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from the Vienna Newsletter archives

OCTOBER 1999 – The Vienna Department of Planning and Zoning has been awarded a \$12,000 grant for software and technical support for the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS) program. The GIS program will enable the Town to produce detailed computer generated maps showing as large or as small an area as desired, from the entire town to an individual piece of property. The software is compatible with software used by Fairfax County and will allow easy exchange of information.

OCTOBER 1989 – Residents are reminded that instead of a Fall Cleanup this year, the Town has instituted a Special Pickup program to dispose of unwanted furniture, building materials, brush, and other debris not included in the regular trash collection. Each residence is allowed two free Special Pickups per calendar year.

OCTOBER 1979 – The Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority plans a big community celebration October 20 to mark the official grand opening of the Washington & Old Dominion (Virginia Creeper) Trail. At that time, a six-mile stretch of the trail is expected to be completed between Lee Highway in Falls Church and Maple Avenue in Vienna. Festivities will include a parade, an Oktoberfest, and a giant "yard sale" along the trail from Park Street toward Cedar Lane.

OCTOBER 1969 – For the first time this year, the Town will send out a civic calendar to Vienna residents listing meetings and events at Town Hall and the Community Center. It is hoped that residents will find it useful, will keep it through the new year, and refer to it frequently.

INFORMATION 24 HOURS A DAY
Vienna Newline – 703-255-6333
www.viennava.gov

Transit Planning Meeting at Town Hall

The Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) will hold a public meeting on transit development planning on Thursday, October 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Details will be posted on the Town Web site, www.viennava.gov, when available. Citizens can also call FCDOT at 703-877-5600 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot.

Personal Property Tax Due

Town of Vienna residents must pay Fairfax County personal property tax on motor vehicles, due every year on October 5.

The current tax rate is \$4.57 per \$100 of assessed value. Fairfax County provides car tax relief to citizens who are either 65 years of age or older, or permanently and totally disabled, and meet income and asset eligibility requirements. For more information, call 703-222-8234 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta.

NW Quadrant Traffic Meeting

The Vienna Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) is holding public hearings to listen to citizen concerns and suggestions relating to traffic safety for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. The first meeting, for northeast Vienna, was held in September. The next meeting, for residents in the northwest quadrant of town, will be held on Tuesday, October 27, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Future meetings are scheduled as follows:

November 24 Southeast quadrant
January 26 Southwest quadrant

Residents may also send written comments to TSC Chairman Steve Kenney in care of Town Hall or e-mail tsc@viennava.gov.

Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, October 12, for Columbus Day. Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday route.

Halloween Parade

The 63rd annual Vienna Halloween Parade will step off at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 28, on Maple Avenue. See page 4 for parade information.

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 Collection Begins This Month

Fall leaf collection will begin October 22 in south Vienna and October 26 on the north 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. Crews may take several days to finish in an area, but they will pass your address only once during each collection period. 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 the year.

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.

The schedule for 2009-2010 is shown below. For more information about leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381.

2009-2010 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

SOUTH VIENNA

Rake Leaves by:	Collection Starts:
October 21	October 22 (1st Pass)
October 27	October 28 (2nd Pass)
November 20	November 21 (3rd Pass)
January 3	January 4 (Last Pass)

NORTH VIENNA

Rake Leaves by:	Collection Starts:
October 25	October 26 (1st Pass)
November 8	November 9 (2nd Pass)
December 11	December 12 (3rd Pass)
January 10	January 11 (Last Pass)

No Special Pickups During Leaf Collection

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

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise

MAY 11, 2009

- Conducted a closed session to discuss candidates for appointment as Town Clerk and openings on Town boards and commissions.

- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 2009-1010.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposal to add the Department of Public Works fee schedule to the Town Code.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposal to require a permit for any work in the public right-of-way.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposal to add language pertaining to required permit fees to the erosion and siltation control regulations.

- Following a public hearing, approved supplemental appropriations to the FY 2009 Town budget.

- Accepted the traffic-calming study submitted by the consulting firm ATCS.

- Approved the Transportation Safety Commission's recommendations for traffic safety improvements in the area of Marshall Road Elementary School, including restriping the crosswalks and installing a "No Left Turn" sign for Dellwood Drive at Marshall Road, S.W. (Approved 6-1, Cole voting nay.)

- Authorized extension of the contracts with RM Thornton Mechanical Contracting and Gunnell & Son for HVAC maintenance, inspection, and on-call services and with Tri-Tek Engineering for comprehensive engineering services.

- Awarded a bid for engineering services for the next phase of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project to Bowman Consulting, with \$27,440 from capital improvement funds as the Town's 2% locality match of Virginia Department of Transportation funding.

- Amended the zoning code to include patios and decks under the definition of "structure."

MAY 18, 2009

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

- Appointed Keely Lauretti to the Transportation Safety Commission for a two-year term.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to regulate portable storage containers.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance concerning how far a carport may project into the side yard of a house.

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to the penalties section of the zoning code.

- Accepted a partial sponsorship from Tysons Corner Center in the amount of \$6,000 for the July 4 fireworks display.

- Authorized a memorandum of understanding with Vienna Little League for the use of Yeonas Park during the July 4 fireworks show.

- Extended contracts for traffic marking; general construction services; commercial trash service; asphalt milling, overlay, and traffic marking; hydraulic cement concrete; and private landfill usage for fiscal year 2009-2010.

More Town Council action on page 10

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TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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

October	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
				Halloween			
							2009

Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week

Special Pickup deadline
Police Chief's Advisory Committee 7:30 p.m.

Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m.

Board of Architectural Review
Leaf pickup begins
Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission
Board of Zoning Appeals

Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.

Columbus Day
Town Hall closed

Planning Commission

Halloween Parade on Maple Avenue 7 p.m.

Transportation Safety Commission

Town Council

Celebrate Oktoberfest!

Saturday, October 3 (rain or shine)
11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
on historic Church Street



Live entertainment on main stage
& children's stage,
beer garden, food vendors,
free children's activities,
festival marketplace

Sponsored by the Vienna-Tyson Regional Chamber of Commerce
and the Town of Vienna
Call 703-281-1333 for information

Town Cleanup Day November 7

The annual Town Cleanup Day, sponsored by Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission, will be held rain or shine on Saturday, November 7, 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 3. For more information, call Cathy Salgado at 703-255-6356.

Organization Registration Form – Deadline November 3, 2009

Mail to: Vienna Parks & Recreation Department
120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180
Fax to: 703-255-6399

____ Yes, our organization/family is interested in participating in the November 7 Town Cleanup Day. Please contact us to arrange participation.

____ No, but contact us regarding other community service projects.

Name of Organization _____ Contact person _____

Address _____

Home phone # _____ Work phone # _____

Number of volunteers _____ Age range _____ Area of interest _____

Council Action ...

(continued from page 2)

JUNE 1, 2009

- Approved a letter to the Fairfax County planning Commission concerning the MetroWest development.

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

- Reappointed Leonard Ignatowski and Jill Decker to the Transportation Safety Commission for two-year terms, and reappointed Emil Attanasi to the Planning Commission for a one-year term.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed rezoning of Northside Park from PR-Park and Recreational to PC-Park and Conservation.

- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed real estate tax rate for fiscal year 2009-2010.

- Approved a one-year extension of the contract with Nag Engineering for GIS (geographic information systems) services.

- Continued the maintenance agreement with Siemens for the Town's telecommunications and phone mail systems.

- Awarded a contract to Inova Health System in the amount of up to \$15,000 for work-related medical services for Town employees.

- Awarded 30 days of catastrophic sick leave to a Town employee. Half of the leave is to be repaid.

- Awarded a bid for printing the Parks and Recreation Department's quarterly brochure to Silver Communications of Sterling, VA, in the amount of \$15,600.

- Approved the release of the maintenance bonds for Vienna Marketplace and the subdivision at 600 and 602 Nutley St., S.W., performance bonds for Vienna Presbyterian Church and the subdivision at 230 and 234 Pleasant St., S.W., and the fire hydrant bond for Westwood Country Club.

Comment from the Council Table

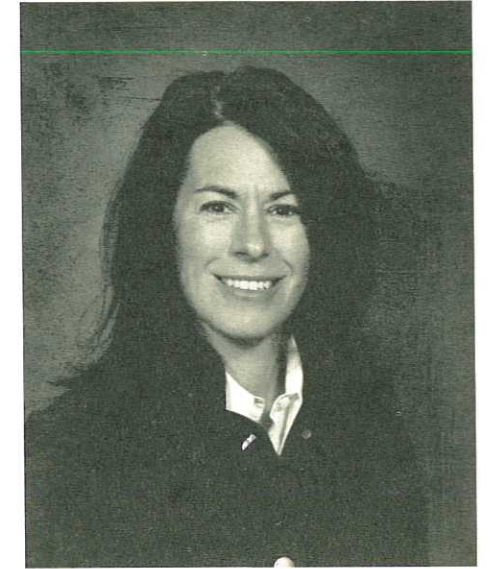
Parking Around Church Street

By Laurie A. DiRocco
Vienna Town Councilwoman

This past spring, when I was campaigning door-to-door, I heard many citizens' concerns. One of the concerns was inadequate and inefficient parking around Church Street. Parking between Church Street and Maple Avenue from Center Street to Mill Street is segregated, under-utilized, and frustrating for customers. Currently, most of the businesses have individually marked parking spaces for their own customers and no parking for other customers. Many of the parking areas need repaving and restriping. Though a few businesses have adequate dedicated parking, most do not, and the net effect is less foot traffic for everyone. I believe a more area-focused, open, and attractive parking

configuration can be a solution.

Recently, Mayor Seeman and I sent out letters to the local property owners in this area proposing a new public parking configuration. This new public parking configuration would improve utilization and provide more parking spaces for all businesses. If the business owners are willing to open up the parking, the Town would repave, restripe, and landscape the parking area. The businesses could also consolidate trash and recycling materials. Customers would have an easier time accessing and parking at the businesses. Increased foot traffic from public parking would provide many potential new customers. The Church Street area would be



Councilwoman DiRocco

more attractive and inviting for all businesses, customers, and residents.

I believe a new public parking configuration around Church Street will benefit businesses by creating a parking destination for customers to walk around and shop, but we need the local property owners to agree. This summer I was fortunate to travel to Kenya with my family and help build a health care facility (along with many other people and workers) in the Masa Mara area. While we were working, the people in charge of the building would talk about *harambe*. *Harambe* is a Swahili word which means bringing everyone's talents, ideas, and energy together for the betterment of the whole community. I certainly felt that unity while I was working on the health care facility.

This word comes to mind when I think about improving the parking in and around Church Street. If we, as citizens, business owners, property owners, and government employees and officials, come together and bring our best ideas and energy to the situation, we can improve the area and make it an enjoyable destination for its customers. I know this is not a simple problem, but I believe we, as a group, can come up with solutions to improve the area as a whole. The Church Street area is a great place to bike, walk, shop, eat, and relax. So with an improved parking configuration, this part of Vienna will continue to be a thriving commercial destination.

"The Heart of Vienna" at Church & Mill

There is an old saying, "penny wise and pound foolish." The Pennywise Thrift Store, operated by the Episcopal Church Women of the Church of the Holy Comforter on the corner of Church and Mill Streets is both "penny and dollar wise." The store opened in 1961 on Maple Avenue (in a building alleged to have been a house of ill repute!). Pennywise has been located at 144 Church St., N.E., since 1968. The many volunteers who work there call it "The Heart of Vienna." Profits support church initiatives to help people in need here and abroad.

When you pass by the porch, you often see it loaded with donations and a sign saying "Temporarily Full – Please Donate Later." This is a very generous town, but store space is limited. Donated items always go to good causes at good prices, or are passed on free of charge. Some items are accepted on consignment. Large furniture items cannot be handled because of lack of space. Health regulations do not allow the resale of bedding and pillows, possible lead-based toys, and children's safety seats.

The offerings at the store are seasonal and change weekly. Because most items are "one of a kind," if you spot something you like, buy it then! Don't expect to find it at a later date. However, some gowns have been worn to Inaugural Balls, re-donated, re-sold and re-worn to other fancy affairs. There have been expensive Brooks Brothers suits to be found for \$12. A \$1,000 tailor-made suit that had only been worn twice also went for \$12! A Pennywise dress was worn to a White House reception and drew the admiration of another guest, Nancy Sinatra. There was the time a hand grenade was found in a suitcase full of newspaper. The store was immediately evacuated until the Ft. Belvoir bomb squad checked it out and found it was an inert practice model.

Pennywise is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Consignments are offered for 30 days. Payment is by cash or by check with proper identification. Individuals or families in need may contact the Church of the Holy Comforter at 703-938-6521 and special credit slips may be given.

Thanks to Christine Langford and Jane Schmaedekamp
for providing this article



7 p.m. Wednesday, October 28th
on Maple Avenue from Branch Road to Center Street

“Vienna Celebrating Community Service”
Grand Marshal Maud Robinson
retired Town Councilwoman
& long-time community volunteer

Special Guests
Washington Redskins Marching Band
Sponsored by Air Treatment Co.



Kids are invited to walk in the parade in their Halloween costumes.
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED.
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

Pre-order a parade DVD with extra footage of costumed kids at
www.viennahalloweenparade.org

and get expert advice from on-site vendors. The fee of \$55 includes lunch on Saturday, snacks, and a goody bag filled with products and coupons. Dinner will be sold both nights. To register and for more information, call 703-281-5797 or e-mail amy.vernon@vbfd.org.

Vienna CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Walk will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, October 25, at the Town Green. The 6k walk will be held rain or shine to fight hunger worldwide and in our own community. CHO (Committee for Helping Others) will receive 25% of the proceeds. To register and for more information, visit www.vienna crop walk.org.

Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group will meet at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, October 22, at Patrick Henry Library. For information or transportation, call Steve Sedgwick, 703-255-0515, or Rhoda Stevens, 703-281-9679.

Open house at the Vienna railroad station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., will be held on Saturday, October 17, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. For information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org. Vienna's red caboose will also be open to visitors, thanks to the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna.

Participate in the All Fairfax Reads movie and discussion of *A Lesson Before Dying* at 5:30 p.m. Monday, October 5, at Patrick Henry Library. Also this month: Around the World in Film series continues with a 1993 drama from France at 6 p.m. Wednesday, October 7, and the Great Decisions Seminar at 2 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, will focus on Cuba. To register for these free programs and for more information, visit the library or call 703-938-0405.

“Walk for Growing Hope,” sponsored by the Optimist Club of Vienna to assist local children diagnosed with cancer, will be held on Saturday, October 3, starting at 8 a.m. from the Vienna railroad station at Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 703-200-3850 or visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org.

Vienna Arts Society (VAS) Pre-season Sale will be held at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., November 2-30. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Find special gifts created by VAS members and other local artists, including watercolorists, acrylic and oil painters, sculptors, glass workers, jewelry designers, knitters and quilters, and crafters of all kinds. A percentage of all sales will benefit VAS and its continuing efforts to enrich the community through the arts. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.viennaartsociety.org.

Celebrate the 40th anniversary of CHO (Committee for Helping Others) at 3 p.m. Sunday, October 4, at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. The celebration will honor the many volunteers and donors who have supported the organization over the years. Since 1969, CHO has been helping needy families and individuals in the Vienna area obtain food, shelter, clothing, transportation, furniture, financial aid, and other necessities. For more information, call Jim Larson at 703-938-5683 or e-mail jimclarson@cox.net.

Vienna Wireless Society, established in 1963 to foster and advance amateur radio in the Northern Virginia area, will meet October 9 and 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at Oakton High School. (Park near and enter Door 2 of the school.) You do not have to be a licensed ham radio operator to attend or participate in club activities. For more information, visit www.viennawireless.org or contact VWS president Jim Parsons at 703-392-0150 or W4JTP@parsonage.net.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 15, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Rufus Phillips will discuss his book, *Why Vietnam Matters*, which documents lessons learned in the war and their application to Iraq and Afghanistan. For more information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit www.vva227.org.

Ducks Unlimited, Potomac Valley Chapter, will hold a banquet and auction at Westwood Country Club on Thursday, October 15. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The evening will include cocktails and dinner, live and silent auctions, and prize drawings. Tickets are \$75 for singles, \$125 for

couples, and \$15 for youth. Proceeds support waterfowl and wetlands conservation. For more information, call Tim Ward at 703-888-8908 or visit www.potomacvalleydu.org.

Koinonia Koffeehouse will be held on Saturday, October 3, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 8601 Wolftrap Rd. All ages are invited to enjoy light refreshments, conversation, and live music including an open mic. For more information, call 703-896-7424.

Caregiver's Treat, sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, will be held on Wednesday, October 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 8601 Wolftrap Rd. This free event is designed to provide adult care-givers a day of relaxation and respite with entertainment, a speaker, and lunch. Care and entertainment are available for care-receivers. To sign up and for more information, call the Shepherd's Center office at 703-281-0538.

Arts & Crafts Show, juried by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild, will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, October 25, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the South Run RECenter, 7550 Reservation Dr., Springfield. Admission is \$2 for ages 13 and older; free for ages 12 and under. Over 50 artisans will offer jewelry, glasswork, dolls, pottery, and many other hand-crafted creations. For information, call 703-866-0566.

Entertainment Books feature savings of up to 50% on restaurants, shopping, travel, entertainment, and more. Books are available from the Vienna chapter of NARFE (National Active and Retired Federal Employees) for \$30 each, and all proceeds go to Alzheimer's research. To order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W., is celebrating the 400th anniversary of Baptists. Sunday sermons in October will recognize the distinctive beliefs of the first Baptists, including liberty of conscience, respect for other faiths, and opposition to state-supported religion. Sunday service is at 11 a.m.; Sunday Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. For more information, call 703-281-4400 or visit www.vbc-va.org.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Cub Scout Pack 1139 is marching in the Vienna Halloween Parade this year to highlight the annual food drive conducted by the scouts. Parade watchers are asked to bring a can of food to place in the shopping carts the scouts will push along the parade route. There will also be collection points (large boxes) located along the route.

Fall Mega Book Sale (also CDs and movies), sponsored by the Friends of the Pat-rick Henry Library, will be held at the library on Saturday, October 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, October 18, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. On Sunday only, fill a bag with books for just \$5. Proceeds benefit our community library. For more information, e-mail FPHL@cox.net or call the library at 703-938-0405.

Madison High School 50th anniversary celebration is planned for October 9 and 10. Activities will include tours of the renovated school building, homecoming events, golf tournament, and a gala at the Tysons Corner Marriott. For details, visit www.fcps.edu/MadisonHS or e-mail John.Lingenfelter@fcps.edu.

White House Christmas ornaments will be sold at Giant Food, 359 Maple Ave., E., on Saturday, October 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. by the Vienna Stars, Vienna's Girls Fastpitch Softball Travel Team. A portion of your purchase will go to support these young athletes. You can also purchase ornaments by contacting Judy Pistilli at jpistilli27@msn.com or Ruth Rohr at rerrohr@cox.net.

"Remembrance: A Concert for Peace opens the season for the Vienna Choral Society at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, October 17, at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. Vaughan Williams' *Dona Nobis Pacem* will be followed by Karl Jenkins' *The Armed Man; A Mass for Peace* in collaboration with the Amadeus Orchestra and Chorus. Ben Malik and Dominic Favia are featured trumpet soloists. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$14 for seniors and children, available online at viennachoralsociety.org or by calling 703-255-5508.

All-you-can-eat Spaghetti Dinner, bake sale, and 50/50 raffle will be held on Saturday, October 17, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors over 65, \$4 for children 4-12, and free for kids under 4. Tickets will be available at the door and during Sunday bingo at the fire station. Proceeds benefit your Volunteer Fire Department.

Vienna's World War II veterans and local residents will discuss their lives during this turbulent time in history on Monday, October 19, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Sponsored by Historic Vienna Inc. A short membership meeting will precede the discussion. For more information, call 703-200-7806 or e-mail fs@historicviennainc.org.

Used bike collection, organized by Boy Scout Troop 1978 to benefit Bikes for the World, will be held on Sunday, October 4, from noon to 4 p.m. in the caboose parking lot on Church Street. Donated bikes are shipped to overseas charities, which repair and distribute them. A \$10 donation is suggested to defray the cost of shipping the bikes overseas. This collection is an Eagle Scout community service project. For more information, contact David at donatebikes@gmail.com.

Help heal the pain of separation or divorce through the "Passages" support group beginning October 6 at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. The 13-week program will be held on Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost for materials is \$20, and financial assistance is available. To register and for more information, call 703-938-9050 or e-mail pas-sages@viennapres.org.

Old time spinner Nedda Davis will give a demonstration on the porch of the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Saturday, October 3, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. She has performed at the Waterford Fair for 20 years and is delighted to be a new Vienna resident. Some of her wares will be for sale. For more information, e-mail fs@historicviennainc.org or call 703-938-5187.

"The Remarkable Trees of Virginia," hosted by the Ayr Hill Garden Club, will be presented at 3 p.m. Friday, October 16, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain-Bridge Rd. Free admission. Guest speaker Dr. Jeffrey Kirwan, Virginia Tech Forestry Professor and 4-H Extension Specialist, is co-author of the book *Remarkable Trees of Virginia*.

"Fun and Familiar Favorites" is scheduled for 3 p.m. Sunday, October 4, at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. Pianist, singer, and humorist Marty Henne will present an afternoon of music and stories to benefit the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, which provides services for adults age 50 and over. Admission is \$15 per person. For tickets and information, call 703-281-0538 or e-mail office@scov.org.

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 publications in sturdy plastic bags at the usual location on the last Tuesday of each month 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.

Vienna Farmers Market, located in the caboose parking lot on Church Street, will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon each Saturday through October 31 (except October 3). This month the market will feature pumpkins, apples, and other fresh fruits and vegetables, crepes made to order, kettle corn, and more. The Ayr Hill Garden Club will sell spring flower bulbs October 17, 24 and 31. For more information, visit www.viennafarmersmarket.com or call 703-200-7806.

Scrapbooking weekend to benefit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department will be held at the fire station, 400 Center St., S., October 2 from 6 p.m. to midnight and October 3 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Bring your own materials or purchase supplies

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in August:

Somerville Homes
contractor
801 Park St., S.E.
703-856-4692

Vienna Dental Care
dentist
303 Maple Ave., W. #H
703-444-0613

Melinda J. Applegate
financial planner
301 Maple Ave., W. #520
703-766-2025

Joan Marie Giampa
gallery, studio school
138 Church St., N.E.
703-349-7178

Wooden Bakery
grocery store
303 Mill St., N.E. #B
703-242-9296

Golden Building Services
janitorial service
301 Maple Ave., W. #D
703-255-7260

Ariel Environmental
online wholesale products
111 Center St., N. #103B
703-618-0134

Anna G. Davis
psychotherapist
513 Maple Ave., W.
703-402-8313

Twirl
sales – clothing & accessories
527 Maple Ave., W.
703-938-1220

Maple Avenue Market
specialty grocery store
128 Maple Ave., E.
703-725-0136

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

Congratulations to the following businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries in October: *40 years* – Covel, Stack and Henon, DDS; *20 years* – Floors USA; *10 years* – Long & Foster Real Estate, The Schiff Group.

Scientific Skin Care Closes

After 30 years in business, Vernell "Miss Nell" Strecker closed the doors for the last time at Yvonne de Vilar Scientific Skin Care, 305 Maple Ave., W., on September 4.

The Institute of Virginia School for Skin Care Specialists and Makeup Artists, teaching skin care and makeup, was founded by Yvonne de Vilar and her daughter Corinne de Vilar, who immigrated from France. Their school was incorporated in 1979 under the name Yvonne de Vilar Scientific Skin Care. This name was sold to Hubert and Vernell Strecker when they bought the school in March of 1991.

After training over 1,900 skin care specialists, called "estheticians," and providing salon services by supervised students at a reduced price to hundreds of clients, the owners decided to retire. Many factors played a role in this decision, including the state of the economy.

The Web site, www.scientificskincare.com, will remain alive for updates and links of interest to those who want to stay in touch. The school is also on Face Book.

Recycling Roadshow Was a Big Hit! More Events Coming

Fairfax County's Recycling Roadshow, held last month at Navy Federal Credit Union, was a huge success. An estimated 1,452 carloads of televisions, computers, electronics, compact fluorescent light bulbs, and paper for shredding were dropped off during the event. Many vehicles had to be turned away because the tractor trailers collecting the items had reached capacity.

Upcoming recycling events include:

- **Document Shredding and Compact Fluorescent Bulb Recycling** – October 3 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway. Bring up to five boxes of paper per household. Only unbroken compact fluorescent bulbs will be accepted. Fluorescent tubes will not be accepted.
- **Electric Sunday TV and Computer Recycling** – October 18 and November 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Rd.

These events are free of charge. For more information, call 703-324-5052 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/recycling.

Voter Registration Deadline Oct. 5

Monday, October 5, is the last day to register to vote in the November 3 general election. Registration applications are available at various locations around Fairfax County, including the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, and may also be downloaded from the County Web site, www.fairfaxcounty.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.

October 31 is the last day to vote absentee in-person.

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.

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

Antiques show and sale will be held October 9, 10 and 11. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Dealers will show and sell a variety of furniture and collectibles. Admission is \$4.50 per person.

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

"Hallow Screen!" will feature a favorite family Halloween movie (rated PG) outdoors at Glyndon Park at 8 p.m. Friday, October 23. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Enjoy refreshments (while they last!) before the movie.

Halloween party for ages 4-12 will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Community Center gym. Admission is free. Come in costume! There will be carnival games, crafts, door prizes, and fun for everyone. Sponsored by Vienna Parks & Recreation and the Optimist Club of Vienna.

BUS TRIPS

View the vast array of fountains in downtown Washington, DC, on Wednesday, October 14. Leave the Community Center at 8:30 a.m. and return at 4 p.m. The cost of \$68 for town residents includes transportation; visits to the fountains at Union Station, U.S. Botanic Garden, Navy Memorial, and other sites; professional tour guide; canal barge ride; and lunch at Filomena's in Georgetown.

Glenfiddich Farm Cookery School, a 170-year old former dairy farm near Leesburg, will offer a Thanksgiving luncheon experience on Wednesday, November 4. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9:30 a.m. and return at 4 p.m. Assist Chef Olwen Woodier in preparing the meal (or just watch) and then enjoy the results. The cost of \$68 for town residents includes transportation, cooking demonstration, lunch, and a visit to the on-site pottery studio and gift shop.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Dining Skills and Etiquette for Teens, for ages 13-17, will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Topics will include silverware savvy, American and continental eating styles, duties of hosts and guests, and many other dos and don'ts. The cost is \$40 for town residents.

In honor of Veterans Day, Club Phoenix members will be writing cards and letters to wounded soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center on Wednesday, October 21, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

Halloween costume party for grades 6-8 will be held on Friday, October 30, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Free of charge. Celebrate with a dance, contests, and Halloween treats.

After-school program for students in grades 6-8 is available on Mondays from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday through Friday from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Kids can get help with homework and enjoy cooking classes, book clubs, sports and fitness ac-

tivities, and more. Club Phoenix offers a big screen TV, video games, foosball, pool and ping pong tables, and a state-of-the-art sound system, all free of charge.

Friday night is movie night for middle school students. Watch a movie each Friday at 7 p.m. Free of charge; popcorn provided.

Rent Club Phoenix! The Teen Center is available for rentals on weekends. Participating teens must be registered at Club Phoenix. Pick up an application at the Community Center or online at www.viennava.gov. For more information, call Brandy Wyatt, Teen Program Coordinator, at 703-255-5721.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Adult drop-in basketball is scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays, volleyball on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and table tennis on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Free of charge for town residents; \$3 for out-of-town participants. Call ahead to check on the availability of the gym.

Youth open gym Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 3 to 4 p.m. for ages 6-11 and 4 to 5 p.m. for ages 12-17. Call ahead to check on availability.

Ongoing free activities for seniors include pickleball Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., table tennis Monday and Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m., and fitness class Tuesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon. (Registration required for fitness class.)

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

The Five-step Estate Plan will be presented on Monday, October 5, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss wills, trusts, taxes, and probate in easy-to-understand terms. Free of charge; no advance registration required.

POTPOURRI

AARP mature driver safety program, for motorists age 50 and older, will be held October 15 and 16 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 \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members.

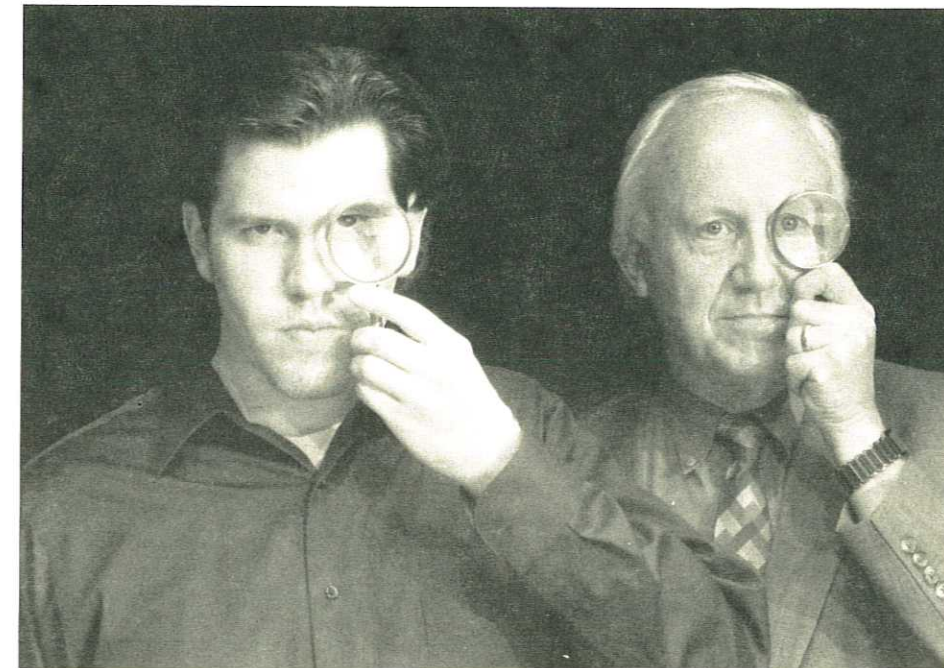
Create your own cookbook October 2-November 13 (no class October 23), Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Diane King, former editor-in-chief of Pillsbury Cookbooks, will teach you how to research, design, and publish your cookbook using your family's unique recipes, traditions, photos, and memories. The cost is \$75 for town residents.

Vienna in *Money's* Top 20 Healthiest Places to Retire

The Town of Vienna has been ranked 19th on *Money* magazine's list of Best Places for a Healthy Retirement. Rankings were based on longevity, access to health care, and opportunities for an active lifestyle.

"The fit residents of this D.C. suburb stroll from their homes into town for an evening in Vienna's charming downtown," the magazine notes. "Washington's museums, restaurants and other activities are only 12 miles away, yet Vienna boasts plenty of its own cultural offerings."

Anaheim, CA, was ranked #1 (a quarter of the places on the list are in California). Vienna was the only place in Virginia to make the list.



The Vienna Theatre Company will present the Tony Award-winning mystery and hit movie "Sleuth" at the Vienna Community Center October 23, 24, 30 and 31, and November 6 and 7 at 8 p.m. and November 1 at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$9 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older. Sign language interpretation for the November 1 matinee is available by sending a request to vtcshows@yahoo.com by October 18 (subject to the availability of a qualified interpreter). Above, characters Andrew Wyke (Peter Harrold) and Milo Trindle (Stephen Whitney) prepare to examine the plot, which asks you to think of the perfect crime and then go one step further.

Please Trim Plantings for Safety

Citizens are reminded to keep bushes, hedges, and other plantings on their property trimmed so that they do not obstruct the vision of motorists or impede pedestrians and bicyclists. The Town Code restricts the height of plantings, fences and shrubbery to three feet above the curb level within 25 feet of an intersection. Keeping foliage trimmed makes it easier to see approaching vehicles. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of vision at intersections, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

The Town Code also prohibits tree branches and other vegetation from encroaching on any sidewalk or right-of-way. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of sidewalks or rights-of-way, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360.

Every resident's effort to keep plantings trimmed will help make Vienna a safer and more attractive community, and all the walkers and bicyclists in your neighborhood will appreciate it!

PLEASE NOTE: Before cutting any tree, shrub or other plant near your home, first make sure it is on your property and not a neighbor's. Also, cutting trees in parks or on other public property is prohibited. If you are unsure whether a tree is on your property or in the public right-of-way (within 10 feet of the curb or edge of pavement), check with the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360.

ATTENTION COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS!

Application forms to display banners across Maple Avenue in 2010 will be available in the Public Works Department at Town Hall beginning October 1. Applications may be submitted by non-profit community organizations anytime through November. Banner space will be awarded in December via a lottery. Each banner will be displayed for two weeks.