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THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

DECEMBER 2000: A contract for construction of Phase 1 of the Northside Public Works Facility Project was awarded at the November 6 Town Council Meeting to Falls Church Construction Corp. in the amount of \$4,291,000. The new facility, to be constructed at Northside Property Yard off Mill Street, NE, will house the Town's Public Works operations- vehicle and equipment maintenance, street maintenance, general maintenance, sanitation, and water and sewer- currently located at the Nutley Street Property Yard.

DECEMBER 1990: To mark the end of Vienna's 100th anniversary as an incorporated town, the Vienna Centennial Committee will hold closing ceremonies on December 16, at the Community Center. The program will feature a display of items going into the Centennial time capsule, which will be buried early next year at Centennial Park on Church Street near the caboose. A group of children representing each Vienna elementary school has been designated as custodians of the time capsule and will be responsible for its opening in 50 years.

DECEMBER 1980: The Vienna Mobil service station has been named grand award winner at this year's Vienna Business Beautification Campaign. Station owner Skip Farmer was recognized for his "supreme and consistent effort to maintain the business with the most outstanding appearance in the year 1980." Also recognized for outstanding beautification efforts throughout the year were Money and King Funeral Home, RJL Associations, and Bob's Big Boy.

DECEMBER 1970: The Vienna Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has received its charter. A Christmas get-together will be held by the group on December 19, at the Community Center for elections, installation of officers and a Christmas party.

NEW FEATURE ON ONLINE CALENDAR

Non-profit and community organizations can now "suggest an event" to be added to the Town's online calendar.

Simply click the "Suggest an Event" link above the calendar on the front page of the Town's website, www.viennava.gov, complete the form and hit send! Your suggestion will be reviewed by staff prior to being published in the online calendar.

This option is open to all non-profits and community organizations that operate in or serve the Vienna community. You can suggest events that your group is hosting, as well as monthly meetings.

Questions? Contact the Public Information Officer at 703-255-6330 or pio@viennava.gov.



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From the Vienna Town Council and Town Staff

Town Hall will close at 12 noon on Thursday, December 23, and will be closed on Friday, December 24, and Friday, December 31, for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. Town Hall will also be closed December 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. during the annual Town employees' holiday luncheon.

The Vienna Community Center will be closed on December 24, 25 and 31, and January 1. The Community Center will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on December 23, and from 12 to 6 p.m. on December 26 and January 2.

There will be no curbside recycling on December 24 and 31. There will be Town-wide recycling collection on December 23 and 30.

The Public Works Department will collect Christmas trees during the month of January. Place trees at the curbside on your second collection day of the week to be picked up along with recyclables. Trees should be unadorned (no tinsel).

He's Comin' To Town...

Hear a message from Santa Claus especially for the children of Vienna beginning December 15, through Christmas Day on the Vienna Information Line, 703-255-6333.

Residents and businesses are reminded that Town employees may not accept gifts during the holidays or at any other time. Any items received by employees will be returned to the sender or donated to a local charity.



DID YOU KNOW? You don't have to wait to receive your newsletter in the mail! You can view this month's Vienna Town Newsletter (and previous editions) online at www.viennava.gov/Town_Info/News_letter/newslet.htm.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

Town Council minutes and agendas are available online at www.viennava.gov.

August 16, 2010

- Approved the continued use of two trailers at Louise Archer Elementary School.
- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 8 of the Code, addition of Article 5, Pawnbrokers.
- Conducted a public hearing to amend the Town Code to permit small animal boarding.
- Awarded a contract for the Lawyer's Road sidewalk construction to Arthur Construction Company, Inc.
- Adopted a replacement of the Vienna Flood Plain Ordinance.
- Approved to publicize the delinquent real estate property tax list in the newspaper.

LOVELACE RETIRES; DELLINGER FILLS IN

During the November 1 Town Council meeting, Councilmember George Lovelace announced his resignation, effective immediately, from the Vienna Town Council. Lovelace first served on the Vienna Town Council beginning in 1982 and resigned in 1996 when he ran for and was elected to a term in the Virginia House of Delegates. He returned to serve the Vienna community again when he was elected to serve on the Town Council in 2003. Lovelace is retiring from Town Council as he and his wife Donalda will be moving to Locust Grove, Virginia to be closer to their grandchildren.



At the November 15 Town Council meeting, Town Council appointed Daniel M. Dellinger to serve the remainder of Lovelace's term, which will expire June 30, 2011. Dellinger was first appointed to serve on the Vienna Town Council in October 2006, filling a vacancy left by retiring Councilmember Syd Verinder. He also ran for and was elected to a term on Town Council in 2007. Councilmember Dellinger is a longtime resident of Vienna and currently lives in town with his wife Margaret.

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Deadline for the January 2011 issue is due December 15.

LEAF COLLECTION

Fall leaf collection continues this month. See the calendar online at www.viennava.gov for dates. Because of leaf collection, no Special Pickups will be made until February 2011.

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

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

Presbyterian Church. Learn how to make wreaths and make wreaths and sprays for churches and public buildings in Town. Lunch is included. Call 703-281-4334 for more information.

The Hunter Mill Office Holiday Open House will be on December 8, from 4 to 7 p.m. at 12000 Bowman Towne Road, Reston.

Tickets for the Vienna Theatre Company's romantic comedy "Almost, Maine" go on sale December 8, at the Vienna Community Center. Show dates are January 21, 22, 28 and 29, and February 4 and 5, at 8 p.m. and January 30, and February 6, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$11 for students and senior citizens 65 and older.

The Women's Center, located at 127 Park Street, NE, will host two workshops during December:

- December 8: Avoiding Divorce Court-How to Negotiate or Mediate a Property Settlement Agreement, 7-9:30 p.m.; Registration fee: \$40 (non members)/\$30 (members) or \$75 (Couples- non members)/\$50 (Couples- members)
- December 9: Reclaiming Your Financial Future: Financial Planning During Separation and Divorce, 7-10 p.m.; Registration Fee: \$45/ \$35 (Center Circle Donors-members)

For more information or to register, visit www.thewomenscenter.org or call 703-281-2657.

The **Vienna Wireless Society** will meet on December 10, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road. For more information, call 703-392-0150, e-mail W4JTP@parsonage.net or visit www.viennawireless.org.

Christmas Carol Sing-a-long and Holiday theme Open Mic Session at **Koinonia** December 2010

Koffeehouse on December 11, from 7 to 10 p.m. Call 703-896-7424, e-mail development@olgcv.org, or visit www.olgcv.org for more information.

The James Madison High School Girls Lacrosse team is hosting a **Mattress Sale Fundraiser** on December 11, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at James Madison High School. For more information, e-mail sandrafrederick@cox.net.

The **Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired Resource Group** will meet on December 15, at 10:30 a.m. for their Christmas party. For more information and location, call Steve Sedgwick at 703-255-0515 or Rhoda Stevens at 703-281-9679.

The Vienna Multiple Sclerosis Support Group will meet on December 8, at 7 p.m. at the Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park Street, NE. The group is for anyone with MS and/or their family and friends. For more information, call 703-768-4841.

All you can eat breakfast buffet, December 19, 8 a.m. to noon, at the American Legion, 330 Center Street, N. Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary, the breakfast is open to the public and offers all the breakfast standards, including omelettes to order. **DECEMBER TOWN MEETINGS**

Thursday, 2nd: Police Chief's Advisory Committee

Monday, 6th: Town Council

Tuesday, 7th: Windover Heights Board of Review

Wednesday, 8th: Planning Commission Meeting

Thursday, 9th: Town/Business Liaison Committee

Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. For more information or for parties of eight or more, call 703-625-5736.

The National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (**NARFE**) is selling **Entertainment Books** until December 15. All profits benefit Alzheimer's research. For more information or to order your book, call 703-938-6580. Delivery can be arranged.

Celebrate the season with **Vienna Choral Society's "Come in from the Cold: A Fireside Concert"** on December 18, at 4 p.m. at the Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Road. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors, and \$35 for families. For more information, call 703-255-5508 or visit www.viennachoralsociety.org.

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary are sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast** on December 18, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Fire Department, 400 Center Street, South. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for children 12 and under, and children under 4 are free. Santa will arrive at 11 a.m. to greet the children.

Monday, 13th: Town Council Work Session

Tuesday, 9th: Mayor's Advisory Committee "Vienna At Your Service"

Wednesday, 15th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, 16th: Board of Architectural Review

Friday, 17th: Mayor & Council's Holiday Reception

Monday, 20th: Town Council

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Our Daily Bread is seeking individuals, businesses and community groups to sponsor families to provide Thanksgiving and December holiday meals and gifts for children to low-income families who reside in all areas of Fairfax County. If you are interested in sponsoring a family or for more information, contact Our Daily Bread at 703-273-8829, info@ODBfairfax.org or visit www.our-daily-bread.org

Historic Vienna, Inc.'s Museum Committee is requesting the **loan of Civil War artifacts** for use in an exhibit recognizing the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War. If you have any items to share, please contact 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org for more information.

Visit the new exhibit, **"Treasures in our Attic" at the Historic Freeman House**, 131 Church Street, NE. For more information, call 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

The Freeman House and Store, and the Little Library will be closed during January and February 2011 for inventory, cleaning and maintenance projects. The buildings will reopen on March 2, 2011.

The **Committee for Helping Others (CHO)** is preparing to help hundreds of local families this holiday season and need your help. Bring your donations, including winter jackets and coats, unwrapped gifts for children and teens, and gently used bikes, to the Vienna Presbyterian Church on Friday, December 10. For more information, call 703-938-7213.

The Vienna Host Lions Club will be **selling Christmas trees** in the Walgreens lot located on Maple Avenue beginning November 28. Wreaths and roping will also be available.

Supervisor Cathy Hudgins will be at the Reston Regional Library on December 6, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to hear from you. Walk-ins are welcome. To schedule an appointment, call 703-478-0283.

The Northeast Vienna Citizen's Association is hosting their **Annual Food Drive for the Committee for Helping Others (CHO)**. Drop off your unexpired non-perishables at any of the following locations from November 1, through December 31:

- Vienna Community Center
- Vienna Town Hall
- Patrick Henry Library
- Bikes @ Vienna, 128-A Church St., NW
- Caffè Amouri, 107 Church St., NW
- Encompass Design-Build, 211 Mill St., NE
- Rexall Drug Store, 150 Maple Ave., W
- Uniquities, 421 Church St., NE #D
- Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., NE

Drop off your used motor oil, antifreeze and batteries at Northside Property Yard on December 4, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Our Lady of Good Counsel is hosting **"Holly & Ivy: A Christmas Marketplace"** on December 4, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and December 5, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 8601 Wolftrap Road. This holiday bazaar benefits the parish's Society of St. Vincent de Paul in their efforts to help the needy in the Vienna community. For more information, e-mail development@olgcv.org or call 703-896-7424.

The 6th Grade Class of Our Lady of Good Council is hosting a **used book sale** on December 4, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Council Church, 8601 Wolftrap Road. For more information, call 703-938-2828.

The **4th Annual Alternative Gift Fair** will be on December 4, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and December 5, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, 543 Beulah Road, NE. There will be a variety of unique, handcrafted gifts from artisans all over the world available for purchase. **The St. Nicholas Festival**, an opportunity for young children to shop for gifts in the Secret Santa Shop, will be on December 4, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. and will coincide with the Alternative Gift Fair. For more information, visit www.holycomforter.com, call 703-598-3498 or e-mail bmonacella@verizon.net.

Musician David LaMotte will perform a **"Giving Hope for the Holidays" benefit concert** for Fairfax-based non-profit Our Daily Bread on December 5, at 8 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Avenue, East. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. For more information, visit www.our-daily-bread.org.

The **Western Fairfax PFLAG** (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) support group will meet on December 7, 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. For more information, e-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com.

FLY (Fairfax Lesbian, Gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning Youth), a support group for youth in grades 7 through 12, will meet on December 7, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and December 19, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. For more information, e-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com.

Five Hills Garden Club will hold its **holiday wreath workshop** on December 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Vienna

FROM THE COUNCIL TABLE

The Boy Scouts Partnership with Vienna Parks and Recreation

By Councilmember Howard Springsteen

As we enter the holiday season, I would like to share with you the appreciation felt by the many Boy Scouts in Vienna who have benefited from the special partnership that has developed between the Department of Parks and Recreation maintenance staff and the various Boy Scout troops, especially those scouts who have worked at obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout. This is the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program, which only about two percent of the scouting membership are able to obtain. I have experienced this wonderful partnership firsthand as one of the Assistant Scoutmaster's in Troop 152, sponsored by the Vienna Presbyterian Church, which is one of several Boy Scout troops based in the Vienna area.



The Boy Scouts hard at work on the Eagle Scout Project at the Community Center: Interlocking Stone Wall Landscape Bed. October 2010.

Before obtaining the rank of Eagle, a Boy Scout must complete one final requirement, an Eagle Scout project. This is a project that can span a two to six-month period and must demonstrate leadership and provide service to a worthy organization other than the Boy Scouts such as a religious institution, school, or the local community. Identifying, getting approval for, and carrying out the Eagle Scout project is meant to be a real challenge and learning experience.

Our Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, under the leadership of Director Cathy Salgado, provides a significant number of opportunities for Eagle Scout projects. According to Cathy, over the past five years her park maintenance staff have enjoyed partnering and working with local Vienna Boy Scout troops to complete several dozen Eagle Scout projects throughout Town. The Town provides the materials, and the deliveries are coordinated by

Parks Supervisor John King. The Boy Scout does the planning, provides the leadership, and arranges for all the tools and labor from either his troop or people he knows in the local community.

Each project fills a need - whether it is maintenance, beautifying, or building. Without the Eagle Scouts, many of these projects would go undone. They may provide the finishing touches that enhance a larger project the Parks and Recreation Department is working on or create a distinct project such as building an interlocking stone wall landscape bed at the Community Center as shown in these two pictures.

By offering these projects to Scouts working on their Eagle rank, Parks and Recreation is able to maintain our parks and public facilities without significant additional cost to town residents. Here's a sampling of many of these projects the past two years:

- Meadow Lane Park - Signage, Retaining Wall and Landscape Bed
- Community Center - Interlocking Stone Wall Landscape Bed
- Moorefield Cemetery - Removal of Ivy, Cleaning of Wall and Painting
- Vienna Train Station - Cleaning and Painting of Train Station (3 separate projects)
- Northside Park - Removal of Invasive Plants and Planting of Ferns
- Waters Field - Replacement of Dugout Roof, Painting
- Southside Park - Repairs and Painting of Bleachers and Picnic Tables
- Glyndon Park - Removal and Replacement of Retaining Wall and Landscape Bed (2 separate projects)
- Stream Valley (across from Yeonas

Park) - Walking Trail Restoration and Improvements

Projects scheduled for the next few months include:

- Community Center - Repair of Community Center Sign, Addition of Rain Barrels
- Wildwood Park Trail - Replacement of Bridge
- Maple Avenue - Replacement of Community Sign Kiosks
- Nutley Street - Replacement of Community Sign Kiosk

Other Eagle Scouts have completed projects at local schools such as Louise Archer Elementary and at local churches or county or regional parks close to Vienna. All these projects either partnered with Parks and Recreation or in the area, are quite impressive! On behalf of over 15 Eagle Scouts over the past two years who have worked with the Parks and Recreation staff in completing their final Eagle rank requirement, thank you for making this partnership so special, not only to their scouting careers but also to the Vienna community.

Have a wonderful and joyful holiday season.



The completed Eagle Scout project at the Community Center completed in October 2010.

2010 ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE WINNERS

The Town of Vienna and the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce have announced the winning entries in the 2010 Vienna Halloween Parade held October 27. Winners were recognized at the November 15 Town Council meeting.

Best in Show – Creativeworx SDF

Youth Band – 1st Place: George C. Marshall High School Band

Adult Band – 1st Place: Northern Virginia Firefighters Emerald Society Pipe Band

Floats (with Music) – 1st Place: Fairfax Jubil-Aires ; 2nd Place: Navy Federal Credit Union; 3rd Place: Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage

Floats (without Music) – 1st Place: Northwest Federal Credit Union; 2nd Place: Montessori School of Oakton; 3rd Place: Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180

Youth Performing Groups – 1st Place: Creativeworx SDF; 2nd Place: Cuppett Performing Arts Center; 3rd Place: Vienna Dance Academy

Adult Performing Groups – 1st Place: Caporales Universitarios San Simon; 2nd Place: Kena Shriners; 3rd Place: Gotta Swing Dancers

Antique Vehicles – 1st Place: Chuck Kunstbeck and Glen Bates (tie); 2nd Place: Girl Scout Troop 527; 3rd Place: Dr. Edward Mickolus

Thanks to the following Halloween Parade sponsors for their generous contributions: Air Treatment Company, Navy Federal Credit Union, American Disposal Services, Palmer Care Chiropractic, Crystalake Engravers, Allegra Printing, United Bank, Fairfax Connection, Fairfax Times, Bogart Associates, Damon Gallery, Dr. Garai Orthodontics, Northwest Federal Credit Union, Profeed, Vienna Family Medicine, Michele H. Wright & Associates, Whole Foods Market-Vienna, and Have Tex.



HOLIDAY TIME AT THE FREEMAN HOUSE

The 2010 holiday cards are available at the old-fashioned Freeman House Store and Museum, 131 Church St., N.E., for \$8.50 for a pack of ten. The card's beautiful image was selected from entries in Historic Vienna, Inc.'s first Christmas Card photo contest. Patricia Deege's photo of the restored W&OD Caboose decorated for the holidays and covered in snow captures the beauty and joy of the holiday season.

Also available is a new Rachael A. Peden wooden ornament for 2010. The ornament depicts Bouton's Hall, the c. 1894 building on the corner of Church and Mill Street. The price is \$19.50 each, and supplies are limited.

Santa Claus will visit the Freeman Store on Sunday, December 5, and again on Saturday, December 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Kids can give their wish lists to Santa while parents relax or shop in a stress-free setting away from the mall. Parents are welcome to take photos of their children with Santa, at no charge, just bring your camera!

The Freeman Store offers a wide variety of gifts; Virginia-made products such as jams and jellies, and hand-dipped and soy candles; historical, regional and local books; "vintaged" maps; old-fashioned toys; Vienna afghans, mugs, tea towels and pottery; and more.

The Freeman House is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. For information, call 703-938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

The elves at the Community Center are busy again this year sending "Santa Grams" from the North Pole to Vienna children.

To receive a message from Santa, kids should mail their wish lists to the Community Center by December 1. Moms and Dads should be sure their children's full names and addresses, including zip code, are printed clearly on their letters.

Mail to:
Santa Claus
c/o the Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry Street, SE
Vienna, VA 22180

2011 DOG TAGS

Town of Vienna licenses are required for all dogs four months of age or older and must be renewed by January 31 each year. 2011 dog tag applications are available in the Finance Department at Town Hall, by mail and online at www.viennava.gov/Town_Regulations/licdog.pdf. The fee is \$10 for a fertile dog and \$5 for an infertile dog. A current rabies vaccination certificate is required to obtain a license, and a spay/neuter/infertile certificate is required for a reduced price license. Call 703-255-6323 for more information.

Dogs trained and serving as guide dogs for the blind, hearing dogs for the deaf or hearing impaired, and service dogs for the mobility impaired must be licensed but are exempt from the license tax.

REAL ESTATE TAX DUE DECEMBER 6

The second installment on 2010 Town of Vienna real estate tax bills is due on December 6. Mailed payments must be postmarked on or before that date to avoid penalties and interest. Any payments mailed at a local post office after hours may receive the next day's postmark. Please verify that your payment is postmarked no later than the due date. For your convenience, an overnight drop box is located at the front door of Town Hall.

If you have not received your bill, please call the Real Estate Office at 703-255-6325 or e-mail mpeng@viennava.gov. If your Vienna taxes are paid through your mortgage company and you receive the tax bill, please notify your mortgage company immediately. If you have sold the property and are not responsible for the tax bill you receive, please notify the real estate office immediately.

To pay by debit or credit card online, go to www.viennava.gov/town_departments/onlinepay.htm. To pay by phone with a credit card, call 1-888-2PAYTAX (1-888-272-9829) and use the Jurisdiction Code 1094 for real estate. Make sure you record the confirmation number given to you at the end of the transaction, as this will serve as your proof of payment.

Town of Vienna property owners must also pay Fairfax County real estate tax. For information, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta/homepage.htm or call 703-222-8234.

LEAF MULCH DELIVERY

The Public Works Department will take orders December 1, through February 28, for leaf mulch to be delivered free of charge to residents who live within the corporate limits of the Town for delivery beginning in mid-February. To place your order, call the "Mulch Line" recording at 703-255-6388 and leave your name, address, daytime phone number and the number of loads to be delivered. You may also order leaf mulch online by visiting www.viennava.gov/Town_Services/seasonal_services.htm. One load is estimated to be about the size of a VW Beetle or approximately 2.5 cubic yards. Half loads are available on request.

Please note the following important conditions:

- All mulch deliveries are based on availability of mulch.
- Mulch deliveries will be placed only in the driveway at the end closest to the house.
- Once mulch is delivered, it becomes the property of the homeowner and the Town will not remove any excess mulch ordered.

Residents may pick up leaf mulch themselves in any amount between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (except holidays) from January 2, through March 30. The mulch is stored on Town-owned property off Beulah Road near Glyndon Park. Look for the sign, "Free Leaf Mulch."



Businesses, Non-profits May Order Mulch

Free leaf mulch delivery is also available to all in-town businesses as well as churches, schools, fire station, library and other non-profit organizations within the town limits. Call 703-255-6388, beginning December 1, to place an order. Please note the conditions outlined above, which also apply to non-residential deliveries.

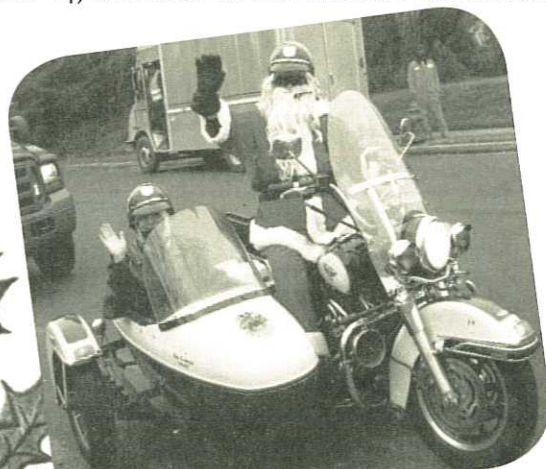
By grinding leaves into recyclable mulch, the Town saves thousands of dollars in landfill fees each year. To save even more, citizens are encouraged to recycle grass clippings as mulch or compost. For how-to information, call the Fairfax County Recycling Hotline at 703-324-5052.

VIENNA POLICE HELPING SANTA

Again this year, the Vienna Police Department is participating in "Santa's Ride for Children" to benefit children who are hospitalized or in need during the holidays. The ride is sponsored by the Fairfax County Police Department's Motor Squad and also includes participants from the County Sheriff's Department and the Virginia State Police.

Vienna residents can support this program by bringing donations of new unwrapped toys, games, books, and other gifts to the Vienna Police Department, 215 Center St., S., by Monday, December 13. Cash donations are also welcome.

Santa is scheduled to arrive in Vienna, escorted by his squad of motorcycle elves, on Tuesday, December 14, at 8 a.m. at the Vienna Police Station.



DAY TRIPPERS VISIT THE CHINESE AND TURKISH EMBASSIES

On Wednesday, September 29, a group of 30 mature adult participants, enrolled through the Vienna Community Center's Day Tripper program, visited the Chinese and Turkish Embassies for a briefing and tour. Following the visits, lunch was held at the downtown office of the Diplomatic and Consular Officers Retired.

On December 3, Day Trippers will be traveling to Shepherdstown, WV for culture, history, art and a splendid holiday buffet lunch at the Bavarian Inn. On December 12, Day Trippers will enjoy a holiday concert with the United States Army Band.

For more information, view the online catalogue at www.viennava.gov/Town_Departments/pr3.htm or call Cheryl Harlan at 703-255-7801.

CHO NEEDS HOLIDAY HELP!

The Committee for Helping Others (CHO) needs your help!

Our holiday list is growing with families in our area needing help during the holidays. You can help by donating:

- new toys for kids ages 1 through 12;
- gift cards for teens;
- gently used bikes in good riding condition;
- your time to help set up at Vienna Presbyterian Church on Friday December 10; or
- help with the distribution on Saturday, December 11.

The Committee for Helping Others (CHO) will help you get into the holiday spirit by helping others in need! For more information, call Carolyn Mysel at 703-938-7213.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION/ INCLEMENT WEATHER REGISTRY

As a service to town residents, the Vienna Police Department and the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department maintain a voluntary Emergency Notification Registry and an Inclement Weather Registry. You may sign up for one or both. To facilitate prompt and proper contact with next-of-kin or other designated persons in the event of an emergency or to check on you during severe inclement weather, this service is provided free of charge and is strictly voluntary. The information provided by residents will be used only in emergency situations. To be listed in either registry, complete the form below and return it to police headquarters, 215 Center St., S. **RESIDENTS CURRENTLY REGISTERED MUST ALSO COMPLETE A NEW FORM TO REMAIN IN THE PROGRAM AS THE FILES ARE PURGED ANNUALLY.**

Please register me for: Emergency Notification Registry _____ Inclement Weather Registry _____
(Please print or type all information)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: Vienna State: Virginia ZIP Code: _____ Home Phone: _____

Any medical problems that should be made known to the Police/Fire Department? If so, please explain:

In case of an emergency, please notify the individuals listed below in the order listed:

1. Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Relationship: _____

Does this person have a key to your house? Yes or No (circle one)

2. Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Relationship: _____

Does this person have a key to your house? Yes or No (circle one)

I understand that participation in this program is purely voluntary. I am aware of the nature of the service being provided and desire to participate. I release and agree to hold harmless the Town of Vienna, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, and their employees or volunteers from all liability for the consequences of their release of, or failure to release, the data provided by me.

HAVE A 'GREEN' HOLIDAY

From your Community Enhancement Commission

Just in time for the holiday season here are some ideas for a more sustainable Christmas. The details can be found at various websites. This site www.mahalo.com/how-to-have-a-green-christmas is simple and inclusive.

They'll use less electricity and last for a very long time. Look for the warm colored LED lights if you don't like an icy blue color. Put the lights on timers so that they are only on when it is dark and when they will be enjoyed.

Start by considering a live tree. You'll need to dig the hole before the ground freezes so that you can plant it shortly after the 25th of December. This gives you a beautiful tree with great scent and you'll have a tree in your yard going forward that you can decorate for years to come. When decorating the tree and other aspects of your home consider LED lights.

Think about and try to avoid excess packaging and consider no wrapping paper or wrapping paper made from recycled paper. Consider giving experiences rather than material goods. Make gifts if you have time, cookies and cakes are always welcomed in the season. Enjoy your holiday and make it warm and inviting for your friends and family. Have a great holiday!