# This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

MAY 1988 — In this year's Town election, votes will be cast on new electronic voting machines. These are the same type of machines used in last month's County bond referendum and in the March presidential primary. A Town election official will be at the Vienna Community Center on May 7, the Saturday before the election, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. to show one of the new machines to interested voters.

MAY 1978 — The Virginia Supreme Court has upheld the ruling of the Fairfax County Circuit Court in favor of the developers of the "Louk Tract" in northeast Vienna. The Town Council had appealed the Circuit Court judgment handed down in July 1976, which enjoined Council from interfering with the property owners' plans to develop the tract for townhouses. Before the matter was brought to court, Council held a number of work sessions with the property owners, the Planning Commission and residents of the affected neighborhood. The work sessions were discontinued, however, when it became obvious that none of the development proposals was acceptable to neighborhood residents.

MAY 1968 — We note with deep regret the passing of former Mayor of Vienna, Jack J. Nichols. Mayor Nichols served as Mayor from 1948 to 1952, when Vienna was just beginning to emerge from its small country town atmosphere.

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VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333
POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363
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Visit the Town's web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

# to Oppose Increased Density at Virginia Center

Following about two hours of public testimony at its April 6 meeting, the Town Council unanimously adopted a motion expressing continuing strong opposition to any increase in commercial development at Virginia Center, located near the Vienna Metro, beyond the 650,000 square feet agreed to 10 years ago by the developer, Hazel Peterson, and currently approved by Fairfax County.

Most citizen comments concerned the additional traffic load that the proposed increase to 800,000 square feet of office and hotel use will impose on the Marshall Road Elementary School area and nearby residential streets in southwest Vienna.

The County Planning Commission is scheduled to consider the matter at its May 6 meeting. Mayor Robinson has expressed the Town's position in a letter to Commission Chairman Peter Murphy, stating that the insertion of a major hotel into the proposal constitutes a "very substantial" change that, in the Town's view, "requires very considerable additional review and rescheduling of the entire nomination so that the public is afforded reasonable opportunity to be heard on the issue of a hotel."

#### FIRE & RESCUE 911 (Voice & TDD)

VIENNA POLICE EMERGENCY 938-4900 (Voice) 255-5730 (TDD) Non-EMERGENCY 255-6368 (Voice) 255-5730 (TDD)

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# **★**Memorial Day★

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 25, for Memorial Day. Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday/Thursday collection route.

American Legion Dyer Gunnell Post 180 will hold a Memorial Day ceremony at Flint Hill Cemetery in Oakton on May 25 beginning at 10:30 a.m. with a concert by the Vienna Community Band. Following the ceremony there will be an open house and buffet lunch at the Post, 330 Center St., N. (In case of rain, the ceremony will also be held at the Post.)

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Post 180 will conduct its annual Poppy Promotion throughout Vienna during Memorial Day weekend, with proceeds going to veterans' hospitals in Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, DC.

#### **Budget Hearing May 18**

At its May 18 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1998–99. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Copies of the proposed budget are available for review at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge at Town Hall, and the entire budget document may be purchased. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the June 1 Council meeting.

SIDEWALK SURVEY INSIDE — Please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire on page 3. Citizen suggestions will be given serious consideration as priorities are set for future sidewalk projects.

# NEWSLETTER May 1998

# YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

ATOWN ELECTION TUESDAY, MAY 5☆
Polls Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.
All Voting at Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry St., S.E.

#### ON THE BALLOT

For Mayor: □Charles A. Robinson, Jr.
For Town Council (vote for no more than three):
□Albert J. Boudreau □Robert P. McCormick

□Steven D. Briglia

□Edward F. Turkaly

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For election results, call the Vienna Newsline, 255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close or visit the Town's website, www.ci.vienna.va.us

# **Town Has Excellent Bond Rating**

The Town of Vienna has been notified by Moody's Investors Service that its 1998 general obligation public improvement bonds have been rated "Aa2." This is the highest bond rating attainable by a local government the size of Vienna, and one that has been achieved by less than 10% of all jurisdictions nationwide.

This rating enables the Town to sell bonds at more favorable interest rates compared to those of municipalities not so rated, resulting in substantial savings for Vienna taxpayers over the life of the bonds.

Moody's noted that its high rating is based on Vienna's location and economic base, overall debt capacity, healthy financial condition, and relatively rapid retirement of debt. Moody's noted in particular the Town's ongoing efforts to reduce costs and also its newly adopted tax incentive program for property renovations, which is expected to benefit future tax revenues. Standard & Poor's financial analysts have also given Vienna a high bond rating.

# **Council Action**

(All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.)

#### **FEBRUARY 23, 1998**

• Conducted an executive session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

#### MARCH 2, 1998

- Conducted an executive session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Awarded a bid for a truck cab and chassis with dump body to Central Motor Co. at a price of \$28,260.
- Adopted an ordinance to provide a partial tax exemption for certain rehabilitated real property. (Approved 5-2, Mc-Cormick and Robinson voting nay.)
- Approved a change order to the contract for the Southside Park renovation project in an amount not to exceed \$22,840 to stabilize unsuitable soils in the parking lot, for additional electrical work, and to increase the bridge abutment allowance. The Town will investigate recovering a portion of the additional costs incurred by this project from the professional consultants who designed and supervised the construction.

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#### Don't Be the Victim of a "Scam"

# **Solicitors Must Have Town Permit**

A solicitor or canvasser is defined as anyone who goes from door to door taking orders for merchandise such as magazines or services such as home improvements to be delivered at some future date, or requesting donations for a charitable purpose. Canvassers and solicitors are required to obtain a license from the Town, which includes a criminal background check, and to show the license on request. They are also required to wear a badge issued and signed by the Director of Finance containing the words "Licensed Solicitor." The Town Manager may grant exemptions from licensing requirements to non-profit groups such as schools, churches and service organizations. If an exemption has been granted, it will be on file at Town Hall.

A town resident was the victim of a home improvement scam recently and wants to warn others to beware of the two men who came to her door claiming she had loose shingles on her roof and offering to make repairs. After giving them a check for several hundred dollars (which was cashed immediately!), the resident is still waiting for the "roofers" to return and do the job.

Some neighborhoods have received a notice offering to paint house numbers on the curb. Not only have these solicitors failed to apply for a license, but they cannot legally paint the curb because it is technically Town property. The Town Manager has directed that only non-profit organizations such as schools, scouts and civic associations will be allowed to provide this service after receiving special permission from the Town.

Residents who suspect that solicitors are operating under fraudulent pretenses or that they may be "casing" the neighborhood for burglary targets should call the Police Department's non-emergency number, 255-6366.

# Street Light Out? Call Virginia Power

Street lights help to deter crime and improve traffic and pedestrian safety at night. To help keep Vienna safe during nighttime hours, citizens are requested to report any malfunctioning street lights to Virginia Power toll free at 1-888-667-3000. Malfunctions may also include a light being on during daylight hours. If possible, be prepared to give the pole number (located on the pole) as well as the street address to speed up repair service.

# TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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#### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Albert J. Boudreau
Steven D. Briglia
Robert P. McCormick

Vincent J. Olson
Michael J. Polychrones
M. Jane Seeman

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.

Deadline for June issue is Friday, May 15.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the Newsletter. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number.

(This information will not be published.)

# Wipers On/Lights On

YOUR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY
COMMISSION REMINDS YOU — Virginia
state law now requires motorists to switch on
their headlights when weather conditions warrant use of windshield wipers. A new provision of the State Code calls for use of headlights "whenever windshield wipers are in use
as a result of fog, rain, sleet or snow." This
traffic violation carries a fine of up to \$25.
The requirement does not apply to intermittent
use of windshield wipers.

Headlights in use on a vehicle not only improve the driver's vision, but also help alert pedestrians and other vehicles to its approach.

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# **Council Action**

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#### **MARCH 16, 1998**

- Conducted an executive session to interview a candidate for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Following a public hearing, extended the Town's cable television franchise for three months.
- Approved the concept of a teen center to be located temporarily in the Vienna Community Center basement and later in a separate facility.
- Granted the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce permission to hold its Celebrate Vienna Festival (formerly called Harvest Festival) at the Vienna Community Center September 24–27.
- Approved the documents required for the 1998 bond sale.
- Recommended to the Fairfax County Electoral Board the following citizens to serve as officials for the May 5 Town election: chief, Regina Jordan; assistant chief, Constance Wax; election officers, Thomas Cook, Joanne Scott, Perry Lear, Patricia Polychrones, Arnold Perko, Joanne Cook, Shirley Gourley, Marianna Parrish, Corrine Hanna, Michael Clark, Kathleen Harris, Beverly Harris; alternates, Walter Knick, Margie Trout, Audrey Sullivan, Kathleen Battaglia, Theresa Pyszka.
- Adopted a resolution honoring the 40th anniversary of the Vienna Jaycees.

#### MARCH 25, 1998

Awarded the sale of \$4.9 million general obligation public improvement bonds to Craigie, Inc., of Richmond at an interest rate of 4.4261%. (The Town of Vienna borrows money by issuing tax-free general obligation bonds to finance major public improvement projects. Bond financing spreads the cost of these capital projects over a period of many years, rather than charging the full cost to today's taxpayers.)

# Planning an Accessory Structure?

Garages, gazebos, sheds, and other secondary buildings erected on residential property are known as accessory structures.

If you are planning to build an accessory structure greater than 150 square feet in area and/or the wall height is greater than 8½ feet, then a building permit is required. Three sets of building plans and three plats of your property showing the location of the accessory structure must be submitted along with a building permit application first to the Town of Vienna and then to Fairfax County for review and approval.

If your planned accessory structure has an area of 150 square feet or less and the wall height is not greater than 8½ feet, then a building permit is not required. However, you must adhere to the following regulations:

- $\rightarrow$  All accessory structures must be located in the rear yard. On a corner lot, it must be located beyond the building line of any adjoining lot.
- → On an interior lot, it may not be less than 1 foot from any side or rear lot line. On a corner lot, it may not be less than 5 feet from any side lot line.
- → Where any portion is located directly behind the rear of the principal building, it may not be less than 10 feet away.
- → Where no portion is located behind the rear of the principal building, it may not be less than 15 feet away and also no less that 10 feet from the extension of the rear wall line of the principal building on the adjacent lot.
- → Not more than 25% of the property can be covered by your house, garage, carport, driveway, patio, and accessory structure.

Residents are advised to contact the Department of Planning and Zoning, 255-6341, prior to constructing any accessory structure. If you wish, a courtesy visit to your property by department personnel can be arranged to discuss suitable locations for the structure.

# **Welcome New Vienna Businesses**

The following business licenses were issued in March:

Settles Consulting 906 Moorefield Creek Rd., S.W. 242-1850

Pointers (telephone referral) 606 Sideling Ct., N.E.

Purple Onion (party planning) 106 Casmar St., S.E. 641-5899

Norm's Beer & Wine 136 Branch Rd., S.E. 242-0100 Brite Ideas Marketing (graphic design/marketing consulting) 562 Windover Ave., N.W. 242-7097

Lifetime Realtors 133 Maple Ave., E. #100 917-0909

Convenient Location, Friendly Service Shop in Vienna and Support Our Hometown Merchants



758-2336

REMINDER TO BUSINESSES: The deadline for filing your business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) return is May 1. For information, call the Finance Department at Town Hall, 255-6321.

# What's Your Opinion on Sidewalks?

Eight years ago, the Town conducted a survey to get citizen input on the need for additional pedestrian facilities. Since then several projects have been completed. Still, traffic is getting heavier, and demand for recreational opportunities, including walking, jogging and bicycling, is increasing. Funds for sidewalk construction have been budgeted for the upcoming fiscal year, and the Town Council is very much interested in citizen suggestions regarding areas for construction of new sidewalks as well as areas for sidewalk improvements.

When you have completed the survey, tear off this page, fold, and bring or send it to the address shown. Thank you!

#### SIDEWALK SURVEY

"Sidewalk" is generally used to mean concrete walkways, and "path" is generally used to mean asphalt walkways. If your answer depends

on '	which type of walkway is proposed, please indicate that in your response.
1.	How would you rate the level of opportunities for walking that the current traffic conditions and physical layout of Vienna provide?
	Excellent Good Fair Poor
2.	What, in your opinion, is the most pressing need for additional sidewalks or paths? Indicate your preference by numbering your first three priorities 1 through 3.
	a. Access to Metrobus or Metrorail b. Access to W&OD Trail
	c. Pedestrian safety in general d. Walking to school
	e. Walking to businesses f. Recreational use
	g. No need for sidewalks
3.	Does your street have a sidewalk or path?  Yes  No
4.	If you do not have a sidewalk or path in front of your home, how agreeable are you to having one installed in the interests of safety and welfare?
	a. Very much b. Somewhat
	c. Slightly opposed d. Totally opposed
5.	Where, specifically, would you like to see additional sidewalks or paths or improvements to existing facilities?
6.	Other comments:
7.	On what street do you live? (Please indicate SE, SW, NE, NW)
	What block?
8.	Name, address and daytime phone number (optional):

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Place Stamp Here

sidewalk survey c/o Town Clerk's Office 127 Center St., S. Vienna, VA 22180-5799

Westpark Golf Club in Leesburg. A port of the \$70 fee is tax deductible and inclu 18 holes of golf with cart, continental br

limited and pre-registration is required. For information, call Paula Kellogg at 281-5532.

Civil War Trails marker will be unveiled at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 16, at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. The public is invited to join Historic Vienna Inc., Town officials, and several prominent Civil War historians at the dedication of the marker, which depicts the use of the Freeman House by both Union and Confederate troops, the battle along Vienna's railroad line on Jule 17, 1861, and other Civil War sites in town. The permanent marker is sponsored by Historic Vienna Inc. and the Virginia Tourism Corp.

Safe Kids Day '98 will be held at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 2. Activities will include child safety seat installation instruction and information, outdoor and household safety tips, displays of modern and antique emergency equipment, plus balloons, refreshments and more. Sponsored by the Fire Department, Fairfax County Fire & Rescue, Vienna Police, Fairfax County Park Authority and other local organizations.

#### Amateur radio licensing course,

sponsored by the Vienna Wireless Society, will be held at Patrick Henry Library beginning on Tuesday, June 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone with an interest in amateur "ham" radio, young or old, is welcome to attend. Upon completion of the course, students will be prepared to take the amateur radio license examination. The only cost to students is the \$15 textbook. For more information, call 534-3905.

Vienna Photographic Society meets at the Vienna Community Center on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. and is open to everyone with an interest in photography. On May 6, photographer Max English will speak on studio lighting and portraiture. For more information, call Sharon Connolly at 250-9048.

Scholarship golf tournament, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Athletic Directors, Administrators, and Coaches Association, will be held on Monday, May 11, at Westpark Golf Club in Leesburg. A portion of the \$70 fee is tax deductible and includes 18 holes of golf with cart, continental break-

fast and buffet lunch. Proceeds benefit the scholarship fund for Northern Virginia's scholar athletes. For more information, call Henry Hambrecht, 729-2155, Nelson Harvey, 430-2306, or Carl Sell (sponsor info), 339-0500.

Plant sale at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., N.W., beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 2. A variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables and hanging baskets will be available. For more information, call call the church office, 938-3494. Also on May 2, check out Epiphany's Coffee house/open mike from 7 to 10 p.m. The open mike is available for adults and kids to bring their acts onto the stage. The evening also features refreshments and live music by Epiphany's Praze Band. Free admission.

#### Concord Masonic Lodge #307

AF&AM will present awards to Student Council Association (SCA) officers from six Vienna area elementary schools at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, at the lodge hall, 146 Church St., N.E. (across from Vienna Presbyterian Church). The SCA officers from Viena, Marshall Road, Flint Hill, Cunningham Park, Louise Archer, and Wolf Trap Elementaries will report on the highlights of their school programs and activities for the year. The public is invited to attend, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kevin Davidson at 502-1326.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Vienna Chapter 1116, will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Tuesday, May 5, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Merrifield Garden Center horticulturist "Dr. John" Buckris, who is known to local gardeners for his wise counsel in person and on TV.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold its installation of officers at a luncheon on Thursday, May 7, at River Bend Country Club in Great Falls, beginning with a social hour at 11:30 a.m. Newcomers and long-time residents alike are invited to attend. For reservations and more information about the luncheon or the organization, call 281-3017 or 938-9377.

Vienna Arts Society (VAS) will sponsor two workshops this month at the Vienna Moose Lodge. Irish watercolorist Jim Flack will present a one-day workshop on Tuesday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$50 for VAS members and \$60 for nonmembers. Pastellist Larry Blovits will give a workshop on landscape painting May 18–22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The cost is \$170 for VAS members and \$200 for nonmembers. For more information, call Doris de Sha at 255-6654.

# American Association of Retired Persons, Vienna Chapter 754, will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Monday, May 18, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Fairfax County Sheriff Carl Peed will speak about the operation of the County Adult Detention Center. For more information, call Emilie Larson at 938-1379.

Vienna Light Opera Company will present "The Bartered Bride" May 29 and 30 at 7:30 p.m. on the Annandale campus of Northern Virginia Community College. Tickets are \$18 general admission, \$12 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available at the door before each performance or in advance at Gordon Keller Music Co., 132 Church St., N.W., or from the Arts Council ticket office, phone 642-0862. For more information, call 281-2570.

### Reminders from Your Public Works Dept.

STREET SWEEPING ENDING — The Department of Public Works will conclude its spring street sweeping this month. Residents are requested not to park on the street during the scheduled time for their section to allow the street sweeper to do a thorough job. As the time for each section approaches, signs will be placed on streets as a reminder, and residents can also call 255-6381 for information.

THERE IS STILL PLENTY OF MULCH AVAILABLE! Residents may pick up mulch themselves in any amount. The mulch is stored on Town-owned property off Beulah Road near Glyndon Park. Look for the sign "Free Leaf Mulch & Wood Mulch."

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# HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park opens for the season on May 6. Local vendors will sell fresh produce, herbs, honey, and baked goods each Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine. The adjacent Plant Clinic will provide free advice on gardening/planting problems from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Plenty of parking is available with convenient handicapped spaces.

Vienna Youth, Inc. Basketball is seeking qualified applicants to coach teams in the Fairfax County Youth Basketball League. If you are an experienced basketball coach who would like to coach a boys or girls team, ages 10–14, call Taylor Roberts at 255-0700 during business hours to receive an application.

Historic Vienna, Inc. is collecting used books for a sale to be held in June to benefit the Moorefield House restoration project. Books may be dropped off at the Freeman House general store, 131 Church St., N.E., during store hours from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays, or left on the front porch when the store is closed. Please do not bring National Geographics or other magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest condensed books.

Spring variety sale to benefit Friends of Homeless Animals will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, May 9, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sale items will include small furniture, jewelry, books, crystal, clothing, toys and more. Friends of Homeless Animals is a no-kill animal shelter for dogs and cats; proceeds from the sale will pay for food, shelter and medical treatment for the animals. For more information, call 385-0224.

The Vienna Community Commemorative Project Committee is selling commemorative sidewalk bricks to be installed along Maple Avenue. The goal of the "Walk of History" project is to sell 10,000 paver bricks for \$100 each, with the net proceeds going to local non-profit groups. Purchasers may have up to three lines of 14 characters

each imprinted on each brick. For more information about the project and to receive an order form, call project chairman Joyce Decker at 938-8597.

Model railroad open house at the Vienna Railroad Station Sunday, May 24, from 1 to 5 p.m. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Donations accepted. For more information, call 938-5157.

Enjoy a "retro" night of dancing, songs and food from the 70's and 80's on Friday, May 1, from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Dunn Loring Fire Hall, 2148 Gallows Rd. Admission is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. Proceeds will benefit The Shiloh Project, a Fairfax County based non-profit organization striving to break the cycle of violence for juvenile offenders and children at risk by teaching them compassion, respect and responsibility through training and nurturing homeless dogs awaiting adoption. For more information, call 591-3600.

Danza del Rio, a Vienna based Spanish dance company, will present "Pasos de Pasión: Stepping into New Territory" at 8 p.m. May 1 and 2 in the Sidney Lanier Auditorium, 3710 Bevan Dr., Fairfax. (From the intersection of Jermantown Road and Route 50, go half a mile north on Jermantown.) The show will feature Flamenco music and dance, classical Spanish dance, and folkloric dances from various regions of Spain. Tickets are \$16 general admission and \$12 for students, senior citizens and groups of 10 or more. For more information, call Ana Darder, 503-9492 or Joana del Rio, 281-5571.

"Making Blended Families Work:
Stepparenting Skills for the 90's," sponsored by the Women's Center, will be presented at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Therapist Elise Ritter will offer practical advice on overcoming the problems created by blending two families and building a

strong family foundation. The cost for the program is \$18 per person. To register and for more information about this and other Women's Center programs, call 281-2657.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, May 1. The program is "Your Backyard Could Be a Wildlife Habitat." Call 352-0857 for meeting location and more information.

Rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats will be held from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at the Fairfax County Government Center. All dogs and cats over four months old are required to be vaccinated. Vaccine for animals over a year old costs \$6 and provides protection from rabies for three years. For animals under a year old, vaccine costs \$4 and protects for one year. When animals are brought to the clinic, dogs must be restrained by a leash and cats confined to a cat-carrier or other container. For more information, call the County Animal Shelter at 830-1100.

Friends of Patrick Henry Library will hold its annual ViVa! Vienna! book sale at the library on Saturday, May 23, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Friends provide volunteer workers, organize special programs, and raise funds through used book sales and other activities. If you would like to become a Friend, pick up an application at the library, or apply over the Internet at www.co.fairfax.va.us/library.

Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W., invites the Vienna community to its Fun Fair on Saturday, May 30, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy games, prizes, face painting, bake sale, karaoke, and more. For information, call the school at 938-8323.

National Scrapbook Day workshop at the Vienna Community Center Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Instruction will be provided by consultants from Creative Memories, a company specializing in acid-free albums and supplies. The fee of \$25 per person includes all scrapbooking classes and activities plus lunch. Space is



Information Call 255-4742

# NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Theatre Company's production of "South Pacific" continues May 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16 at 8 p.m. and May 3 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens.

#### **BUS TRIPS**

Enjoy a day at the casinos in Atlantic City on Thursday, May 21. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. The cost of \$30 per person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline May 14.

No more calls, please. These trips are filled: Chesapeake Bay Bridge walk, whale watching in Cape May, and Baltimore Orioles game at Camden Yards.

# MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

The living trust will be discussed on Wednesday, May 6, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will explain how to use the most important alternative to traditional wills to beat probate, cut taxes, and simplify estate planning. Free of charge. Registration recommended but not required.

#### SPORTS & FITNESS

Annual Vienna Tennis Tournament May 29–31 at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Categories are open men's and women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, and ages 35+ and 45+ men's singles. The entry fee is \$12 for singles and \$20 per doubles team. Entry deadline May 21.

Adult summer basketball league registration is underway. League play will

begin June 22 through August 14. Two 10-team divisions will play a round-robin schedule, with the top teams from each division competing in a league championship tournament. The fee is \$400 per team (plus \$20 for each non-county player).

Make your reservations now for free hearing, vision and glaucoma tests at the June 13 Health and Fitness Fair. Tests will be scheduled every 15 minutes from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This service is provided by the Lions Club of Virginia, District 24A. Open to all ages. Call Vienna Parks and Recreation to make an appointment.

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

Bike Rodeo Saturday, May 16, 8:30 a.m. for ages 5 and 6, 9:30 a.m. for ages 7 and 8, and 10:30 a.m. for ages 9–12. Kids will learn the rules of the road, have a bike inspection, ride on four bike safety courses, and register their bikes. An escorted family bike ride for all ages and abilities will be held at 11:30 a.m. Free of charge; pre-registration required. Sponsored by Vienna Parks and Recreation, the Vienna Police, Whole Wheel Velo Club, Merchants Tire and Auto Centers, EDS, Performance Bicycle, and Fresh Fields.

**Bring the whole family** and enjoy a movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday,

May 22, beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Refreshments will be sold. Call for information on which "G" rated film is scheduled. Parents are required to stay with their children during the show.

#### SENIOR CITIZENS

sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be held on two consecutive Saturdays, May 9 and 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$8 per person and advance registration is required. The course covers the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions, and accident prevention measures. Graduates could receive a discount on their car insurance.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, May 14, from 1 to 3 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$4. Participants carpool from the Community Center to the bowling alley. Pre-registration required.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, May 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

# July 4th Booth Space Available

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for booth space at this year's July 4th celebration. Food, game and activity booths must be sponsored by local non-profit organizations. The 10' x 10' spaces cost \$20 each. This is an opportunity for organizations to raise money while participating in a community tradition that is enjoyed by thousands of Vienna residents and visitors each year.

There are also approximately 100 spaces available at \$40 each for private and commercial arts and crafts vendors interested in selling items at the July 4th celebration. Handcrafted items of high quality will be given preference.

The reservation deadline is June 19. Applications are available at the Vienna Community Center, or call 255-6360 for more information.

The celebration is scheduled for Saturday, July 4, on the Community Center grounds (rain date *for fireworks only* July 5). Booths are to be open from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

#### AT THE TEEN CENTER

The Teen Center, located in the basement of the Vienna Community Center, is open during the school year on weekdays from 3 to 7 p.m. Teens can enjoy cards, ping pong, pool, air hockey, nintendo, foozball, and other games and activities free of charge. Open gym hours are scheduled on Monday, Wednesday and Friday through June 5 from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The Teen Center is always staffed by employees of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

Special events at the Teen Center this month will include a chess tournament at 4 p.m. Thursday, May 7, with free sodas for all participants. Bring your own chess board if you have one. A scavenger hunt will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, May 14.

#### **POTPOURRI**

Personal Safety, the popular crime prevention and self-defense class for women, will be held in four parts, May 4, 6, 11 and 13, from 7 to 10 p.m. Your instructor will be Officer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department. The class includes basic education in crime prevention and risk reduction measures in addition to physical self-defense techniques. Please wear comfortable clothing and exercise shoes. The cost for all four sessions is \$5 for Town of Vienna residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

Arm chair traveler series takes you to Hawaii on Friday, May 8, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share their own travel stories with the group. Free of charge but registration requested.

# **Photo Contest Winners Announced**

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department has announced the winners in its 1998 amateur photography contest, held March 21 and 22 at the Vienna Community Center.

Betty Thompson received the Best in Show award, and the People's Choice award went to Kelly Godby. Other winners are listed below.

First Place — Seymour Kaitlin, Sunil Bhargava, Sheila Gault, Sabra Timmins (two categories), Sandra Delzell, Dolores Morris, Carla Steckley, Consuela Woodford, Rohit Bhargava (two categories), Amy F. Morris, Una Mahar, Tammy Daul

Second Place — Dean Roberts, Sabra Timmins, Sandra Delzell, Sheila Gault (two categories), Eleanor Stoddard, Seymour Kaitlin, Amy F. Morris, Carla Steckley, Sandra Wilkerson Manuel, Sunil Bhargava, Christine Martin, Lana Ambler, Betty Thompson

Third Place — Carla Steckley (two categories), Sandra Delzell, Dean Roberts, Barbara Reinwald, Carol Sullivan, William Graybeal, Christine Martin, Chialing Yang, Melissa Messner, Sharon Connolly, Susan Thomas

Honorable Mention — Dean Roberts, Sheila Gault, Susan Thomas, Douglas Halverson, Glen Crimi, Edwin "Ted" Mosser, Carol Kirsten Satterlee, Sudheer Dharanikota, Norman Smith

For students in grades 7-12, the winners are:

First Place — Andrew Kidd (two categories), Elizabeth Whelan, Dan Sullivan, Elizabeth Loun (two categories), Sarah Thompson Roberts, Josh Magner, Chrissy Cunningham, Michael Turek (two categories), Patrick Gault

Second Place — Brandi Weiss (two categories), Bobby Ward (two categories), Katherine Morton (two categories), Kimberly Wood, Chrissy Cunningham, Catherine Curry, Branko Hodzic, Michael Turek

Third Place — Andrew Kidd, Elizabeth Waites, Elizabeth Loun (two categories), Ariel Plisko, Dan Sullivan, Catherine Curry, Chrissy Cunningham (two categories)

Honorable Mention — Sarah Thompson Roberts, Elizabeth Whelan

Vienna Parks and Recreation thanks the Vienna Photographic Society for assisting with the show and judges Linda Conti White and Jean Grefe.



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