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This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

APRIL 1998 – At its April 6 meeting, the Town Council will hear from representatives of Hazel-Peterson on the status of that company's proposal for Virginia Center. located on Vienna's southwestern border near the Vienna Metro station. Council expressed strong opposition to Hazel-Peterson's original proposal, which would have increased commercial space from 650,000 to 850,000 square feet and increased overall daily traffic by 25%. Hazel-Peterson is now offering a compromise proposal, a mix of hotel and office space.

APRIL 1988 – The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area is conducting a survey for the Virginia Department of Transportation to help identify those "traffic hot spots" that can be remedied by "quick fixes" (improvements that may be accomplished in a short period of time or with moderate expense) and to obtain ideas for improving public transportation.

APRIL 1978 - French pianist Nicole Chedeau will give a recital at the Community Center on April 9, sponsored by the French Club as part of Vienna's ongoing exchange program with its sister city, Ceret, France. To help pay Ms. Chedeau's traveling expenses, admission will be \$2 for adults. A number of families in Ceret will open their homes this summer to young people from Vienna.

INFORMATION 24 HOURS A DAY: Vienna Newsline — 703-255-6333 To Order a Special Pickup — 703-255-5727 www.viennava.gov

Spring Cleaning for Your Car

April, National Car Care Month, is a good time to make sure your car is tuned up and in working order. Taking the time for spring vehicle maintenance can extend the life of your car, reduce your chance of having a breakdown, consume less gasoline, and save money.

Here are some important car maintenance facts from the U.S. Department of Energy to consider this spring:

- Regular car maintenance, such as tune-ups, oil changes, air filter maintenance, and proper tire inflation, can save 23 gallons of gasoline per year on average.
- Replacing a clogged air filter can improve your car's gas mileage by as much as 10%, saving up to 55 gallons of gasoline, or about three trips to the gas station, each
- Keeping your tires inflated to the proper pressure can improve your gas mileage by around 3%, saving up to 18 gallons of gasoline per year.
- A well-maintained vehicle produces up to 20% less volatile organic compounds and 10% less nitrogen oxides - the precursors of ground-level ozone - than a poorly maintained vehicle.



Budget Schedule

Copies of the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 2008-09 will be available for public review beginning Wednesday, April 9, in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall and at Patrick Henry Library. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge or viewed at www.vi ennava.gov, and the entire budget document may be purchased. For more information, call 703-255-6350.

Town Council budget work sessions are scheduled at Town Hall for Saturday. April 12, at 9 a.m.; Monday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m.; and, if needed, Tuesday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. Work sessions are open for the public to attend. A public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for the May 19 Council meeting.

Tax Relief Forms Due April 1

Both the Town of Vienna and Fairfax County offer real estate tax relief for lowincome homeowners who are 65 years old and over, or permanently and totally disabled. Total household income and total combined assets requirements must be met, and both Town and County applications must be filed.

Applications for 2008 for all programs are due April 1. This date may be extended to December 31 of the year following the year the application was due for first-time filers or if hardship conditions exist which, through no fault of the applicant, prohibit applying by April 1. For more information about the Town program, call 703-255-6325; for County information, call 703-222-8234.

Presentation of Traffic-calming Report to Council Postponed

The Town Council has decided to postpone consideration of a townwide trafficcalming study to allow additional time for public comment and recommendations from the Transportation Safety Commission. Presentation of the report had originally been scheduled for the April 7 Council meeting.

The firm of ATCS, P.L.C., was contracted by the Town Council last year to conduct the traffic-calming study, which was to address key locations in town, including those that already have traffic-calming measures in place, focusing on residential streets. The study assesses cut-through traffic and speeding in residential areas.

A draft of the report was discussed at the Transportation Safety Commission's February and March meetings, and comments received from the commissioners and the public will be incorporated into a final version, which will be presented to the Town Council later this year. Copies of the latest draft are available for review in the Public Works Department at Town Hall and may also be viewed at www.viennava.gov.

Fairfax County Conducting 2008 Triennial School Census

Fairfax County Public Schools' (FCPS) 2008 Triennial Virginia School Census is underway. The Commonwealth of Virginia requires each school division to conduct a census every three years as a means to distribute funds to schools. Each child counted will bring FCPS approximately \$1,000 per year in state sales tax dollars.

All households - with or without school-age children - should have received census forms in the mail and are asked to participate in the census in order to measure the current population and to chart population trends, enabling FCPS to make projections for future needs. Information is requested on children younger than school age as well as home-schooled and privately schooled children.

There are four ways to respond to the 2008 Virginia School Census:

- Online at www.fcps.edu/census (requires ID number from your census form).
- Fax the completed form to 703-329-0791.
- Mail the completed form using the envelope provided.
- Use an interactive voice response system at 703-752-0950.

If you lost or did not receive your census form, call the census office at 703-329-7765 or e-mail census@fcps.edu.

> SEE PAGES 4 & 5 FOR INFORMATION ON THE MAY 6 TOWN ELECTION

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

JANUARY 28, 2008

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to the personnel code concerning the probationary period for new Town employees and holiday pay for part-time and seasonal employees.
- Awarded a bid for construction of a records storage building at the Nutley Street Property Yard to Christopher Management of Fairfax in the amount of \$205,654.
- Approved the final payment to Sumter Contracting Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$10,217 for change orders and additional work at the Town Green.
- Approved funds for silt removal in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 under the annual contract for general construction services with Sagres Construction Corp.
- Approved a letter to the Federal Transit Administration requesting a "time-out" for the Dulles rail project.

- Accepted the resignation of Carole Wolfand from the Town/Business Liaison Committee.
- Conducted a closed session to discuss personnel matters.

FEBRUARY 4, 2008

- Approved the placement of vertical grabber panel barricades (movable signs used in pedestrian walkways), or similar signs, at Louise Archer, Marshall Road, and Cunningham Park Elementary Schools, after consultation with those schools.
- Authorized the Town to apply for Virginia Department of Transportation revenue-sharing funds for the following projects: \$150,000 for sidewalks, curb and gutter, drainage improvements, and onstreet parking at Meadow Lane Park; \$150,000 for sidewalks, curb and gutter, and drainage improvements on Talahi Road, S.E.; and \$50,000 for sidewalks and drainage improvements on Knoll Street, N.W.

FEBRUARY 25, 2008

- Conducted a closed session to discuss personnel matters.
- Renewed Historic Vienna, Inc.'s five-year lease on the Freeman House, the original library building, and the grounds at 131 Church St., N.E.
- Approved an additional \$3,000 for the Town's share of the Branch Road improvement project.
- Approved the contract with Double H Locates of Marshall, VA, for underground utility marking.
- Adopted amendments to the personnel code concerning the probationary period for new Town employees and holiday pay for part-time and seasonal employees.
- Referred to the planning Commission proposed amendments to the zoning code concerning boarding of small animals at aminal hospitals.

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Send news to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall. FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@viennava.gov Deadline for May issue is April 15.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment

At its April 7 meeting, the Town Council will consider a proposed amendment to Vienna's Comprehensive Plan concerning locations for telecommunications facilities. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall

The amendment would include the Town's three water storage tanks within those areas of the town encouraged for telecommunications exchange installations.

The Comprehensive Plan addresses public utilities, including telecommunications facilities, to ensure their location minimizes negative effects – safety, environmental, or aesthetic – on nearby properties and the community in general.

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Town Council budget work session 9 a.m. Saturday 18 Board of Architectural Review Police Chief's Ivisory Committee Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. Thursday Fon. Advisory Com-7 p.m. 16 Planning Commission Planning Commission Proposed FY 2009 budget available WednesdayZoning Appeals Board of Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m. (if needed) 00 Mayor's Advisory Committee volunteer reception Transportation Safety Commission Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. Tuesday 14 Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m. 21 Town Council Town Council Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week Il meetings are held t Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise

Vienna Police Officers Receive Valor Awards

Four Town of Vienna police officers were recognized for their heroic efforts at the March 13 Valor Awards ceremony sponsored by the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce. The event also honored members of the Town of Herndon Police Department, Fairfax County Police Department, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, and Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department.

Master Police Officer Jarod Evans received a Lifesaving Award for reviving a young man who had stopped breathing due to a drug overdose.

Sergeant Anthony Clingerman also received a Lifesaving Award for performing CPR to revive an elderly man who had hanged himself.

Master Police Officers J. Michael Oliver and H. Trent Nelson received Lifesaving Awards, and Sergeant Clingerman received the Silver Medal of Valor for their roles in subduing a suicidal woman armed with a knife.

This is second Lifesaving Award for MPO Nelson and MPO Evans.

The Vienna Police Department has been participating in the Valor Awards program since 2005 and has been honored 10 times for valorous and lifesaving actions.

Summer Laborer Jobs Available

The Town of Vienna has a number of openings in the Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Departments for temporary summer workers beginning in May. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The starting salary is \$9 per hour.

Public Works laborers assist Town crews in maintaining and repairing curbs, gutters and sidewalks, or in the daily operations of the Water and Sewer division. Parks Maintenance workers assist in maintaining ball fields, mowing grass, and cleaning park sites, while the summer landscaper position assists the Town's horticulturist with the watering program and landscaping tasks.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, be able to perform heavy manual labor, and have a valid driver's license. *THOSE HIRED WILL BE EXPECTED TO WORK FOR AT LEAST SIX WEEKS*. For more information, contact the Administrative Services Office at 703-255-6350 or e-mail *jobs@viennava.gov*.

Help Wanted for Teen Summer Camp and Playground Program

Teen Camp Counselor – Experience working with teens ages 11-15. Seven-week summer day camp, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. One week training required. Starting salary \$10.50-\$12.50/hour. Must be 19 years old.

Playground Camp Counselor – Experience working with children ages 6-11. Sevenweek summer playground program. Should be available to work 40 hours/week 7 a.m.-3 p.m. or 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. One week training required. Starting Salary \$9-\$10/hour. Must be 18 years old. Playground Aide position also available.

For more information, contact the Town of Vienna Administrative Services Office at 703-255-6350 or visit www.viennava.gov.

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.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in February:

Frederick A. Churchill consultant
519 Brentwood Ct., N.W.
703-242-0674

Northern Virginia Electrolysis *electrolysis* 386 Maple Ave., E. #110 703-537-0310

Carla Toenniessen *psychotherapy* 513 Maple Ave., W. 703-863-2737

Venus Body Wellness skin care 502 Maple Ave., W. #302 703-901-2250

SHOP IN VIENNA Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries in April: 20 years – Hair Design Studio; 10 years – bikes@vienna, Donna Cloud, The Gypsy's Garden, The Tasty Palate.

Business Week Softball Game

The Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Town/Business Liaison Committee invite you to their first annual Virginia Business Appreciation Week Softball Slam.

The tournament will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at Waters Field, corner of Center and Cherry Streets, S.E.

The co-ed teams are currently recruiting players of all skill levels. To sign up, contact Tom Hanton, 703-788-3223 or *than ton@guernseyop.com*, or Mark Uhron, 703-766-2025 ext. 102 or *mark.a.uhron@ampf.com*.

The teams are also looking for local business sponsors.

Northside Connector Completed



Trail Dedication/Arbor Day Ceremony

Mayor Jane Seeman and the Town Council invite residents to attend the dedication of the Northside Park Connector Trail (pictured above) at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 5. Northside Park can be reached from Mill Street, N.E. or Glyndon Street, N.E. Parking will be available at the Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill St., N.E.

In addition to the dedication ceremony, a tree will be planted near the trail in commemoration of Arbor Day.

For more information, call Vienna Parks and Recreation Director Cathy Salgado at 703-255-6356 or e-mail csalgado@viennava.gov.

The Northside Park Connector Trail consists of a 125-foot boardwalk style trail, elevated in sections, and a 50-foot asphalt pathway connecting the W&OD Regional Trail and the Richard Black Bridge to the northeast quadrant of town.

Vienna Named Tree City USA



Vienna has been named a 2007 Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to community forestry. This is the seventh year the town has received this national recognition.

Four standards must be met to become a Tree City USA community: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day eration with the National Association of State Foresters and the U.S.

Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service.

TRIM THOSE BRANCHES — Now that many people are out enjoying the warm weather and spring colors, residents are reminded to keep tree branches, shrubs, vines and hedges trimmed so they do not overhang sidewalks or obstruct the view of motorists.

All the walkers and bicyclists in town will appreciate it!

Volunteer Recognition Day

Mayor Jane Seeman has proclaimed Tuesday, April 8, as Volunteer Recognition Day in the Town of Vienna to celebrate and promote volunteerism in the community. A special meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee will be held at 8 p.m. April 8 in the Council Chamber at Town Hall to recognize the individuals and organizations nominated as outstanding volunteers for 2008. The public is invited to attend.

Those who will be honored on Volunteer Recognition Day include Terry Bachmann, Walter Basnight, Pat Burke, Ed Chase, Mike Cheselka, Kathy Cutri, Dawn Dailey, Rebecca Diamond, William Fiore, Barbara Mackie Franklin, Chuck Gray, Donna Gray, Lisa Greenwood, David Guillaudeu, Monica Haley, Irene Light, Suzanne Maloney and the Vienna Theatre Company, Robert McCahill, Mark Meana, Corey Merdler, Robert Meyers, Shani Moser, Shelley Newhouse, Ken A. Quincy, Margaret "Peggy" Reinhardt, Jerry Shelton, Carey Sienicki, Kathy Splitt, and Ed Wagaman.

In her proclamation, Mayor Seeman states, "Volunteering of one's time and resources is a fundamental part of the tradition of our country and is essential to its spirit. The people of our community benefit from the deeds of these selfless and dedicated individuals and organizations."

Dial 211 for Health and Human Services

Faced with the large number of health and human service agencies and help-lines available in our area, people are often confused and don't know where to turn. Now Northern Virginians can call 211 seven days a week from 8 a.m. to midnight for free information and referrals. Just like 911 is the three-digit number for emergencies, 211 is the FCC-designated national three-digit number to get information about health and human service resources.

211 connects citizens with a broad range of essential services, including health resources, child care, after-school programs, elderly care, job training programs, and many more. For more information, visit www.211.org.

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Town Council Election May 6

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 6. All voting will take place at the Vienna Community Center from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

This year, Vienna voters will elect the Mayor and three Town Council members, who will begin new two-year terms July 1. Candidates include incumbent Mayor Jane Seeman and incumbent Council members Laurie Cole, Edythe Kelleher, and Mike Polychrones.

For election results, call the Vienna Newsline, 703-255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close on May 6, or visit the Town's Web site at www.viennava.gov.

Town Council candidates appear on these two pages.

Please take the time to vote on May 6.

Voter Registration Deadline April 7

Monday, April 7, is the last day to register to vote in the May 6 Town election. You are eligible to register if you are a Vienna resident, at least 18 years old by election day, and a U.S. citizen.

You may register in person in the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at the County Government Center or by mail. Application forms are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, all public libraries and other locations around the county, and at the County Web site, www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for the Town election; however, you should check your voter registration card to be sure it lists your current name and address. You must notify the Registrar's Office of any change in your name or address before the registration books close for the election.

For more information, call the Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776.

Away on Election Day? Vote Absentee

If you will be away from Fairfax County on election day or are unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability, you may vote by absentee ballot. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot by mail is April 29.

You cannot request an absentee ballot using an e-mail message. You must complete and sign the absentee ballot application form to receive an absentee ballot by mail. The completed and signed application may be forwarded by mail, fax or as an e-mail attachment

In-person absentee voting will be conducted at the Fairfax County Office of Elections. In-person absentee voting ends May 3.

For more information, call 703-222-0776 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb/absentee.htm.

Meet the Candidates

The Northeast Vienna Citizens' Association (NEVCA) invites all Vienna voters to its candidate forum on Wednesday, April 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Candidates will discuss their position on issues of interest to the community and take questions from the audience. For more information, call NEVCA president Dan Mulville at 703-938-1791.



M. JANE SEEMAN

"For the past 12 years on Town Council, eight of them as your Mayor, I have extolled Vienna as a unique and special place in which to live. More and more I am convinced that this is due to the courtesy and neighborliness that Vienna citizens show each other. Vienna is a friendly and caring Town. We are united in our desire to keep Vienna's character and reputation as a primarily single-family residential Town. We love to frequent our many new and old shops and restaurants. School events, athletic games, and Town Green concerts give us all the opportunity to meet up with acquaintances and develop new friendships.

"All of this does not happen in a vacuum. The Town Council and Town Staff work hard to serve citizens and provide the best services for the lowest taxes possible. Town residents play a big role in Vienna by volunteering thousands of hours in the community. This partnership of Town officials and Town residents is one of the most rewarding aspects of serving as Mayor.

"We cannot ignore the challenges that the Town faces. Increased development is all around us. Our infrastructure, including water and sewer lines, need constant repair or replacement. We need to continue to protect our neighborhoods from cut-through traffic and to keep their quiet residential charm. All these and a myriad of other issues that are important to the Town are given utmost scrutiny by the entire Council. I provide leadership on many of these issues at County and areawide meetings and organizations. Vienna's interests are always foremost on my agenda.

"It is a privilege to represent Vienna as your Mayor and to work with all citizens to preserve the special qualities of life that we all enjoy. I pledge to continue to provide the leadership required for Vienna's future." Vienna Farmers' Market, located on Church Street in the parking lot next to the red caboose, will open for the season on May 3 from 8 a.m. to noon. Each Saturday through November 1, the market will feature fresh fruits and vegetables, and many other items. The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna will operate the farmers' market this year, with new vendors and space for non-profit organizations. For more information, call 703-200-7806 or visit www.viennafarmersmaket.org.

Book collection is underway for Historic Vienna, Inc.'s annual sale June 14 and 15 at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. Please, no magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, or *Reader's Digest* condensed books. Receipts for tax purposes may be obtained during business hours, Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. Books may be left on the front porch any time. For information or to volunteer to help with the sale, call 703-938-5187 or e-mail *admin@historicviennainc.org*.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold an open house and registration for the spring session of its "Adventures in Learning" program on Thursday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd., Oakton. Classes will be held on Thursdays, April 10-June 5, and include a health series, national affairs, bridge, T'ai Chi, and more. The fee of \$35 covers all classes for the eight-week session. For more information, call 703-281-0538 or visit www.scov.org.

Community yard sale will be held on Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wesley United Methodist Preschool, 711 Spring St., S.E. (rain date May 3). The sale will include children's toys, clothes, household items and baked goods. To rent a space and for more information, contact Alison at adlock ard@verizon.net.

Open House at Summit Christian Academy will be held April 10 from 5 to 8 p.m. and April 12 and 19 from 1 to 4 p.m. The school offers grades K-8 and beforeand after-school care. The school will sponsor a 5K run on May 3. For more information, call 703-698-7458 or visit www.summitvienna.org. The school is located at 8200 Bell Ln. off Cedar Lane.



Vietnam Veterans of America,

Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Guest speaker will be Admiral Bob Shumaker, USN (Ret.), who was a POW in Vietnam for eight years. For more information, call 703-698-8010 or visit www.vva227.org.

Vienna AARP Chapter 754 will meet at the Vienna Community Center for a potluck luncheon and bingo at 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 7. A business meeting and entertainment will be held on Monday, April 21.

Writers Commitment Group meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon at Patrick Henry Library. Work on your writing project, then have lunch at the Vienna Inn to discuss writers' organizations, grants, classes and more. For information, contact Lisa Leibow at *lleibow@cox.net*.

Historic "Little Library," located on the grounds of the Freeman House, 131 Church Street, N.E., is open the first Sunday of the month from 1 to 4 p.m. A children's hour is held the second Saturday of each month from 10 to 11 a.m. featuring stories and songs for ages 4-12 accompanied by a parent. For more information, call 703-938-5187 or e-mail *admin@his toricviennainc.org*.

Newcomers Club will hold a luncheon meeting on Thursday, April 10, at Marco Polo Restaurant. For reservations and more information, call Nancy Crowley at 703-938-4835. The club also sponsors a bridge group, "lunch bunch" book exchange, and bowling league.

NARFE Chapter 1116 (National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association) will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 8, at the Vienna Community Center. Guest speaker will be NARFE's National President Margaret L. Baptiste. For more information, call 703-205-9041.

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 21, at the Dunn Loring fire station, 2148 Gallows Rd. Member Dianna Gutoski will explain the AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) program. Bring your dog and practice to take the 10-step CGC test. For more information, visit www.Poto macValleySSC.com.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

TaxAide volunteers will be at Sun-Trust Bank, 515 Maple Ave., E., through April 15, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is required. The AARP TaxAide program is the nation's largest free, volunteer-run tax preparation service, available to low- and middle-income taxpayers. You do not have to be retired or a member of AARP to benefit from this program. All volunteers are trained in tax preparation and certified by the IRS. For more information, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Historic Vienna Inc. will hold its spring membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, at Town Hall. Marion Dobbins, a 6th-generation Fairfax County resident, will discuss how she researched her own family history and that of the African-American community in Northern Virginia. For more information, call 703-938-5187 or e-mail admin@historicvienna inc.org.

Used book sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Patrick Henry Library, will be held at the library on Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, April 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Sunday only, fill a bag with books for \$5. Proceeds benefit our community library. For more information, e-mail *FPHL@cox.net* or call the library at 703-938-0405.

A \$1,000 college scholarship will be awarded by the Vienna Woman's Club to a student with a Vienna zip code continuing his or her education this fall at a two-year or four-year college. All area high school career counselors have applications and information about the scholarship, or call 703-938-6632. Application deadline April 7.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group will meet at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, April 24, at Patrick Henry Library. Elden Wright, president of the Virginia Lions Eye Institute Foundation, will speak on the Lions' Eye Clinic and Low Vision Center, located adjacent to Fairfax Hospital. For more information or transportation, call Rhoda Stevens, 703-281-9679, or Steve Sedgwick, 703-255-0515.

SAFE-D Teen Driving Safety presentation will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, at James Madison High School. Teens and parents are invited to attend this discuss of how to "Arrive Alive" as a driver or passenger. Free of charge; a cold dinner will be provided. Hosted by the JMHS PTSA and the Vienna-Madison Community Coalition.

Vienna Elementary PTA Run for Fun, 5K race and 1-mile walk/run, will be held on Sunday, April 27, at the school, 128 Center St., S. The 1-mile event begins at 8 a.m. and the 5K race at 8:20 a.m. The fee is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 14 and under who register by April 15. All proceeds benefit Vienna Elementary. Registration may be completed online at www. Active.com. For more information, visit www.venna5Krun.org.

The Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., is open Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., this month featuring the work of photographer Lillian O'Connell and a retrospective of the late artist Brendan Somerville. A reception for the exhibit will be held on Friday, April 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. Summer art camps for children are scheduled at the Art Center. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.viennaartssociety.org.

Vienna Wireless Society (VWS), established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in Vienna and the Washington metropolitan area, will meet at 7:30 p.m. April 11 and 25 at Vienna Elementary School, 128 Center St., S. You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to attend. For more information, visit www.viennawireless.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@parsonage.net.

Casino Night and silent auction, to benefit the James Madison High School Warhawks Athletic Boosters, will be held on Saturday, April 5, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Vienna Moose Lodge, 9616 Courthouse Rd. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$45 at the door. To purchase tickets and for more information, e-mail warhawkssports@gmail.com.

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, April 19, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. See an operating HO scale model railroad. For information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org.

Northern Virginia Senior Softball seeks men age 50+ and women age 40+ to play slow-pitch softball on Tuesday and Thursday mornings on Fairfax County fields beginning in mid-April. Players are assigned to teams according to their skill levels. For more information, call Dave, 703-524-5576, or Ted, 703-913-0028, or visit www.nvss.org.

Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis will be held on Sunday, May 18, begining at 1p.m. at the caboose in Centennial Park. The three-mile stroll along the W&OD Regional Trail will be followed by food, music and family activities. Help raise awareness of this lifethreatening genetic disease that affects the lungs and digestive system. For more information, visit www.cff.org/Chapters/metrodc/GREATSTRIDES or call 703-255-3985.

Spring Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, April 12, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire station, 400 Center St., S. The bazaar will feature crafters and home-based businesses offering gift items and decorations for the home. Lunch will be available as well as treats from the baked goods table. For information or to reserve a space, call 703-938-2649 or e-mail pam@vvfd.org.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at the Vienna Community Center the second and fourth Wednesdays in April at 7:30 p.m. Are you afraid to get up and speak in front of others? You are not alone, but Toastmasters can help you overcome your fears in a fun and friendly atmosphere. For more information, call Nicola at 703-268-5001 or visit www.viennatmc.freetoast host.ws.



LAURIE GENEVRO COLE

"As I write this, our 2008 Town Council election is uncontested. I don't think that means we can be complacent about our Town's future. We have challenges and opportunities ahead.

"We can be proud that Vienna is a well-managed Town. (Standard & Poor's agreed recently when it raised our bond rating to "AA".) The soft economy challenges us to examine our budget priorities carefully. My goal is to make sure the Town efficiently delivers the services residents want and rely on. And even in tough times, I believe that investments in roads, sidewalks and other infrastructure are for the long-term benefit of our Town and cannot be short-changed.

"I believe good fiscal and environmental management go together. Last year, I requested that we examine the possible benefits of including hybrid vehicles in the Town's (small) fleet; the first hybrid is now in use. To reduce waste in our recycling program, I successfully urged a change in Town recycling guidelines to give residents the *option* of using bins instead of bags at curbside. Collectively, such small changes can make a big difference.

"We can't talk about our future without addressing the plans to urbanize Tysons Corner. I've vigorously and publicly advocated for the Town's interest in this process. The relationships I've built with representatives from surrounding communities will help to give Vienna a strengthened voice in this effort.

"It has been a privilege to serve Vienna on Town Council. I ask for your continued support and your vote May 6."



EDYTHE FRANKEL KELLEHER

"It is a privilege to serve the vibrant community of Vienna on the Town Council. Thank you for electing me, which allows me to work to maintain and enhance Vienna's small-town feeling and childand pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods, as well as programs and facilities for young and old alike.

"For the past six years, I have worked diligently to provide the quality services that residents expect, while maintaining fiscal responsibility. In my interactions with other local governments, I have always stressed cooperation for mutual benefit.

"From budget questions to traffic calming, citizen participation in Town government is essential. Individuals and the Town both face a challenging budget this year, and it is vital that residents and businesses provide input to the Town's process, so that your desires may be translated into spending priorities.

"In my efforts to limit taxpayer burdens and fully utilize our new Town Green, I founded the Friends of the Vienna Town Green. The Friends solicit funds and provide volunteers for the popular "Summer on the Green" concert series. I invite you to visit us in the Parks and Recreation section of the Town's Web site (www.viennava.gov).

"I ask that you grant me the opportunity to renew my commitment of responsible leadership for our distinctive community. I pledge to continue to listen to all positions on issues, and to work with you to resolve your concerns. I look forward to seeing you on May 6."



MICHAEL J. POLYCHRONES

"Working together, we have accomplished many important goals to enhance our Town's unique character. Vienna's newest park, the Town Green, has been a rousing success, and I commend the continued effort by the Friends of the Town Green and the Vienna business community for sponsoring programs at the park.

"The Branch Road project is complete and even though it looks the pretty much the same, the improved drainage and stable road bed will ultimately save tax dollars in road maintenance. Although the Beulah Road project is still ongoing, the end is in sight.

"The growing parking problem in the Church Street business corridor and the related traffic issues associated with it and in Town overall is of major concern. The Town commissioned a Traffic Study and a Parking Study, both of which are still being evaluated.

"The Tysons redevelopment is moving forward. We need to utilize all of the land use planning tools available to maintain the uniqueness of our Town and allow its business sector to remain economically viable. The Town had commissioned a study of potential redevelopment along Maple Avenue; we now need to work with the Planning Commission to enact some of the recommendations of that study.

"Providing safe drinking water in a cost-effective way will be the big issue that faces us this year. The Council along with Town staff and Fairfax County officials are discussing the options available concerning this vital service.

"I ask for your continued support and vote on May 6 in order to keep working for our community."

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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 or visit www.viennava.gov. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Family Skate Night will be held each Friday through April 25 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Admission is \$1 per person. Bring your own roller skates or in-line skates and safety equipment. Parents are required to stay with their children and are welcome to participate.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Adult soccer clinic for beginners and intermediate players will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 1-May 8, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Participants should bring their own soccer ball, water bottle, shin guards, and sneakers or cleats. \$60 for town residents.

Adult spring co-ed softball league begins April 20. Games will be played at Southside Park on Sunday mornings. The registration fee of \$400 per team includes 10 regular season double-header games, umpire fees, softballs, a post-season tournament, and awards.

Men's adult basketball league registration is underway. Games begin June 16 through August 8. Two 10-team divisions will play a round-robin schedule, with the top teams competing in a championship tournament. The fee is \$550 per team (plus \$20 for each non-county player).

Monday morning walkers will visit local trails and scenic neighborhoods in the Vienna area on Mondays, April 7-May 12, from 10 to 11 a.m. The fee of \$5 for town residents includes a guide for each walk, trail maps, and written materials.

Friday Adventure Walkers will meet from 10 to 11 a.m. each Friday, April 4-May 9, at different locations around Fairfax County. The fee is \$15 for town residents and includes walking guides and maps. Transportation to walk destinations is on your own. Each walk is about three miles and will be held rain or shine.

Supermarket tours at Vienna's Giant Food store will be given April 9 and May 7 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Registered dietitian Denise Feil will help you develop a personalized nutrition plan and teach you how to read food labels and analyze ingredients to determine which products are the best for your dietary needs. \$40 for town residents.

Resting metabolic rate testing will be offered April 9, May 7 and June 11 from 12 noon to 1 p.m. A registered dietician will determine your daily caloric needs to help you achieve your weight loss goals. Participants will be scheduled at 20-minute intervals. \$50 for town residents.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Be safe and smart when out and about. Learn how to defend yourself, recognize personal boundaries, manage conflict, build healthy relationships, and keep safe in difficult situations. This course, taught by instructors from Prevention Education for Adults, Children and Teens, will be held each Wednesday, April 2-23, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. \$25 for town residents.

Financial Basics for Teens, a workshop to provide teens with the information they need to become financially responsible adults, will be held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 5 and repeated April 19. Topics include financial goal-setting, personal credit, opening accounts, paying bills, and identity theft. The fee of \$40 for town residents includes a reference workbook.

Dodge ball tournament for grades 6-8 is scheduled for Monday, April 7, beginning at 4 p.m. Free of charge.

Tournament night for grades 6-8 will be held on Wednesday, April 9, from 4 to 6 p.m. Free of charge. Fitness teams will compete for prizes in exercises, races, and a variety of sports.

BUS TRIP

Tour Maymont Mansion in Richmond on Wednesday, May 14. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 8 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. The cost of \$80 for town residents includes transportation, tour of the 33-room house, tram tour of the grounds, box lunch, and tea at the Cuppa Tea Company in Richmond's Fan District.

PERSONAL HISTORY

Vienna Parks & Recreation offers the only personal history writing event of its kind in Virginia. Come and experience why people from all over the state attend this event:

Writing Your Personal History Symposium is scheduled for Thursday, May 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The symposium will be a fun-filled and informative learning experience for both new and more seasoned writers. Participants will engage in writing activities; network with other like-minded writers; and learn about publishing venues, local writing programs and support groups. The cost for the symposium is \$20 per person, and advance registration is required. Lunch may be ordered for an additional \$6.

Writing Your Personal History is an informal, group-run class for people interested in documenting their life stories. Class will be held each Thursday, April 3-August 14, 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. Free of charge; a donation of \$5 will be used to provide refreshments at each class.

Create your own cookbook using your family's unique recipes, traditions, photos and memories each Friday, April 25-May 30, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Diane King, former editor-in-chief of Pillsbury Cookbooks, will teach you how to research, design and publish your cookbook.

The cost is \$50 for town residents and includes a take-home cookbook of recipe favorites shared by class members.

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

What to Feed a Living Trust will be presented on Monday, April 14, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss Virginia trust law, funding your trust, what bankers don't know, trusts and mortgages, trusts and the IRS, record keeping, making amendments, and more. This seminar is free of charge, and no advance registration is required.

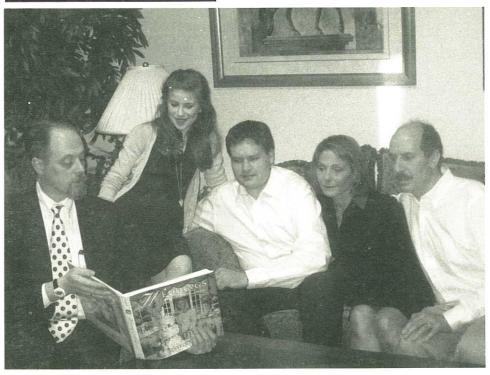
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Personal Safety for Women will be held in four parts – May 5, 7, 12 and 14 – from 7 to 10 p.m. Vienna Police Officer Trent Nelson will teach basic crime prevention and risk reduction measures plus physical self-defense techniques to help women be more confident in an attack situation. The fee is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

AARP mature driver safety program, for motorists age 50 and older, will be held April 25 and 28 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 may be eligible for a discount on their car insurance. The fee is \$10 per person and both classes must be attended. Advance registration required.

Reservations for the picnic shelters at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks may be made Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visit the Community Center in person or call 703-255-6360 for more information. The fee for Town of Vienna groups is \$25 for a maximum of five hours (\$50 for out-of-town groups) plus a \$25 refundable key deposit for use of the restrooms. The shelters can accomodate groups of up to 75 people. The Fairfax County Park Authority, 703-246-5700, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, 703-352-5900, also provide picnic areas for large groups.

"Father of the Bride"



The Vienna Theatre Company will present the comedy "Father of the Bride" at the Vienna Community Center April 18, 19, 25 and 26, and May 2 and 3 at 8 p.m. and April 20 and 27 at 2 p.m. Pictured above, left to right, are cast members Tom Epps, Megan Graves, Dakota Ferriman, Carol Preston, and Jay Reiner. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$9 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older, available at the Community Center.

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Congratulations to the Vienna Theatre Company, which received seven nominations for the 2007 Washington Area Theatre Community Honors (WATCH) awards. Last fall's production of "Taking Leave" was nominated for Outstanding Play; Lorraine Magee, Outstanding Direction; Rick Kenney, Outstanding Lead Actor; Cassie Lee and Leta Hall, Outstanding Featured Actress; Suzanne Maloney, Outstanding Lighting Design; and John Vasko, Outstanding Set Construction. Over 100 productions from 29 Washington, D.C., area community theaters competed for the awards.

"Beauty Spot" Awards

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

- Mark and Kathe Albrecht, 510 Glyndon St., N.E.
- · David Blessard, 801 Meadow Lane, S.W.
- Tyrone and June Holmes, 128 Nutley St., N.W.
- Darrell and Karen Newcomb, 403 Onondio Cir., S.E.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcome. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180 or e-mail nriddel@viennava.gov.

The Community Enhancement Commission meets at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (except November and December) at Town Hall.

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