This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

SEPTEMBER 1993 – Fairfax County Public Library's Patrick Henry branch in Vienna will be closed September 1–November 17 for the start of a major construction and renovation project. The collection and furnishings will be removed while workers prepare the site for a new addition. Basic library service will resume November 18 in part of the existing structure.

SEPTEMBER 1983 – The Town Council will hold a public hearing September 26 on the rezoning of the Maple Avenue West Associates property behind the Marco Polo Restaurant. Maple Avenue West Associates sued the Town last year after Council denied their application to rezone the property from a residential to a commercial category. The Fairfax County Circuit Court ruled that the Town could not enforce the current residential zoning for the property and sent the rezoning application back to Council for reconsideration.

SEPTEMBER 1973 – The Town Council will hold a special work session to study the problems and alternatives of building a road from Park Street to the town's corporate limit at Electric Avenue. Alternatives include a two-lane road, a four-lane road, or a four-lane divided road next to the VEPCO right-of-way. The Council can also, of course, decide not to construct any road at all.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:
VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333
POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363
TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

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

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703-255-6300 (Voice)

703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER

703-255-6360 (Voice)

703-255-5739 (TDD)

Recycle Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Batteries

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, September 6, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E. This service of the Public Works Department provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products. For more information, call 703-255-6381.

Too often, used oil is improperly poured down storm drains or into sewers. Just one quart of oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water, releasing toxic metals such as lead, cadmium and arsenic into the environment. Recycled oil is a valuable resource that can be re-manufactured into new fuels.

Antifreeze, like oil, can contaminate water and should never be disposed of in drains or sewers. In addition, antifreeze stored around the house presents a great danger to children and pets; it tastes sweet but is deadly poison.

Improper disposal of automobile batteries is a leading cause of lead contamination in landfills and energy recovery facilities. In Virginia it is illegal to dispose of automobile batteries with refuse.

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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 Director of Public Works 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.

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Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 1, for Labor Day. Trash will be picked up as usual that day for residents on the Monday collection route.

September 11th "A Day to Remember"

On Thursday, September 11, Vienna's American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180 will hold its second annual ceremony to remember the victims of the 2001 terrorist attack on America and to show support for those engaged in the ongoing fight against terrorism. Watch local newspapers for details or visit the Town's Web site, www.ci.vienna.va.us.

Halloween Parade Deadline Sept. 26

The 57th annual Vienna Halloween Parade will step off at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 29, on Maple Avenue. Vienna area businesses, community organizations, school classes, athletic teams and other groups are invited to enter floats in the parade. This year's theme is "Celebrating Our Volunteers," in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

The parade entry deadline is September 26. For entry application forms and more information, call the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce at 703-281-1333.



Special Pickup Deadline Oct. 1

Wednesday, October 1, is the last day for Town of Vienna residents to call for a Special Trash Pickup this year. Because of fall leaf collection, no orders for Special Pickups are taken in October, November and December.

To dispose of unwanted furniture, appliances, building materials, brush and other debris not included in the regular trash collection, residents can order a Special Pickup. Place discards at the curbside, then call the Special Pickup recording *promptly* at 703-255-5727 and be prepared to leave the following information: your name, address, daytime phone number, amount of debris, and type of debris.

Each residence is entitled to receive two free Special Pickups per year, with a limit of one dump truck load per pickup (about the size of a Volkswagon "beetle"). Additional pickups cost \$75 dollars per load for all items except brush. The fee for additional loads of brush is \$25 each.

Before Calling for Your Special Pickup, Please Review the Guidelines on Page 2

Historic District Hearings Sept. 8

At its September 8 meeting, the Town Council will hold public hearings on requests to remove five properties from the Windover Heights Historic District in northwest Vienna. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall

The Town Planning Commission, following its own public hearings in May, recommended that the properties at 130 Pleasant St., N.W., 346 Windover Ave., N.W., 222 Lovers Ln., N.W., 224 Walnut Ln., N.W., and 200 Walnut Ln., N.W., not be removed from the historic district. The Commission also recommended that Council consider ways to enhance and strengthen the Town's Historic Districts Ordinance.

The Windover Heights Historic District was created by Council in 1979. Many of the homes in the district contain distinctive architectural features, were the sites of significant events in the town's history, or belonged to prominent citizens. The Windover Heights Board of Review approves new construction and major exterior alterations of buildings within the historic district to ensure that they are in keeping with the old and historic architectural aspect of the surroundings.

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.

Special Pickup Guidelines

Residents may call 703-255-5727 to arrange for a Special Pickup.

Deadline October 1. The amounts and type of debris are limited to the following:

- 1. Discarded furniture, swing sets and playground equipment.
- 2. Sod and brush.
- 3. Up to 300 pounds of scrap metal, small automobile parts such as engine blocks, transmissions and tires. All tires must be removed from the rim.
- 4. Trees and limbs of a diameter greater than 1½ inches and less than 6 inches and no more than 8 feet in length.
- 5. Up to two major appliances. Major appliances include stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, and furnaces.
- 6. Building materials (not generated by contractor), including wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall, and paneling. Up to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc.

The following items will *not* be picked up:

- 1. Gas tanks, fuel oil tanks and pressurized tanks such as propane, air or freon.
- 2. Mounted tires.
- 3. Tree stumps and tree parts over 6 inches in diameter.
- 4. Paint cans.
- 5. Biohazardous waste including needles and syringes.
- 6. Contractor generated material.
- 7. Brush and trash that are mixed.
- 8. Chain link fencing.
- Please do not place discards under power lines or trees, or close to shrubs, walls or vehicles. Place all items in an open area accessible to a crane truck.
- Please separate brush, appliances, building materials, etc. from each other. This makes it easier for pickup crews to salvage recyclable items, reducing the amount of debris taken to the landfill.
- Residents of corner lots are requested to place discards in front of the property, not on the side.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall. Deadline for October issue is Monday, September 15.

Call Promptly for Your Special Pickup

Residents are reminded to call the Special Pickup number, 703-255-5727, as soon as debris is placed at the curbside. Piles of trash that go uncollected for weeks on end because of residents' failure to call for a Special Pickup are an eyesore and a potential health and safety hazard.

When an "illegal" pile of trash is spotted by or reported to Town personnel, the resident will receive a notice to call for a Special Pickup within 48 hours. If no action is taken by the resident after the notice is issued, the Town will seek legal remedy to gain compliance with Town Code.

It is illegal to place debris in the rightof-way without arranging for a special pickup.

Hazardous Waste Disposal Program

Hazardous materials such as fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, etc. can be disposed of through the Fairfax County Hazardous Waste Disposal Program. The drop-off center for hazardous waste is the I-66 Citizens' Recycling and Disposal Facility located at 4618 West Ox Rd. (just beyond the Fire & Rescue training academy). Call 703-324-5068 for further information.

CHO Needs Furniture and Appliances

Instead of using a Special Pickup to dispose of furniture and appliances in good working condition, consider donating them to CHO (Committee for Helping Others). Beds, dressers, tables and chairs are in high demand. To arrange for a pickup of your donation, call 703-281-7614.

Since 1969, CHO has been helping needy families and individuals in the Vienna area obtain food, shelter, clothing, fuel, transportation, furniture, and other necessities. Donations, financial contributions, and volunteer help are always welcomed by CHO.

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		Saturday	9	Drop off used motor oil, antifreeze & batteries at Northside Property Yard, 8 a.m2 p.m.	13		20		27				2003	
		Friday	3		12		19		26	Rosh Hashanah		Pickup in 2003.		
		Thursday	4		111	Town/Business Liaison Committee, 6:30 p.m.	18	Board of Architectural Review	25	Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m.		COMING NEXT MONTH October 1 – Last day to call for a Special Pickup in 2003. October 6 – Town Council meeting.		
		Wednesday	3		10	Planning Commission	17	Board of Zoning Appeals	24	Planning Commission	5	COMING NEXT MONTH October 1 – Last day to call October 6 – Town Council r		
		Tuesday	2	Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 p.m.	6	Mayor's Advisory Committee	16		23		30	Transportation Safety	Commission	
September		Monday		Labor Day Town Hall closed	∞	Town Council	15	Town Council work session	22	Town Council	29			
) -) - 	Sunday		All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	7	Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	14		21		28			

Back-to-School Pedestrian Safety

Your Transportation Safety Commission provides these walking tips for children courtesy of the National Safe Kids Campaign:

- ù Do not cross the street alone if you're younger than 10 years old.
- ù Stop at the curb before crossing the street.
- ù Walk, don't run, across the street.
- ù Cross at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- ù Look left, right, and left again before crossing.
- ù Walk facing traffic.
- ù Make sure drivers see you before crossing in front of them.
- ù Do not play in driveways, streets, parking lots or unfenced yards near the street.
- ù Wear white clothing or reflectors when walking at night.
- ù Cross at least 10 feet in front of a school bus.

Pedestrian injury is the second leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 5 to 14 nationwide. In 2000, 706 children ages 14 and under died from pedestrian injuries. In 2001, more that 47,300 kids were treated in hospital emergency rooms for pedestrian injuries.

Inherent risks such as a child's size and cognitive ability, and environmental risks such as speeding motorists, are numerous. That's why prevention measures are so important. You can reduce your child's risk of harm by modeling and teaching safe pedestrian behavior.



ALWAYS STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES –Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds drivers that the law requires you to stop for school buses taking on or discharging passengers and to remain stopped until the passengers are out of the street and the bus is again underway. This applies to drivers approaching from any direction. Children should be cautioned to look in all directions and make sure all vehicles are stopped before crossing the street to and from the bus.

Friends of the W&OD Offers Grants

The Friends of the Washington & Old Dominion Trail (FOWOD) provides grants to organizations wishing to enhance the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority's (NVRPA) W&OD Trail corridor with projects such as gardens, tree or vegetation plantings, benches, bird houses and the like.

Proposals from neighborhood associations and youth groups are especially encouraged, as are projects that are enduring and/or self-sustaining. FOWOD will underwrite the cost of materials — expected to range from \$100 to \$1,000 — while the grantees are expected to carry out the installation and maintenance of the project.

Grant candidates may send their funding requests in writing by September 15 to: FOWOD Community Grant Program, W&OD Trail, 21293 Smiths Switch Road, Ashburn, VA 20147, or by e-mail to *wodtrail@erols.com*. The proposal should be no longer than three pages and include a detailed description and proposed location of the project, proposed budget, a description of how and by whom the project would be installed and how it would be maintained.

FOWOD is an affiliated organization of NVRPA, and is operated by a 15-member volunteer board comprising residents of all NVRPA jurisdictions (the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church, and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun) and a variety of trail user perspectives. For more information about FOWOD, visit its Web site at www.wodfriend.org.

"Beauty Spot"

from Your Community Enhancement Commission

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

É Vienna Shopping Center (Magruder's) for making the parking area in front of the businesses appealing and inviting through the use of attractive cascading flower arrangements; and

É Charles Chahel of the Mobil service station at 102 Maple Ave., W., for his effort in the upkeep of the station and the plantings surrounding it.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180

SW Citizens Assn. E-mail Network

The Southwest Vienna Citizens Association has launched an e-mail notification network to help keep citizens aware of events and issues of particular interest to residents in the southwest quadrant of town.

To become part of the network, send an e-mail to <code>swvca@cox.net</code> giving your name, mailing address and preferred e-mail address (phone number optional). Your e-mail address will not be distributed to any other organization or individual. Once you join, you will receive periodic e-mails from "SwVCA Notification Network."

The network will not be interactive but will serve simply as an announcement system to inform citizens of events and issues as they arise. In the future, it is planned to include alerts from the Vienna Police Department of any criminal activity in southwest neighborhoods.

For more information, contact Jeff at 703-938-3308 or *stonerockj@cox.net*, or Anne at 703-281-9798. If you do not have e-mail access but would like to be kept abreast of the same information as network participants, please call to arrange another notification method.

Comment from the Council Table

Every Day Is An Education

By Edythe Frankel Kelleher Vienna Town Councilwoman

It's August as I write, and my mind is on back-to-school. (At my house, we're struggling with the idea that our three children will go to three different schools.) So it seemed fitting to use an education theme. No matter what a person's age or level of schooling, there's always something new to learn. I learn something new every day.

Serving on the Town Council has been an education. During my first year, I learned that progress happens slowly, and in small pieces. I was pleased that my idea for updating the Town's fee schedule was implemented. The fees hadn't been changed for years, and some didn't even cover the cost of legal advertising. When a government action benefits one applicant, it's proper that the applicant pay the expenses, not the rest of the taxpayers.

I'm learning about the reasons behind Town policy, too. For instance, my neighbors asked me to look into a delay they were having in getting a building permit. The policy is not to issue a permit for a new house until the old one is demolished. This prevents two homes from occupying a single lot, but delays making application to Fairfax County and can add weeks to the permitting process. The homeowners, the Town staff and I worked together to develop a new policy for

smaller lots where the footprint of the new house consumes the footprint of the old. This satisfies zoning requirements, while expediting the permit process. This family will be "homeless" a shorter time. It's very rewarding to serve a small community like Vienna, and be able to help resolve such an important personal issue.

Unfortunately, I learned that two things that excited me, an eVillage and utilizing our cable TV station, are still in the future. It's impossible to get businesses excited about spending extra money on a new eVillage project during a recession, and when "spam" has become such a problem. And it's hard to find funding for anything extra when local taxes are going up just to keep pace with existing services.

Citizens get educated, too. Many don't realize the cost of things. For example, imagine residents of a street petition the Town for a sidewalk. To them, this is a simple matter of pouring a strip of concrete — what could be easier? In reality, curbs and a drainage system must also be built, overlapping into cross streets. To build the drainage system, underground water and sewer lines need to be moved. Utility poles must be relocated out of the sidewalk's path. And so on, until the cost of one not-so-simple sidewalk approaches



Councilwoman Kelleher

a quarter of a million dollars.

Sitting on the dais in the Council Chamber, I continue to be mindful of the responsibility the citizens of Vienna have entrusted in me, and I am particularly honored that my colleagues designated me this year's Vice Mayor. Please feel free to contact me concerning any Town issue of importance to you, at *kelleher@ci.vienna. va.us* or 703-242-7651.

Community Blood Drive

A community blood drive, sponsored by Inova Blood Donor Services, is scheduled for Friday, September 5, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Please call Inova at 703-698-3885 to schedule a donation time.

Remember, only disposable, singleuse, sterile supplies are used to collect blood. You cannot get AIDS, West Nile virus or any other disease by giving blood.

The general requirements for blood donor eligibility are minimum age of 17 (no upper age limit), good general health with no minor illness symptoms for three days, and minimum weight of 110 pounds. You will also be required to show a photo ID. If you have questions about eligibility, call Inova, 703-698-3885.

GIVE SOMEONE A SECOND CHANCE
GIVE BLOOD

West Nile Virus Activity Increasing

The first mosquito pool in Fairfax County to test positive for West Nile virus was found in August in the Chantilly area. In addition to this mosquito pool, 10 birds collected from different locations around the county had tested positive for West Nile virus as of last month, indicating that the disease is not confined to any specific area.

The increase in West Nile virus activity means people are at an increased risk of being bitten by an infected mosquito and should protect themselves by making sure window and door screens are in good repair; wearing long, loose, light-colored clothing outdoors; and using insect repellent containing DEET in accordance with the product instructions.

To reduce further the chances of being bitten, residents should eliminate standing water that has gathered in items like tires, tarps and other containers. Residents are also encouraged to change the water in birdbaths and wading pools at least once a week and clean roof gutters and downspout screens regularly.

For more information on West Nile virus, visit the Fairfax County Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

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Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in July:

Family Hair Salon beauty salon 155 Glyndon St., S.E. 703-255-3710

Graystone Homes general contractor 1202 Orange Rd. Culpeper, VA 22701 540-825-1600 Topix Crystal handblown glass design 404 Cynthia Ln., N.E. 703-255-1239

Sylvar Enterprises

real estate broker

1034 Moorefield

Daly Associates event planning 502 Council Ct., N.E. 703-407-3204

Chandramaya Craig *massage therapy* 103 Beulah Rd., N.E. #200 703-264-8977

703-319-3786

Creek Rd., S.W.

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Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries this month: 30 years — Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine, Raymond's Beauty Salon; 10 years — Amaral's Truck & Machinery Repair, Artificial Eye Clinic, Baskin-Robbins Ice Cream, Restaurant Design & Construction, Scene Again, Suburban Title Co.

Careful Selection Is Key to Hiring Home Improvement Contractor

Bad experiences with home improvement contractors head the list of most frequent consumer complaints to Fairfax County's Department of Cable Communications and Consumer Protection. The homeowner's best protection is careful selection of a contractor, including obtaining a complaint history from the department. Here are some Important tips for selecting a contractor:

- Ask for a copy of the contractor's current licenses and insurance certificates.
- Check the contractor's compliance record with the Fairfax County Department of Cable Communications and Consumer Protection at 703-222-8435, or visit the County's Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov. If the work was in other jurisdictions, call their consumer offices.
- Ask for customer references, particularly from those who have had projects similar to yours. If possible, inspect the work performed by the contractor.
- Get written estimates from several firms. Be sure to specify the work you want done and the materials to be used, so that the estimates will be easy to compare.
- Insist on a written contract, and make sure that it includes all agreements regarding the work to be done and materials to be used. Also, be sure the contract specifies that you will be furnished with a signed mechanic's lien waiver or release from suppliers of materials or subcontractors. In the event that a contractor does not pay a subcontractor or supplier, state law provides that those working on the improvement project may obtain a lien against the property. Without a lien waiver, if your contractor fails to pay a subcontractor or supplier, you could be liable for the debt.

Roadside Litter Lasting Eyesore

Most people do a pretty good job of properly disposing of refuse. Unfortunately, some people don't get the message, and their trash ends up strewn along the roadside, in yards, around bus stops, etc.

Maybe if the litterbugs knew how long this stuff lasts it would encourage them to use a trash can or recycling bin. Here is the time required for some litter items to decompose (statistics from California Waste Management Bulletin):

- ➤ Banana peel/orange peel 2-5 weeks
- \triangleright Cotton rag 1-5 months
- Cigarette butt 1-5 years
 Wool clothing 1-5 years
- ➤ Plastic-coated paper 5 years
- ➤ Plastic bag 10-20 years
- ➤ Painted wooden stake 13 years
- ➤ Plastic film container 20-30 years
- ➤ Nylon fabric 30-40 years
- ➤ Leather up to 50 years
- Rubber boot sole 50-80 years
- ➤ Aluminum can 200-500 years
- ➤ Plastic 6-pack cover 450 years
- ➤ Glass bottle 1 million years

Littering is a violation of the Town Code, which states, "It shall be unlawful for any person to dump or otherwise dispose of trash, garbage or other unsightly matter, on a public highway, right-of-way or on private property." Anyone convicted of this offense may be sentenced up to a year in jail and/or fined from \$250 to \$2,500.

Dumpsters Aren't For Dumping

Town businesses are often the victims of illegal dumping in their commercial dumpsters. Many business owners arrive at work to find their dumpsters overflowing with scrap lumber, old mattresses and other debris, which they must pay to have hauled away. The police and businesses are working together to catch and prosecute illegal dumpers, and ask citizens to report any suspicious activity they see around commercial dumpsters, especially on weekends.

person; free for children under age 12. Over 85 juried artisans will sell gift items, home accessories, and collectibles. Proceeds will go to Robinson's 2004 graduation party.

Vienna Host Lions Club meets the second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month in the Flame Room at the Vienna fire station. The Lions' motto is "We Serve." For membership information, call club president Joe Volpe at 703-938-7716.

Welcome Club of Northern Virginia invites new residents to its luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday, September 4, at Westwood Country Club, 800 Maple Ave., E. Steve Bhaerman, aka "Swami Beyondananda," will perform "The Art of Healing Laughter." For reservations and information, call 703-321-9123.

"Live Life Free from Allergies" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Monday, September 22, at New Life Wellness Center, 301 Maple Ave., W. Free of charge. Learn about natural solutions to allergies, sinus congestion and asthma, and how digestive problems can cause allergies. For more information, call 703-242-7474 or visit www.newlifewellness.com.

Northeast Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA) will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesday, September 23, at the Vienna Community Center. The program will include discussion of the leaf mulch area off Beulah Road, the Northside Property Yard and the reconstruction of Beulah Road. For more information, e-mail Ed Adamson, *Chiefaaa@aol.com*, or call Mary Ellen Larkins, 703-281-7847, or Linda Ebersole, 703-242-2355.

Vienna Choral Society welcomes new singers for its 2003-04 season. No auditions are required. Rehearsals are held each Monday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. Dues are \$50 and newcomers may attend two trial rehearsals. This season's concerts will include African influences, a holiday program, Dvorak and Brookner *Te Deums* and American music. For more information, call 703-255-5508 or 703-820-1750.

Vienna Woman's Club will meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 17, at the Vienna Community Center. A guest

Historic Vienna, Inc., Seeks Storekeeper/Administrative Assistant

Historic Vienna, Inc., the town's non-profit organization for historic preservation and restoration, is seeking an individual to serve full time as Storekeeper at the historic Freeman House and Administrative Assistant. The work schedule is somewhat flexible, 35-40 hours per week, and salary is negotiable. E-mail resumes to hviadmin@ci.vienna.va.us or fax to 703-938-2873.

speaker from George Mason University will address the topic of stress and its effects on women. New members welcome. For more information, call 703-938-1445.

Scrapbook "Croptoberfest" at the Vienna Community Center Saturday, September 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Creative Memories, a company specializing in acid-free albums and supplies. The fee of \$30 includes scrapbooking classes and demonstrations, new product previews, goody bag, prize drawings and lunch. Register by September 12. For more information, call Paula Kellogg at 703-281-5532.

available, with "two-for-one" offers and up to 50% discounts on local and national restaurants, hotels and resorts, entertainment venues and other merchants. Books cost \$35 each and are available from NARFE (National Association of Retired Federal Employees), which donates all profits to Alzheimer's research. To order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

"Totally Eccentric Adventurous Red Hatters" will host a luncheon and Victorian fashion show at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, October 25, at That's Amore, 150 Branch Rd., S.E. The Red Hat Society is a national organization for women over age 50 who just want to have fun. The cost for the luncheon is \$25 per person and the reservation deadline is October 16. RSVP to Shirley Jackson at 703-938-4747 or e-mail Supergram613@surfbest.net.

La Leche League of Vienna will meet at 10 a.m. September 3 and October 1 at St. Mark's Catholic Church, 9970 Vale Rd. Pregnant and nursing women and their children are welcome to attend. The topic for September is "Baby Arrives: The Family and the Breastfed Baby." For more information, call 703-281-5801 or 703-

716-4872, or e-mail *abcgray@hotmail*. *com*.

34th annual McLean AAUW used book sale will be held September 12-14 at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave. Hours are 10 a.m.—8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.—6 p.m. Saturday and 12:30—4 p.m. Sunday. Almost 30,000 books and recordings will be available. The Sunday price is \$5 per bagful. Proceeds benefit scholarships for women. For more information, call 703-356-6293 or e-mail *ruth-powers@starpower.net*.

Vienna Jaycees 5K Turkey Trot registration is underway. The race will be held on Sunday, November 16, beginning at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S. VVFD will be the primary beneficiary of the race proceeds. Printable registration forms are available at www.geocities.com/viennajaycees and online registration is available at www.racepacket.com.

Annual fall yard sale will be held in the parking lot at Wesley Preschool, 711. Spring St., S.E., on Saturday, October 11. To reserve a sales space and for more information, call the preschool office at 703-938-3970.

American Legion Auxiliary of Vienna will meet at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 17, at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N. For information, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

Never Grow Old get-together 11 a.m. Tuesday, September 23, at Wesley United Methodist Church, corner of Moore and Spring Streets, S.E. "Fun and Frolic" will present a vocal program of favorite tunes. Participants may bring a side dish for the shared luncheon following the program. Free of charge; no registration required. For more information, call 703-938-8700.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna American Legion Post 180 is seeking support from town residents and businesses for the construction and furnishing of a community hall addition to its building at 330 Center St., N. The hall will be available for meetings, weddings, parties and other activities. Tax-deductible contributions can be mailed to Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180, P.O. Box 495, Vienna, VA 22183. For more information, call 703-938-9535.

Pedals for Progress reconditions used bicycles for people in developing countries. The Vienna Jaycees will sponsor a bike collection on Saturday, September 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bikes@ Vienna, 128-A Church St., N.W. A donation of \$10 per bike is requested to defray shipping costs. For more information, call 703-749-7033.

Calling All Crafters! The Vienna Woman's Club is accepting applications for its 43rd annual Harvest Bazaar, which will be held November 8 at the Vienna Community Center. For information and an application, call 703-938-7716 or 703-573-3926.

Adahi Neighborhood Watch Program is seeking volunteers to patrol the area in southeast Vienna bounded by Manvell Road, Park Street and Adahi Road. Volunteers are asked to devote two hours twice a year to help keep the neighborhood safe from crime. Interested residents may call Sandra Allen at 703-319-0018.

Wesley Day Celebration will be held on Sunday, September 7, at Wesley United Methodist Church, 711 Spring St., S.E. Guest speaker at the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services will be the Rev. Rudy Tucker, a former assistant minister at Wesley. A potluck picnic lunch will be served on the church lawn. Visitors are welcome, and nursery and child care will be available during services. For more information, call 703-938-8700.

The Golden Girls, the Vienna-based senior women's softball association, plays on Wednesdays at Meadow Lane Park and

Saturdays at Southside Park. In addition to league play, some members travel to tournaments around the country such as the National Senior Olympics, held last May, where the age 55-60 team won the bronze medal, the 70-75's won the silver and the 60-65's brought home the gold. New members of all skill levels are always welcome. For information, visit www.golden girls.org.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold an open house and registration for the fall term of its "Adventures in Learning" program for ages 50 and older from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, September 11, at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 344 Courthouse Rd., S.W. Classes will be held each Thursday, September 18–November 6, and include creative writing, T'ai Chi, bridge, health topics, financial matters, world affairs and many more. The fee is \$30 for four classes. For more information, call 703-281-0538.

Vienna Arts Society gallery in the Village Green Shopping Center is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday—Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. The cur-

rent show through September 6 is "Labor of Shapes," featuring multimedia artist Virginia Yang. The next show beginning September 7 is Anne Leonard's "Views of the West." For information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.viennaartssociety.org.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at the Vienna Community Center September 10 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in developing the skills of effective communication is welcome to attend. For information, call Jim Tompkins at 703-201-6555.

Farmers' Market behind Town Hall, sponsored by the Vienna Jaycees, is open each Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon, featuring local produce plus cut flowers, breads, soaps, plants and kettle corn. For more information, call Karyn at 703-861-7784.

Arts & Crafts Showcase, featuring members of the Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild, will be held on Saturday, September 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Robinson High School, 5035 Sideburn Rd., Fairfax (two blocks south of George Mason University). Admission \$3 per

Vienna Names in the News

Town resident **Margaret Dellinger** has been elected state president of the American Legion Auxiliary for the year 2003-2004. She will lead Virginia's 8,900 Auxiliary members as they work to support the nation's veterans and promote the Auxiliary's community programs. Dellinger is a 17-year member of American Legion Auxiliary Dyer-Gunnell Vienna Unit 180.

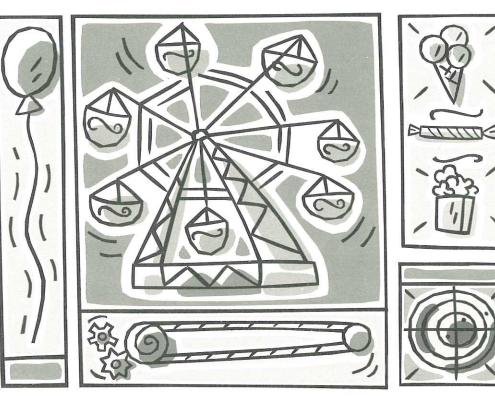
Former Post 180 Commander and long-time Town employee **Joyce Miller** is serving this year as the first female Commander of the American Legion's 17th District, the largest district in Virginia.

Three members of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department (VVFD) were presented Volunteer Fire Service Awards at a recent Fairfax County Board of Supervisors meeting. **John Morrison** received the Rookie Firefighter of the Year award for his outstanding contributions during his first year as a firefighter and his support in the training of new volunteers. **Genny Aldridge and Ann Marie Michlowski** were recognized as Canteen Volunteers of the Year for their respose to major fire department incidents at all hours of the day, providing support and rehab services to public safety personnel assigned to the incident. VVFD's recent addition of a refurbished canteen unit will greatly increase the level of service provided by the department.

Congratulations to the **Vienna Stars** girls softball team, winners of the 14U PONY national championship tournament held in Ashburn, Virginia, in July. The team was undefeated in 11 straight games, overwhelming opponents by a combined score of 82-7.

VIENNA CARNIVAL

Rides & Games & Food &



At Nottoway Park
5-10 p.m. Thursday, September 4
5-11 p.m. Friday, September 5
10 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday, September 6
10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday, September 7

Ride All Rides for \$15 All Day Thursday!

Sponsored by Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce 703-281-1333 www.vtrcc.org/carnival

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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.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Adult co-ed softball league begins its fall season September 8. Games will be played weeknights at Southside Park. The registration fee of \$350 per team includes 10 regular season double-header games, a post-season tournament, umpire fees, softballs and awards. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with a limit of 12 teams.

Adult fall tennis league begins September 18. Men's singles games will be played on Thursdays and women's singles games on Sundays at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Each league member will play a minimum of seven matches during the season. The fee is \$10 for town residents. Registration deadline September 3.

New fitness classes offered this fall include Beginning Pilates and Group Personal Training.

Adult drop-in basketball Monday and Wednesday, and volleyball Tuesday and Thursday, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Free for town residents; \$3 for out-of-town participants. Drop-in table tennis, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, is free of charge but call ahead to check on availability of facilities.

BUS TRIPS

Explore Luray Caverns on Thursday, September 4. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return around 5 p.m. Enjoy the amazing underground formations of the most popular cave in the eastern United States plus the Historic Car and Carriage Caravan Museum, Singing Bell Tower and Garden Maze. The cost for transportation, cave tour and ticket to the car museum is \$29 for adults (14 and older) and \$24 for children (13 and younger).

Atlantic City Overnighter October 9 and 10. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. Thursday and re-

turn about 7:30 p.m. Friday. The cost of \$154 per person single occupancy, \$115 double occupancy, and \$108 triple occupancy includes transportation, casino package, overnight accommodations at the Holiday Inn on the Boardwalk, surf & turf dinner at the Hilton Casino and buffet breakfast at the Tropicana Casino. Registration deadline September 13.

City Museum of D.C. has recently opened in the historic Carnegie Library across from the new convention center. Be among the first to visit the museum on Wednesday, September 10. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at 3:30 p.m. The cost of \$18 for town residents includes transportation and special group rate for museum entry and 23-minute multimedia show.

Washington Post printing plant tour Thursday, September 25. Leave the Community Center at 10:30 a.m. and return at 1:30 p.m. Get a behind-the scenes view of the newspaper's printing and delivery operations at the Springfield plant from former plant manger Alan Kohan, a 40+ year Washington Post employee. The cost for transportation is \$15 for town residents.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

New policy for grades 6–8 begins September 5. Once students sign out of Club Phoenix for the night, they will not be allowed back in except to call for a ride. Parents are encouraged to walk their children into the teen center and pick them up by closing time.

Open house for parents will be held at Club Phoenix on Wednesday, September 10, from 6 to 7 p.m. View the facility, learn about programs, meet the staff, complete the required registration form, discuss issues and concerns, or sign up to serve on the Club Phoenix Parent Advisory Committee.

"Neighborhood College," a leadership program for grades 9–12, will be held

each Wednesday, October 29-November 19, from 5:45 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, November 15, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our future community leaders will learn how to run effective meetings, make decisions within a group and work in a multicultural environment. There is no charge for the program and a light meal will be served at each session. Application forms available after September 12. For more information, call Robin Patton at 703-787-4998 or email Robin.Patton@fairfaxcounty.gov. The program is sponsored by the Fairfax County Department of Systems Management for Human Services in partnership with the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department and the Vienna-Madison Community Coalition.

Girls Group will resume meetings this month. The Girls Group provides a setting where girls can discuss issues such as dating, college, health and beauty, and also sponsors trips and classes. Free of charge; to register and for more information, call Brandy Mullen at 703-255-5721.

After-school program for grades 6–8 Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 6 p.m. Get help with homework and enjoy some fun activities.

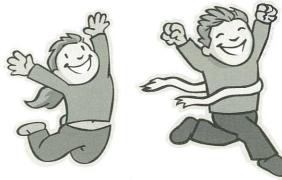
Back to school dance for middle school students Friday, September 12, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Admission \$4.

Concert for high school students
Saturday, September 13, from 7 to 11 p.m.
Admission \$5.

Half-price snacks and drinks every Sunday this fall! Club Phoenix is open to all teens each Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

<u>MANAGING YOUR MONEY</u> <u>& YOUR ESTATE</u>

Why Good Wills Go Bad Monday, September 8, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Join attorney David G. Hoffman for a discussion of Virginia will law, organizing your



Vienna Police Department's COPS & KIDS RUN

for Ages 6-14

Saturday, September 27 Police Headquarters, 215 Center St., S.

This annual event promotes good relations between the police and area children and encourages kids to find alternatives to using drugs

Refreshments provided
Free T-shirts for all kids who participate
Children ages 6-8 must be accompanied by an adult running in the event

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Registration forms available at the Vienna Community Center

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.

Managing Your Retirement Income Monday, September 15, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Investment advisor Sean P. Sinclair will discuss asset allocation, increasing current and future income, taxation of retirement income, and cash flow management. Free of charge; no advance registration required.

MATURE ADULTS

AARP driver safety program, for motorists age 50 and older, will be held September 5 and 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 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 of the course could receive a discount on their car insurance. The fee is \$10 per person and advance registration is required.

Walking groups: The evening group will meet each Wednesday, September

10–October 29, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in front of the Community Center. There is no fee for this program, but advance registration is required and slower pace walkers may request to be paired together.

The morning group for moderate pace walkers will meet on Mondays, September 8–October 27, from 10 to 11 a.m. The fee of \$5 for town residents includes a guide and written materials.

A new Friday morning group for moderate pace walkers will meet September 5–26 from 10 to 11 a.m. at four different locations around Fairfax County. The cost is \$8 for town residents.

Tour Channel 10, Fairfax Public Access TV, on Wednesday, September 24, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Get a behind-thescenes view of the facilities and learn about opportunities to become involved in the world of television production and promotions. Free of charge but advance registration required. Transportation to the studio is on your own.

Writing Your Personal History is an informal, group-run class for people interested in documenting their life stories for themselves and future generations. Class will be held each Thursday, September

11–March 18, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Class members select topics about which to write, and read their work to each other for supportive feedback. The class is free of charge; a donation of \$5 will be used to provide coffee and tea at each class.

An introductory guided course for those new to personal history writing will be held before each session from 9 to 10:30 a.m. A materials fee of \$5 will be charged.

POTPOURRI

Tickets go on sale September 23 for the Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Our Town." Performances are scheduled for October and November. Tickets are \$8 general admission and \$7 for students and senior citizens.

Discount tickets to Kings Dominion and Busch Gardens are available at the Community Center weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission to Kings Dominion is \$28 for ages seven and up during Super Saver Days through October 26 (regular admission price \$41.99). Busch Gardens tickets are \$36 for ages seven and up (regular price \$44.99).

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