

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

NOVEMBER 1992 – The Town Council has allocated \$15,000 to begin compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. One of the first steps the Town has taken is the installation of telecommunications devices for the deaf (TDD's) at Town Hall, the Community Center and the Police Department, which are scheduled to become operational on November 1.

NOVEMBER 1982 – The Town Council will hold a public hearing on November 8 to request bid proposals for the Town's cable television franchise. After the proposals are received, they will be reviewed to determine whether they meet the requirements of Vienna's cable TV ordinance, which requires that construction of the cable system begin within a year after the franchise is awarded, and at least 20% of the system must be completed each succeeding year.

NOVEMBER 1972 – A newly organized program called "Meals-on-Wheels," which serves meals to shut-ins, is being started in Vienna. The program delivers a mid-day hot meal and an evening cold meal five days a week through the aid of volunteer drivers. The meals, which are prepared at Fairfax Hospital, cost \$8.75 per week.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363

MAPLE AVENUE HOTLINE – 703-255-5756

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

Visit the Town's web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

County Stream Study Underway

The Stormwater Planning Division of the Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) is in the process of assessing the physical condition of the county's streams, including those within the Town of Vienna. Information obtained from the assessment will be integral to developing meaningful watershed management plans and providing citizens with information on the condition of our streams.

CH2M HILL, a national engineering and environmental consulting firm, is assisting DPWES in conducting the assessment of the estimated 980 stream miles in the county. The assessment will continue through the early summer of 2003.

Many stream reaches are located in back yards and will only be accessible through private property. In such cases, the County must rely on the cooperation of landowners to allow access so that the necessary assessments can be performed.

Questions and comments about this project may be directed to Dipmani Kumar or Fred Rose at 703-324-5500 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/watersheds.



NEWSLETTER

November 2002

Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, for the Thanksgiving holidays. **NO CURBSIDE RECYCLING ON THANKSGIVING DAY.**

Leaf Collection

Fall leaf collection continues this month, November 4-11 and November 19-29 in south Vienna, and November 12-18 on the north side of town. **TO ENSURE PICKUP, ALL LEAVES MUST BE AT THE CURBSIDE PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY FOR YOUR AREA. ONCE YOUR STREET HAS BEEN COVERED, CREWS WILL NOT DOUBLE BACK.** Because of the leaf collection operations, no Special Pickups are made during November and December. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381.

Snow Brochure Inside

See pages 5 and 6 for a brochure on the Town's snow removal program. Tear it out, fold it up, and save it all winter as a handy reference.

NEW IN TOWN? Vienna's Public Information Office has a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5
Polls Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

ON THE BALLOT:

U.S. Senator
U.S. Representative
Virginia Constitutional Amendments
Virginia Bond Issues
Regional Sales Tax Referendum
Fairfax County Bond Referenda

Voters will be asked to furnish identification at the polls.

For the location of your polling place and other election information, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For 24-hour recorded information, call 703-324-4700 or visit www.co.fairfax.va.us/eb.

Real Estate Tax Due Next Month

The second installment on 2002 Town of Vienna real estate tax bills is due on December 5. Mailed payments must be postmarked on or before that date to avoid penalties and interest. Late payments will be assessed a penalty of 10% or \$5, whichever is greater, along with interest at 10%, which accrues until payment is made.

If you pay your real estate taxes directly to the Town rather than through a mortgage company and you do not receive your bill by November 15, please call the Real Estate Office in the Finance Department at Town Hall, 703-255-6325, and make arrangements to pay your bill by December 5 to avoid penalty and interest charges.

If your Vienna taxes are paid through your mortgage company and you receive the tax bill, please notify your mortgage company immediately so it can make payment by the due date.

If you have sold the property and are not responsible for the tax bill you receive, please notify the real estate office immediately.

To pay by credit card online, go to www.ci.vienna.va.us and click on "Services." To pay by phone with a credit card, call 1-888-2PAYTAX (1-888-272-9829), and use the Jurisdiction Code 1094 for real estate. Make sure you record the confirmation number given to you at the end of the transaction, as this will serve as your proof of payment.

FIRE & RESCUE
911
(Voice & TDD)

VIENNA POLICE
EMERGENCY
703-938-4900 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)
NON-EMERGENCY
703-255-6366 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)

VIENNA TOWN HALL
703-255-6300 (Voice)
703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER
703-255-6360 (Voice)
703-255-5739 (TDD)

Vienna Town Hall
127 Center Street, South
Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799
Business Hours Monday – Friday,
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Permit No. 36

The Town of Vienna does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Capital Projects Engineer has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements.

This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

- Held a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Conducted a public hearing on an appeal by Spokes Etc. Bicycles of a decision by the Board of Architectural Review. (Continued to September 23.)

- Following a public hearing, disapproved a proposed bicycle connector route from Nottoway Park to the W&OD Trail.

- Following a public hearing, rezoned the property at 112-114 Courthouse Rd., S.W., from single-family residential to transitional.

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to tax relief for the elderly and handicapped.

- Approved a proposal by Verizon to extend undergrounding of telephone lines on Maple Avenue from East Street to Fol-

lin Lane to eliminate the above-ground wires across the Maple/Follin intersection.

- Adopted a proclamation in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2002

- Held a closed session to discuss pending and potential litigation and to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Appointed Donna Berk as the southwest quadrant representative on the Community Enhancement Commission for a two-year term. Appointed Mike Albright as the engineer representative on the Maple Avenue Vision Committee.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2002

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed revisions to the setback requirements for rear-yard decks.

- Continued a public hearing on an

appeal by Spokes Etc. Bicycles of a decision by the Board of Architectural Review. (Continued to October 28.)

- Approved the final plat, and waived on-site stormwater management requirements and installation of sidewalk for the division of the property at 546 Malcolm Rd., N.W., and 446 Nutley St., N.W., into three lots.

- Approved sigs for MBH Settlement Group and Nielsen's Frozen Custard, both located at 144 Church St., N.W.

- Requested the Transportation Safety Commission to review the stop signs at Park Street and Moore Avenue and to study the possibility of adding stop signs at Tapawingo Road and DeSale Street, Tapawingo Road and Park Street, and Center Street and Moore Avenue.

- Approved the installation of flexible bollards on Park Street at the W&OD Trail.

- Accepted the public improvements for MacArthur Subdivision into the Town's maintenance system.

- Awarded the following bids: HVAC maintenance for Town buildings to PBM Limbach of Lanham, Md., \$30,955.92; security fencing for Northside Property Yard to Long Fence, not to exceed \$30,000; one-ton Ford crew cab truck and a Chevrolet Impala awarded under State contracts; manhole riser rings to East Jordan Iron Works of Finksburg, Md., \$9,615.75; and hydraulic cement concrete to Cardinal Concrete Co., \$26,475.

- Adopted an ordinance raising the asset cap for tax relief for the elderly and handicapped.

Town Council minutes are online. Visit www.ci.vienna.va.us

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Vol. CXII, No. 11 Vienna, Virginia November 2002

VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for December issue is Friday, November 15.

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise					1	2
3 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	4 2003 dog tags go on sale Town Council	5 Election Day Windsor Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9
10 Veterans Day Town Council work session	11 Veterans Day Town Council	12 Mayor's Advisory Committee	13 Planning Commission	14 Town/Business Liaison Committee 6:30 p.m.	15	16
17	18 Town Council	19	20 Board of Zoning Appeals	21 Board of Architectural Review	22	23
24	25	26 Transportation Safety Commission	27	28 Thanksgiving Town Hall closed NO CURBSIDE RECYCLING	29 Town Hall closed	30

2002

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Choral Society will present "A Night at the Opera" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 2, at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Rd., N.E. Tickets are \$15 general admission (\$12 in advance) and \$10 for students and senior citizens (\$9 in advance). For information, call 703-255-5508.

"Treasury of Art," annual juried show and sale sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society, is scheduled for November 15, 16 and 17 at the Vienna Community Center. Free admission. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. For information, call Dore Skidmore, 703-281-1921.

20th annual Art & Craft Showcase, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild, will be held November 29 and 30, and December 1 at the Vienna Community Center. Admission is \$1 per person. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Citrus sale, sponsored by the Vienna Ayrhill Lions Club, will be held November 22 from 2 to 7 p.m. and November 23 and 24 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Oranges and pink grapefruit will be sold by the carton. To place an advance order and receive a \$1 savings per case, call Norman, 703-938-6124, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. or Charlie, 703-327-9566, after 6:30 p.m.

Annual Fall Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, November 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire station, 400 Center St., S. Free admission. The bazaar will feature a wide variety of gift items and decorations for the home. Lunch will be available as well as treats from the baked goods table. For information, call 703-818-0555.

41st annual Harvest Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, November 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission. Dozens of crafters will participate, and refreshments and baked goods will also be sold.

American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 13, at Post 180, 330 Center St., N. For information, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580. The auxiliary will place flags on veterans' graves at Flint Hill Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. November 6. For information, call Emilie Larson at 703-938-1379.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at 7:30 p.m. November 13 and 20 at the Vienna Community Center. Anyone interested in developing the skills of effective communication is welcome to attend. For information, call Valerie Hall at 703-426-8073.

VIP Vienna is a support group for visually impaired persons and their families to exchange ideas, find resources and hear informed speakers. The group's next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Patrick Henry Library. To register and for more information, call the Fairfax County Access Services Office at 703-324-8380.

Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will hold an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., on Saturday, November 16, from noon to 4 p.m. See an operating HO scale model railroad. Admission is free; donations accepted. For more information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org.

Association for Couples in Marriage Enrichment is an international non-profit, non-sectarian organization that seeks to strengthen couple relationships. For more information visit www.bettermarriages.org. Locally, a Marriage Enrichment Group has been formed. Interested couples may call Bill or Jane Weech at 703-255-3149.

Chapter 1116 NARFE (National Association of Retired Federal Employees) will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 5, at the Vienna Community Center. John Mitchell will speak about his career assignments with the Agency for International Development. Visitors are welcome.

National Capital Bird Club will meet at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, November 10, at the McLean Government Center, 1437 Balls Hill Rd. Ruth Knesian of the Animal Exchange will be the guest speaker. For information, call 301-946-3511 or visit www.ncbc-dc.org.

Food drive for CHO (Committee for Helping Others), sponsored by the Northeast Vienna Citizens Association, will be held November 1-December 15. Especially needed are canned meats, canned fruits and powdered milk, plus diapers and laundry detergents. Donations may be brought to Town Hall, Vienna Community Center, Patrick Henry Library, Accent on Flowers, Bikes@Vienna, Connell's Valet, Freedom Bank, Jammin' Java and Weichert Realtors.

Holiday greens, poinsettias and gingerbread houses can be ordered from the Ayr Hill Garden Club. Order forms are available at Town Hall, Vienna Community Center and Patrick Henry Library. Proceeds will help the club defray the cost of its beautification projects around town. Order deadline November 15.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold their regular luncheon meeting at noon Thursday, November 14, at Marco Polo Restaurant. Prior to the luncheon the club will hold its annual fund-raising auction. The club also sponsors several bridge groups. For information, call 703-281-4811 or 703-938-3505.

Scavenger hunt, sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce, begins November 1. Visit all of the participating businesses and websites by November 27 and you could win cash prizes or a dinner for eight. For information, call the Chamber office at 703-281-1333.

A preview of the 2003 General Assembly will be presented by the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area at 15 locations around the county November 12-14. For information, call 703-658-9150 or visit www.lwv-fairfax.org.

Comment from the Council Table Vienna e-Village Will Connect Community

By Edythe F. Kelleher
Town Councilwoman

I'm delighted to share with you my first impressions on the job as your Councilwoman, and my research of an e-Village for Vienna. (I'm also asking for volunteers – keep reading and let me know if you're interested.)

Council meetings are wide-ranging, running the gamut from rezoning property to the purchase of newsletter paper. A pre-meeting package is dropped off at my house the Friday afternoon before each Monday night meeting, so there's just the weekend to prepare. Some of the meetings have been quite lengthy – my husband told me I was "early" when I arrived home at 11:30 one night. Relationships among the Council members are cordial, even when there's a split vote. The Town staff is particularly helpful, especially when an issue has a history I may not know about.

Most citizens have been friendly and polite when appearing before the Council. They understandably don't enjoy waiting through a long meeting for their item to be called, although recently a woman was so fascinated that she stayed through the entire meeting, hours after her item was heard. Until we can arrange to broadcast Council meetings on cable TV, I recommend that you attend a meeting or two in person to get a sample of your local government.

Now that fall is here and the kids are back in school, I've been researching the

e-Village idea. It's really exciting! We can extend our community to the Internet, connecting neighborhoods, businesses, sports clubs, places of worship, schools, and government. An e-Village is where civic associations can post and e-mail newsletters to residents, local merchants can send special coupons to local customers, and teachers can post homework assignments and send messages to parents. And it can be a valuable public safety tool, as well. For example, during the public water problem of several years ago, the Town's police department could have used the e-Village like a reverse 911, to update businesses and residents on the need to boil water.

The best part about the e-Village is that it belongs to the community – no commercial or government entity runs it on our behalf, we run it ourselves. Volunteers from businesses, organizations, schools, and neighborhoods form the operating committee. Costs are borne by participating advertisers, so the e-Village is



Councilwoman Kelleher

free to residents and organizations. Reston, Centreville, West Point, and York County are other Virginia communities using this type of e-Village.

I'm really enjoying representing you on the Council, so please let me hear from you whenever there's a Town issue of concern to you. You may send me e-mail at kelleher@ci.vienna.va.us or call me at 703-242-7651. I also hope to hear from e-Village volunteers soon!

Holiday Stroll On Historic Church Street Monday, December 2, 6 to 9 p.m.



Church Street will be closed between Lawyers Road and Mill Street, and visitors are invited to stroll along the street amid the sights and sounds of the holiday season.

Santa Claus will greet children at the Freeman House.

Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., and the Town of Vienna
For more information, call 703-938-5187

Welcome New Businesses

The following businesses licenses were issued in September:

Charles' Barber Shop <i>barber</i> 272 Cedar Ln., S.E. 703-560-9686	Templar Associates <i>consultant — computers</i> 1006 Echols St., S.E. 703-938-6546	Stars & Stripes Construction <i>contractor</i> 407 Upham Pl., N.W. 703-319-7733
AM Remodeling <i>contractor — remodeling</i> 532 Walker St., S.W. 703-938-7684	Sharon Moore <i>massage therapy</i> 320 Maple Ave., E. #A 703-242-9380	Better Life Products <i>wedding gifts & stationery</i> 200 Park Terrace Ct., S.E. #9 703-602-7472
<i>Correction:</i> Last month's list of new businesses gave an incorrect phone number for Hair-Nail Spa at 274 Cedar Ln., S.E. The correct number is 703-560-5536		Bauer Enterprises <i>vending machines</i> 9613 Counsellor Dr., N.W. 703-319-9649

VISA No Longer Accepts Water and Sewer Bill Payments

The Town's credit card payment service provider, Official Payments Corp., has advised the Finance Department that VISA is no longer accepting water and sewer bill payments under the current percentage-based fee structure.

VISA will continue to accept real estate tax payments, and MasterCard, American Express, and Discover (Novus) are still accepted for water and sewer bill payments as well as real estate tax payments.

Credit card payments can be made in person at Town Hall, by phone, or on the Internet. To pay online, log on to the Town of Vienna web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us and click on "Services." To use the service by phone, call 1-888-2PAYTAX (1-888-272-9829), and use the Jurisdiction Code 1094 for real estate or 1095 for water and sewer. Make sure you record the confirmation number given to you at the end of the transaction, as this will serve as your proof of payment.

A fee imposed by the service provider, Official Payments Corp., will apply to credit card transactions. No part of this fee goes to the Town of Vienna.

"Beauty Spot" From Your Community Enhancement Commission

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for their beautification projects. The latest Beauty Spot awards go to:

- Vienna Postmaster Alton Miller for his time and effort in enhancing the appearance of the Post Office; and
- Judelle McArdle, 345 Ayr Hill Ave., N.E., for the renovated landscaping at her home.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them to the Community Enhancement Commission, c/o Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180.

The Community Enhancement Commission and the Vienna Parks & Recreation Department invite you to ...

TOWN CLEANUP DAY



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9 a.m. to 12 noon
RAIN OR SHINE!



- Individuals, families & community service groups welcome
 - Cleanup assignments can be tailored to you and your group
 - Garbage bags & gloves provided
 - Check-in at the Vienna Community Center for bag & glove pickup
 - Walk-ins welcome on Cleanup Day
- Organizations asked to sign up in advance

Information, 703-255-6360
Vienna Parks & Recreation

Dog Tags Go on Sale November 4

2003 dog tags will be available beginning Monday, November 4, in the Finance Department at Town Hall. Dog tags are also available by mail; use the form below. For more information, call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323.

All dogs four months old and over must be licensed by January 31 each year.

Dogs trained and serving as guide dogs for the blind, hearing dogs for the deaf or hearing impaired, and service dogs for the mobility impaired must be licensed but are exempt from the license tax.

TOWN OF VIENNA DOG LICENSE APPLICATION

Town of Vienna licenses are required for all dogs four months of age or older and must be renewed each year between November 1 and January 31. The cost of a license for a spayed/neutered dog is \$5.00. The cost of a license for a fertile dog (male or female) is \$10.00. Certification must be provided that the animal has been vaccinated against rabies and, for a \$5.00 license, neutered by a veterinarian or is infertile. Your certificate(s) will be returned with the tag.

Director of Finance, Town of Vienna, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180

Attached hereto is \$ _____ for which please send me _____ dog tag(s).

Attached also is a current rabies inoculation certificate and certification of neutering, if applicable, for each dog covered by this application.

Name & address of owner (please print or type) _____ Daytime phone _____

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Pottery show and sale will be held at the Bowman House Arts and Crafts Center, 211 Center St., S., on Saturday, November 9, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free. The show will feature handbuilt and wheel-thrown items crafted by students and teachers in the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department's pottery program, including bowls, vases, mugs, and casseroles.

Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Same Time Next Year" continues November 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. General admission \$8; students and senior citizens (65 and older) \$7.

Quarterly coin and stamp show November 2 and 3. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. About 15 stamp dealers and 45 coin dealers will participate. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Coin Club.

JUST FOR KIDS

"**Magic of Speed & Thro**" will present their show of magic and illusions at 2 p.m. Monday, November 4. Tickets are \$4 per person; free admission for age one and under.

Roller skating for children ages 3-10 Monday, November 4, from 3 to 4 p.m. Free of charge. Participants must furnish their own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Why Good Wills Go Bad will be presented on Monday, November 4, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Join attorney David G. Hoffman for a discussion of Virginia will law, organizing your assets, when to change your will, talking to your executor,

reducing probate, will copies, do-it-yourself tax plans, and more. Free of charge; no advance registration required.

MATURE ADULTS

Your Garden, Chemotherapy and Quilts — What Are the Links? Find out at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens on Wednesday, November 13, from 1 to 1:30 p.m. Learn about plants that play a key role in the treatment of cancer and the link between these treatments and the beneficial effects of art. Free of charge; advance registration required.

Free blood pressure check for senior citizens on Wednesday, November 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. by members of The Medical Team.

Ongoing free activities for seniors include fitness class on Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12 noon; table tennis on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.; pickleball on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; canasta on Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m.; and mah jongg on Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Dance for middle school students Friday, November 15, from 6 to 10 p.m. Admission \$3 per person.

GIRLSgroup, for grades 9-12, will meet on Monday, November 4, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The GIRLSgroup provides a setting where girls can talk about issues that concern them, make new friends, participate in community service projects and, most important, have fun. Free of charge; advance registration required.

S.P.A.R.C. (Student Program of Arts and Recreation Combined), designed specifically with the 6th grader in mind, will meet on Friday, November 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. S.P.A.R.C. combines recreational activities, arts, and athletics as a way to build

friendships, learn about teamwork, have fun, and engage students in positive supervised activities. Participants take an active role in determining and selecting program ideas. This program is free of charge, but advance registration is required.

Coalition Kids, a safe and supervised monthly after-school program for 5th and 6th graders, will meet on Monday, November 25, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. The group focuses on making new friends, learning team building, performing community service, and being involved with anti-drug and violence prevention programs. Registration required; a \$10 one-time fee pays for all refreshments and supplies.

Babysitting fundamentals, for boys and girls age 12 and older, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, November 9. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. The fee of \$30 per person includes a manual and certificate upon completion. Bring a bag lunch and a doll.

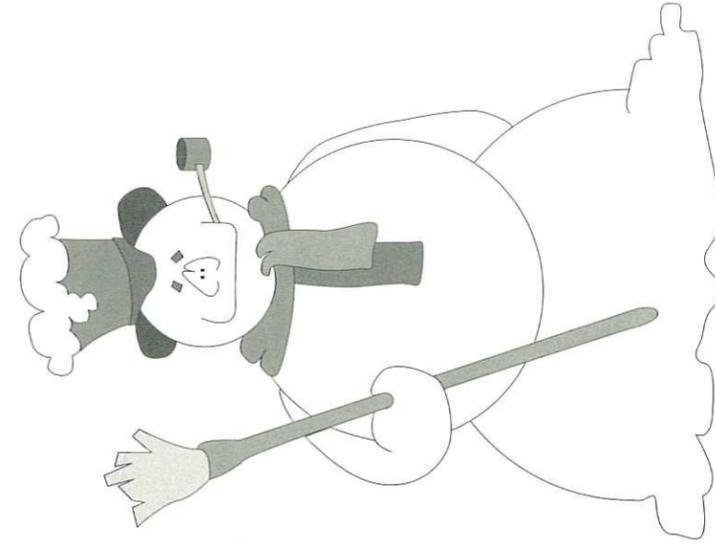
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Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's winter production of "Dangerous Liaisons" will be held November 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. and November 12 from 7 to 9 p.m.

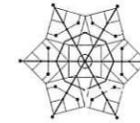
Caring for Your Newborn, Tuesday, November 12, from 6 to 8 p.m., is for expectant parents. Learn about choosing a pediatrician, preparing the nursery, nutrition, changing and clothing, carrying, bathing, umbilical cord care, car seat use, and when to call your doctor. Free of charge.

Adult drop-in basketball Monday and Wednesday, and volleyball on Tuesday and Thursday, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Free for town residents; \$3 for out-of-town participants.

Town of Vienna Snow Removal Program & Winter Weather Guide



November 2002



Town of Vienna
127 Center St., S.
Vienna, VA 22180-5799

Closings & Cancellations

For information on town government closings, cancellations and other snow-related items, residents can call the Vienna Newsline, 703-255-6363, or visit the Town website, www.ci.vienna.va.us, 24 hours a day. Also stay tuned to local TV and radio stations for updates.

The Vienna Community Center follows the Fairfax County Public Schools' snow schedule. If schools are closed, activities at the Community Center will be canceled.

Protect Yourself from the Cold

If you plan to work or play outside in cold weather, dress warmly in layers, wear a hat (50% of the body's heat loss is through the head), and know when to come in from the cold. Frostbite and hypothermia are serious conditions, and medical assistance should be sought immediately.

Keep These Phone Numbers Handy

Fire & Rescue Emergency 911
Vienna Police Emergency 703-938-4900
Public Works Department 703-255-6381
Weekends/Evenings 703-255-6366



'Tis the Season ... Town Gift Policy Reviewed

A Message from the Town Manager



To All Town of Vienna Residents and Businesses:

Public employment bears the obligation of public trust. It is the policy of the Town of Vienna to promote and protect its integrity at all times and in all instances.

Town employees must discharge their duties impartially to assure that all residents and businesses are treated in a fair and equitable manner.

Throughout the year, but particularly during the holiday season, Town employees are often presented with items of appreciation from service groups, residents and others. Many times, businesses or other individuals will forward food or refreshments in acknowledgement of the work accomplished during the year.

While the sentiments expressed are appreciated, they place Town employees in a difficult position. It is against the official policy of the Town of Vienna for its employees to accept such gratuities. There are no exceptions to this rule.

Any items that are received by the Town employees will now be returned to the sender. In the event it is impractical to return the item, it will be donated to a local charity.

Please help us to uphold this policy. Your understanding and cooperation will allow us to continue to operate with the highest possible standards and regard.

Sincerely,

John H. Schoeberlein
Town Manager

Snow Removal

Sanding and salting operations begin immediately at the onset of snow and ice. Plowing begins when snow has accumulated two inches or more, with the primary streets listed below receiving top priority:

- Maple Avenue
- Nutley Street (Marshall to Malcolm)
- Park Street (Maple to Fardale)
- Center Street (North and South)
- Kingsley Road (Nutley to Cottage)
- Courthouse Road
- Locust Street (Branch to Park)
- Lawyers Road
- Malcolm Road
- Old Courthouse Road
- Creek Crossing Road
- Cottage Street
- Church Street
- Tapawingo Road (Park to Nutley)
- Follin Lane
- Branch Road
- Beulah Road
- Cherry Street (Center to Park)
- Marshall Road
- Electric Avenue

Once these streets are passable, snowplows can then move into residential subdivisions following established routes. If the primaries require salting/sanding/plowing again after one pass, this will be done before going to the secondary streets.

Snow Emergency Routes

Snow emergency routes within the town are marked by signs. No parking is allowed on these main streets during snows so that plows can do a more efficient job. Vehicles must have chains or tires approved for use during snow emergencies.

Parking During Snows

When snowplows are at work, residents are asked not to park on any street posted as a "snow emergency route," and on non-snow emergency routes residents are asked to park only on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses. This parking plan is voluntary but strongly recommended to enable snowplows to maneuver more easily and, therefore, do a more thorough job. The Street Maintenance Division will note any areas where parked cars are creating a problem so that additional alternatives can be developed to improve snow removal in those areas.

Clearing Sidewalks

Residents who are physically able are requested to shovel sidewalks next to their property for the safety of pedestrians, especially schoolchildren. The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department has established a data base of workers for hire this winter by residents who need help shoveling snow. Individuals and businesses interested in clearing snow from sidewalks and driveways, and persons desiring to hire workers, are invited to register now with the "Snow Bank." To sign up and for more information, call Vienna Parks and Recreation at 703-255-6360.

Town businesses that hire snowplows to clear their parking lots are asked to make sure that snow is not piled onto adjoining sidewalks or pushed into the street. This creates a serious hazard for pedestrians.

Clearing Fire Hydrants & Water Meters

Residents who can are asked to assist the Water and Sewer Division in clearing ice and snow from fire hydrants near their homes. In case of an emergency, firefighters will be able to respond much quicker if the hydrants are accessible.

During winter weather, please keep water meter enclosures clear of snow and ice. If the meter cannot be read due to obstructions, an estimated bill must be rendered.

Some Frequently Asked Questions About Snow Removal

- Q: Which streets are plowed first and why?
A: Primary streets, which are most important for emergency situations, followed by secondary streets and cul de sacs.
- Q: Why don't they plow from curb to curb?
A: Because the crews are trying to make an initial pass through the whole town and reach all residents as quickly as possible.
- Q: Why do I sometimes see a snowplow going down the street with its blade up?
A: It may be responding to a complaint, or it may be applying sand.
- Q: Why don't they plow my cul de sac better?
A: Maneuverability in cul de sacs is very difficult for snow plows, and cars parked on the street can make plowing nearly impossible.
- Q: Why do they plow the snow onto my yard?
A: This occurs mainly on corner lots in order to widen the intersection for increased safety.
- Q: Where should I put the snow when I dig my car out so it won't be plowed in again?
A: To the edge of the roadway.
- Q: Is there an ordinance requiring residents to shovel sidewalks?
A: The Town of Vienna has no such requirement, mainly because it would impose a hardship on elderly and disabled residents.
- Q: Who is responsible for clearing business parking lots?
A: The business owner.