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TOWN HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Town offices will be closed on Monday, January 2, in observance of the New Year holiday. There will be no trash collection; Monday route trash will be collected on Thursday, January 5. There will be no recycling collection on Thursday; town-wide recycling will be collected on Friday, January 6.

Town offices will be closed on Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Trash will be collected as normal.

The Vienna Community Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, January 2 and January 16.

COUNCIL TO CONSIDER STREAMLINING TOWN'S REFUSE PROGRAM

At the Town Council's December 12 Work Session, Council discussed a proposed plan to adjust the Town's current refuse program, which includes trash and recycling collection and the Town's Special Pickup program.

Currently, each household in the Town has its trash and recycling picked up once a week on separate collection days by a trash crew and bulk waste collected by a different crew through the Town's Special Pickup program. Citizens must carefully follow the trash collection rules and set out their trash, recycling and bulk materials on different collection days. Town Council would like to continue to provide excellent collection service, but simplify the program for residents.

The proposed plan splits the Town into five equal-sized districts and would collect all trash, recycling, yard waste, brush and bulky items on one day in each of the districts. This proposal would eliminate the Special Pickup program and the need for residents to call in when they have large items to be collected. Under the revised program, residents will be able to place their large, bulky items to the curb on their regular collection day to be picked up.

The details are still under discussion and Town Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed changes to the program on Monday, January 9, at 8 p.m. in Town Hall. Residents are invited to attend to provide their input. More information on the proposed program changes are on the Town's website, www.viennava.gov. If you are unable to attend, please email your comments to mayor@viennava.gov.

LEAF COLLECTION ENDING

The last pass through town by leaf collection crews officially begins December 27, in south Vienna and January 7, on the north side of town. Leaves should be raked to the curbside prior to the scheduled collection start day. Crews may take several days to finish in an area and inclement weather may cause delays. The crews will pass your address only once during the collection period. For more information about leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381 or email dpw@viennava.gov.

MEET WITH YOUR LEGISLATORS

Senator Chap Petersen and Delegate Mark Keam will discuss the 2012 Virginia General Assembly session at a Town Hall Meeting on Saturday, January 21, 2012, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary, 330 Center St., N (enter building by the rear door). Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Contact Kathy@fairfaxsenator.com for more information.

JANUARY TOWN MEETINGS

Meetings are at Town Hall, 127 Center Street, South, at 8 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Tuesday, 3rd: Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, 9th: Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, 10th : Vienna At Your Service, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 11th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 12th: Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, 18th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, 19th: Board of Architectural Review; Bicycle Advisory Committee, Lower Level Conference Room

Monday, 23rd: Town Council Work Session

Wednesday, 25th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 26th: Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, 30th: Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, 31st: Transportation Safety Commission

UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS

- **Changes to the Refuse Program:** Town Council will hold a public hearing on January 9 on proposed changes to the Town's Solid Waste regulations regarding trash and recycling collection and the Special Pickup program.
- **Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act (PPEA) and the Public-Private Transportation Act (PPTA) Guidelines:** Town Council will consider the adoption of guidelines so the Town can undergo PPEA/PPTA projects.

VIENNA BUSINESS ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following Vienna Businesses who will celebrate milestone anniversaries in January 2012.

50 Years

*Westwood Country Club

20 Years

*Suzanne's
*Tops of the Town Virginia, LLC

40 Years

*Bill Buhl Electric, Inc.
*Jo Ann Reisler, LTD
*Long & Foster, Inc.

10 Years

*Aesthetic & Laser Plastic Surgery
*Andy's Barbershop
*Baldino's Lock & Key Service
*Cyber Services Incorporated
*Gerrish & Associates, P.C.
*Onlocation, Inc.
*Vienna Handyman Services, LLC.

30 Years

*Bonaroti Restaurant
*Trans Systems Corporation
*Westwood Golf Shop, Inc.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

Town Council minutes, agendas and meeting videos are available online at www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=567. For a hard copy of the most recent approved Town Council meeting minutes, please contact the Town Clerk at 703-255-6303 or clerk@viennava.gov.

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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 February issue is January 15.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

These businesses received business licenses during the month of November.

Sweet City Desserts Bakery
131-A Maple Ave., W
703-938-8188

Haleh Pedram's Upholstery
Upholstery
500 John Marshall Dr., NE
703-598-9666

PETCO
Pet Shop
225-A Maple Ave., E
858-453-7845

GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES JANUARY 11

The 2012 session of the Virginia General Assembly will convene on Wednesday, January 11. There are a number of online resources available at the Virginia General Assembly Web site, <http://legis.state.va.us>, to assist citizens in taking an active role in the legislative process.

Vienna's representatives are State Senator Chap Petersen, 804-698-7534/district34@senate.virginia.gov and Delegate Mark Keam, 804-698-1035/DelMKeam@house.virginia.gov.

The Vienna Town Council has conveyed the following legislative agenda for 2012 to the Town's representatives:

1. Proposed Constitutional Amendment Relating to Eminent Domain (House Joint Resolution 693)

What does the amendment do and what it means for localities?

- Requires any government agency to pay property owners for lost access and lost profits caused by government action, whether or not any land is acquired from the owners and whether or not any eminent domain is used by the locality.
- Prohibits eminent domain if the purpose is for "increasing jobs, increasing tax revenue or economic development."

2. Specific Unfunded Mandate Programs

The following are areas where the State has instituted unfunded mandates that present challenges the Town of Vienna:

- Employee Retirement System INDVRS001
- Line of Duty Act Benefits INDVRS002
- Land Development and Ordinance Requirements in Tidewater Virginia
- Local Government Agreement to Pull Illegal Signs (STO.VDOT038)
- Environmental Impacts Reports on Local Road Projects

3. State Budget Issues – Local Government Principles

The Governor and General Assembly should:

- Immediately examine state requirements and service expansions to determine those that can be

suspended or modified to alleviate some of the financial burden on state and local taxpayers. A specific example of what the state needs to do would be to empower local governments to deal with the problem of storm water runoff resulting from construction activities. Local governments require the authority to review, inspect and maintain storm water best management post construction practices. Further, local governments require the authority to adopt their own fee schedules designed to meet local needs.

- Develop spending and revenue priorities. State tax credits, tax deductions and tax relief policies must receive the same scrutiny as spending programs. To do otherwise means that tax policies are more important than the education and well-being of our children, the safety of our families and other basic government functions.
- After all other actions have been taken including eliminating unnecessary programs, achieving greater program efficiencies, and streamlining service delivery, the state has the obligation to look at ways to increase revenues in order to meet its constitutional and statutory obligations to Virginia citizens.

The Governor and General Assembly should not:

- Restrict further local revenue authority or sources.
- Impose new funding requirements or expand existing ones on services delivered by local governments.
- Shift state funding responsibilities onto local governments, including law enforcement and public safety activities.
- Impose state fees, taxes or surcharges on local government services.
- Place additional administrative burdens on local governments.

4. VDOT Local Road Maintenance

Funding Formula: The Town of Vienna supports a change to the VDOT local road maintenance funding formula from lane mileage to lane volume; or, in the alternative, request changes that provide additional funding to localities that

maintain their roads and have roads that exceed the statewide average traffic volumes for such types of roads by more than 20%.

5. Uniform State Building Code:

The Town of Vienna requests an amendment to the Uniform State Building Code whereby building permits for residential structures in specific zoning districts have a two year time limit for completion and issuance of an occupancy permit for any new structure or addition to an existing structure.

6. BPOL: The Town of Vienna opposes any proposed reduction or elimination of the business, professional and occupational license tax authority of localities.

7. Local Government Investment Pool: The Town of Vienna opposes any changes to investment policies of the Local Government Investment Pool that would jeopardize the Pool's rating or compromise the long-term stability of the Pool.

8. Devolution: The Town of Vienna opposes devolution of state highway and road funding responsibilities where it shifts additional financial responsibilities to a locality.

9. Water Rate Setting: The Town requests the General Assembly to clarify water rate setting authority of Towns and Cities operating water and sewer systems. Virginia Code Section 15.2-2143 currently states that "no consent" is required; however, Fairfax County recently passed an ordinance that would require Towns and Cities to justify the rates set by the elected public body of Towns and Cities and submit their rate setting methodology to county staff for review. Rate setting is already governed by existing Virginia Code section; however, Fairfax County's new ordinance contravenes those code sections.

To view the complete Town of Vienna 2012 Legislative Agenda, visit www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=802 or call 703-255-6330 to request a hard copy.

KEEP SIDEWALKS CLEAR OF ICE AND SNOW THIS WINTER

Help keep Vienna a walkable community by clearing your sidewalks of snow and ice this winter. We are asking all businesses and residents who are physically able to shovel snow from sidewalks adjacent to their property. This will help pedestrians, postal workers, shoppers and school children navigate safely throughout Vienna after snow events.

Town businesses that hire snowplows to clear their parking lots should also make sure that they clear the sidewalks adjacent to their business so that customers can safely do their shopping. Snow is not permitted to be piled onto adjoining sidewalks or pushed into the street. Also, it is illegal to block handicapped parking spaces with snow.

The Town/Business Liaison Committee (T/BLC) presents snow removal awards to businesses and residents that do an excellent job of removing snow or help others in removing snow. To make a nomination or for more information, e-mail tblc@viennava.gov or call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

If you need assistance, teens are available to shovel snow and help with other odd jobs. The teen and the person needing the work decide on the amount to be paid for the service. Teens can sign up at the Community Center, and residents can call 703-255-6360 to be matched with a young worker.

WINTER WEATHER WISDOM: TIPS TO SUSTAIN SNOW STORM SANITY

By Sarah Wick, Department of Public Works

A little patience and a cooperative attitude are essential ingredients for getting through the winter plowing season. When we as Town residents and Town crews work together, we can reduce frustrations that sometimes accompany winter snowstorms. There are actions residents can take to minimize plowing-related problems for themselves and to assure that Town crews do the most effective job possible.

- Residents may find it less frustrating to wait until the plow trucks have completed their street before cleaning the end of their driveway. Plow trucks are designed to discharge snow to the sides of the road and are not capable of skipping driveway areas.
- Shovel the area to the right of a driveway when facing the driveway. This will reduce the amount of snow left in front of the driveway by creating a space for snow to drop off the plow blade before the plow reaches the driveway.
- Snow from the bottom of the driveway should be shoveled to the right as you're facing the street. This will reduce the amount of snow being placed back into the driveway during the next pass down the street.
- If trash/recycling pickup day coincides with plowing activities, make sure your trash can and recycling bin are well behind the curb or in the driveway so the plow will not hit them.
- Residents are encouraged to "adopt a fire hydrant" near their home and keep snow shoveled away from it. This will ensure that hydrants are accessible in case of an emergency.
- Residents should clear snow from the mailbox area after each plowing. Snow that remains in front of mailboxes will get compacted by post office vehicles and make subsequent plowing less effective.

Call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6380 or email dpw@viennava.gov for more information about any of these winter survival tips.

FAIRFAX COUNTY VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER CREATES A "WOW" EXPERIENCE FOR TOURISTS

Once visitors to Fairfax County arrive in our gorgeous, lively and fun-filled area, they are knocked off their feet by the welcome and the services they receive at the County's Visitor Information Center in Tysons Corner Center, managed by Visit Fairfax.

The Center is not only great for tourists, but locals can send their guests there with confidence. The travel counselors are full to the brim with suggestions, tips and insider information on how best to explore our great county.

Services include:

- Free maps of the region.
- Complimentary brochures from all major attractions and sites throughout the county, state and region.
- Customized itineraries based on visitors' personal preferences and interests.
- Free gifts during promotions.
- Access to the innovative and extensive Visit Fairfax website with its calendar of events, coupons/special offers.

- Reservation assistance with hotel rooms and restaurants.

Visit Fairfax, the County's tourism office, has also recently launched a Smartphone app, which helps locals and visitors find restaurants, tourist attractions and shopping destinations throughout the County.

We invite you to pay us a visit at the Center. We're open seven days a week: Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Phone: 703-752-9500.

DOG LICENSE RENEWAL

Town dog licenses must be renewed by January 31 each year. Applications are available at Town Hall, by mail, and online at www.viennava.gov. 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. For more information, call 703-255-6323.

BUSINESS AWARD DEADLINE

The Vienna Town/Business Liaison Committee invites nominations of businesses and business owners for the 2011 Carole Wolfand Community Service Award. The award is given each year to a town business entity or business owner in recognition of outstanding contributions to the community life and spirit of Vienna.

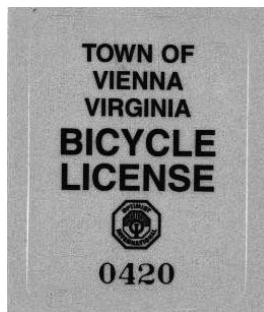
Anyone may submit a nomination. (No self-nominations will be considered.) The nominee must be a business entity or business owner located within the Vienna town limits. To nominate a business or business owner, please submit the following:

- Business name of nominee
- Business address of nominee
- Business phone number of nominee
- Description of contribution/action to be considered and why (200 words or less)
- Name, address and phone number of person making the nomination

Entries should be typed or legible and must be received by January 31 to be considered. Send to: Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Julia Rackliffe, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. Nominations may also be faxed to 703-255-5729 or e-mailed to tblc@viennava.gov (put "TBLC award" in subject line).

BICYCLE REGISTRATION PROGRAM

The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a free bicycle registration program. The program allows Town of Vienna residents to provide information to be kept on file at the police department regarding their bicycle. A numbered registration decal is then given to the bike's owner for placement on the bicycle frame. In the event the bicycle is recovered after being lost or stolen, officers are more easily able to identify the owner and return the bike.



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

A number of energy assistance programs are available in the area for qualified families, including the Fuel Assistance Program (applications accepted from October 11 through November 14, each year) and the Crisis Assistance Program (open November 1 through March 15, each year). These programs are administered by the Fairfax County's Department of Family Services and are available to Town of Vienna residents. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs for more information on these programs.

Another source of fuel assistance this winter is the Washington Area Fuel Fund (WAFF). This program helps families who are in an emergency situation and do not qualify for, or who have exhausted, government energy assistance. Administered by the Salvation Army, WAFF provides funds for all types of fuel to heat families' homes in the winter. To learn more about applying for WAFF assistance or to donate, please visit www.washingtonareafuelfund.org or call the Fairfax County Salvation Army Office at 703-385-8700.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

The Department of Public Works 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) and not wrapped in plastic or placed in bags. Questions? Contact the Department of Public Works at dpw@viennava.gov or 703-255-6380.



BE SEEN WHILE EXERCISING OUTDOORS IN THE DARK

By MPO Bill Murray, Vienna Police Department

During late fall and winter, most people's work schedules prevent them from walking, running, or bicycling in the middle of the day. Folks that exercise or walk dogs outdoors tend to do so early in the morning before work or in the evening after work; both times when it is dark.

Researchers at Carnegie Mellon University have found that during the month of November there is a 186% jump in the risk for fatal crashes involving pedestrians. This is due in large part to drivers adjusting to light and darkness changes.

To be seen, one should consider wearing reflective clothing. Avoid dark colored clothing; light colors reflect more light. And while light colored clothing is a good start, modern, highly reflective clothing that is designed for maximum nighttime visibility is much better.

Some tips for being seen while outdoors in the dark hours:

- Buy reflective tape that is designed to reflect light back to its source. Apply this tape liberally to your exercise clothing. Drivers from several directions will see the bright strips.
- Wear a reflective safety vest, similar to those worn by highway workers. It can be worn over exercise clothing to allow drivers to see a bright human outline. Additionally, it can be worn with any exercise outfit and does not require modifying your clothing.
- Many clothing companies sell exercise apparel made of highly reflective fabrics. This clothing is often sold as running gear, but can also be used for walking, bicycling or any other exercise. This highly reflective running clothing serves the dual purpose of making you highly visible at night and keeping you warm in winter weather.
- Adding LED safety lights with any of these options will increase your visibility.

VIENNA AT YOUR SERVICE:

JANUARY 10

The next meeting of Vienna At Your Service will be on Tuesday, January 10, at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 127 Center St., S. Vienna At Your Service is a forum for citizens to learn more about Town departments, organizations and schools. It is also an opportunity for representatives of Vienna area clubs and organizations to share information about upcoming events.

For more information, visit www.viennava.gov or call 703-255-6311.

DREAMING OF SPRING

By Susan Stillman, Community Enhancement Commission

It's January so we're about to receive the flurry of gardening catalogs in the mail. What an opportunity to imagine the longer days, the warmer weather and the yummy vegetables that we will have in our own gardens in 2012! It is always hard to choose but choose we must from among all the wonderful heirloom tomatoes, lettuces and other greens, summer squash...and that is just the fruit and vegetables. The opportunities for beautiful flowers are seemingly endless.

Although growing lights and/or a greenhouse are nice to have and helpful, I start my seedlings in a south facing window with success. You can pick up used biodegradable coffee cups at some of our coffee shops in town to use as containers for your seed starting soil and seedlings. You need to keep the soil watered, but not too much and you need to rotate the tray with the seedlings 90 degrees every day or so. Follow the directions on the seed packet to determine when to start the seeds.

Starting more seedlings than you think you need is good insurance and when you are successful with the seedlings and have too many to use you will be very popular with the fellow gardeners that you pass them on to!

Enjoy the dreams of a lush and productive garden and a Happy, Prosperous and Sustainable 2012 to you from the Community Enhancement Commission!

FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET UNDERWAY

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year 2012-2013 has begun. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at a public hearing during the April 16, 2012 Town Council Meeting. The last day for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds and for public input to be received is Friday, January 13. For more information on the budget process, call the Town's Finance office at 703-255-7824.

FY2013 Budget Calendar

Friday, February 24: Distribution of Proposed Budget

Saturday, March 10: Budget Work Session

Monday, March 12: Budget Work Session

Monday, April 16: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget and Tax Rate

Monday, April 23: Budget Work Session (if needed)

Monday, May 7: Public Hearing on Proposed Water and Sewer Tax Rates

Monday, May 21: Budget Adoption and Appropriation of Funds

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS TO BE HONORED

Mayor M. Jane Seeman invites you to nominate an outstanding volunteer in recognition of his/her service to the Town of Vienna. Mayor Seeman plans to honor these volunteers at the Mayor's Volunteer Reception on Tuesday, April 10. Please fill out and return this form to Mayor Seeman at the address provided below. Nominations must be submitted before March 1, 2012.

NOMINATION FORM FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please describe the nature of the volunteer work performed by the nominee on behalf of the Town of Vienna and why you feel he/she deserves special recognition:

Name of nominating person or organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE MARCH 1, 2012, TO:

**MAYOR M. JANE SEEMAN
CHARLES A. ROBINSON, JR., TOWN HALL
127 CENTER STREET, SOUTH
VIENNA, VA 22180**

BECOME A VIVA! VIENNA! SPONSOR

What Is ViVa! Vienna! and When Is It?

ViVa! Vienna! is a family and community oriented celebration of Memorial Day and the greater Vienna Community spirit. It emphasizes the historic area of Church Street, the Freeman House, the Town Green, the Old Vienna W&OD Railroad Station and the Caboose as well as the park area of the WO&D Trail through Vienna. It provides amusement rides, food and entertainment May 26 through May 28, 2012. Entertainment starts Saturday evening and continues through Monday. Street vendors, crafters, professional and non-profit groups are open Sunday, May 27 and Monday, May 28 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is fun, food and music for families and friends of all ages and over 50,000 people attended the event in 2011. ViVa! Vienna! is the major fund raising event for the Rotary Club of Vienna, VA, Inc.; all proceeds from ViVa! Vienna! benefit our community, nation and the world, making them a better place for all of us.

Why Should You Be A Sponsor?

- One-hundred percent of proceeds go to charitable, community and humanitarian organizations.
- Total grants in 2011 were \$146,000 and were distributed to over 60 needy organizations. Some of the organizations that received grants from ViVa! Vienna! 2011 include: Alternative House, Stroke Comeback Center, ShelterBox USA, Salvation Army, Northern Virginia Family Services, Let's Help Kids, Inc., The Women's Center, Volunteer Emergency Families for Children, Toys for Tots, The Rotary Foundation and many more.
- Sponsors receive complimentary booth space, plus website, marketing and signage recognition.
- Title, Special and Sustaining Sponsorship opportunities available.

For more information or to become a sponsor, contact one of the following Rotary members:

- James Cudney: 703-999-9306
- Brian Billett: 202-302-4949
- Keith Bodamer: 703-938-1366



VIENNA THEATRE CO. PRESENTS

When four lost New Englanders who enroll in Marty's six-week-long community-center drama class begin to experiment with harmless games, hearts are quietly torn apart and tiny wars of epic proportions are waged and won in *Circle Mirror Transformation*. The play will be presented by the Vienna Theatre Company Fridays and Saturdays, January 20, 21, 27, 28, February 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and Sunday January 29 and February 5 at 2 p.m. In the photo, Jon Roberts, Rebecca Lenehan, Heather Plank, Camille Gilbert and Tom Flatt engage in an acting exercise.

Tickets are \$13 for adults and \$11 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older. Tickets are available in advance at the Vienna Community Center or at the door.

19th ANNUAL MONTE CARLO CASINO NIGHT

Presented by the ViennaTysons Regional Chamber of Commerce

When: Saturday, March 3, 2012

Where: Westwood Country Club, Vienna VA

Mark your calendars now for the Taste of the Town & Monte Carlo Casino Night! Your hosts, the ViennaTysons Regional Chamber of Commerce are asking, 'What's your flavor?!' Blackjack? Roulette? Craps? No matter how you play, you'll find plenty of intrigue, mystery and surprises at the 19th Annual Monte Carlo Night.

Join us at the Westwood Country Club, 800 Maple Ave., E. on Saturday, March 3, 2012 from 7 p.m.-12 a.m. for an evening of casino gaming and tasty delights as over 15 restaurants will be sampling their favorite dishes FREE of charge. Your ticket to the event is all you'll need to live it up til midnight.

Don't gamble? Bid on fabulous vacations, beautiful jewels and bundles of bountiful baskets in the Silent Auction. Enjoy libations from the bar. Make new friends.

Want to get involved? Donate prizes by contacting Maureen Loftus at mloftus@learningrx.net. Sponsorships available to highlight your business, civic organization or club; contact James Cudney james@cudney.org.

For more information call the Chamber office 703-281-1333 or email info@vtrcc.org with CASINO NIGHT in the subject line. We look forward to seeing you there!



Photo by Harold Bonacquist

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & RECREATION

All classes are held at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, unless otherwise specified.

Register for Parks & Recreation classes online at: <http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=75>.

SPORTS AND FITNESS

Adult Tap class, for ages 18 and up, will be held Saturdays, January 7 through February 11, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The cost for five classes is \$30 for residents and \$37.50 for out-of-town participants.

JUST FOR KIDS

LEGO Engineering Fundamentals One Day Preview will be held on Tues., Jan. 10, 4:30 to 6 p.m. The seminar will offers kids a chance to construct one project, under the supervision of a Play-Well TEKnologies staff. This class is suited for novices to more experienced “engineers.” Free. Limited space; pre-registration is required. For ages 7 to 12. For more information, visit www.play-well.org.

Learn how to play chess from a Silver Knights chess coach during Chess Class, Fridays, January 6 through March 23, from 6 to 7 p.m. The cost is \$100 for residents and \$125 for out-of-town participants.

JUST FOR TEENS

Dining Skills and Etiquette for Teens, for ages 13-17, Sat. Feb. 11, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$40 for residents and \$50 for out-of-town participants. Registration required.

Teen Dance classes are available through Parks and Recreation including youth and teen Jazz Technique, Urban Street Style Hip hop and youth and teen ballet basics. Classes start January 4. The fee for each course is \$105 for in-town residents and \$131.50 for out-of-town participants. View page 13 of the Parks and Recreation Winter brochure for more information.

Youth and Teen Cheer Technique classes will be held on Wednesdays, January 4 through March 10, 4 to 5 p.m. The cost is \$105 for residents and \$131.50 for out-of-town participants. For ages 6 to 11 and 12 to 18. For more information, view page 13 of the Parks and Recreation Winter brochure.

POTPOURRI

Open Mic Night at the Vienna Community Center, Sat. Jan. 14, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Open to all ages and levels of talent. Performers must pre-register by calling Jim Dowell at 703-286-3472 (day) or 703-207-0030 (evening). Free and open to the public.

Spanish classes are available through Parks and Recreation beginning January 23. Classes include beginners, conversations and grammar. The cost per course is \$68 for residents, \$34 for residents 65 years and older and \$85 for out-of-town participants. For more information, view page 21 of the Winter brochure.

Learn the basics, expand your knowledge of or learn advanced techniques in wheel pottery. Beginning Wheel, Intermediate Wheel and Advanced Wheel classes are available through Vienna Parks and Recreation and begin mid-January. For more information, view page 21 of the Parks and Recreation Winter brochure.

Learn how to make jewelry, repair old pieces and make pieces like the movie stars wear in Bead Bedazzle on Fridays, January 20 through February 24, 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$60 for residents, \$30 for residents 65 years and older and \$75 for out-of-town participants.

Learn how to cook Indian dishes through several Indian cooking classes offered through Parks and Recreation. Snacks and Appetizers of India will be held on January 14; An Indian Meal/ Dinner on February 11; and Lentils and Pulses on March 10. For more information, view page 23 of the Winter brochure.

Refuse to be a Victim, a crime prevention seminar, will be held on Sat., Feb. 4, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will receive the tools needed to develop their own personal safety strategy. This is not a hands-on self defense class and is appropriate for people of all physical abilities. The cost is \$20 for residents, \$10 for in-town residents 65 years and older and \$25 for out-of-town participants.

Family Skate Night will be held January 13 through March 23 (no skating on January 20, 27 and February 24) on Fridays from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Community Center Gym. Bring your own skates and safety equipment; no scooters, only roller and in-line skates. Parents are required to stay and are welcome to participate. The cost is \$1 per person.

“Today’s Technology for Baby Boomers and Beyond” will be held on Mondays, January 9, 23 and 30, from 1:40 to 2:40 p.m. The program will provide participants with the necessary tools to keep up with all the technologies that society uses on a regular basis. The cost is \$26.25 for residents and \$33 for out-of-town participants. This course will also be offered on February 6, 13 and 27.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

The Vienna (Host) Lions Club will hold its 49th annual Bland Music Competition on Sat., Feb. 11 at 12:30 p.m. at the Assembly of God Church, 100 Ayr Hill Avenue in Vienna. Local students through 12th grade can compete in the competition, with winners moving on to district, regional and state competition in vocal and instrumental categories. For information and an application form, call Nancy Volpe at (703) 938-7716 or e-mail n.volpe8@verizon.net. Deadline is February 4.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 is sponsoring an **Americanism Essay Contest** for students in grades 3 through 12. Cash prizes will be awarded. This year's theme is, "How can I show my patriotism in my community?" Submission deadline is March 1, 2012. For more information, contact Ruth Decker at 703-242-7082.

Five Hills Garden Club will meet on Tues., Jan. 17 at 10:30 a.m. at the Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., NE. This month the program will include a demonstration from the Culinary Cooking School of Vienna. For more information visit www.fivehillsgardenclub.org.

Your old magazines and paperback books are welcome 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.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will host an "Adventures in Learning" open house/registration on Thurs., Jan. 12, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd. in Oakton. The course will be held Jan. 19 through March 15 (no classes Feb. 16) and costs \$40 for the 8-week session. Contact 703-281-0538 or visit www.scov.org.

Meet with your County Supervisor Cathy Hudgins at First Monday on Jan. 9, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Patrick Henry Library. This is an opportunity to meet one-on-one with your representative on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. Walk-ins are welcome, or you can schedule an appointment by calling the Hunter Mill District office at 703-478-0283, or email at hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., will hold its chapter meeting on Thurs., Jan. 19 at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center in Vienna. Leonard Ignatowski will discuss the road building of QL-20 in South Vietnam and his return to QL-20 in July 2011. The general public and veterans are invited to attend. Admission is free. For more information, call 703-255-0353 or visit www.vva227.org.

The January meeting for NARFE Vienna-Oakton Chapter 1116 is Tues., Jan. 10, at 1:30 p.m., in the Vienna Community Center, 127 Cherry St., SE. All NARFE members and their guests are invited to attend. The topic is on the HOT Lanes Project for future highway system around the Virginia Area. For further information, call 703-281-5123.

The Women's Center will host several workshops during the month of January. All classes are held at The Women's Center (TWC), 127 Park St., NE or at Vienna Presbyterian Church (VPC), 124 Park Street, NE. For more information or to register, go to www.thewomenscenter.org or call 703-281-2657, ext. 276. The cost for each course is \$35 registration fee/\$25 for Members, unless otherwise noted.

- Reclaiming Your Future: Financial Planning During Separation & Divorce Thurs., Jan. 5, 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$50 Registration Fee/\$40 Members Held at TWC
- Fostering Healthy Relationships with Adolescents Wed., Jan. 11, 7-9 p.m. Held at TWC
- Chronic Pain: Alternative Emotional Coping Strategies Sat., Jan. 14, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Held at VPC
- Avoiding Divorce Court I – How to Negotiate or Mediate a Property Settlement Agreement Sat., Jan. 14, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$40 Registration Fee/\$30 Members, \$70 Couples Registration Fee/\$50 Member Couples Held at TWC
- Match Your Head to Your Heart Tues., Jan. 17, 7-9 p.m. Held at TWC
- Anger Management for Men (7 weeks) Wednesdays, Jan. 18 through Feb. 29, 7-9 p.m. No Fee – Registration required. Held at TWC
- Art Therapy Exploration Thurs., Jan. 19, 7-9 p.m. Held at TWC
- Avoiding Divorce Court II – Provisions of Settlement Agreements Sat., Jan. 21, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. \$40 Registration Fee/\$30 Members, \$70 Couples Registration Fee/\$50 Member Couples Held at TWC
- Divorce, Custody and Support: The Discovery Process – Preparing Your Case Mon., Jan. 23, 7-9 p.m. \$55

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- Registration Fee/\$45 Members
Held at TWC
- Anger Management for Women (7 weeks) Tues., Jan. 24 through March 6, 7-9 p.m. \$150 registration fee/\$140 Members for the 7-week period. Held at TWC
 - Understanding and Managing Hoarding Thurs., Jan. 26, 7-9 p.m. Held at TWC
 - Federal Job Application Workshop Sat., Jan. 28, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Held at TWC
 - Be Prepared for Your Children-Learn Legal Aspects of Child and Spousal Support, Custody & Visitation Sat., Jan. 28, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$55 Registration Fee/\$45 Members Held at VPC
 - Hot Mommas Project presents Sis U: The Sisterhood of Success, a Goal-Setting and Leadership Workshop Mon., Jan. 30, 7-9 p.m. Held at TWC

The Western Fairfax PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) support group and **FLY** (Fairfax Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning Youth), a PFLAG support and social group for youth ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet on Tues., Jan. 3, 7:30-9:00 p.m. and Sun., Jan. 15, 3:00-4:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax at 2709 Hunter Mill Road. E-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com or find us on Facebook – Fairfax LGBTQ Youth.

Marshall Road Elementary School and its PTA present the **50th Anniversary Benefit and Auction Gala** in honor of Marshall Road Elementary School, Fri., March 23, 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Westwood Country Club. Cost \$50.00 per person includes heavy appetizer buffet and dessert. \$75.00 at the door.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 will hold a Breakfast Buffet on Sun., Jan. 15,

from 8 a.m. to noon. Adults \$8, children \$3. Open to the public. 330 Center St., N. Includes Omelettes, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. For more information, call 703-938-6580.

Marshall Road Elementary School PTA is seeking donations for the annual Silent Auction on March 8. Sponsors receive recognition both at a 50th anniversary event and online. Funds raised will go towards building a track at the school, technology and other needs. Please contact Ingrid Rapavy at ingridrapavy@verizon.net or 703-938-4570.

The Ayr Hill Garden Club will host a program on Winged Wildlife of the Potomac River at 10:45 a.m. on Mon., Jan. 23. Cliff Fairweather of the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia, will share photographs of and information about the birds, butterflies and dragonflies indigenous to this area, drawing on his 16 years of experience as a naturalist devoted to conserving their habitat. The event will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Road in Vienna. The program is open to the public.. If interested in attending, contact Pam Weiss at plhweiss@yahoo.com.

Vienna Adventist Academy, 340 Courthouse Rd., SW, is selling Honey Bell Tangelos, Ruby Red Grapefruit and Navel Oranges. All orders must be placed by January 6 and will be available for pickup on January 20. For more information or to place an order, contact the school office at 703-938-6200 or viennaadventistacademy@gmail.com.

St. Mark Catholic School, 9972 Vale Rd., will host an Open House for prospective families on Sun., Jan. 22 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Guided tours will be given and applications for the 2012/2013 school year will be available at the Open House for preschool through eighth grade.

Lorien Wood will be hosting two admissions open houses for parents on Mon., Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m. and Thurs., Jan. 19 at 9:15 a.m. We are conveniently located at 8200 Bell Lane at the corner of Cedar Lane and Gallows Road. For more information, please contact the school office at 703-854-1640 or at www.lorienwood.org.

The Vienna Host Lions Club meets at the American Legion Hall in Vienna, 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings, 6:15 p.m. Social time followed by dinner and a speaker. Visit our website www.viennahostlionsva.lionwap.org to learn more about what the Lions do. 703-938-7716 or n.volpe8@verizon.net.

Registration for Vienna Little League baseball opens in mid-December for all levels of play from T-Ball (age 5) through Majors (age 12). Registration may be completed on-line at <http://vll.org>.

The Cub Scouts from Pack 152 hold their monthly meeting every third Wednesday of the month at Wesley United Methodist Church, 700 Spring Street SE, at 7 p.m. The age group ranges from 1st to 5th grade. Local community involvement, fun activities, weekend outings. For more information contact the cub master Friderike Butler at 703-599-9079.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna is offering a free Self-Management program designed to teach and support individuals with diabetes on Wednesdays, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Jan. 18 through Feb. 29 (excluding 2/15) at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd., Oakton in the Program Building, Classroom #5. Please call 703-281-0538 to register or if you have any questions.

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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TTY 711.



THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

January 2002: The Town of Vienna, and builders Stephen Bukont and Douglas D’Alexander of Wedderburn Homes, have been selected to receive a 2001 Community Appearance Award from the Community Appearance Alliance of Northern Virginia for the building recently completed at 144 Church St., NW. The building is the first development in the Town’s new Pedestrian Commercial Zone. The Community Appearance Alliance of Northern Virginia sponsors its annual awards program to recognize worthy design and construction projects, collaborative efforts and community association initiatives that enhance the aesthetic environment of the region.

January 1992: In keeping with its 1992 theme of “Herbs in Thyme,” the Five Hills Garden Club will host a demonstration of the use of culinary herbs presented by a Cordon Bleu chef on January 21 at Vienna Presbyterian Church. The public is invited to attend and join Five Hills in its beautification projects for the new year.

January 1982: All Northern Virginia residents can now summon emergency assistance by dialing 911. Town of Vienna residents should dial 911 for emergency fire and rescue services only. 911 may be used for police emergencies; however, for more efficient handling of calls and faster response, town residents are encouraged to continue to call the Vienna Police direct at 938-4900.

January 1972: Mayor Joe Spriggs wrote, “Perhaps the most significant advance during the past year has been the opening of Follin Lane into the Industrial Park and the completion of their buildings by Page Communications and Vega.” A stop light will soon be erected at the Follin Lane/Maple Avenue intersection to take care of additional traffic into the Park.

MODEL RAILROAD OPEN HOUSE

View a Model Railroad on Saturday, January 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the historic Vienna Depot, located at 231 Dominion Road, NE. Admission is free; donations are accepted.

The layout depicts the Western North Carolina Railroad during the period of transition from steam to diesel. The Open House also features Thomas the Tank Engine and some of his friends.

For more information visit www.nvmr.org or call 703-938-5157.



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