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This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

AUGUST 1998 - The Town Council has adopted an ordinance to prohibit on-street parking of certain commercial vehicles in residential zones. These include trash trucks, dump trucks, tow trucks, and other commercial vehicles of 12,000 pounds or more registered gross weight; heavy construction equipment; food and beverage vehicles; and landscaping and lawn-care equipment. The restrictions do not apply when the vehicle is temporarily parked to perform work at a particular location.

AUGUST 1988 - The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing for August on five bond referenda questions posed for the general election in November. Of particular interest to the Town of Vienna is the commercial and redevelopment areas question, which proposes a total of \$30.8 million for central business area improvements. The Town Council has asked the Board for a portion of these funds for new sidewalks, landscaping, and other improvements to Vienna's central business district.

AUGUST 1978 – A jitney bus service for the Vienna/Tysons area has been approved by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. The system will probably be implemented within six months to a year, operated by a private company under contract to Fairfax County. The jitney service will operate in the residential areas of town on fixed routes but with no fixed stops. Riders will hail the bus as they would a taxi and tell the driver where they want to be discharged. The idea for such a system developed in response to the rising costs of providing off-peak Metrobus service.

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

Communicating in an Emergency

Communication is the lifeline of emergency preparedness. Years ago, Fairfax County and many other places around the country relied on outdoor civil defense sirens to alert the public to an emergency. But by the early 1990s, all 95 sirens in the county, including one in Vienna, had been removed. The reasons for discontinuing the sirens were the age of the equipment, a history of failure of the sirens in many jurisdictions, and the increasing availability of more effective means of communication.

Today, the Community Emergency Alert Network (CEAN) is the emergency communication system used by Fairfax County. In the event of an emergency, such as a terrorist attack or severe weather incident, authorized county government personnel will send alerts, updates, and instructions right to your cell phone or mobile device using text messaging and/or to your e-mail account(s).

Once you sign up for an account, you also can map your specific points of interest (route to work, schools, etc.).

For more information and to register for CEAN, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ cean or call the Office of Emergency Management at 703-324-2362.

storm drain! Stormwater runoff pollution comes

from many sources, including parking lots, lawns, driveways, golf courses, and roads. Rainwater that runs off these surfaces picks up contaminants like motor oil, fertilizer, pesticides, and bacteria from pet waste. This stormwater runoff flows into storm drains and then into local streams and the Potomac River, the sources of drinking water for many residents in the Washington, D.C., area. The runoff ultimately contributes to the pollution affecting the Chesapeake Bay.

ern Virginia Clean Water Partners' Web site, www.onlyrain.org.

Holiday Schedule

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.



2009 Calendar Deadline

Attention Vienna non-profit organizations! September 1 is the deadline to submit information about your community events for next year to be published in the 2009 Town Calendar. Address calendar items to the Public Information Office. Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180, fax 703-255-5722, or e-mail pio@viennava.gov.

Only Rain Down the Drain

August is National Water Quality Month. What can you do to prevent water pollution? Never dump anything down a

For more information, visit the North-

"Its an Old-fashioned Halloween"

Parade Planning Underway

Do you love a parade? Then the Vienna Halloween Parade Committee wants you! Join in planning for the 62nd annual parade, or help out on parade night, October 29.

The next parade committee meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, August 7, at the Vienna Community Center. For more information, call parade chairman Rebecca Diamond at 703-463-4241 or e-mail rdiamond@tysonsdodgejeep.com.

The theme of this year's parade is "It's an Old-fashioned Halloween!" and the Grand Marshal will be Vienna's favorite vampire, Count Gore De Vol, host of the online version of "Creature Feature." Count Gore last appeared in the parade in 1978 when he hosted "Creature Feature" on TV Channel 20.

Entry application forms and information about the parade can be downloaded from the Town's Web site, www.viennava.gov, beginning August 1, or call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. The entry deadline is Friday, September 29. Because space is limited to the first 100 approved applicants, the parade may fill before the entry deadline. Completed applications do not guarantee entrance.

Become a Parade Sponsor

Invest in a memory! Become a sponsor for the Halloween Parade and help maintain the parade's excellent level of entertainment. Thrill your friends, kids, grandkids, office mates, or potential clients by putting your name (or theirs!) in front of thousands of parade watchers. For information, call parade chairman Rebecca Diamond at 703-463-4241 or e-mail rdiamond@tysonsdodge jeep.com.

Dominion Starts Tree Maintenance

Dominion Power has announced plans for tree pruning and maintenance within the Town of Vienna. This work, scheduled every three years to help protect power lines, is planned for the following areas:

- Distribution line clearing in the northeast section of Town beginning in early July. These are the power lines that run along town streets, to homes and businesses, and in easements at various locations. This work is done periodically depending on weather and any emergencies that arise.
- Distribution line clearing along the W&OD Trail beginning in early July. This work is done along the trail from approximately the town limit at the end of Onondio Circle. S.E., to Glyndon Street, S.E., where the distribution line ends
 - Transmission line clearing along the W&OD Trail beginning in September.

If trees need to be trimmed on private property, affected residents should receive notice from Dominion in either their regular monthly bill, door tag, or by separate letter. For any questions, call Dominion at 1-888-667-3000.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

JUNE 2, 2008

- Adopted a resolution for submission to the Governor regarding Virginia's transportation funding crisis.
- · Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Reappointed David Miller to the Planning Commission for a two-year term. Appointed Sara Greenwood to the Community Enhancement Commission as the student member for a one-year term.
- Conducted a public hearing on an appeal of a decision by the Windover Heights Board of Review.
- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed real estate tax rate for fiscal year 2008-09.
- · Conducted a public hearing concerning repeal of the 1% increase in the meals and lodging tax adopted in 2001 to finance the Town Green project.

- Approved funding of \$15,000 for a water supply study consultation prepared by Tri-Tek Engineering of Herndon.
- · Approved additional pavement striping around the intersection of Church and East Streets, N.E., in the amount of \$6,000.
- · Renewed the contract for HVAC maintenance, inspection, and on-call service at town government buildings with R.M. Thornton and Gunnell & Son in the total amount of \$34,787.46 for the fiscal
- · Renewed the contract with Silver Communications of Sterling for printing the quarterly Parks and Recreation Department brochures in the amount of \$16,071.85 for the fiscal year.
- · Extended the contract with Nag Engineering for geographical information system and information technology services at an estimated cost of \$37,500 for the fiscal year.

Adopted an ordinance to permit small animal boarding at veterinary facili-

JUNE 16, 2008

- · Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- · Reappointed Howard Springsteen to the Transportation Safety Commission for a two-year term.
- Adopted the budget for fiscal year 2008-09.
- · Because votes relating to taxation require a two-thirds majority for approval, a motion to continue the meals and lodging tax rate at 4% failed on a vote of 4 to 3. (Cole, Lovelace, Robinson, and Seeman voted aye; Dellinger, Kelleher, and Polychrones voted nay.) The tax will therefore revert to the original 3%.
- · Renewed the contract with Balderson's of Chantilly for printing and mailing the monthly Town newsletter in the amount of \$18,334.94 for the fiscal year.
- · Approved the replacement of the single speed humps in the 200 and 300 blocks of Church Street, N.E., with two speed tables in each block.
- · Voted to defer for four months consideration of installing a speed table near 705 Meadow Ln., S.W. During this time, the speed limit on the street is to be monitored and enforced.
- Approved the installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Gibson Drive and Meadow Lane, S.W. (Approved 6-1, Cole voting nay.)
- · Endorsed computer security measures and disaster recovery planning recommended by the Information Technology Administrator.

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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16 23 30 0 N Saturday 15 29 00 Friday4 1 21 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. Board of Architectural Review Thursday 9 Planning Commission Wednesday 5 Transportation Safety Commission Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. Tuesday 25 Town Council Monday August 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 10 Sunday All at V

Fight Back Against Summertime Threat of Mosquitos and Ticks

Fight the Bite!

The best way to avoid mosquito bites, which can transmit West Nile virus, is to reduce the mosquito population around your home and neighborhood by eliminating the standing water in which mosquitoes breed. Once adult mosquitoes emerge, chemical controls provide only temporary relief. You should also use a mosquito repellent when spending time outdoors.

How can I protect myself and my family?

- Use mosquito repellents that contain DEET when outdoors.
- · Stay indoors at dawn and early evening.
- Wear long, loose, and light-colored clothing when outdoors.

What can I do to eliminate standing water around my house?

- · Clean your gutters.
- · Dispose of or recycle old tires.
- Keep water from puddling.
- Fix oudoor leaking faucets.
- · Clean bird baths weekly.
- Add fish or a recirculation pump to ponds.
- Store or dispose of buckets, watering cans, or other containers.
- Treat standing water that cannot be eliminated with a larvicide that can be purchased at your local garden or hardware store.
- · Install, repair, or replace screens on both windows and doors.

How can I help my community?

- · Organize a neighborhood clean-up.
- Report dead birds to the Fairfax CountyHealth Department at www.fairfaxcounty. gov/hd/westnile/wnvdeadbird.htm or call 703-246-2300.

Protect Yourself Against Lyme Disease

You don't have to go hiking in the woods to be at risk for Lyme disease, which is spread by ticks. It can be contracted right in your own yard, especially if deer are present. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends these personal protection measures:

- Wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt. Tuck your shirt into your pants. Tuck your pants into your socks or boots, or use tape to close the opening where they meet. Wear a hat, and tie back long hair.
- Use an EPA-approved insect repellant or arachnicide (pesticide) that is effective for ticks, such as DEETor pyrethrin. Be sure to heed all precautionary information, and be aware that some people are sensitive to these chemicals.
- Wear light-colored clothing so that a tick can be seen more easily. Change clothes when you return from an area where ticks may be located. Shower to wash off any loose ticks.

For more information, call the Lyme disease hotline, 1-800-886-LYME, or visit Fairfax County's Lyme disease information page at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/service/hd/westnile/wnvlyme.htm.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in June:

Scholastic Bowl Co. of Virginia business service
810 DeSale St., S.W.
703-537-0134

Computer Service Center computer service
165 Maple Ave., E.
703-319-1700

Departure Point group travel program 129 Park St., N.E. #12A 703-242-4203

Great American Cleaning Co. house cleaning 316 Owaissa Rd., S.E. 703-541-8590

> Pro Feed pet supply sales 234 Maple Ave., E. 703-820-3888

Mathnasium of Tysons tutoring 302 Maple Ave., W. 703-255-6284

new ownership: Nova Salon Services 502 Maple Ave., W. 703-255-0677

Convenient Location & Friendly Service

** SHOP IN VIENNA **

Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries in August: 30 years – William J. Thomas, DDS; 10 years – Tequila Grande, Tilson Landscape Co.

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.

Comment from the Council Table

Have Fun While Doing Good Works

By Edythe Frankel Kelleher Vienna Town Councilwoman

Joining a service organization is a great way to do community service while enjoying the camaraderie of your fellows, learning from a speaker, and eating a good meal. The three main service organizations in Vienna, whose membership is open to anyone, are the Lions, Optimists, and Rotary.

All three are chapters of international associations, formed in Vienna 50 to 70 years ago. Each offers lunch or dinner meetings and opportunities to do volunteer work and/or to raise funds for charitable causes. The cost of membership ranges from a low of \$30 initiation fee and \$80 quarterly dues (Lions) to \$100 initiation and \$212.75 quarterly (Rotary).

Helen Keller challenged the Lions to be "knights of the blind," and today Lions are best known for their sight and hearing programs. Vienna Lions collect used eyeglasses and volunteer at the eyeglass-recycling center. The Lions sponsor medical clinics, providing sight, hearing, dental, and overall medical care to those in need. The Vienna Lions bring their Sight and Hearing Van to Viva! Vienna! and other area locations.

Selling holiday trees, the Vienna Lions raise more than \$30,000 each year to

donate to local causes such as Madison High School programs, Boys and Girls States, Committee for Helping Others (CHO), Alternative House, and the Cops and Kids Run. The Lions sponsor a youth scholarship-based music contest, and grant awards to local elementary school students. Members maintain a cabin at the Northern Virginia Youth Camp. Vienna boasts two Lions Clubs: Vienna Host, which meets for dinner twice a month, and Ayrhill, which has lunch meetings.

The Vienna Optimists raise funds through holiday tree sales and the management of Vienna's Farmers' Market. The Optimists donate to local organizations such as Madison, Marshall, and Oakton High Schools and the Camelot School's Deaf and Hard of Hearing program. The Optimists support student programs such as PTSA Reflections, Ethics Day, and the Robotics Club, and purchase equipment for youth sports teams. In addition, they recognize teacher excellence, procure educational products for schools, provide a vocational scholarship for students entering a trade, and appreciate outstanding local law enforcement.

Optimist programs are geared to all school levels. There is a "Helping Hands"



Councilwoman Kelleher

award for elementary school students, an oratorical contest for middle schoolers, and "Youth in Excellence" awards for high school students. The Optimists sponsor outstanding students at the national Hugh O'Brien leadership program. Vienna Optimists meet for dinner twice a month.

The Vienna Rotary Club is best known for co-sponsoring the annual Viva! Vienna! festival. Last year, the Rotarians raised more than \$84,000, which was donated to a long list of charitable groups such as the Salvation Army, the Women's Center, the Shepherd Center of Vienna/ Oakton, CHO, Alternative House, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Habitat for Humanity, and many more. The Vienna Rotary supports youth sports and Boy Scout troops, and programs and student scholarships at Madison and Marshall High Schools. Additionally, Rotary supports orphanages in South America, and this summer Vienna Rotary volunteers will chaperone a group of local students who will travel there to build beds for or-

The Rotary Club differs from the others in that business networking among members is encouraged. Another distinction is that Rotary meets for lunch every week, and members are required to maintain regular attendance, attending another chapter's meeting if their own is missed. For more information, you can find the Lions at:

www.viennahostlionsva.lionwap.org the Optimists at:

www.viennaoptimist.org and the Rotary at:

www.viennarotary.org.

Vegetation Must Be Kept Trimmed

The Town Code prohibits "grass, weeds, and other foreign growth" to exceed 6 inches in height within 100 feet of any street or adjacent property line. Property owners found in violation of this ordinance will be sent a notice from the Town giving them 10 days to cut their grass. If they do not, the Town will cut the grass and bill the property owners. Unpaid bills will be recorded as tax liens against offending properties.

The Town Code also restricts the height of bushes, hedges, and other plantings (and fences) to three feet above the curb level within 25 feet of an intersection. Keeping foliage trimmed makes it easier for pedestrians and bicyclists to see approaching vehicles.

Every resident's effort to keep plantings trimmed will help make Vienna a safer and more attractive community. For more information, or to report violations, call the Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-255-6341.

PLEASE NOTE: Before cutting any tree, shrub or other plant near your home, first make sure it belongs to you. If you are unsure whether vegetation is on your property or in the public right-of-way, check with the Parks and Recreation Department, 703-255-6360.

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FY 2008-09 Budget Approved

The Town's adopted budget for fiscal year 2008-09, which began July 1, totals \$29,467,365 for all funds, an increase of \$377,155 or 1.3% over last year.

The General Fund budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 20.91¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, an increase of .95¢ from last year's tax rate. Based on the estimated median market value from 2008 assessment data, the average Vienna property owner will pay an annual real estate tax bill of \$1,147.16, an increase of \$55.04. Total funding for tax relief programs (real estate property tax and revitalization tax exemption) is estimated to increase by \$5,845 or 2.05% for FY 2008-09.

In the Water and Sewer Fund, based on revenue projections it will not be necessary to adjust either the water or sewer service charges for this fiscal year. The Town is currently pursuing the feasibility of agreements with Fairfax Water to take over the Town water system and Fairfax County to do the same for the sewer system, or to negotiate a new water service contract.

The Debt Service Fund budget continues to be supported by receipts from the meals and lodging tax. Sufficient revenues will be available for principal and interest payments on existing debt after July 1, 2008, when the meals and lodging tax reverted to the original 3% rate.

A "Budget in Brief' summary is shown below. For more information about the budget or to obtain printed copies, contact the Administrative Services Office at 703-255-6350.

FY 2008-09 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES			
Property Tax	\$ 8,476,142	Legislative	\$ 664,676		
(20.91¢ per \$100 of assesse		Administration	1,610,865		
Other Local Taxes	6,432,700	Finance Department	1,335,572		
Permits, Fees & Licenses	98,240	Police Department	5,590,613		
Fines & Forfeitures	210,400	Public Works Department	6,718,034		
Use of Money & Property	562,000	Tax Relief	290,521		
Park & Recreation Fees	795,000	Parks & Recreation Department	2,747,315		
Special Services Fees	10,120	Planning & Zoning Department	729,914		
Miscellaneous Revenues	108,500	Transfers & Reserves	238,717		
Categorical Aid	1,872,237	PC Replacement	109,000		
Interfund Transfers	962,000	Equipment Replacement	455,898		
Use of Prior Year Reserves	963,786	TOTAL	\$20,491,125		
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WATER & CEWER FUND					

Use of Prior Year Reserves TOTAL	962,000 963,786 \$20,491,125	TOTAL	\$20,491,125	
WATER & SEWER FUND				
REVENUES Use of Money Water & Sewer Charges Miscellaneous Revenues TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 62,274 6,442,791 44,000 \$6,549,065	EXPENDITURES Operations & Maintenance Meter Maintenance & Reading Billing/Customer Service Transfers Equipment Replacement TOTAL	\$4,599,195 444,616 172,928 1,277,519 54,807 \$6,549,065	
REVENUES Other Local Taxes Use of Money Interfund Transfers Use of Prior Year Surplus TOTAL	\$1,769,250 175,000 315,519 167,406 \$2,427,175	EXPENDITURES Administrative Costs Debt Service TOTAL	\$ 700 <u>2,426,475</u> \$2,427,175	

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$29,467,365

Council Action

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- Authorized a blanket purchase order in the amount of \$30,000 for new and refurbished computers from Dell Computer.
- Approved the purchase of traffic signal components from AtaIntic Technical Sales of Chantilly in the amount of \$15,000.
- Extended the annual contract for general construction services to Sagres Construction Corp. in the amount of \$4,471,734.
- Authorized Fairfax Water to conduct laboratory drinking water analyses in the amount of \$13,708.
- Approved continuation of the contract with Ace Temporaries of Arlington for supplemental manpower in the Sanitation Division in the amount of \$21,000.
- Awarded a contract for recyclable material processing to Waste Management-Recycle America Alliance of Fairfax.
- Extended the contract for janitorial services for Town Hall and police headquarters with Blue Chip Service through September 1 at a cost of \$10,371.96.
- Approved the final plat for the resubdivision of the property at 220 and 300 Park St., N.E., into three lots.
- Approved a consent agenda to renew or extend a number of Public Works Department contracts.

Minutes & Agendas for Town Council Are Available at www.viennava.aov

Thanks to Vienna's Babe Ruth League

At its July 7 meeting, the Town Council adopted a resolution congratulating the Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League and its volunteers for their service to the youth of our community. The league hosted the 2008 Babe Ruth Southeast Regional Tournament for 16-year olds at Waters Field July 24-28.

August on the Town Green

All performances are free of charge. For weather cancellations, call 703-255-6360 or 703-255-7842 two hours before the event. Please bring a blanket or chair and leave your pets at home. No alcoholic beverages are allowed. A special thank you to the Friends of the Town Green and our sponsors for their support.

FRIDAYS AT 6:30 P.M. August 1 – Susan Savia – accoustic guitar and vocals

Sponsored by Vienna Shopping Center
August 8 – Nightwork – classic rock
Sponsored by Dominion
August 15 – Mystic Warriors – music from Bolivia and Peru
Sponsored by Friends of the Town Green
August 22 – U.S. Navy Band Country Current – country-bluegrass
August 29 – U.S. Navy Band Cruisers – classic rock/top 40

SUNDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

August 3 – (Performer to be announced)

Sponsored by Friends of the Town Green

August 10 – Open Mic Night – family-friendly musical acts

Sponsored by Friends of the Town Green

August 17 – Redstone Rock

Sponsored by Cox Communications

August 24 – Richard Walton Group – contemporary jazz

Sponsored by Friends of the Town Green

"SUMMER STORIES & SPRINKLERS" EACH THURSDAY THROUGH AUGUST 14 AT 1:30 P.M.

Listen to stories at Vienna's original one-room library located on the grounds of the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., and then take a run through the sprinklers on the lawn of the adjacent Town Green.



Short Plays and Pies

Vienna Theatre Company's Summer One-act Festival at the Community Center

Friday & Saturday, August 15 & 16 at 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 17, at 2:00 p.m.

Enjoy a few short plays to lift your spirits and something sweet with coffee or tea to complete the festivities.

All Tickets \$5, Available at the Community Center Information – www.viennatheatrecompany.org

Enjoy Our Parks This Summer

Enjoy summer weather, recreation, and the great outdoors at Vienna's hometown parks.

Both Glyndon Park and Meadow Lane Park offer lighted tennis courts, basketball courts, ballfields, playground equipment, picnic areas, and restrooms. The pavilion at each park may be reserved for group picnics. The fee for Town of Vienna groups is \$25 for a maximum of five hours.

Northside Park is undeveloped and has no facilities, but is a pleasant area for nature walks and family picnics. Southside Park has ballfields and playground equipment.

For more information, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. For information about other parks in the area, call the Fairfax County Park Authority, 703-246-5700, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, 703-352-5900.

Help Needed, No Experience Necessary

If you can pound a nail, paint a wall, or sew on a button, the Vienna Theatre Company needs you. VTC is looking for volunteers to assist behind the scenes with nontechnical jobs such as nailing a set together, painting a wall, or preparing costumes. If you can help with any or all of VTC's upcoming productions, call Barbara at 703-938-9568.

The company also needs additional storage space. The existing area provided by the Town of Vienna is crowded top to bottom with set pieces, furniture, and props. Each production adds pieces that can be used again and again. Please contact the above number if you have any space that could house some of the overflow.

Under the sponsorship of the Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation, VTC has grown from one play in 1971 to three plays for many seasons, to last year's addition of an evening of one-act plays with complimentary desserts.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Historic Vienna Wants You! Did you or a loved one serve in World War II? Historic Vienna, Inc., the town's nonprofit organization for historic preservation and restoration, is mounting an exhibit at the Freeman House to highlight the veterans of WWII and the sacrifices they made. Vienna area residents who served in any military capacity during WWII, or their families, who would like to participate or be represented in this program are asked to contact David Shelby at 703-918-4359 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants will be invited to give oral interviews, loan photos and/or documents to be copied for the exhibit, and loan items of historical interest (uniforms, insignia, etc.). This exhibit is being developed in cooperation with Vienna's Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180.

Scavenger hunt for children age 8-11 will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, August 4, at Vienna's historic "Little Library," located on the grounds of the Freeman House. Kids will learn history and practice their library skills while looking for clues to solve the Library Puzzle. To reserve a space, call 703-938-5187 or e-mail admin @historicviennainc.org with the child's name, age, and a telephone number.

The Little Library is open the first Sunday of the month from 1 to 4 p.m.

703-281-7614 or visit www.cho-va.com.

As Requests for Service Increase,

CHO Donations Decreasing

are calling upon social service organizations such as the Committee for Helping

Others (CHO) for support. According to Carolyn Mysel, Chair of CHO's Food

Closet, requests have increased in recent months for help with rent, utilities, gaso-

line, medical bills, food, furniture, and clothing from area residents who have lost

in donations, especially of food and clothing. "Food donations to CHO have leveled

in the Dunn Loring/Merrifield/Oakton/Vienna community to provide simple, loving

charity to those in need of goods and services that they are unable to provide for

themselves or obtain from governmental services. To learn more about CHO, call

off since the holidays, but food requests have more than doubled," said Mysel.

Coupled with the increased need for services, CHO is experiencing a slowdown

CHO was organized in 1969 by a group of concerned churches and individuals

their jobs, had their work hours reduced, or live on fixed incomes.

With the slowing economy and rising cost of living, many in our community

Town Councilman George Lovelace will be the featured artist this month at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W. A collection of his photographs may be viewed Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.viennaartssociety.org or call 703-319-3971. The Vienna Arts Society Gallery in the Village Green Shopping Center is open from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. The current show through August 17 is "The Eloquent Brush," featuring the work of Tracie Griffith Tso. For more information, visit the Web site or call 703-319-3220.

Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna provides free services for community residents age 50+, including medical and companion transportation, de-clutter assistance, friendly callers and visitors, record-keeping assistance, and parish nurse. If you or someone you know could benefit from these services, call 703-281-0538 or e-mail office@scov.org. Volunteers are always needed.

Vienna Wireless Society, established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in the Northern Virginia area, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, August 8, at the Vienna Community Center. You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to

attend. For more information, visit www.vi ennawireless.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@parsonage.net.

Beyond Affairs Network (BAN) provides support for people dealing with a spouse's extramarital affair, whether or not the marriage survived. At BAN meetings participants share personal experiences and helpful resources with guaranteed anonymity. For more information about this new non-profit volunteer group, e-mail viennaban@gmail.com.

Brinker Toastmasters meets at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E., the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m. Men and women interested in becoming more effective listeners, leaders, and speakers are welcome to attend. For more information, visit brink er.wordpress.com.

Odyssey in Film series at Patrick Henry Library continues at 7 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, with a movie filmed entirely in Brazil. Both magical and realistic, it tells the story of an orphaned boy raised in the Amazon jungle and brought to the city to be educated in a Catholic orphanage. Admission is free and refreshments will be served To register, call the library at 703-938-0405.

Vienna Toastmasters will meet at the Vienna Community Center the second and fourth Wednesdays in August 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 http://viennatmc.freetoasthost.ws.

Vienna Choral Society is accepting new members. A kickoff celebration for the 2008-09 season will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 26, at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Road, N.E. No auditions required! For more information, visit www.viennachoralsociety.org or call 703-255-5508.

Town Staff Adopts "Core Values"

Town government employees have adopted a set of "core values" describing the behaviors desired from the Town staff. All employees contributed to their development and all will be expected to embrace these values.

Preamble - Traditions

Our most valuable asset is our reputation. We balance the need for change while preserving our history and small-town character.

Core Values

- Integrity: Our actions are guided by ethical and honest conduct.
- Customer: We are responsive and service-oriented to meet customer needs.
- Valuing Employees: Our employees are our most valuable resource.
- Organizational Excellence: We deliver value and exceed expectations.
- Communications: We create an environment that fosters dialogue.
- Accountability: In all levels of the organization, we as individuals hold ourselves accountable for our actions.

How We Will Measure Success

- Increased trust/reasonable risk-taking is encouraged:
 More employee suggestions are offered and tested.
 Employee ideas/suggestions are followed up.
 Employees bring forth solutions as well as problems.
 Management decisions are accepted with less gossiping and more understanding.
 People are willing to share bad news (and do so earlier).
 - Management team lives the core values:
 Peer, public, and Council feedback are welcomed.
 There is a positive tone of dialogue and collaboration.
 Management continues the journey from "the document" to daily life.
- More cooperation and teamwork; work collaboratively: Challenges are solved at the lowest level.
 Employees become problem-solvers.
 Re-work is reduced.

Complainers lose their audience. Employees voluntarily share information across departments. Seek and use staff and public input:

- Become proactive rather than reactive.

 Increased appreciation and feedback between employees and citizens.
- Enjoy the people we work with; enjoy the work we are doing: Productivity and accuracy increase.

More social interaction occurs.

More personal responsibility is taken for work behavior (e.g., attendance, tardiness). Employees display positive attitudes.

We share a sense of humor and have more fun in the workplace.

Show the world where you live by displaying the new Vienna souvenir vehicle decal, available free of charge in the Finance Department at Town Hall. The decal measures 3" x 5" and may be placed in any window of the vehicle. (Please make sure that the decal does not obstruct the view of the driver.)



Recycle Small Electronics at the Post Office

Did you know? Small electronic devices can be mailed in for recycling at no cost to you. The postage-paid mailers are free and can be picked up at the Post Office.

Items that may be placed in the envelopes include cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras, MP3 players, inkjet cartridges, and other small electronics.

Electronic devices received through this program will either be reused, recycled, or broken down into their component parts for reuse and recycling. A list of organizations accepting used electronics is available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/mat-comp.htm

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. (entrance at the dead end of the street). 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.

Yard Sale Reminder

Each household in town may hold two yard sales per year. No permit is required. Two advertising signs, no larger than four square feet each, may be displayed on the property where the sale takes place, and four directional signs, no larger than two square feet each, may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission. Signs may not be exhibited more than two days prior to the start of the sale. Signs are not permitted on public property, in the public right-of-way (10 feet from the curb or edge of pavement), or on utility poles. Illegally placed signs will be removed. For more information or to report violations, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

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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

Enjoy a favorite family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, August 29, beginning at dusk (around 8:45 p.m.). Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Parents are required to stay with their children during the movie. For information on which G-rated film will be shown, call 703-255-7842 after noon on August 27 and for weather information on the day of the show.

BUS TRIPS

See the Baltimore Orioles play the New York Yankees at Camden Yards on Sunday, August 24. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m., giving you time to visit Baltimore's Inner Harbor before the 1:35 p.m. game time. The cost of \$64 for town residents includes transportation and game ticket in the lower reserve outfield seating.

JUST FOR KIDS

All-star Adrenaline Dance Camp for ages 8-12 and 13-18 will be held August 4-7 and August 11-14 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Learn routines in jazz, hip hop, and pom styles from the area's top choreographers and teachers. The fee for each session is \$175 for town residents.

Art camp for "doodlers" age 6-12 will be held August 4-8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Kids will learn about modern art while exploring the use of color. \$250 for town residents plus \$35 materials fee. Camp for "mini-doodlers" age 3-6 is set for August 11-15. Illustrated books will be used to inspire the young artists. \$145 for town residents plus \$35 materials fee.

August sports camps include golf, baseball, soccer, tennis, horseback riding, and an all-sports sampler. Call for dates and fees.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Resting metabolic rate testing will be offered on Tuesday, August 12, from 11 a.m. 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.

Local supermarket tour will be given on Tuesday, August 12, from 2 to

Vienna Youth Players

present the Tony Award-winning musical by Stephen Sondheim

INTO THE WOODS

at the Vienna Community Center

August 1, 2, 8 & 9 at 7:30 p.m.

August 10 at 1 p.m.

General Admission \$10

Students & Senior Citizens (over 65) \$9

Tickets Available at the Community Center

3:30 p.m. A registered dietitian will help you develop a personalized nutrition plan and teach you how to read food labels and evaluate nutritional content to determine which products are the best for your dietary needs. \$30 for town residents.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Art contest will be held on Thursday, August 7, beginning at 4 p.m. Show off your budding artistic talent. Free of charge; refreshments provided.

Celebrate our 50th state at a Hawaiian luau at 4 p.m. Friday, August 15. Admission is free. Play games, win prizes, and learn about Hawaiian culture at this fun-filled event.

POTPOURRI

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's fall production of the comedy, "Over the River and Through the Woods," will be held August 11, 12 and 13 at 7:30 p.m. Cast members must appear on stage as late 20s (1 male, 1 female) to early 70s (2 males, 2 females). The show will open October 17 for three weekends. For more information, visit www.viennatheatrecom pany.org.

Personal safety class for women will be held in four parts – August 4, 6, 11 and 13 – from 7 to 10 p.m. Specially trained police officers along with several local volunteers will teach women to be alert and mindful of their personal safety. Escape and response techniques are demonstrated in practical scenarios as well as several non-physical techniques to help women stay safe. The fee is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

The Vienna Community Center will be closed August 18 – September 1 for annual building maintenance

ducer-only market, which means that the farmers and producers may sell only what they grow, raise, or make on their own farms. Located on historic Church Street in the caboose parking lot, the market is open each Saturday through November 1 from 8 a.m. to noon. Peaches and melons are now in season along with other summer produce and taste treats. The market is operated by the Optimist Club of Vienna. For more information, contact *info@viennafarmersmar ket.com* or 703-200-7806.

"History Is Relative," an exhibit at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., traces the histories of five families who have lived in the Vienna area since the Antebellum period. The exhibit is open until Labor Day, Wednesday through Saturday from noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. For more information or to arrange a group tour, call 703-938-5187 or e-mail sj@historicviennainc.org.

Vienna Farmers' Market is a pro-

Bingo at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S., is held every Sunday, with all proceeds benefiting the fire department. Sales begin at 5 p.m. and games begin at 7 p.m. The minimum purchase is a \$10 game pack (20 games). Every regular game pays \$100 plus a \$1,000 jackpot. For more information, visit www.vvfd.org.

Northern Virginia Senior Softball seeks men age 50+ and women 40+ to play "Fall Ball" on Fairfax County fields Tuesday and Thursday mornings, September 2-October 30. NVSS has 25 teams organized into 3 skill-level conferences. Players are assigned to a team at the skill level they meet by a skill assessment, not a tryout. Eleven play defense, and everyone bats. For more information, call Dave, 703-524-5576, or Ted, 703-913-0028, or visit www. nvss.org.

Family Fun Night will begin at 4 p.m. Saturday, August 23, at Faith Baptist Church, 301 Center St., S. This free event will include games, food, and prizes followed by a special performance by the bluegrass and Celtic fiddle duo, the Grimes Girls. (Check them out at www.Grimes Girls.com.) To guarantee your concert seat, RSVP to ShannonRMathews@comcast.net for free tickets.

Big Donation for New Medic Unit



The Vienna Host Lions Club recently donated \$1,500 toward the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department's new medic unit. Pictured above are VVFD Life Member Sam Savia, Lion's Club President Emil Guglielmo, Fire Chief Jeff Gray, and VVFD Secretary Monica Haley. The new medic unit will replace an older, high-mileage unit that is staffed around the clock and responds to an average of 4,000 calls a year. Donations for the new unit, which will cost approximately \$215,000, are tax deductible and can be sent to: VVFD, New Medic Fund, P.O. Box 1115, Vienna, VA 22183-1115. Delivery is expected in late 2008 or early 2009.

Vienna Names in the News

Jim Marshall was named Rotarian of the Year by the Vienna Rotary Club in recognition of this many contributions to the community. Marshall, a retired Navy Federal Credit Union project manager, has played a major role ViVa! Vienna!, which this year raised over a quarter of a million dollars for charity. He is also a KENA Shrine Center clown in support of the Shriners' hospitals and burn centers for children.

Town resident **Michele Dandrea** has been recognized as one of the top 50 financial advisors in the state by *Virginia Business Magazine*. She was selected from over 7,000 nominees based on quality of service to clients. Dandrea has been with the firm of Smith Barney in McLean for over 20 years.

The Vienna Host Lions Club presented Citizenship Awards to Maggie Chappell, Martha Byrne, Harry Hooper and Cory Woods at Marshall Road Elementary School's Moving Up Ceremony and Awards Celebration. Since 1942, the Vienna Host Lions have served the town through sponsorship of the Sight and Hearing Van, collection of used eyeglasses and hearing aids, youth musical talent competition, and donations to many other community projects.

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