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Experience the Magic of Viva! Vienna!




Mark your calendar, gather your friends and family, and get ready to celebrate the start of summer in the most magical way at Viva! Vienna! Whether you're a thrill-seeker, a foodie, a music lover, or just looking for the perfect way to spend a weekend, this year's festival has something for everyone.

All Memorial Day weekend long, May 24-26, historic Church Street will transform into a wonderland of family-friendly fun for all ages complete with sprawling carnival rides, games, and live music and entertainment across three stages. The event also features an array of food ranging from global flavors to festival classics, and a vendor marketplace filled with unique finds and locally made artisan items.

Back this year is the Brewfest Beer Garden on Mill Street featuring a wide selection of local craft beer and wine for adults age 21+. A valid I.D. must be presented to verify legal age for anyone who wishes to purchase and consume alcohol in the restricted Brewfest area.

On its final day, Monday, May 26, entertainment will pause for the Memorial Day tribute tradition at 1 p.m. on the Town Green to honor U.S. armed forces who lost their lives in service to our country.

Viva! Vienna! is hosted annually by The Rotary Club of Vienna in partnership with the Town of Vienna. The Rotary Club uses proceeds from the event to support Vienna-area charitable, educational and community organizations.

For daily schedules, event maps, parking details and more, visit www.vivavienna.org. 

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Vienna Town Council to Vote on FY26 Budget

After a months-long process involving Town staff meetings, Council work sessions, and public hearings, the Vienna Town Council is expected to vote on the Town budget, real estate tax rate, and water and sewer rates for fiscal year 2026. The vote to adopt the budget, tax rate and water and sewer rates is scheduled to take place at the Council's regular meeting on Monday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Vienna Town Hall. The adopted \$55.5-million balanced budget reflects a modest 3.2 percent increase over the current year's budget to manage inflationary pressures. It also:

- Maintains the property tax rate at 19.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value.
- Addresses operating cost increases, mainly through tax revenue related to increases in assessed property value of existing structures and new construction.
- Funds compensation increases for eligible employees.

If adopted in its current form, the FY26 Town budget will reflect a plan that has either had no change or a reduction in Vienna's property tax rate for the 13th consecutive year. The FY26 Town budget takes effect July 1, 2025. The adopted budget will be posted online at www.viennava.gov/budget. 



Where Do Your Tax Dollars Go?

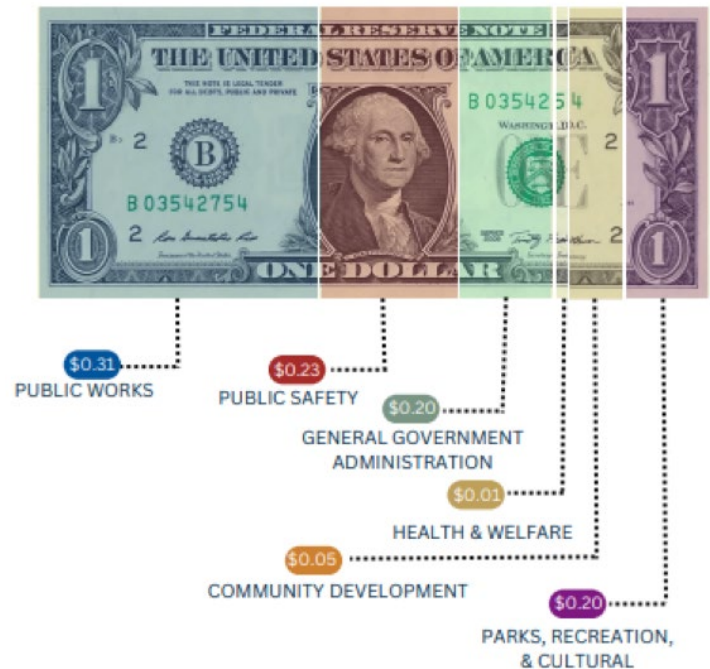
As a Town of Vienna resident, you may wonder how your tax dollars are invested in the community. Unlike many neighboring areas that rely solely on county or contracted services, Vienna provides its own municipal services to better meet the needs of the residents, timely service delivery, and a strong sense of community.

Your Town tax dollars pay for Public Works Department services such as trash, recycling and yard waste collection. The funding also pays for street, sidewalk and other public property maintenance as well as snow removal and leaf and brush collection - services that many county residents do not receive or obtain only by hiring private contractors.


Town tax dollars also support the Vienna Police Department, which provides dedicated law enforcement services, community outreach programs, and timely emergency response. This helps ensure that Vienna remains one of the safest communities in the region.

In addition to essential services, Vienna's investment in parks and recreation enhances the quality of life for all residents. The Town maintains parks, trails, and recreational facilities, and offers a wide variety of recreational programs and events for all ages.

Vienna residents also pay taxes to Fairfax County. This money is used to provide services that the Town does not provide, such as public health, public library, public school and fire department services. The County also backs up the police department in



situations that require specialized tactical responses that the Town police department is not equipped to handle.

The Town Council is expected to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget at its May 19 meeting. To see the full proposed FY26 budget, visit www.viennava.gov/budget. 





Board Streamlines Outdoor Dining Application Process for Restaurants

You could soon see more outdoor dining options at restaurants thanks to a faster and more efficient approval process adopted recently by the Board of Architectural Review. The new fast-track process took effect on April 7, 2025, and allows restaurants that meet certain criteria to establish outdoor dining areas with only staff-level review. The result could be increased revenue potential for local businesses and greater outdoor dining options for patrons. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/TOVDining> or call Planning and Zoning at 703-255-6341. 📞

Open for business

Town of Vienna business licenses were issued in March to:

NOJICARE LLC

Rental by Owner
110 Pleasant St., NW

PACE DENTAL

110 Pleasant St., NW

SILVA & SON INC

Fast Casual Café
448 Maple Ave., E

SWEET CHILI ASIAN CUISINE

Carryout, Catering
521 Maple Ave., W

Vienna businesses with staying power

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

30 YEARS

ALEXANDRA KAGHAN, LCSW, LLC

25 YEARS

VIENNA INN

15 YEARS

PSI FUND I GP, LLC
PSI FUND I, LP

10 YEARS

JAMES MADISON SHELL
MARKLEY & ASSOCIATES, PLLC
KNOWLEDGE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

5 YEARS

CHI MC
STEMTREE FOR ALL
THE CLASSROOM, LLC


Town Seeks Architect for Volunteer Board

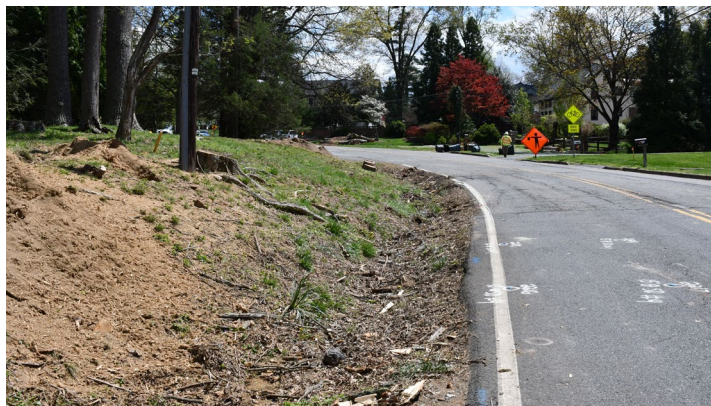


Are you an architect who has a passion for history? Consider serving on the Windover Heights Board of Review. The board approves new construction and major exterior alterations to buildings within the Windover Heights Historic District in Northwest Vienna to ensure they are in line with the historic district's architectural aspects.

To qualify, applicants must be registered to vote in the Town of Vienna. To learn more and to submit an application, visit www.viennava.gov/boards or call the Town Clerk's office at 703-255-6304. 📞

Glyndon Street Gets a Facelift

Xmarks the spot where construction crews are clearing the way for a drainage improvement project along Glyndon Street NE near Glyndon Park. Pre-selected trees marked with a white X are being removed to prepare for the installation of a new storm drain including new curb, gutter and sidewalk on Glyndon Street, SE, between Ayr Hill and Jean Place. The project will help alleviate stormwater overflow and flooding in the area and create a safer and more accessible pedestrian route along the road. To learn more about this project, visit www.viennava.gov/glyndon. 



So Long Patrick Henry Library

After decades of service to the Vienna community, the Patrick Henry Library will close forever on Friday, May 9, 2025, to make way for construction of the new Vienna-Carter Library. The Patrick Henry branch of the Fairfax County library system first operated as a storefront in the Giant Shopping Center in 1962. The branch at the current location, 1101 Maple Ave., E, opened in 1971. Some existing library resources will be moved to the Patrick Henry Temporary Library (PHTL), in the Cedar Park Shopping Center, which is expected to open to the public in June. In the meantime, you can still check out books at four other nearby Fairfax County library branches:

Dolley Madison Library

1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean


Oakton Library

10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton

Thomas Jefferson Library

7415 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church
Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday and Tuesday
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday

Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library

7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church
Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Wednesday
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Sunday 





Public Works Open House

May 15, 2025


2-6 p.m.

**Northside Property Yard
600 Mill St., NE**



All aboard for fun with Public Works Day at Northside Property Yard, featuring:

- Big Trucks and Machines
- Activities
- Public Safety Vehicles
- Snacks
- Displays


Meet public works employees and ask them anything! The community event is held in conjunction with National Public Works Week. For more information, call 703-255-6380 or visit www.viennava.gov. 

May Flowers Usher in Produce and Plants



Mark your calendar for the first Saturday in May for opening day at the Vienna Farmers Market and the Spring Native Plant Sale sponsored by the Town of Vienna Conservation and Sustainability Commission. The festivities take place on Saturday, May 3, 2025, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE. The plant sale will feature seasonal plants that are native to the region. All plants are raised and sold by Hill House Garden Nursery and include flowering perennials, native shrubs, and small trees available for purchase.

Opening ceremonies for the Vienna Farmers Market located in the Vienna Community Center parking lot will take place at 10 a.m. The market offers regionally sourced fresh produce, honey, homemade goods and more. The farmers market is open every Saturday morning from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., May through October.


For more information about the Spring Native Plant Sale, email CSC@viennava.gov or call 703-255-6300. To learn more about the Conservation and Sustainability Commission, visit www.viennava.gov/csc. 

Let's Go for a Ride!

The Town of Vienna is gearing up for two great biking events this spring and everyone is invited!

Bike to Work Day, Thursday, May 15, 2025.

Ditch the car and pedal your way to work in this annual event sponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and the Washington Area Bicyclists Association (WABA). The Town's Bicycle Advisory Committee will host the Vienna pit stop at the Town Green from 6:30-9:30 a.m. Stop by and enjoy a light snack on your way to work. Bike techs will also be on hand to help with minor repairs. Register for this event at www.biketoworkmetrodc.org for a free T-shirt. This event is free.

Community Bicycle Ride, Sunday, May 18, 2025. Bring your bike, a water bottle and your safety helmet to the Vienna Community Center at 9:45 a.m., and embark on a community bike ride at 10 a.m. This casual, 5- to 6-mile ride through Vienna is presented by the Town of Vienna Bicycle Advisory Committee and should take no more than an hour to complete. Most of the ride will be on low-volume streets but will also explore several off-road park trails within the town. No registration is necessary, but helmets are required. Children ages 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. 



Updates from Vienna Parks & Recreation

Summer Registration Opens May 12

Now is the time to plan your summer fun strategy, and you'll find tons of fun options for the whole family in the summer program and events guide: www.viennava.gov/parkguide. Plan now and be ready when registration opens at 8 a.m. on May 12 for Town residents, and May 19 for out-of-towners. Register in person at the Vienna Community Center or online at www.viennava.gov/register.

Vienna Theatre Company Presents: Decision Height



There's still time to catch Vienna Theatre Company's spring production, "Decision Height" at the Vienna Community Center. This award-winning show explores the essential role that Women Army Service Pilots (WASP) played in World War II and the camaraderie they shared. Content warning for mild adult themes and smoking.

Performance Dates:
Friday and Saturday
May 2-3
8 p.m.

Sunday
May 4
2 p.m.

Tickets are \$16. Buy tickets online: www.viennava.gov/theatre or in person at the Vienna Community Center.

Theatre for Young Audiences: Emperor's New Clothes

The Vienna Theatre Company hosts the fifth year of its Theater for Young Audiences initiative with a special production of "The Emperor's New

Clothes" at the Vienna Community Center. This performance is suitable for ages 3-Adult.

Performance Dates:

April 26 and May 3

11 a.m. and 2 p.m. both dates

Tickets are available at the door only - \$5 children, \$10 adults, \$8 seniors.

Wellness and Safety Expo

Friday, May 9

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

If you're age 55+, this event is tailor-made for you! The Wellness and Safety Expo at the Vienna Community Center offers medical screenings and educational opportunities from many local vendors providing a wide range of resources to help older adults live their best life. For more information visit www.viennava.gov/wellness or contact Kathy Blevins at kblevins@viennava.gov or 703-255-7801.

Share Your Story!

Area residents and businesses are encouraged to share family stories about what it has meant to be or become an American through a new Liberty Amendments Month (LAM) interactive program called "Our American Liberty Stories." If you have an interesting story to tell about your journey to America or path to citizenship, share it with us. For more information, visit www.viennava.gov/story.

Vienna Youth Players Auditions: Anastasia- The Musical

Calling all students ages 10-18 to audition for the Vienna Youth Players summer production. Auditions will be held in the Vienna Community Center auditorium May 24-5 from 12-4 p.m. and May 27 from 4-5 p.m. Callbacks will audition on May 28 from 6-9 p.m. For more information and to sign up for the audition, visit www.viennava.gov/theatre.



Big Screen on the Green Featuring: "Moana 2"

Friday, May 16

6:30 p.m.

Vienna Town Green

(Bad weather location: Vienna Community Center) Enjoy a movie under the stars at the Vienna Town Green. Moana, guided by her wayfinding ancestors, embarks on a new voyage to reunite the islands of Oceania, facing a challenge to restore a legendary, sunken island and encountering a new crew and the storm god Nalo. Complimentary water and popcorn will be available while supplies last. More information at www.viennava.gov/bigscreen. Thanks to our Big Screen on the Green series sponsor, Navy Federal Credit Union.



Bowman House Pottery Show and Sale

211 Center St. S

Saturday, May 3

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Don't miss out on great gifts for a loved one on Mother's Day. Beautiful handmade pottery created by students and teachers will be featured at the sale. Shop early for the best selection.



Picture it!

Vienna, 1962. Some 15 years after Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier in Major League baseball, Donald Ellis becomes Vienna Little League's first Black coach and one of the league's first two Black managers after the league was officially desegregated. It marked the beginning of a new chapter in local history bringing young athletes and coaches together who, until that time, had played separately based on the color of their skin. During the 2025 Vienna Little League opening day festivities, Ellis returned to the field at the age of 90 to be recognized for his service to the league and to the community. 📌



Service before Self



BY COUNCILMEMBER RAY BRILL

My family and I were transfixed by the adventures of astronauts Butch Wilmore and Suni Williams in space over the past nine months. Their planned eight-day trip to the

International Space Station lasted 286 days due to several unexpected technical issues with their spacecraft. When they gave their first interview after returning to Earth on March 31, 2025, Butch Wilmore's reaction to the challenge focused on the mission and not himself or his feelings, asking, "What does our nation need out of me right now?" Suni Williams said, "My first thought was we've just got to pivot... Let's make the best of it... What can we do to help?" I was greatly moved by their selfless attitude and "service first before self" responses.

I wondered how our leaders in Vienna would respond to unexpected challenges. I asked a cross section of our leaders two questions: 1) What are you thankful for? 2) What gives you the greatest satisfaction? Their answers give us insight on whether they are focused on themselves or on serving others. No names are given, but a composite of their responses is shown below.

What are you thankful for?

Four themes emerged. 1) Faith and knowing life is a gift. 2) Family, friends, good health, and community. 3) The opportunity to serve others while working with a great team in a supportive environment. 4) The Town of Vienna.



What gives you the greatest satisfaction?

Similarly, four themes emerged. 1) Serving people and helping them be the best they can be. 2) Doing a job well with a very dedicated and committed team. 3) Seeing what I do is making a difference 4) Good relationships, healthy families, and children growing up to be good adults.

Their responses indicate a focus on serving, and their responses are validated by the results of the 2023 Townwide Survey of residents, which rated Vienna highly for service. Let us be thankful for this attitude of "service before self" among our elected and appointed leaders, staff, volunteers and community groups who so willingly contribute their time and talents to the Vienna community. Their service contributes greatly

to the exceptional quality of life we enjoy here in Vienna.

Let us all express our thanks by getting involved ourselves to serve others. 📌

Vienna Police Captain Attains Leadership Distinction



Add another Vienna police officer to the ranks of those who have graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. Captain Patrick Kiley completed the rigorous 11-week course in advanced leadership classes, communication courses and fitness challenges on March 13, 2025, alongside other law

enforcement officers from all over the world.

The FBI National Academy develops and enhances future law enforcement leaders through training sessions led by experienced FBI instructors, special agents, and professional support teams. It is internationally recognized for its academic excellence. Candidates must demonstrate a proven record as public safety professionals to even be considered for selection into the elite program.

Nearly 56,000 public safety professionals have graduated from the academy since it began in 1935. Other Vienna police officers who are FBI Academy graduates are Chief Jim Morris, Deputy Chief Dan Janickey and Captain Tu Farhan. 📌

Takedown on Tapawingo?



Here's something that rarely happens in the Town of Vienna – police officers kicking in doors and entering a home with guns drawn. This recent situation on Tapawingo Road was no cause for alarm, because it was a police training exercise at a home scheduled for demolition. After purchasing the property, the builder, JDA Custom Homes, allowed police to use the vacant house for training purposes for two days, enabling officers to simulate real-life scenarios and gain hands-on experience in a real-world setting. So, the only “takedown” that took place here, was the old home to make way for new once the training was over. 📌



Build Responsibly!

Spring is a great time for home improvement projects, and many projects require a permit, especially if they're near a flood zone. Be sure to get a building permit before you build in or near a flood hazard area including additions, decks, gazebos, sheds, or other accessory buildings. Call 703-255-6380 or email dpw@viennava.gov to find out the flood hazard risk for your property. 📌

For a Lush Lawn, Go Easy on Fertilizer

When it comes to using fertilizer, you can obtain the yard you've always wanted and help keep the chemicals from washing into storm drains that lead to local drinking water sources. Follow these simple tips to protect the environment and create a healthy lawn that's less susceptible to weeds and disease:

- Apply the correct amount of fertilizer only when needed.
- Use fertilizer at the right time of year.
- Leave your mowed grass clippings on the lawn. They can cut down on your need for fertilizer.
- If you need to fertilize early, limit it to a light feeding (half pound of 10-10-10 per 1000 sq. ft.) in May or early June.
- When heavy rain is in the forecast, postpone fertilization to prevent it running off into streams and storm drains.

If you spill fertilizer on sidewalks or driveways, be sure to sweep it up and reuse it later. Doing so will keep it from washing into storm drains that lead to local streams and rivers. 📌





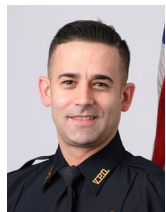
Word From Juan

Panhandling vs. Soliciting: What's the Difference?

Throughout the greater Vienna area, you're bound to see the signs of panhandling. It could be someone who approaches you in the parking lot of a grocery store, or someone who asks for a handout while you're waiting for a traffic light to change. Asking for money without offering anything in return is not illegal as it is typically seen as a request for a handout. Police do not have the authority to arrest someone solely for asking for a handout with no service or items offered in exchange.

However, soliciting is a different matter. Soliciting involves asking for money in exchange for goods, services, or promises of future delivery. This activity is illegal in the Town of Vienna unless the person has a valid solicitor's license from the Town. The purpose of this regulation is to ensure that individuals conducting commercial activities are doing so legally and responsibly, without disrupting the peace or safety of our community. If someone is soliciting without the proper license, the Town of Vienna Police Department can take legal action, including arrest. This helps to protect residents from unauthorized or potentially misleading or fraudulent activities.

It's important for everyone to understand the difference between panhandling and soliciting as they apply under local law. Understanding the distinction helps to ensure our town remains safe, organized, and respectful to all residents and visitors. 📌



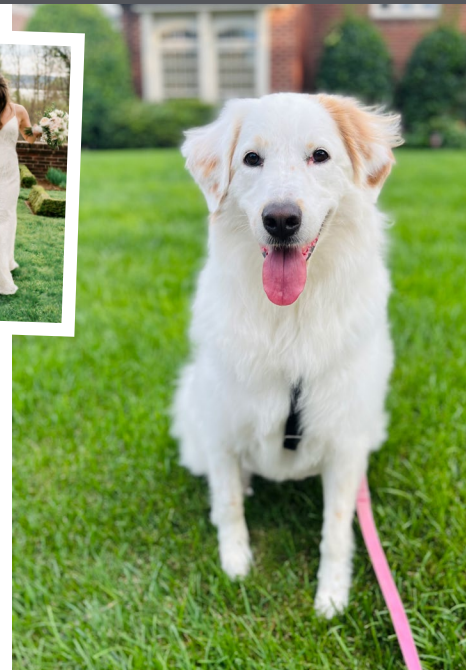
Juan Vazquez is the Vienna Police Department Public Information Officer. He conducts community outreach and public safety programs for area schools and community groups. To contact him, email Juan.Vazquez@viennava.gov or call 703-255-7845.

Mayor's Pet of The Month

Meet Penny, a treasured member of the Fallor family. This Great Pyrenees-Retriever mix loves exploring streets and trails in Vienna and throughout Northern Virginia, and despite her fluffy coat, she prides herself on being active around town – even in the thick of summer. She has also taken on a new role as a loving and protective big sister since her human baby brother Ethan was born.

Congratulations, Penny! 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.



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 Friday, May 2, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Frame Coffee, 302 Maple Ave., W. Stop by, enjoy 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 Friday, May 16. 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). 📺

HAPPENINGS around town



Vienna Farmers Market Opening

Saturday, May 3
8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Join local dignitaries and the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna for this year's grand opening of the Vienna Farmers Market at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE, Vienna. More than two dozen regional vendors are slated to participate in the market along with live music groups from around the area. The market runs each Saturday from May through October, and proceeds support local civic projects. For more information, visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org.

Classical Music Concert

Sunday, May 4
4 p.m.

Enjoy the music of Saint-Saens, Rachmaninoff and Gershwin performed by two internationally acclaimed pianists at this free concert at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Road, NE, Vienna. Pianists Nikita Fitenko and Katerina Zaitseva have been performing internationally since 2001 and will provide a delightful afternoon of musical entertainment. Admission is free.

Artist Demonstration

Thursday, May 8
7-8:30 p.m.

Join the Vienna Arts Society for a presentation by Susan Lapham, an internationally known award-winning abstract textile artist. Susan will describe how she dances between a design wall and sewing machine in her Vienna studio. The presentation will take place at The Vienna Art Center, Windover Professional Building, 243 Church St., NW, Suite 100 LL, Vienna. For more information, visit www.ViennaArtsSociety.org or call 703-319-3971.

NEVCA Spring Meeting

Thursday, May 8
7:30 p.m.

Join the North East Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA) for its annual meeting at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE, Vienna. Featured speakers are Vienna Town Council Member Chuck Anderson, who will provide an update on the "No Tysons Casino effort," and State Delegate Holly Siebold, who will cover current legislative issues in Richmond. The agenda includes a short general business meeting. All town residents are invited to attend.

Ayr Hill Garden Club Plant Sale

Saturday, May 10
8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Plant sale at the Freeman Store and Museum, 131 Church St NE, Vienna, Va. The sale features native plants that will attract beneficial birds, bees and other insects to your garden, and club-nurtured plants that grow well in Vienna. Crafts, demonstrations,

garden advice and other plant vendors will also be available. Online pre-sales will be available for pickup. All proceeds will support the Ayr Hill Garden Club's efforts to beautify five public gardens in Vienna.

Vienna Jammers--The Big Jam

Saturday, May 10
7 p.m.

Join the Vienna Jammers for an electrifying night of rhythm and energy as they team up with renowned musician Etienne Charles for a family-friendly concert at Capital One Hall, 7750 Capital One Tower Road, Tysons, Va. Experience explosive beats from this dynamic youth percussion ensemble and Caribbean-inspired jazz grooves from Etienne Charles. Proceeds will be used to support the Vienna Jammers. Perfect for music lovers of all ages! For tickets, visit <https://bit.ly/BigJam2025>.

Art Gallery Exhibit

May 12-June 30

VAS Gallery in the Village Green Explore the astounding paintings of well-known oil painting instructor Leo Deege in this special Vienna Arts Society exhibit. You'll have an opportunity to meet him at a reception on Sunday, June 1, from 1-4 p.m. at the gallery located at 513 Maple Ave., W, Vienna.

Fairfax Lions Club Dining for Dollars Fundraiser

Tuesday, May 13
11:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.

Enjoy a delicious meal and support a worthy cause at the same time by dining at Foster's Grille in Vienna

on the second Tuesday of every month. Simply ask the cashier to put your receipt in the Lions' box, and Foster's will donate 20% of your purchase to support Fairfax/Vienna area youth, sight, hearing, and community programs. If you have used eyeglasses and hearing aids to donate, please bring them with you. For more information contact Lion Tom at golfertom1943@gmail.com.

Third Thursdays with Art

May 15

4-7 p.m.

Bring family and friends to meet artists and enjoy light refreshments every third Thursday at the Vienna Art Center, Windover Professional Building, 243 Church St., NW, Suite 100 LL, Vienna. Our gift shop is brimming with lovely gifts and cards, and one attendee will be invited to select an original work of art to take home.

America's Semiquincentennial Celebration

Friday, May 16
10 a.m.

Can you imagine how big a birthday cake would have to be to hold 250 candles? That's how old America will be next year, and state and local governments throughout the United States are creating 250th celebration committees to plan the festivities. Join Historic Vienna at the Freeman Store to brainstorm ways that our community can recognize this significant anniversary. For more information, visit www.fxva.com/fairfax250 and <https://va250.org> or call 703-938-5187. The Freeman store is located at 131 Church St, NE, Vienna.



**Free Paper
Shredding Event**
Saturday, May 17
9-12 p.m.

Purge your home of unwanted paper at this free paper shredding event at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Road, Vienna. Get rid of old tax papers, utility bills and other paper items in your files that are no longer needed. If you have old eyeglasses and bath towels that are serving no purpose at your house, bring them with you, too! Eyeglasses will be donated to the Fairfax Lions Club and bath towels will be donated to the Lost Dog and Cat Rescue.

**American Legion
Breakfast Buffet**
Sunday May 18
8 a.m.-12 p.m.

Celebrate America with us at the American Legion Auxiliary's Post 180 Breakfast Buffet. Enjoy

Joe's custom omelets, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, sausage gravy, biscuits, blueberry pancakes, fruit cocktail and more. Adults \$12, children younger than 12, \$5. Proceeds will be used to support Girls State scholarships and local youth activities. For more information, call 703-409-3564. American Legion Post 180 is located at 330 Center St., N., Vienna.

**Art Assemblage
Workshop**
Tuesday, May 20
10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Join Zbig Karaszewski, who draws his creative abstract inspiration from the wonders of the cosmos for this unique workshop at the Vienna Art Center, Windover Professional Building, 243 Church St., NW, Suite 100 LL, Vienna. Using recycled cardboard boxes, machine parts, buttons, wire, game pieces, fabric pieces and

more, you will create your own three-dimensional artwork in three hours. For more information, visit www.ViennaArtsSociety.org or call 703-319-3971.

**Veterinary Hospital
Anniversary Celebration**
Sunday, June 29
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Celebrate half a century of service and support a worthy cause at the same time at the Oakton-Vienna Veterinary Hospital's 50th Anniversary Celebration at 320 Maple Ave., E, Vienna. Everyone,



including pets, is invited to this free, family-friendly, community event filled with fun, food and festivities. Parking is available at neighboring businesses. Please bring a can of sealed pet food to donate to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. The hospital opened in 1975 and has cared for generations of Vienna-area pets.

**Refresh Yourself at the
Freeman Store**
12-4 p.m.

Wednesday through Sunday Next time you're enjoying a walk or bike ride along the W&OD Trail near the Freeman Store & Museum, stop in and pick up a cold drink. In addition to gifts, exhibits and used books, the historic landmark sells refreshments such as cold water, soda, candy and snacks. The store is located at 131 Church St., NE, Vienna.

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703-255-5730 TDD

Community Center
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120 Cherry St. SE
Vienna, VA 22180

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May TOWN CALENDAR

2	Meet the Mayor • 9 a.m.
3	Vienna Farmers Market Opens (VCC) • 8 a.m.
3	CSC Spring Native Plant Sale (VCC) • 8 a.m.
3	Vienna Theatre Company Production (VCC) • 8 p.m.
3	Vienna Theatre Company Kids Production (VCC) • 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.
5	Town Council Meeting • 7:30 p.m.
6	Windover Heights Board of Review • 7:30 p.m.
8	Town Business Liaison Committee • 7 p.m.
9	Wellness Expo for Ages 55+ (VCC) • 11 a.m.
9	Club Phoenix Awards (VCC) • 6 p.m.
12	Town Council Work Session (VPD) • 7 p.m.
14	Planning Commission Meeting • 7:30 p.m.
15	Public Works Open House (NPY) • 2 p.m.
15	Board of Architectural Review • 7:30 p.m.

16	Mayor's Walk • 9:30 a.m.
16	Big Screen on the Green (VTG) • 6:30 p.m.
19	Town Council Meeting • 7:30 p.m.
21	Board of Zoning Appeals • 7:30 p.m.
22	Tree Advocacy Committee (VCC) • 6:30 p.m.
22	Conservation and Sustainability Commission (VCC) • 7:30 p.m.
24	ViVa! Vienna (Church Street) • 10 a.m.
24	NOVA Model Railroaders Open House • 1 p.m.
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26	ViVa! Vienna (Church Street) • 10 a.m.
27	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee • 7 p.m.
27	Transportation Safety Commission • 8 p.m.
28	Planning Commission • 7:30 p.m.

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.

VTG, Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E • VVFD, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S

VPD, Vienna Police Department Community Room, 215 Center St. S • VCC, Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE