This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

OCTOBER 1996 – This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Vienna Halloween Parade, which will feature a special appearance by the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales.

OCTOBER 1986 – The Town Council has approved five short-term improvements to enhance traffic flow through town: Left turns westbound onto Maple Avenue will be allowed from two lanes off Nutley Street. Parking will be restricted on the curb lanes of Church Street during rush hours to create a lane for right turns. A protected left-turn phase will be added to the signal at Maple Avenue and Park Street. The no-turn-on-red restrictions will be eliminated at Maple Avenue/Lawyers Road/Courthouse Road. Traffic signal timing along Maple Avenue will be updated.

OCTOBER 1976 - The Town Council is seeking a by-pass north of Vienna that would reduce the traffic now using Lawyers Road and Maple Avenue and provide residents in western Fairfax County a more direct and faster way to Route 7. Council agreed to suggest specific alternatives to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, including the completion of Abbotsford Road.

OCTOBER 1966 – The Courthouse Road widening project from Maple Avenue to Glen Avenue is underway. This project also includes the opening of Locust Street from Courthouse through to Center Street.

TOWN NEWS 24 HOURS A DAY: Vienna Newsline — 703-255-6333 www.viennava.gov

Verizon to Begin **Fiber Optic Upgrade**

At its September 11 meeting, the Town Council authorized Verizon to offer its fiber optic-powered FiOS TV to Vienna residents. Council also approved a new telephone franchise for the company. As a result, Verizon is upgrading its copper network to an all-fiber optic network.

As the upgrade continues, Verizon employees or contractors will be placing fiber optic lines and equipment on utility poles or underground, depending on the current location of neighborhood utilities. Before underground construction begins, Verizon's contractor, Ivy Smith Co., will notify residents when work is scheduled to begin in their neighborhoods.

All new FTTP (Fiber To The Premise) network facilities will be installed either in the Town right-of-way or on private property with the consent of the property owner. Also, when the Town undergrounds utilities on Maple Avenue, all FTTP facilities will be placed underground by Verizon at its expense.

Under the 15-year agreement, Verizon will pay franchise fees to the Town based on the company's gross revenues on cable services.

Residents can contact Verizon with questions or concerns at 1-888-250-9710.

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POLICE FIRE & RESCUE **EMERGENCY** 911

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VIENNA POLICE DIRECT 703-938-4900 (Voice)

703-255-5730 (TDD) NON-EMERGENCY 703-255-6366 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD)

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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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Halloween Parade

The 60th annual Vienna Halloween Parade will step off at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 25, on Maple Avenue. See page 3 for parade information.

Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, October 9, for Columbus Day, Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday route.

Personal Property Tax Due

October 5 is the deadline to pay Fairfax County personal property tax on motor vehicles. Town of Vienna residents pay the County personal property tax and purchase windshield decals from the Town. See page 4 for more information.

Voter Registration

Tuesday, October 10, is the last day to register to vote in the November 7 general election. For voter information see Page 10.

NEW IN TOWN? There's 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.



Leaf Pickup Begins this Month

Fall leaf collection will begin October 23 in north Vienna and October 27 on the south side of town. The complete schedule is given below.

ALL LEAVES MUST BE AT THE CURBSIDE PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY FOR EACH PASS THROUGH YOUR AREA. ONCE YOUR STREET HAS BEEN COVERED, CREWS WILL NOT DOUBLE BACK.

Department of Public Works crews using leaf vacuum machines will collect leaves that residents have raked to the curbside. If you miss your vacuum collection dates, the Public Works Department will still collect your leaves; however, the leaves must be bagged and placed at the curbside for pickup with your regular trash. Up to 20 bags of leaves will be picked up on any single refuse collection day throughout

Please rake leaves just to the curbside, not into the street. Cars parked on leaf piles may catch on fire, and children playing in the leaves may be struck by a passing vehicle. Also, leaves may prevent rainwater from reaching stormwater inlets. Residents may wish to move vehicles off the street to avoid dust from the leaf vacuums when the weather is dry; the Town cannot be responsible for washing cars.

For more information about leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381.

2006 FALL LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Leaves must be at the curbside prior to the first scheduled collection day for each pass through your area

NORTH VIENNA — OCTOBER 23-26 **NOVEMBER 4-14 NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 12**

SOUTH VIENNA — OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 3 NOVEMBER 15-25 DECEMBER 13-23

No Special Pickups During Leaf Collection

Because of fall leaf collection, no orders for Special Trash Pickups will be taken in October, November and December. The last day to order a Special Pickup for this year is October 1. Call 703-255-5727.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

JULY 3, 2006

- · Held a closed session to conduct the annual organizational meeting and to discuss the potential acquisition or sale of real property and matters of potential litigation.
- Appointed Councilman Polychrones as Mayor pro tempore for fiscal year 2006-07. Made the following committee appointments: Northern Virginia Regional Commission, Mayor Seeman; Town Employee Retirement Committee, Councilwoman Robinson; representative to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Councilman Polychrones; representative to the Providence District Advisory Committee, Councilwoman Cole; representative to the Hunter Mill Land Use Committee, Councilwoman Kelleher; representatives to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, Councilwoman Cole and Councilman Verinder; Community Appearance Alliance, Councilman Lovelace; Town Charter Committee, all members of

Council, the Town Manager and the Town Attorney.

- Approved the proclamation of August 19 as Brian Bedell Appreciation Day in support of the Brian Bedell 2-Young Foundation to promote brain cancer re-
- · Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Town Code concerning erosion and siltation control to bring it into compliance with state regulations. (Hearing continued to August 21.)
- Approved the final plat for the resubdivision of the property at 350 Nutley St., N.W., into three lots.
- Approved the following site plan modifications and wall waiver for the expansion of Curtis Park Plaza, 131-147 Park St., S.E.: lot coverage of 74% in the transitional zone portion of the property as opposed to the maximum of 25% required by the Town Code (approved 4-3, Cole,

Lovelace, Verinder voting nay); off-street parking along the front and sides of the proposed building in the transitional zone as opposed to behind the building as required (approved 5-2, Lovelace, Verinder voting nay); front yard landscaping at 21% as opposed to the required minimum of 25% (approved 6-1, Lovelace voting nay); parking at a distance of 9 feet from the front property line as opposed to the required 15 feet (approved 5-2, Lovelace, Verinder voting nay); loading space width of 46.7 feet as opposed to the required 60 feet (approved 4-3, Cole, Lovelace, Verinder voting nay); wall waiver for approximately 446 feet of masonry screen wall at various heights as opposed to the required 516 feet of 6-foot wall (approved 5-2, Lovelace, Verinder voting nay).

- · Approved signs for Church Street Pilates and Fairfax Tai Chi, both located at 144 Church St., N.W.
- Awarded a bid for construction of the Vienna Town Green to Sumter Construction Corp. in the amount of \$1,486,-
- · Approved the final payment to Dominion Virginia Power for Phases 2 and 3 of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project in the amount of \$111,000.
- · Approved the proposal by Whitmen, Requardt & Associates for engineering services to develop the Town's water system hydraulic model and evaluation of the initial distribution system at a total estimated cost of \$39,805.
- · Approved the expenditure of \$6,486.79 to East Jordan Iron Works for manhole riser rings.
- · Approved the expenditure of an estimated \$28,700 to Whitman, Requardt and Associates to evaluate a failed culvert wing wall and erosion at a tributary of Accotink Creek under Courthouse Road, S.W., and design of curb, gutter and side-

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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21 Saturday 9 13 27 LEAF COLLECTION th side of town October 23-26 to of town October 27-November curbside by first collection date to Police Chief's Advisory Committee 7 p.m. S Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. Board of Architectural Review Planning Commission Thursday at the curbside North side of tov Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m. Board of Zoning Appeals Planning Commission Wednesday Halloween Parade 7 p.m. on Maple Ave. 31 Transportation Safety Commission Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Town Hall closed Trash collection as usual Town Council work session Columbus Day Monday **Town Council** Town Council All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week Last day to call for a Special Pickup in 2006 Yom Kippur begins at sundown Sunday

Safety Events Scheduled October 14

Fire Department Open House

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department (VVFD) will hold its annual Fire Prevention Week Open House on Saturday, October 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire station, 400 Center St., S. This year's theme is "Prevent Cooking Fires: Watch What You Heat," to highlight the dangers of cooking fires – most of which result from unattended cooking – and teach Vienna residents how to prevent cooking fires from starting in the first place.

Open house activities will include fire, rescue and EMT demonstrations, fun learning activities for kids, 911 simulators, finger printing for children, blood pressure checks, fire hoses to try out, free refreshments, and competitions and prizes for all the family. For more information, visit www.vvfd.org.

According to the latest research by the National Fire Protection Association, cooking is the leading cause of home fires. One out of three home fires begins in the kitchen – more than any other place in the home. Cooking fires are also the leading cause of home fire-related injuries.

Often when VVFD is called to a fire that started in the kitchen, the residents say that they only left the kitchen for a few minutes. Sadly, that's all it takes for a dangerous fire to start. The goal of Fire Prevention Week is to reach folks in the community before they suffer a damaging lesson.

Kidsfest 2006 Features Bike Rodeo

KidsFest 2006, for children ages 5-12, will be held on Saturday, October 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot of Faith Baptist Church, 301 Center St., S. (across from the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department). The event will feature a bike rodeo, moon bounce, and entertainment. All activities are free of charge.

Advance registration is required for participation in the bicycle safety rodeo. Kids can learn the "rules of the road," have a bike inspection, ride on bike safety courses, and register their bikes with the Vienna Police Department.

For more information, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

Maple Ave. Banner Applications Available

Application forms to display banners across Maple Avenue in 2007 will be available in the Public Works Department at Town Hall beginning Monday, October 2. Applications may be submitted by non-profit community organizations any time through November. Organizations displaying banners this year will automatically receive application forms in the mail. Banner space will be awarded in December via a lottery. Each banner will be displayed for two weeks.

Be a Meals on Wheels Volunteer

Meals on Wheels needs volunteers to help deliver meals during the week to senior adults at Tysons Towers apartments. Pick up meals at Falls Church High School between 10:30 a.m. and noon, and deliver by 1 p.m. Volunteers can choose a daily, weekly or monthly schedule, or be a substitute. Mileage reimbursement available. For more information, call the Fairfax Area Agency on Aging Volunteer Intake Line at 703-324-5406 or e-mail melanie.mitchell@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Voter Registration Deadline October 10

Tuesday, October 10, is the last day to register to vote in the November 7 general election. Registration applications are available at various locations around the county, including the Town Clerk's Office at Vienna Town Hall, and may also be downloaded from the County Web site, www.fair faxcounty.gov/eb.

To be eligible to vote, you must be a U.S. citizen, a Virginia resident and at least 18 years old on or before election day. If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for this election; however, you should check your voter registration card to be sure it lists your current address and update it if necessary.

For more information, call the General Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776. Recorded information is available 24 hours a day at 703-324-4700.

No Campaign Signs in Right-of-way

The Department of Planning and Zoning reminds candidates for public office and their supporters that it is unlawful to place campaign signs on street lights, utility poles, markers or other signs, or to place a sign within ten feet of the curb or edge of pavement. Property owners may erect signs for the candidates of their choice on their own property, and signs may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission.

For more information or to report violations, call the Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-255-6341 or e-mail *dpz@ci. vienna.va.us*.

Young Library Volunteers Aided Summer Program

Thanks to the young volunteers who assisted with the summer reading program at Patrick Henry Library. Eighty volunteers, ages 10-16, spent many hours aiding the library staff in making this summer's program a big success, with almost 3,000 children registered to participate.

60th Annual



7 p.m. Wednesday, October 25th on Maple Avenue Branch Road to Center Street

"Vienna's Traditions Through the Decades"

Grand Marshals – Clarene Vickery, Parkwood School

Joyce Decker, Vienna Tiny Tots Village

Special Guests - Washington Redskins Marching Band



Kids are invited to walk in the parade in their Halloween costumes.

Meet at 6:30 p.m. in the parking lot of Virginia Commerce Bank,

374 Maple Ave., E. (same place as last year).

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Parade Information 703-255-6360 Vienna Parks & Recreation Department

Parade sponsorships avaialble.
For details, call parade co-chair Rebecca Diamond
at 703-463-4241 or visit www.vtrcc.org/parade.

See the parade on Fairfax County Public Access Channel 10 Saturday, October 28, at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, October 29, at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 31, at 12 noon, 6:30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

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walk on the south side of Courthouse between Nutley Street and Moorefield Road.

- Extended the annual contract for general construction services to Sagres Construction Corp.
- Rejected the bid received to convert space in the Town Hall basement from storage space to offices for Police Department employees. Authorized the assignment of a Town employee as general contractor on behalf of the Town.
- Renewed the support services agreement with Sungard/Pentamation Enterprises for the Town's central financial system in an amount not to exceed \$33,700 for fiscal year 2007.
- Approved the rental of storage space for Town records from United Stor-All Vienna in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for fiscal year 2007.

"Beauty Spot"

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

- Taco Bell, 362 Maple Ave., E.
- David and Stephanie Dunaway, 200
 Talahi Rd., S.E.
- Keith and Margaret McCormick, 401 Fellini Ct., S.E.
- Thomas and Donna Styles, #6 Elaine Cir., S.E.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcome. Send them to the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180 or e-mail *prsec@ci.vienna.va.us*. The Community Enhancement Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (except November and December) at Town Hall.

Town Residents Pay County Personal Property Tax, Still Need Town Decal

Town of Vienna residents pay Fairfax County personal property tax, due every year on October 5. The current tax rate is \$4.57 per \$100 of assessed value. Tax bills were mailed during the summer. For information about Fairfax County personal property tax on motor vehicles, call 703-222-8234 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta.

Town residents must purchase Vienna motor vehicle decals by April 15 each year (April 16 in 2007). If you have recently moved to Vienna and need to register your vehicles, or if you have new vehicles to register, please note that Vienna vehicle decals are reduced to half price on October 1 each year, and further reduced to one-third price on January 15. The charges are:

	April 15-Sept. 30	Oct. 1-Jan. 14	Jan. 15-April 15
Cars and trucks 4,000 lbs. and under	\$20	\$10	\$6.67
Cars and trucks over 4,000 lbs.	\$25	\$12.50	\$8.33
Motorcycles	\$10.50	\$5.25	\$3.50

Residents are reminded that Town vehicle registrations can be transferred for only \$1 upon presentation of the old decal.

If you have questions about Town of Vienna motor vehicle decals, please call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323 or visit www.viennava.gov.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in August:

The Bridal Closet

Salon Ö Tony beauty salon & supplies 130 Maple Ave., W. 703-281-3191

703-281-3191

Body Laser Center laser hair removal

386 Maple Ave., E. #204

703-761-3118

bridal shop 145 Church St., N.W. #100 703-242-2870 Allen Holmes

psychotherapist

307 Maple Ave.,

703-507-6866

W. #A2

Baby Capture Keepsake keepsake casting & molding 320 Maple Ave., E. #E 703-255-9655

Convenient Location & Friendly Service SHOP IN VIENNA Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries in October: 40 years – Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., KFC; 10 years – Baby, Toddler & Preschool Land, Changemasters, Cindy Moffitt, PCS Heating & AC.

TRIM THOSE BRANCHES – Now that many people are out enjoying the cool weather and fall colors, residents are reminded to keep tree branches, shrubs, vines and hedges trimmed so that they do not overhang sidewalks or obstruct the view of motorists. All the walkers and bicyclists in town will appreciate it!

Vietnam Veterans of America,

Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 19, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Dorothy Fall, wife of author Bernard Fall, will discuss her book, *Memories of a Soldier-Scholar*, about his love for the Vietnamese people and his effort to prevent a U.S. disaster in Vietnam. For more information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit www.geocities.com/vva227.

Your old magazines and paperback books (no hard covers) are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. Regular donors may leave boxed or bagged publications at the usual location on Tuesday, October 31, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Used book sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Patrick Henry Library, will be held at the library on Saturday, November 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, November 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thousands of top-quality used books will be available. On Sunday only, fill a bag with books for \$5. For more information, e-mail FPHL@cox.net.

Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild Holiday Arts & Crafts Show will be held on Saturday, October 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, October 15, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd. Admission is free. Over 40 juried artisans will offer jewelry, stained galss, dolls, weaving, and many other hand-crafted creations. See examples at www.nvhg.org.

Cameo Jewels, a traveling entertainment troupe of Ms. Virginia Senior America winners, is available to perform at special events. Donations are accepted and used to enhance the image of women who have reached the "Age of Elegance" (60 years old and over), produce the Ms. Virginia Senior America pageant, and send the state representative to the national pageant. For information, call Pinky O'Neil at 703-481-1715.

Ducks Unlimited, Potomac Valley Chapter, will hold a banquet and auction at Westwood Country Club on Wednesday, October 11. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Auction items will include framed wildlife art, decoys, outdoor equipment and more. Tickets are \$75 for singles and \$125 for couples. Proceeds benefit the conservation of waterfowl and wetlands. For more information, call Bill or Barb Powell at 703-938-2560 or e-mail barbara@potomac valleydu.org.

Ministry to children – Missionettes for girls and Royal Rangers for boys – is offered on Wednesday nights from 7 to 8 p.m. at Vienna Assembly of God, corner of Center Street, N., and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Children's church on Sundays is also available. For more information, call 703-938-7736 or visit www.viennaag.com.

League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area will hold meetings in Vienna this month on how Virginia jury systems operate. Meetings will be held at 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, and 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 11. For meeting locations and more information, call 703-658-9150 or visit www.lwv-fairfax.org.

Northern Virginia Model Rail-roaders will host an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., on Saturday, October 21, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. See an operating HO scale model railroad. For more information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org. The Town's red caboose will also be open to the public that afternoon, courtesy of the Optimist Club of Vienna.

Breakfast buffet, sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 and the Sons of the Legion, will be open on Sunday, October 15, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Legion Post, 330 Center St., N. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12. For more information, call 703-938-9535.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, October 12, at Marco Polo Restaurant. The program will feature club members modeling fall fashions from Draper's and Damon's

of Fairfax. For more information, call Anne Mellick, 703-938-1077, or Pat Keller, 703-560-8612.

5K Turkey Trot, sponsored by the Vienna Jaycees, is scheduled for 8 a.m. Sunday, November 12, begining at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. The registration fee is \$20 for ages 15 and older (\$5 discount for ages 14 and under), and proceeds benefit the Fire Department. For a printable entry form and more information, visit *www.viennajaycees.org* or call 703-281-1255. To register online, go to *www.active.com*.

Entertainment coupon books offer discounts on dining, travel, sports, movies and more. Coupon books cost \$25 each and are available from Vienna Chapter 1116, NARFE (National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association), which donates all profits to Alzheimer's research. To order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580. Delivery available.

Vienna Farmers' Market, located on Church Street in the parking lot next to the red caboose, is open each Saturday through October from 8 a.m. to noon, featuring fresh fall produce and crepes made while you wait, and more. Sponsored by the Vienna Jaycees. For information or to volunteer, call Karen at 703-281-1255 or visit www.viennafarm ersmarket.com.

James Madison High School Class of 1976 30th reunion events will include a picnic and golf outing at Bull Run Golf Course in Haymarket on Friday, October 6, and a Friday night social at O'Malley's Pub in the Holiday Inn Tysons Corner; a dinner/dance at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, October 7; and a gathering to watch the Washington Redskins play the New York Giants on Sunday, October 8. For more information, visit www.capitalreun ions.com or http://classreport.com/usa/va/vienna/jmhs/1976.

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, October 16, at the Dunn Loring fire station, 2148 Gallows Rd. Licensed Veterinary Technician Elizabeth Lannon will talk about her experience as a volunteer at an animal shelter in Louisiana following Hurricane Katrina. For more information, visit www.shetlandsheepdog.us.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Dave's Ride, to celebrate the life of Vienna resident David A. Marsden and promote bicycle safety, will be held on Saturday, October 21, beginning at 9 a.m. along the W&OD Trail near the red caboose on Church Street. Volunteers from the League of American Bicyclists will provide information about cycling for fitness and as an alternative to commuting by car. Both beginning and experienced cyclists are welcome. Donations to the David A. Marsden Memorial will be accepted. For more information, visit www. davesride.org.

Walk for Growing Hope, sponsored by the Optimist Club of Vienna, will be held on Saturday, October 7, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., beginning and ending at the mural/railroad station parking lot between Mill Street and Dominion Road, N.E. All proceeds from the event will go to Growing Hope and the Optimist International fund for childhood cancer research. Participation forms can be downloaded at www.viennaoptimist.org. For more information, call 703-242-0564 or e-mail bob mccorm@aol.com.

"Yard sale" to benefit Friends of Homeless Animals will be held on Saturday, October 21, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Sale items include books, clothing, toys, collectibles, and much more. Donate tax-deductible items at the Community Center between 1 and 9 p.m. Friday, October 20. For more information, call 703-385-0224 or e-mail foha_info@foha.org.

Holiday Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held on Saturday, November 11, at the Vienna Community Center, with proceeds benefiting the club's scholarship fund and community service projects. The event features local crafters, a bake sale, and children's activities. For information or an application, contact Jan Smith at 703-319-0860 or jansmith@erols.com.

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary is accepting applications for its annual Fall Bazaar, which will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, November 11, in the newly renovated Flame Room at the fire station. The bazaar features crafts, holiday items, baked goods, and decorations for the home. To reserve a space and for more information, call 703-818-0555.

Historic Vienna Inc. will hold its fall membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 10, at Town Hall. Guest speaker will be Philip Bigler, former administrator at Arlington National Cemetery and author of *In Honored Glory: Arlington National Cemetery, The Final Post.* For information, call 703-938-5187.

Vienna Toastmasters meets at the Vienna Community Center the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Learn how to speak effectively, conduct meetings, manage a department or business, lead, delegate, and motivate. For more information, call membership chairman Bita at 703-851-3303.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group, a support group for visually impaired persons and their families, will meet at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, October 19, at Patrick Henry Library. Richard Harrington, Fairfax County Public Libraries Archivist and Records Manager, will discuss preserving family records. For more information or transportation, call Rhoda Stevens at 703-281-9679.

Virginia politics discussion, sponsored by the Vienna branch of the American Association of University Women, will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 3, at Patrick Henry Library. Free of charge. Dr. Toni-Michelle Travis, Associate Professor of Government and Politics at George Mason University, will analyze the upcoming state elections. For more information, call 703-255-3020.

Welcome Club of Northern Virginia will host a coffee for new and prospective members at 10 a.m. Friday, October 6. For more information, call 703-242-0217 or e-mail *jtowers39@cox.net*. The club's monthly luncheon meeting is scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, October 5, at That's Amore restaurant. Guest

speaker will be Dr. Nancy Spruill, Director of Acquisition, Resources and Analyses, Office of the U.S. Secretary of Defense. For reservations and more information, call 703-281-6225 or e-mail *dlboguts* @cox.net.

Louise Archer Elementary School is selling Sally Foster wrapping paper and Harry London Chocolates, to help pay for field trips, cultural activities and other school programs. For a catalog or to place an order, call the school at 703-937-6200 by October 6 or go to the Sally Foster online store, www.sallyfoster.com, and select Louise Archer as the school to benefit.

Vienna Host Lions Club meets at 6:15 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at American legion Post 180, 330 Center St., S. The club sponsors community service and charitable programs for the visually and hearing impaired, local youth, and others. For membership information, call Bob Heyde at 703-560-8841.

Five Hills Garden Club will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, October 17, at Vienna Presbyterian Church. Ornithologist William Scott, Jr., will present a program on wetlands, waterfowl and their interdependence. For more information, e-mail ed-diane@verizon.net.

A Photographer's Life will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 19, at Patrick Henry Library. Del Ankers, photographer of presidents from FDR to Gerald Ford, will talk about his life and six-decade career, and display photographic equipment and memorabilia. Free of charge. To register, call 703-938-0405.

Giving Yoga classes are offered on Sunday evenings from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at East Meets West, a yoga and Tai Chi studio at 144 Church St., N.W. (behind Nielsen's Frozen Custard). Giving Yoga sessions are held on a drop-in basis with the optional donation fee going to international charities. Classes are appropriate for all levels of fitness and experience. For more information, visit www.eastmeets westcenter.com and www.givingyoga.org.

Protect Yourself Against Identity Theft

If you become a victim of identy theft, your Vienna Police Department wishes to assist you in every way possible.

Here are some tips to help protect yourself from one of the fastest growing crimes in the U.S.:

- NEVER carry your Social Security card on your person. Store it in a safe place.
- Give your Social Security number ONLY WHEN NECESSARY. Always ask to use an alternate type of identification.
- NEVER give personal information over the telephone unless you initiate the call.
- NEVER answer unsolicited e-mail requests for personal information even if the source appears legitimate.
- Request and review your credit bureau reports ANNUALLY. Credit bureaus are in the business of collecting and selling information. They are not required to verify this information with consumers. For example, an imposter can change your address by filing a change of address card with the post office. The credit bureaus will change their files to reflect your "new" address without verifying it with you first. The "new" address is sold to financial institutions, marketing firms, and insurance companies, which then fill your imposter's mailbox with pre-approved applications in your name.
- PLACE PASSWORDS on all of your financial accounts, credit cards, telephone, etc. Change the passwords about every six months. Do not carry a list of your PIN numbers or passwords on your person. Refrain from using your mother's maiden name, child's name, spouse's name or pet's name as a password. NEVER use your address, date of birth or any portion of your Social Security number as a PIN or password. Use a combination of letters, numbers, and symbols. Avoid using consecutive letters or numbers such as abcd or 1234. NEVER give your mother's maiden name when applying for credit.
- DO NOT give personal information over a cell or portable phone. These transmissions are easily monitored.
- KNOW the date you should receive your bank and credit card statements. A missing statement could indicate a thief has changed your address and diverted your mail. Contact the bank or credit card company immediately.
- REVIEW your bank and credit card statements immediately upon receipt to detect unauthorized transactions.
- CHECK your telephone and cell phone bills for calls you did not make.
- CARRY only the credit cards that are necessary. Cancel the cards you do not use.
- KEEP personal papers in a safe place.
- TAKE outgoing mail to the post office. Do not leave mail unattended in an open or unsecured outside mailbox.
- PROMPTLY remove mail from your mailbox once it has been delivered.
- STOP mail while on vacation.
- SHOP only with the online merchants you know. Remember that online shopping is no different than shopping offline. Even if you know the merchant, make sure the site is secure before entering your credit card information. The URL, or Web site address, should begin with "https." A graphic, such as a lock, should appear in the bottom right corner of your browser bar.
- BEFORE ordering online, read the company's privacy policy. If a privacy policy does not exist, contact the company and request one. This information is vital. You need to know how it intends to use your personal information.
- NEVER give your bank account numbers or Social Security number to an online merchant.
- USE a low-limit credit card for online shopping.
- CHECK the Better Business Bureau's Web site for information about the company before shopping online. Look for the BBB Online Reliability Seal on the Web site.
- REPORT your identity theft to the police and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

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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.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Vienna Theatre Company will present the psychological chiller, "Boy Gets Girl," October 20, 21, 27 and 28, and November 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and October 29 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older. Caution: This drama contains strong language and adult situations.

Antiques show and sale October 13, 14 and 15. Hours are 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday. Dealers will show and sell a variety of furniture and collectibles. Admission is \$4.50 per person.

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contest, food, and a DJ spinning your favorite tunes.

BUS TRIPS

Gettysburg Battlefield and Eisenhower Farm trip is scheduled for Wednesday, October 11. Leave the Community Center at 8 a.m. and return around 6 p.m. The cost of \$55 for town residents includes transportation, a two-hour narrated bus tour of the national park, a tour of the home of President Dwight D. Eisenhower adjacent to the battlefield, and lunch at the Dobbin House Tavern.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Personal Safety for Women will be held in four parts – October 16, 23 and 30, and November 1 – from 7 to 10 p.m. Offi-

cer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department will teach basic crime prevention and risk reduction measures plus physical self-defense techniques to help women be more confident in an attack situation. The fee is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

AARP driver safety program, for motorists age 50 and older, will be held October 20 and 23 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. The fee is \$10 per person and both classes must be attended. Advance registration required.

Newborn care class, for new and expectant parents, will be held on Thursday, October 24, from 6 to 7 p.m. Topics include preparing for baby, what to expect in the first few days, nutrition, bonding, basic baby care, crying, sleep, and when to call the doctor. Free of charge; registration required.

Balancing Hormones Naturally will be presented on Tuesday, October 17, from 7 to 8 p.m. Dr. Kathryn Thompson of New Life Wellness Center will discuss the symptoms of PMS and menopause, and offer natural solutions to hormonal imbalances. Free of charge: registration required.

Prescriptions for Good Health, a four-part series, will teach you how to make the most of your relationship with your doctor and provide information on some hot topics in medicine today. Join Micha Joffee, MD, each Wednesday, October 4-25, from 1 to 2 p.m. to discuss how to use your doctor effectively, metabolic syndrome, cancer prevention – do you really need that body scan?, and keeping bones healthy and other ways to prevent problems. The cost for town residents is \$16 and registration is required.

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from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. Certified nutritionist Julia Kalish will discuss raw foods and modified raw foods diets, and how to prepare raw foods. The cost for town residents is \$25 and registration is required.

Senior Safety is the theme of a presentation by Fairfax County Police Officer

Senior Safety is the theme of a presentation by Fairfax County Police Officer Tom Black on Thursday, October 19, from 1 to 2 p.m. Topics will include how to guard against common crimes, personal safety devices, techniques for keeping your home and mail safe, and more. This program is free of charge, but registration is required.

Great Nutrition at Any Age, a food

preparation and tasting class, will be held each Friday, October 27-November 10,

JUST FOR KIDS

Holiday card workshop for youngsters in preschool through grade 6, will be held from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, October 14. Each child's original artwork will be reproduced on 10 holiday greeting cards. The fee is \$20 for town residents plus a \$25 materials fee.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Estate Planning for Normal People will be presented on Monday, October 16, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss probate for the poor, simple wills and trusts, property rights of husbands and wives, and dealing with bratty kids. Free of charge; no registration required.

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Understanding Your Personality
Puzzle will be presented on Saturday, October 14, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Life Coach
Marcy Kelly will help you understand your
personality type, your strengths and weaknesses, and how to get along better with
others. The cost for town residents is \$15
and registration is required.

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's winter production, "I Hate Hamlet," will be held November 6 and 8 from 7 to 10 p.m. For information, call Suzanne Maloney at 703-281-7160.

Town Cleanup Day November 4

The annual fall Cleanup Day, sponsored by Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission, will be held rain or shine on Saturday, November 4, from 9 to 11 a.m. Individuals, families and community service groups are invited to participate in making Vienna a more beautiful community.

Clean up your own neighborhood, or be assigned an area of town that needs attention. Check in at the Vienna Community Center on cleanup day to receive garbage bags and gloves. Walk-ins are welcome; however, organizations are asked to sign up by November 1. For more information, call Cathy Salgado at 703-255-6356.

Organization Registration Form — Deadline November 1, 2005 Mail to: Vienna Parks & Recreation Department 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180 Yes, our organization/family is interested in participating in the November 4 Town Cleanup Day. Please contact us to arrange participation.					
Name of Organization	Contact person				
Address					
Home phone #	Work phone #				
Number of volunteers Age range _	Area of interest				

Sarah Walker Mercer Park Dedication

The public is invited to celebrate the opening of Vienna's newest park at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, November 4, rain or shine.

Sarah Walker Mercer Park, 247 Nutley St., N.W. (corner of Nutley and Knoll Streets), is dedicated in memory of Sarah Walker Mercer, a life-long Vienna resident and Louise Archer Elementary School employee. She resided and raised her family in the house adjacent to the park, which remains in the Mercer family.

This neighborhood park is located at the Town's former Public Works Department property yard, and was conceived and designed with much assistance from a neighborhood work group. The park will provide a relaxing oasis with a large variety of plantings for local residents to enjoy.

Beware Of Phony Phone Solicitations!

Recently, a town resident reported receiving a telephone call from the Police Protective Fund, which implied that the funds collected will benefit police in the Vienna area. The Vienna Police Department wishes to alert citizens that it does not receive funds from this or any other phone solicitation.

The Vienna Police Association (VPA), a benevolent organization comprising members of the Vienna Police Department, is the only entity affiliated with the department. VPA solicits donations only through the mail on VPA letterhead. It does not use telemarketing services, and no fund-raising is done via the telephone.

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"Ghosts, Goblins and Other Scary Stuff" for middle school students is scheduled for Friday, October 27. Free of charge. Meet at Club Phoenix at 8 p.m., then walk out to the gazebo for some spooky Halloween stories.

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Haunting in the Park for ages eight and up will be held at Glyndon Park on Friday,

October 27. Guided tours will be given at 7:30, 8:15, 9:15, 10 and 10:45 p.m. Tickets

are \$5 each and must be purchased in advance at the Community Center. Volunteer

"Hallow Screen!" will feature a family Halloween movie outdoors at Glyndon Park

at sundown Friday, October 20. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for

seating. For information on which PG-rated film will be shown, call 703-255-7842

Vienna Community Band will present a Halloween concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Octo-

ber 29, in the Community Center auditorium. Admission is free. For more informa-

Halloween party for children ages 4-12 will be held on Saturday, October 28, from 2

to 3:30 p.m. in the Community Center gym. Admission is free. Come in costume!

There will be carnival games, prizes and fun for everyone. Sponsored by Vienna

Parks and Recreation, the Optimist Club of Vienna and the Vienna (Host) Lions

Halloween party for grades 6-8 will be held at Club Phoenix Teen Center on Tues-

day, October 31, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. Free of charge. Celebrate with a costume

after noon on October 18 and for weather information on the day of the show.

tion, contact Patricia O'Keefe at 703-281-4077 or visit www.viennaband.org.