town of Vienna in partnership with the Vienna Business Association. 🍷





Santa's Got a New Ride

For one day only, Santa and his reindeer are trading in their sleigh for motorcycles and joining Vienna police officers and other Northern Virginia agencies on a very special detail – to bring holiday cheer to sick children in local hospitals. It's all part of the annual Santa's Ride, a collective drive led by Santa Claus and regional law enforcement agencies to deliver donated gifts to young patients in hospitals and to children in need in the community.

Vienna residents who wish to support Santa's Ride can drop off new, unwrapped toys, games, books, and gifts at the Vienna Police Department, 301 Center St. S; the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE; or Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S, during normal business hours. All items must be dropped off by 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024.

Police officers on motorcycles from multiple jurisdictions will escort Santa to local schools and government buildings to pick up the donated items and deliver them to hospitals on Tuesday, Dec. 10. For more information, contact Vienna Police dispatcher Ruth Rohr at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324. 📞



Updates from Vienna Parks & Recreation

Church Street Holiday Stroll

Monday, Dec. 2

6-8 p.m.

Grab your holiday wish list and whisper it to Santa during this year's Church Street Holiday Stroll. Santa arrives via Vienna's vintage fire truck in this beloved holiday tradition in front of the Freeman Store on Church Street. Enjoy live holiday music, a tree lighting ceremony led by Mayor Linda Colbert and take advantage of great deals from local Church Street businesses. Visit historic sites such as the Freeman Store and Museum, Little Library, Caboose, Train Station, Knights of Columbus, and Vienna Presbyterian's Old Chapel. For more information, visit www.viennava.gov/stroll. Thanks to our sponsor, RTR Pilates.

Big Screen at the Center

Friday, Dec. 13

6:30 p.m.

Vienna Community Center



Celebrate the season with a free, family movie night at the Vienna Community Center. Enjoy the evening's

feature, "Elf" on the center's big screen. Raised as an oversized elf, Buddy travels from the North Pole to New York City to meet his biological father, Walter Hobbs, who is in desperate need of some Christmas spirit, and doesn't know Buddy exists. Complimentary water and popcorn will be available while supplies last. No registration required. Doors open at 6 p.m. 200 seat capacity, seats available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, visit www.viennava.gov/bigscreen. Thanks to our sponsor, Navy Federal Credit Union.

Eggnog & Bingo

Friday, Dec. 13

1:30-3:30 p.m.

Vienna Community Center

Celebrate National Bingo Month with a cup of holiday eggnog and a friendly game of bingo for a chance to win bargain prizes. Bingo cards are \$2 for 2 cards. (Limit 2 cards per person). Please bring an inexpensive or lightly used item to donate to our prize table (no food items, please). For adults ages 55+. Registration is required by Dec. 10. To register, call the Community Center: 703-255-6360. Thanks to our sponsor, Sunrise Senior Living of Vienna.

Club Phoenix Teen Center Holiday Hours

Dec. 23-27: Closed

Dec. 30: 12:30-6:30 p.m.

Dec. 31: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Jan 1: Closed

Jan. 2-3: 12:30-6:30 p.m.

Club Phoenix will resume regular operating hours on Monday, Jan. 6 from 2:30-6:30 p.m. For a detailed listing of Vienna Community Center holiday hours, visit www.viennava.gov/hours.

New Pickleball and Tennis Hours at Glyndon Park

Starting Dec. 1 through Feb. 29, no restrooms or lights will be available at Glyndon Park, and playing hours for pickleball and tennis will be limited to new daytime hours. For details and the full schedule, visit www.viennava.gov/courts.

Sign Up for Vienna Happenings E-Newsletter

There's always something fun to do in the Town of Vienna. Stay up to date with our weekly e-newsletter, Vienna Happenings. To sign up, visit www.viennava.gov/happenings.

December Holiday Hours

It's beginning to look a lot like...holiday season! That means schedule changes for the Town government:

Christmas Eve and Day

Town offices and the Vienna Community Center will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 24 and Wednesday, Dec. 25, in observance of Christmas. The first day of Hanukkah happens to fall this year on Dec. 25, too. Regular waste collection will take place on Dec. 24. Waste collection for Dec. 25 will take place on Dec. 26.

New Year's Day

Town offices and the Vienna Community Center will be closed on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025, in observance of New Year's Day. Regular waste collection for Wednesday and Thursday will occur on Thursday, Jan 2, but there will be no bulk, brush, or yard waste collection.

Holiday Open Gym Hours will be in effect for all holidays, and the schedule is available online:

www.viennava.gov/opengym. To see the Community Center's full holiday schedule visit www.viennava.gov/hours. 📄

2024 Holiday Ornaments Selling Fast!



Have you picked up your 2024 Town of Vienna Holiday Ornament yet? Better get one before they're gone! This year's commemorative ornament celebrates The Freeman Store, an historic landmark with an abundant history,

including Vienna's Vote of Secession.* The limited-edition ornaments are available now at the Vienna Community Center, Vienna Town Hall and the Freeman Store, while supplies last. Cost is \$25 each. Ornament sale proceeds will be used to support Vienna public art projects. For more information, email Deputy Clerk Owen McCarty at Owen.McCarty@viennava.gov or call 703-255-6303. 📄

*May 23, 1861-the Vienna Community voted against Virginia's Ordinance of Secession, while Virginia as a whole voted to secede from the Union just before the Civil War. To learn more, visit <https://bit.ly/StoreVote>.

Word from Juan

Holiday Shopping and Home Safety Tips

The lights are up, the stores are stocked, and the holiday season is officially here! Whether you shop locally or online, please be mindful that holiday time is also crime time for scammers and thieves who see the holiday season as an opportunity to target you and your gifts.



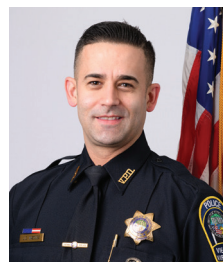
Shopping Safety Tips:

- **Stay Aware:** Keep an eye on your surroundings while shopping. If you're in a crowded area, keep your belongings close and avoid distractions like your phone.
- **Make a List:** Plan your shopping with a list to save time and stay organized. This will help you avoid spending extra time in crowded places.
- **Secure Your Purchases:** If you shop in person, hide packages in your trunk or cover them with a blanket to prevent theft.
- **Shop Smart Online:** Use trusted websites and secure payment options. Be cautious of deals that seem too good to be true, they might be scams!

Home Safety Tips:

- **Lock it Up:** Make sure all doors and windows are secure. Use timers for your lights to give the impression that someone is home.
- **Discreet Disposal:** When you unwrap those gifts, break down boxes and dispose of them discreetly to avoid drawing attention to what's inside.
- **Look Out for Each Other:** Get to know your neighbors and watch out for one another. A strong community is a safe community!

As always, if you see anything suspicious, please call the police. Following these simple tips will help ensure a safe and joyful season for all. Happy holidays! 📄



Juan Vazquez is the Vienna Police Department Public Information Officer. He conducts community outreach and public safety programs for area schools and community groups. To contact him, email Juan.Vazquez@viennava.gov or call 703-255-7845.



Mayor's Pet of the Month

Meet Santa's little helper, Max! This eight-year-old Great Pyrenees was adopted from the Fairfax County Animal Shelter and ever since, has proven his devotion to love and protect both the town and other furry creatures that call Vienna home. When he's not helping Santa, he stays busy serving as an "honorary fire fighter and first responder," always alerting the town when there's an emergency. He also dutifully watches over the birds and other wildlife that call his backyard home, and he loves to greet new neighbors and friends throughout Vienna, having never met a stranger.

Congratulations, Max! You're the Mayor's Pet of the Month! 🐾

Nominations for Mayor's Pet of the Month are accepted on an ongoing basis. To nominate your pet, send an email to Mayor@viennava.gov with your pet's name, type of pet (please be specific), a photo of your pet, and three reasons why you think your animal should be recognized.



Council Votes to Defer Meals Tax Proposal

At its regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 18, 2024, at Town Hall, the Vienna Town Council voted to defer the proposal to temporarily raise the Town's meals tax from 3% to 4% to pay for design and construction of a new public pool and fitness facility. The Council's decision came after hearing views from 26 community members who voiced concerns about or support for the issue during a public hearing, which was extended to accept comments via email until Nov. 27. The Town Council will resume discussions at its next regular meeting on Dec. 9, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. at Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St. S., Vienna, Va.

At issue is the proposal to raise the meals tax by 1% for a 10-year period beginning Jan. 1, 2025, to pay for the design and construction of a new aquatics and fitness facility. The center would be located on the former Town Annex site located at 301 Center St., S., which the Town purchased in 2020 from the former Faith Baptist Church. The Town Council deferred its decision on the meals tax proposal to allow more time for public comment, via email and to gather more information about the proposed facility's long-term operational costs.

The Town's current 3% meals tax is among the lowest in the region and pays for capital projects such as roads, building improvements and park projects. It applies to prepared, ready-to-consume meals, and does not apply to standard groceries. If the Council should approve the temporary increase to 4%, by law, it would return to 3% at the end of 10 years.

The temporary meals tax increase was used once before, from 2002 to 2008 to pay for the Vienna Town Green, which now serves as a central gathering space for public and private events and activities. Now, the Town Council believes a new aquatic and fitness center would further enhance the community's quality of life and fulfill a longstanding community wish. If the temporary 1% meals tax is approved, the facility would be constructed by 2030.

More information about the proposed aquatic and fitness facility, frequently asked questions and ways residents can provide feedback is available online at www.viennava.gov/annex. 🐾



Town Seeks Board and Commission Volunteers

Want to make a difference in the community? Use your skills and experience to make a difference in Vienna. Apply to serve on a Town board, commission or advisory committee.

The following panels have vacancies and are seeking volunteers:

Board of Architectural Review (BAR) (1 Vacancy). This board examines and approves plans for commercial buildings, signs, and landscaping to ensure that new construction is appropriate and compatible with existing buildings. It also considers construction activities in residential zones.

Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) (1 Vacancy). The BZA is a semi-judicial body that holds public hearings on zoning variances and administrative appeals including granting special exceptions, conditional uses and variances to development standards.


Town Business Liaison Committee (TBLC) (2 Business Vacancies). The TBLC works with the Town's economic

development director to represent business-community concerns to elected Town officials and staff, the Vienna Business Association and residents at large.

Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) (1 Vacancy). The TSC helps the Town work toward its goal of being an efficiently mobile, walkable and bikeable community by studying street safety issues and making recommendations to the Town Council.

Vienna Public Art Commission (VPAC) (1 Senior Student Vacancy). This commission advises and assists the Town Council on matters related to advancing

public art, including programs staged in public venues and public art funding.

To volunteer to serve on an advisory board, commission, or committee, you must be a registered voter in the Town of Vienna. To learn more and to apply, visit www.viennava.gov/boards or call the Town Clerk's office at 703-255-6304. 

**"Use your skills
and experience
to make a
difference in
Vienna."**





Town's Finance Director to Retire after 25 Years of Service

If you've had to get a business license, paid a water bill, or just had a question about the Town's budget, chances are you've gotten to know Town of Vienna Finance Director, Marion Serfass. Over the last eight years, Marion has led the Town's finance department, spearheading the annual budget process and after more than 25 years with Vienna, including 17 years as the department's deputy director, Serfass is set to retire at the end of this year.

"I've loved serving our residents and I've had the pleasure of working with a great caliber of people during my time here in Vienna," said Serfass. "I'm proud of the work we've done, and I feel confident leaving the department in good hands, with the right people and systems in place."

Serfass, who, self-admittedly has a love of spreadsheets and crunching numbers, started out as a certified public accountant in the 1980s and worked for Marriott for 14 years as a regional controller before joining the Town in November 1999. "At the time, I had a small child and Vienna Town Hall was just a few blocks away from home. I love working with the public as well, so Vienna was a perfect fit for me then, and has been all these years since."

As finance director, Serfass oversaw significant projects, including revitalizing the Town's payment systems, streamlining financial operations, and leading the Town through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic without any major financial disruptions. Under her leadership, the Town's finance department embraced automation, efficiency, and modernization.

"When I arrived, there was no voicemail here at Town Hall and hardly anyone used email," Serfass said. "We've come a long way since then. Finance is cyclical, but we're constantly trying to evolve and innovate systems and processes, and our department has worked hard to bring us into the 21st century."

Other notable finance-related accomplishments and current projects in which Serfass played an integral role include:

- the construction of the Town's new police station.
- collaborating with Fairfax County Government on the new Patrick Henry Library plan.
- reimagining the Annex property with a potential new aquatics and fitness center.

• facilitating the Town Hall space study.

As for what's next, Serfass says she's looking forward to staying busy, and starting a new chapter with her husband, in York, Pa. "I'm sad to leave the Vienna community" Serfass said, "but I'm excited to have an active retirement filled with new adventures like traveling, volunteering, and spending lots of time with family, who aren't far from our new home."

Serfass's last day will be Friday, Dec. 20, 2024. Steven Barlow, the Town's current Deputy Director of Finance, will succeed Serfass as the new director starting Monday, December 23, 2024. 📺



This Month's Topic on Deck: Winter's Heavy Lift

You know what's involved in clearing snow and ice from your property. Ever wonder what it takes to battle Old Man Winter on a townwide scale? Find out at the next "On Deck with Mercury" program. Town Manager Mercury Payton, Public Works Director Brad Baer and Operations Supervisor Jeff Tufano will explain what goes into the Town's round-the-clock response to winter weather events and share how you can help ensure the process runs as efficiently as possible.



On Deck with Mercury is a monthly community forum hosted by Town Manager Mercury Payton. If you missed previous episodes, you can still see them on the Town YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/MercuryOnDeck>. 📺



ON DECK WITH MERCURY

6 P.M. TUESDAY, DEC. 10

**LOCATION:
TOWN OF VIENNA
COMMUNITY NETWORK**

**COX CHANNEL 27, VERIZON
CHANNEL 38**

**VIENNA.GOV/TVCN
YOUTUBE @
TOWNOFVIENNA**



Real Estate Taxes Due

Tick tock! The deadline for property owners to pay their second installment real estate tax bill is fast approaching. Taxes are due by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 5, or late fees will apply. Payments can be made in person at Town Hall, Monday through Friday until 4:30 p.m. You can also drop payments in the Town Hall night deposit box or pay via credit card or e-check online at www.viennava.gov/cssportal. Questions? Call 703-255-6325. 📞

Tidy up with Quarterly Recycling Day

Clear the clutter from your home by disposing of hard-to-recycle items at the Town's next Quarterly Recycling Day, Saturday Dec. 7, 2024, at the Northside Property Yard at 600 Mill St., NE. Town residents may drive up between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. and drop off auto waste (such as used oil and antifreeze), electronics (no TVs or computer monitors please), and scrap metal for recycling. The Vehicle Maintenance Department will also be collecting rechargeable batteries. No tires or hazardous materials such as paint, insecticides and fluorescent bulbs will be accepted.

For more information, visit www.viennava.gov/recycling or call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6383. The Town of Vienna hosts a quarterly recycling day on four Saturdays per year and posts the events on the Town calendar. 📅





Open for business

Town of Vienna business licenses were issued in October to:

Call Your Mother Deli

Restaurant

205 Maple Ave. E

Lash and Spa by Neda

Body Care/Waxing/Eyelash Extensions

513 Maple Ave., W

Sushi Yama

Restaurant

328 Maple Ave., W

Vienna businesses with staying power

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

30 YEARS

SEKAS HOMES, LTD

25 YEARS

BOWMAN GASKINS FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

5 YEARS

STRATEGIC ACQUISITION CONSULTING, LLC



Picture it!

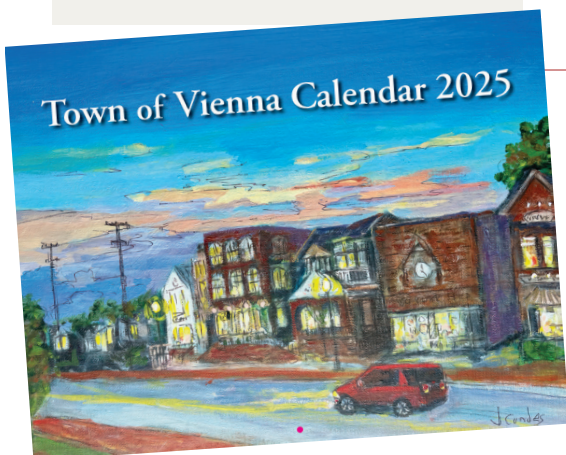
Vienna, c.1960. Greetings from the Maple Avenue Shopping Center! It sure looked different as depicted in this postcard found floating around in the Town archives. Super Giant sold far more than groceries in those days and operated more like a department store offering a wide range of other goods including clothing and record albums. By 1968, the store faced tough competition from a new concept in shopping – a regional, fully enclosed, climate-controlled shopping mall down the street called Tysons Corner Center. 📌

Hold the Salt - Protect the Environment!

When Old Man Winter dumps ice on the region, use salt sparingly in your winter cleanup effort. Too much salt can harm animals, plants and aquatic life, cause vehicle corrosion and concrete deterioration, and contaminate water bodies and drinking water. Reduce the amount of salt you use by shoveling in stages as snow falls, applying salt only where it is really needed, or waiting for the sun to melt the snow and ice. A 12-ounce coffee mug full of rock salt is all you need to clear 10 sidewalk squares or a 20 ft driveway. Once the ice and snow are gone, be sure to clean up leftover salt to protect your property and the environment from harm. 📌

Coming Soon!

New year, new calendar! If you haven't received it in the mail already, the 2025 Town of Vienna calendar is on the way! Calendars are mailed annually to Town of Vienna residents and businesses. Additional copies are available for pickup at the Patrick Henry Library, the Vienna Community Center and Vienna Town Hall while supplies last. The new calendar features artwork by the Vienna Arts Society, a schedule of Town events and public meetings, helpful information about Town services and ways you can get involved in the community. Happy New Year! 📌



MEET THE MAYOR

Mayor Linda Colbert offers several opportunities for residents to meet with her each month:

- **Meet the Mayor:** Periodically Mayor Colbert sets up “office” in various Vienna locations. The next “Meet the Mayor” is on Feb. 7, 2025 from 9-10:30 a.m. at Café de Vienna, 131 Church St., NW. Stop by, grab some coffee, and share your thoughts.
- **Mayor’s Walk:** Join Mayor Colbert for a chat and stroll through the Town on the third Friday of most months. The next walk is on Dec. 20. Meet in front of Town Hall at 9:30 a.m.
- **Office Hours:** The mayor is available to meet in her office weekdays, by appointment. To make an appointment, email mclark@viennava.gov or call 703-255-6304.

Mayor Colbert also does a weekly Facebook video highlighting upcoming events and Town Council business. You can catch it each Wednesday on the Town Facebook page [@TownofViennaVA](https://www.facebook.com/TownofViennaVA). 📺



CONTACT **Vienna**

VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Linda J. Colbert
mayor@viennava.gov

Sandra Allen
sandra.allen@viennava.gov

Chuck Anderson
chuck.anderson@viennava.gov

Roy Baldwin
roy.baldwin@viennava.gov

Ray Brill
ray.brill@viennava.gov

Jessica Ramakis
jessica.ramakis@viennava.gov

Howard J. Springsteen
hspringsteen@viennava.gov

Full Council
Council@viennava.gov

**TOWN HALL
MAIN PHONE
703-255-6300
PUBLIC
INFORMATION
OFFICE
703-255-6330**

TOWN STAFF

Town Manager	Mercury T. Payton	703-255-6371
Town Attorney	Steven D. Briglia	703-255-6305
Town Clerk	Melanie J. Clark	703-255-6304
Acting Economic Development Director	Kelly O'Brien	703-255-6347
Finance Director	Marion Serfass	703-255-6322
Human Resources Director	Michelle Crabtree	703-255-6351
Information Technology Director	Tony Mull	703-255-6364
Parks & Recreation Director	Leslie Herman	703-255-6356
Planning & Zoning Director	David Levy	703-255-6340
Police Chief	Col. James Morris	703-255-6390
Public Information Director	Karen Thayer	703-255-6330
Public Works Director	Brad Baer	703-255-6380

Send community news and high-resolution photographs to karen.thayer@viennava.gov. All material provided is subject to editorial review and revision and will be used as space allows. **Deadline for the January issue is Dec. 10.**



HAPPENINGS

around town

Lions Club Citrus Fruit Sale

Online Ordering Now Open
www.fairfaxlions.org/citrus-sale-notification

Sign up for email notices of sales and discount coupons. Orders are now being taken for pickup Dec. 19-21. All proceeds will be used to support Lions charity programs. PICKUP LOCATION – American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax, Va. 22030.

Christmas Tree Sale

Daily through Dec. 21
10 a.m.-7 p.m.

The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna will be selling Christmas trees, roping, wreaths, and tree stands in the Giant/PNC Bank lot on Maple Avenue. Trees will range from 4 to 8 feet in height. Proceeds from the sales go directly to Optimist Club activities and positive service projects in our Vienna-area community aimed at providing a helping hand to youth including special programs and scholarships. For more information, visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org.

Tiny Tot Holiday Concert

Thursday, Dec. 5
10 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 6
10 a.m.

James Madison High School Band, the Pride of Vienna, is thrilled to invite you to our 43rd Annual Tiny Tots Holiday Concert! This cherished event will feature enchanting performances by our talented students along with some very special surprise guests. All performances will take place at James Madison High

School Auditorium. Admission is \$10 per person, which includes children of all ages (one year and older). Get tickets today! <https://bit.ly/totconcert>.

Holiday Gifts and Visits from Santa

Sundays Dec. 8 and 15
12-2 p.m.

Come tell Santa your holiday wishes at the Freeman Store & Museum and savor the festive decorations in a charming, historic ambiance. There is no fee, and no reservations are necessary for this cheerful annual event! Located at 131 Church St., NE Vienna. Visit historicviennainc.org or call 703-938-5187 for more information. While you're at the store, why not shop for unique holiday gifts and support this historic landmark? You'll find ornaments, pottery, home goods, toys, candy and more at the shop, and don't forget the bargains in the Freeman Store's Used Book Cellar. The Freeman Store is open 12-4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday.

Art Demonstration

Thursday, Dec. 12
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Richmond artist Kathy Calhoun believes that "creating compelling artwork involves deconstructing with mind and eye, then reconstructing with skill and soul." Join us for a fascinating look at her process at the Vienna Art Center, Windover Professional Building, 243 Church St., NE, Suite 100 LL, Vienna, Va. For more information visit www.ViennaArtsSociety.org or call 703-319-3971.

JMHS Snowman Concert

Saturday, Dec. 14
10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Join the JMHS Choral and Orchestra Departments for this magical family holiday event at James Madison High School. Watch the film based on Raymond Brigg's "The Snowman" book with live choral and orchestra music accompaniment. After the film, walk through the winter wonderland and enjoy crafts and a chance to take pictures with the Snowman and Santa! Each seated attendee must have a ticket. Purchase tickets in advance online starting mid-November: <https://madisonhs.fcps.edu/announcements>, scroll down to find Snowman Concert. Tickets will be available at the door only if the event isn't sold out.

American Legion Auxiliary Breakfast Buffet

Sunday, Dec. 15
8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Celebrate the season with the American Legion Auxiliary at Post 180 Breakfast Buffet. Enjoy Joe's custom omelets, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, sausage gravy, biscuits, blueberry pancakes, fruit cocktail, Post 180 cake and more. Adults \$12, children younger than 12, \$5. Proceeds will be used to send local high school students to Girls State and to support local youth activities. For more information, call 703-409-3564. American Legion Post 180 is located at 330 Center St., N, Vienna, Va.

An Evening with Art

Thursday, Dec. 19
4-7 p.m.

Celebrate the holiday season with artists who have planned a special evening to introduce the Vienna Art Society's 2025 Artist of the Year! Our newest exhibition, "Slice of Life," will be on display at the art center, and you'll discover handmade jewelry, glassware, pottery and more in our gift shop. There will be refreshments and festive surprises for visitors of all ages during the evening. The Vienna Art Center is located in the Windover Professional Building, 243 Church St., NE, Suite 100 LL, Vienna, Va. For more information visit www.ViennaArtsSociety.org or call 703-319-3971.

Legislative Outlook with Del. Holly Seibold

Saturday, Jan. 4, 2025
11 a.m.



Join Del. Holly M. Seibold at Patrick Henry Library for a preview of the upcoming Virginia General Assembly session scheduled to begin Jan. 8 in Richmond. Seibold represents the 12th House District, which includes Vienna, Tysons and adjacent parts of Fairfax County. She will also discuss the work of her non-profit organization, BRAWS, which supports women's shelters. The presentation is co-sponsored by the Vienna Area Branch of the AAUW (American Association of University Women), and the library. It is free and open to the public. The library is located at 101 Maple Ave. E, Vienna, Va.

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

Vienna Police
703-938-4900 voice
703-255-5730 TDD
Non-emergency
703-255-6366 voice
703-255-5730 TDD

Community Center
703-255-6360 voice
TTY Virginia Relay 711
120 Cherry St. SE
Vienna, VA 22180

Vienna Town Hall
703-255-6300 voice
TTY Virginia Relay 711
127 Center Street South
Vienna, VA 22180-5179
Monday-Friday • 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

PRSRT STD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Merrifield, VA
Permit No. 36

VIENNA
VOICE

December TOWN CALENDAR

2	Church Street Holiday Stroll • 6 p.m.
2	NOVA Model Railroaders Open House (VTD) • 6-9 p.m.
3	Windover Heights Board of Review • 7:30 p.m.
5	Real Estate Tax Second Installment Due
7	Quarterly Recycling Day (NPY) • 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
7	Donuts with Santa (VCC) • 8-11 a.m.
9	Town Council Meeting • 7:30 p.m.
10	On Deck with Mercury • 6-7 p.m.
11	Planning Commission • 7:30 p.m.
12	Town Business Liaison Committee • 7 p.m.
13	Mayor and Council Holiday Reception • 4-6 p.m.
13	Big Screen at the Center (VCC) • 6:30 p.m.

14	NOVA Model Railroaders Open House (VTD) • 1-5 p.m.
16	Town Council Work Session (VPD) • 7 p.m.
17	Vienna Public Art Commission (VCC) • 7 p.m.
18	Board of Zoning Appeals • 7:30 p.m.
19	Board of Architectural Review • 7:30 p.m.
19	Conservation and Sustainability Commission (VCC) • 7:30 p.m.
24	Christmas Eve Town Offices and Community Center Closed (Regular Waste Collection)
25	Christmas Day Town Offices and Community Center Closed (No Waste Collection)
26	Wednesday and Thursday Waste Collection; No brush, bulk or yard waste

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings take place at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S.
Meeting schedule subject to change; check www.viennava.gov/calendar for updates.

NPY, Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., NE
VCC, Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE
VPD, Vienna Police Department Community Room, 215 Center St., S
VTD, Vienna Train Depot, 231 Dominion Rd., NE