



# Town of Vienna

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# Newsletter

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## HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Town offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, for New Year's Day. Refuse will not be collected; however, both the Tuesday and Wednesday routes will be collected on Wednesday, January 2. Residents should also hold yard waste, bulk and brush materials until their next regular collection day as crews will focus on recycling and trash collection on Wednesday.

Town offices will also be closed on Friday, January 18, for the Inauguration Day holiday and on Monday, January 21, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Refuse will be collected as normal.

## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Mayor and Town Council are seeking interested Town residents to serve on the newly established Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC), a subcommittee to the Town's Transportation Safety Commission (TSC).

The PAC is tasked with looking at pedestrian-focused issues such as prioritizing sidewalk projects, resubmitting a new sidewalk list to the TSC for consideration and research streetlight issues along sidewalks and bike routes. The goal is to include commuters, walking enthusiasts and recreational walkers. The only requirement is you must be a Town resident.

The PAC will consist of two TSC members, Town Staff, a police representative and area school PTA and civic association representatives and will be active for the next two years. Interested individuals should send an email to [tsc@viennava.gov](mailto:tsc@viennava.gov).

## MEET WITH YOUR LEGISLATORS

Senator Chap Petersen and Delegate Mark Keam will discuss their legislative priorities and other anticipated issues for the 2013 Virginia General Assembly session at a public Town Hall meeting on Saturday, January 12, from 9 am to 11 am. Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary, 330 Center Street North (enter from the rear parking lot). Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Contact [kathy@fairfaxsenator.com](mailto:kathy@fairfaxsenator.com) for more information.

## LEAF COLLECTION ENDING

Town crews expect to complete all three leaf collection passes by the end of December. If you have leaves after loose leaf collection has been completed, you will need to bag your leaves in clear plastic or kraft bags and place to the curb for pickup on your regular collection day. For information on leaf collection, please visit the Town's website at [www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=163](http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=163) or call the Department of Public Works at (703) 255-6380.

Order **free leaf mulch** from the Town of Vienna by February 28! See page 4 for details!

# TOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS

The following items are extracts of recent Town Council actions and are not official meeting minutes.

The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas and meeting videos are available online at [www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=567](http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=567).

*All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.*

## November 19

- Approved the Town's 2013 Legislative Agenda.
- Approved the addition of the American Legion Civil War Six-Star Fort, 330 Center Street N, in the Vienna Historic Structures, Sites and Places register.
- Adopted revisions to the Code of Vienna regarding Schedule of Public Works Fees, adding an Alley Vacation and Abandonment Fee.
- Authorized a bid of the Maple Avenue W Streetscape Project median construction.
- Approved an increase to the Lorton Landfill Contract for disposal of street spoils for an estimated cost of \$13,995.54.
- Approved an additional leave payout for the recently retired Finance Director/Treasurer in

the amount of \$11,990.52 in leave and FICA costs.

- Approved the addition of \$36,171 from FY 2011-2012 General Fund encumbrance reserve balance to the FY 2012-2013 General Fund appropriation and budgeted to the expenditure accounts.

## December 3

- Held a public hearing on proposed changes to the Community Enhancement Commission.
- Held a public hearing on revisions to the Town/Business Liaison Committee Charter.
- Approved a revision to the final plat for the Reynolds Property at 350 Nutley Street NW, for the purpose of retaining an existing driveway apron on Orchard Street NW, with the condition

that a driveway be constructed by April 1, 2013.

- Approved the continued use of public use trailers at Louise Archer Elementary School, Marshall Road Elementary School and Cunningham Park Elementary School.
- Accepted the Transportation Safety Commission's recommended improvements to access pathways leading to the W&OD Trail. (*Approved 6-1, Cole Voting Nay*)
- Approved the purchase of a truck cab and chassis for an estimated cost of \$95,999.
- Approved the purchase of three replacement vehicles as part of the Vehicle Replacement Program for a total cost of \$121,708.
- Awarded a contract to James River Equipment for the purchase of a Hydraulic Concrete Breaker with Rigid Coupler for an estimated cost of \$24,555.

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### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Deadline for the February issue is January 15.

## UPCOMING COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS

*All public hearings are held at Town Hall, 127 Center St. S at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.*

### Coming Soon

- Community Enhancement Commission proposal to regulate tree removal on single lot developments.

Visit [www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=453](http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=453) for up-to-date public notices.

# GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENES JANUARY 9

The 2013 session of the Virginia General Assembly will convene on Wednesday, January 9. There are a number of online resources available on the Virginia General Assembly website at [www.virginiageneralassembly.gov](http://www.virginiageneralassembly.gov) 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](mailto:district34@senate.virginia.gov) and Delegate Mark Keam, (804) 698-1035/[DelMKeam@house.virginia.gov](mailto:DelMKeam@house.virginia.gov).

The Vienna Town Council has conveyed the following legislative agenda for 2013 to the Town's representatives:

## 1. 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.
2. 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%. Or, in the alternative, the Town of Vienna supports a change to the composition to the Commonwealth Transportation Board to have greater representation to the urban/dense suburban areas of the Commonwealth.
  3. 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.

4. The Town of Vienna opposes any proposed reduction or elimination of the business, professional and occupational license tax authority of localities.
5. 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.
6. The Town of Vienna opposes devolution of state highway and road funding responsibilities where it shifts additional financial responsibilities to a locality.
7. The Town of Vienna supports restoration of full 599 funding to localities.
8. The Town of Vienna supports revision of local fines and fees distributions effected by legislative changes in last year's General Assembly.
9. The Town of Vienna supports clarification legislation required by Constitutional amendment related to eminent domain that clarifies the terms "lost profits" and "lost access" in a manner that will not expand situations where compensation to owners has not previously been required.
10. The Town of Vienna opposes any bill that reduces or eliminates local land use authority.
11. The Town of Vienna supports revenue sharing mechanisms between localities and the state.
12. The Town of Vienna endorses and supports the Legislative Policy Statement adopted by the Virginia Municipal League for the 2013 legislative session.
13. The Town of Vienna Supports the Town of Herndon in its request for legislation that clarifies when joint powers exercised by counties apply in their towns and when such powers do not apply in the towns.

# ORDER FREE LEAF MULCH FOR DELIVERY OR PICK UP YOUR OWN

The Public Works Department (DPW) is taking orders now through February 28 for leaf mulch to be delivered free of charge to residents who live within the corporate limits of the Town. Delivery will likely begin 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/index.aspx?NID=164](http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=164). One load is approximately 2.5 cubic yards, which roughly equals 30 bags of mulch from a home hardware/lawn care store. 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 am and 3:00 pm Monday through Friday (except holidays) from January 2 through March 30, while supplies last. Please call the DPW Administration office at (703) 255-6380 to arrange a pickup time so that we can ensure a staff member will be on site. The mulch is stored on Town-owned property at 442 Beulah Road NE, near Glyndon Park.

## **Businesses, Non-profits May Order Mulch**

Free leaf mulch delivery is also available to all in-town businesses as well as churches, schools, the fire station, library and other non-profit organizations within the town limits. Call (703) 255-6388 to place an order. Please note the conditions outlined previously, 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.

## BUSINESS AWARD DEADLINE: JANUARY 31

The Vienna Town/Business Liaison Committee invites nominations of businesses and business owners for the 2013 Carole Wolfand Community Service Award. The award is given each year to a town business entity or owner in recognition of outstanding contributions to the community life and spirit of Vienna.

To nominate a business or owner, submit: (1) business name of nominee, (2) business address of nominee, (3) business

phone number of nominee, (4) description of contribution/action to be considered and why (200 words or less), and (5) name, address and phone number of nominator.

Submit entries by January 31, to Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Emily Goodman, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center Street South, Vienna, VA 22180 or by fax to (703) 255-5729 or e-mail to [tblc@viennava.gov](mailto:tblc@viennava.gov) (put "TBLC award" in subject line.)

## JANUARY RECYCLING EVENTS

The following recycling opportunity is provided by Fairfax County. For more information on this event,



contact Ben Boxer at (703) 324-5052 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling).

**Sunday, January 13:** *Electric Sunday*, 10 am to 3 pm, I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax

## JANUARY TOWN MEETINGS

*Meetings are at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S, at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.*

**Monday, 7th:** Town Council Meeting

**Tuesday, 8th:** Vienna At Your Service, 7:30 pm

**Wednesday, 9th:** Planning Commission

**Thursday, 10th:** Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 pm

**Monday, 14th:** Town Council Work Session, 7 pm (Note change in time.) Includes Mid-Year Review

**Wednesday, 16th:** Board of Zoning Appeals

**Thursday, 17th:** Board of Architectural Review; Bicycle Advisory Committee, Vienna Community Center

**Wednesday, 23rd:** Planning Commission

**Thursday, 24th:** Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 pm

**Monday, 28th:** Town Council Meeting

**Tuesday, 29th:** Transportation Safety Commission



## CEC: TWO YEARS IN REVIEW

By Susan Stillman, Community Enhancement Commission

A little over two years ago the mandate of the Community Enhancement Commission was expanded to include sustainability. Since then we have worked on various initiatives throughout town that support green living and get the community involved. Here's a list of what we've been up to:

- With great support from birders and naturalists in town, Northside Park is now an Audubon Wildlife Habitat.
- The Northeast Vienna Civic Association planted native plants at Northside Park to further support the birds, bugs and butterflies of our region.
- We created a lending library at the Vienna Community Center of energy monitors, called the Watt Watchers Program, so that Vienna homeowners can see where energy is being consumed in their homes.
- The Green Expo has been expanded to include more demonstrations on easy to implement green living.
- We partnered with Vienna

Elementary and developed a Community Garden of which the school will use to educate students about gardening and growing foods and the Town will use for educational programs through the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

- We held two Sustainable Home and Garden Tours, which recognize sustainable homes and gardens in town and provide residents with an opportunity to learn about how to do the same in their homes.
- We held two Native Plants sales, which were a great way for residents to get a hold of native plant species and learn about sustainable gardening.
- Through the Vienna Green Homes program, the CEC recognized several builders in 2012 for building to nationally recognized energy efficiency standards and awarded these builders the "My Green Vienna Home" plaque.
- Through the work of the CEC and Town government, Vienna

received Gold in the Virginia Municipal League's 2012 Green Government Challenge for achieving 155 out of a possible 200 "green points."

We are really proud of what we have accomplished and are looking forward to what we will do in the coming years. As our projects and initiatives have expanded, so too has our Commission. We are adding three members shortly and we are ready to roll in 2013!

The CEC welcomes additional input from town citizens. If you have an idea to improve the sustainability of Vienna please contact us through Cathy Salgado at [csalgado@viennava.gov](mailto:csalgado@viennava.gov) or attend a CEC meeting. The meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm in the 2nd Floor Conference Room in Town Hall, 127 Center Street S. I hope you will become a part of the effort to make Vienna a more attractive and sustainable community in 2013. Happy New Year!

## FISCAL YEAR 2013 BUDGET UNDERWAY

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year 2013-2014 has begun. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at a public hearing during the April 1, 2013 Town Council Meeting. For more information on the budget process, call the Town's Finance office at (703) 255-7824.

### FY2014 Budget Calendar

Monday, February 25: Distribution of Proposed Budget

Saturday, March 9: Budget Work Session

Monday, March 11: Budget Work Session

Monday, April 1: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget

Monday, April 15: Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Tax Rates

Monday, April 22: Budget Work Session (if needed)

Monday, May 13: Budget Adoption

## WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES

*These businesses received business licenses during the month of November.*

### Hair Cuttery

*Beauty Salon*

144 Branch Road SE

(703) 938-9439

### Best Health

*Massage Therapy*

386 Maple Ave E, 111

(703) 389-6173

### Urban Design

**Group, LLC**

*Sales - Floor*

*Coverings*

432 Mill Street NE

(703) 408-2333

## FIRE SAFETY AND CANDLES

*From the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue*

The use of open-flame candles can add ambience to a holiday, provide “warmth” to a home and be a source of light during power outages. For these and other reasons, a great number of consumers are burning candles. The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department would like to remind consumers that the improper use of candles can result in catastrophe. To avoid the dangers of fire while burning candles, please follow the safety tips below:

- Never leave burning candles unattended.
- Keep all combustible materials away from open flames.
- Do not burn candles near windows or doorways.
- Place candles in glass or ceramic containers.
- Place candles on a flat, sturdy non-combustible surface.
- Never leave candles burning when children or pets are present.

For more fire safety information, call Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department Public Affairs and Life Safety Education at (703) 246-3801 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr).

## CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION



The Department of Public Works will collect Christmas trees during the month of January. Simply place your tree to the curb on your regular refuse collection day. 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](mailto:dpw@viennava.gov) or (703) 255-6380.

## TRAVEL SAFE AND SOBER - DUI ENFORCEMENT

During the holiday season, the Town of Vienna is partnering with the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration to step up efforts to deter drivers who feel a need to drive while impaired



through increased patrols and a zero tolerance policy.

While participating in festive celebrations during the holidays can create fond memories, it also provides an opportunity for the over consumption of alcohol. Consuming an excessive amount of alcohol can lead a person to perceive they are still in control of their motor skills and capable of operating a motor vehicle safely.

### Safety Tips: New Year's Eve *(From Answers.USA.gov)*

If you are hosting a New Year's Eve party, following a few simple rules could prevent a tragedy:

- Plan ahead by naming a “designated driver.” Make this your responsibility as the host.
- Contact a local cab company to provide rides for your guests.
- Serve non-alcoholic beverages as an option to your guests.
- Stop serving alcohol to your guests several hours before the party ends.
- Provide your guests with a place to stay overnight in your home.

If you are attending New Year's Eve parties and celebrations:

- If you drink, don't drive.
- Plan ahead and always designate a sober driver before the party or celebration begins.
- If you are impaired, call a taxi, use mass transit or get a sober friend or family member to come pick you up.
- Or, stay where you are until you are sober.
- Take the keys from someone if you think he/she is too impaired to drive.

For further information please contact, MPO Gary Lose, Town of Vienna Police Department Public Information Officer at [glose@viennava.gov](mailto:glose@viennava.gov) or (703) 255-6396.



# 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 9, 2013. Please fill out and return this form to Mayor Seeman at the address provided below. Nominations must be submitted before March 1, 2013.

## 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:

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Name of nominating person or organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE MARCH 1, 2013, TO:  
MAYOR M. JANE SEEMAN  
CHARLES A. ROBINSON, JR., TOWN HALL  
127 CENTER STREET, SOUTH  
VIENNA, VA 22180**

## VIENNA AT YOUR SERVICE: JANUARY 8

The next meeting of Vienna At Your Service will be on Tuesday, January 8, at 7:30 pm in Town Hall, 127 Center Street 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. Each session includes a report from the Police Department on recent department activities and statistics.

All meetings are free and open to the public; no rsvp required.

For more information, visit [www.viennava.gov](http://www.viennava.gov) or call (703) 255-6311.

### 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](mailto: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.

## VIENNA THEATRE CO. PRESENTS: PROPOSALS

Shown are actors rehearsing for Vienna Theatre Company's upcoming production of Neil Simon's play, Proposals. The play opens Friday, January 25, and will run Friday and Saturday nights at 8:00 pm through February 9, with Sunday matinees at 2:00 pm on February 3, and February 10.

Actors from left to right are Allison Shelby, playing Annie Hines; Shannon Madden as Josie; Eric Storck portraying Burt Hines and Lisa Hill-Corley as Clemma. Suzanne Maloney is Director. Show location is the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street NE. Tickets will be on sale at the Community Center. Visit VTC's website at [www.viennatheatrecompany.org](http://www.viennatheatrecompany.org) for more information.



*Photo by Harold Bonacquist*

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.



# 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: [www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=545](http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=545).*

## **TRIPS/SPECIAL EVENTS**

**Liberty Mountain Ski Trip**, Mon., Jan. 28, 2013. Several trip packages are available that include lift tickets, skiing lessons, rentals and mountain access options. All packages include transportation and lunch.

## **JUST FOR KIDS**

**Musical Theater Workshop I**, an introduction to musical theater for ages 8 to 12 will be held on Mondays, Jan. 7 through March 11, 4 pm to 5 pm. The cost is \$50 for residents and \$62.50 for out-of-town participants.

**Musical Theater Workshop II**, a class for the serious performer with some previous experience for ages 10 to 16, will be held on Mondays, Jan. 7 through March 11, 5 pm to 6 pm. The cost is \$50 for residents and \$62.50 for out-of-town participants.

**Video Game Design**, for young children to cultivate interest in becoming game designers, multimedia artists, engineers, programmers and more, will be held on Saturdays, Jan. 12 through Feb. 16. For ages 7 to 9, class will be held from 1 to 2 pm; for ages 9 to 13, class will be held from 2 to 3 pm. The cost is \$149 for residents and \$186.25 for out-of-town participants.

## **JUST FOR MATURE ADULTS**

**Why Good Wills Go Bad**, Mon., Jan. 14, 10 am to 11:30 am. No registration required.

## **JUST FOR TEENS**

*For Teen Center Members*

**Club Phoenix Friday Nights**, after 7 pm middle schoolers can take part in tournaments, watch movies, hang out with friends and play a pick up game of basketball. Check the calendar online at [www.viennava.gov](http://www.viennava.gov) for weekly Friday Night events.

**Kinect Sports Challenge and Non-Sleepover PJ Party**, Fri., Jan. 25, 3:30 pm. Enjoy party snacks, crafts, movies, games and more! All teens (grades 6-8) can stay until 10 pm.

**School's Out Fun Days**, Mon., Jan. 28, 12:30 pm and Tues., Jan. 29, 2:30 pm. Play video games, pool and ping pong tournaments, arts and crafts, snacks and more!

## **SPORTS AND FITNESS**

**Mommy Boot Camp** is led by two certified instructors and accommodates all levels of fitness. Kids of all ages are welcome. Tuesday/Thursday, Jan. 8 through Feb. 12 and Feb. 12 through March 21, 9:45 to 10:35 am. Cost: \$110 for residents and \$137.50 for out-of-town participants.

**Adult Tap**, for ages 18 and up, will be held on Sundays, Feb. 2 through March 16, 9:45 to 10:45 am. The cost is \$36 for residents and \$45 for out-of-town participants.

**Prenatal Yoga** will help you through the journey of pregnancy while improving flexibility, toning muscles and providing natural relief from some common pregnancy discomforts. Held on Sundays, Jan. 19 through March 16, 9 to 10:15 am. Cost is \$92 for residents and \$115 for out-of-town participants.

## **POTPOURRI**

**Travel Photography Satisfaction**, for ages 18 and up, aims to increase your satisfaction with your photography. Learn tricks for photographing indoor, nighttime, moving subjects, while you are moving, cloudy days and people. This class is designed for amateurs and experienced photographers. Class is held on Sat., March 16, 12:30 to 3 pm. Cost is \$50 for residents and \$62.50 for out-of-town participants.

**Irish Fiddle**, for ages 12 and up, will be held on Thursdays, Jan. 24 through Feb. 28, from 5 to 6 pm. Learn techniques to play the fiddle; some experience needed. Bring your own violin. The cost is \$37.50 for residents and \$46.50 for out-of-town participants.

**Family Skate Night** at the Vienna Community Center will be held on Fridays, Jan. 13 through March 23, from 6:30 to 8 pm. The cost is \$1 per person. No skating on Jan. 20, 27 and Feb. 24.

# HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

**Free Blood Pressure Checks**, provided by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, will be held at Oakton Library on Sat., Jan. 12, from 8 am to 12 pm. The VVFD provides this service once a month on the second Saturday; locations will be announced each month. Any questions, contact [Joanie@vvfd.org](mailto:Joanie@vvfd.org).

**The Vienna Choral Society** invites you to sing in the new year! Our next event will be a concert for a cause, "Music Of The Storms" is set for Sat., March 16. Join us for open rehearsals Tues., Jan. 8, 15 and 22 and see if you'd like to sing with us. Details at [www.viennachoralsociety.org](http://www.viennachoralsociety.org).

**Western Fairfax PFLAG**, a support group for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and **FLY**, a support/social group for LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet concurrently on Tues., Jan. 1, 7:30 to 9 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd. FLY also holds Teen Lounges on the 3rd Friday of every month at various locations. Email: [wf.pflag@gmail.com](mailto:wf.pflag@gmail.com). Facebook: [Facebook.com/groups/fly.pflag](https://www.facebook.com/groups/fly.pflag).

**The Five Hills Garden Club** presents a program the third Tuesday of every month, September through June. The club meets at the Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park Street SE, with socializing at 9:30 am, meeting commencement at 10 am, followed by the program and a light luncheon. Open to the public, visitors may wish to email ahead to [fivehillsgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:fivehillsgardenclub@gmail.com) so the club can prepare a friendly welcome and give specific directions.

**Capitol Steps**, the political satire musical, will be performing at James Madison High School on Sun., March 10, at 4 pm. For tickets, visit <http://madisoncapitolsteps2013.brownpapertickets.com/>. This event supports the drug and alcohol free All Night Graduation Celebration. For information, contact [madisoncapitolsteps2013@gmail.com](mailto:madisoncapitolsteps2013@gmail.com).

**There will be no book collections** for the months of December, January or February for the detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. For more information, contact Florence Roseborough at (703) 281-2498.

**Steak dinner** with baked potato and salad, \$14, Fri., Jan. 11, 5:30 to 8 pm, at the Vienna American Legion, 330 Center St, N, Vienna 22180. Call (703) 938-9535 for more information.

**Breakfast Buffet**, Sun., Jan. 20, from 8 am to 12 pm at the Vienna American Legion, 330 Center Street N. Adults \$8, children \$3: omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. Open to the public. For more information call (703) 938-1379.

**The Fairfax County Chapter of the DAR is collecting NEW books** to be read by loved ones to infants in the INOVA Fair Oaks Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Our goal is to collect enough books that each child can go home with one book, selected by their parents, that we give to each when they come to the hospital. Due to health concerns, each book we collect must be new, therefore this will be an on-going collection activity. Please contact Robin Sachlis, Co-Chair Literacy Challenge, at (703) 385-4326.

**Americanism Essay Contest** for students grades 3 through 12. This year's theme is, "What freedom do I enjoy the most?" Submission deadline is March 1, 2013. Cash prizes will be awarded. Sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 of Vienna. For rules and information, contact Ruth Decker at (703) 242-7082.

**Oratorical contest** for high school students, Sat., Jan. 19 at 10 am at the Vienna American Legion, 330 Center Street N. Register by Fri., Jan. 11 with Ron Patterson at [ronp5555@yahoo.com](mailto:ronp5555@yahoo.com) or (703) 867-1285.

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**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 in Vienna. For more information or to register, go to [www.thewomenscenter.org](http://www.thewomenscenter.org) or call (703) 281-2657, ext. 276.

- *The Smart Split: What You Need to Know about the Legal Aspects of Separation and Divorce*, Sat., Jan. 12, 10 am to 1 pm, \$55 Registration Fee / \$45 Members
- *Avoiding Divorce Court I – How to Negotiate or Mediate Property Settlement Agreements*, Tues., Jan. 22, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, \$40 Registration Fee / \$30 Members \$70 Couples Registration Fee / \$50 Member Couples
- *Avoiding Divorce Court II- Provisions of Settlement Agreements*, Thurs., Jan. 24, 6:30 to 9:30 pm, \$40 Registration Fee / \$30 Members \$70 Couples Registration Fee / \$50 Member Couples
- *Federal Job Application Workshop*, Mon., Jan. 28, 10 am to 12 pm, \$35 Registration Fee / \$25 Members
- *Divorce, Custody and Support: The Discovery Process – Preparing Your Case*, Wed., Jan. 30, 7 pm to 9 pm, \$55 Registration Fee / \$45 Members

**St. Mark Catholic School will host an Open House** for prospective families on Sun., Jan. 13, 1 - 2:30 pm. Students will lead guided tours of classrooms, where teachers will be present to answer any questions. Applications for the 2013-14 school year will be available at the Open House and online at [www.stmark.org/school](http://www.stmark.org/school).

**Visit Meadowlark's Winter Walk of Lights** through Sun., Jan. 6, to experience over 500,000 LED lights and displays that bring Meadowlark Botanical Gardens to life! Imagine the beauty of Meadowlark's renowned gardens transformed into a winter wonderland! This event is sure to be the highlight of your holiday season! For more information, please visit [www.winterwalkoflights.com](http://www.winterwalkoflights.com) or call Meadowlark staff at (703) 255-3631.

**Adventures in Learning class**, presented by the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, registration and open house will be Thurs., Jan. 10, 10 am to 12 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax (UUCF), 2709 Hunter Mill Road. The classes will run from Jan. 17, to March 14, and range from T'ai Chi, Bridge, health topics along with world affairs and a potpourri of interesting subjects. Tuition is \$40. Please visit [www.scov.org](http://www.scov.org) or call the office at (703) 281-0538 for the schedule of classes.

**NARFE** (National Association of Federal Retired and Active Government Employees) Vienna - Oakton Chapter 1116 will meet on Tues., Jan. 8, at 1:30 pm at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE. The speaker will be Thomas Leverone, Washington Financial Group LLP, who will discuss Long Term Care. The meeting is free to all members and their guests. For more information, please call (703) 281-5123.

**The Vienna Host Lions Club** will hold its 50th James A Bland Music Contest on Sat., Feb. 16 at the Vienna Apostle of God Church on Ayr Hill Avenue.

The contest is open to students in High School and Middle School with two categories: Instrument and vocal. Please contact Nancy at (703) 938-7716 or [n.volpe8@verizon.net](mailto:n.volpe8@verizon.net) for more information and an application or visit [www.viennahostlionsva.lionwap.org](http://www.viennahostlionsva.lionwap.org).

**The 7th Annual Casino Night & Silent Auction**, presented by James Madison Athletic Boosters, will be held Fri., March 1, 7 to 11 pm at The Grand Atrium, 2236 Gallows Rd. Tickets are \$55 in advance and \$65 at the door. Includes open bar, appetizer buffet, desserts, gambling, dancing, auction and more! For tickets, visit [www.warhawkssports.org](http://www.warhawkssports.org).

**Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc.** will meet on Thurs., Jan. 17, at 7:30 pm at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane. Paul White, retired State Department Foreign Service Officer, will discuss U.S. military operations along the Ho Chi Minh Trail and the Plain of Jars in Laos from the mid-60s to early 70s. The general public and veterans are invited; admission is free. For information, call (703) 255-0353 or visit [www.vva227.org](http://www.vva227.org).

**Historic Vienna, Inc.** is looking for photographs, drawings, artifacts or replicas of the railroads passing through Vienna, including the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire RR and its successors. If you have any railroad-related items to loan to HVI for this exhibit (projected opening date of Spring 2013) please contact Mike Berger at (703) 938-3784 or [sberger@erols.com](mailto:sberger@erols.com).

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## THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

*From the Vienna Newsletter Archives*

**January 2003:** The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has scheduled a public hearing for the Beulah Road NE improvement project on Tuesday, January 21, from 6 to 8 pm in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. At the hearing, project engineers and other VDOT staff will be available to discuss construction plans, easements and right-of-way acquisition with affected property owners and other interested citizens.

**January 1993:** Beginning January 2, curbside collection of recyclable materials will be provided to all Vienna residents currently served by Town refuse collection. The first collection day each week will be for the collection of trash and the second collection day will be for the collection of recyclable materials.

**January 1983:** Because of the current rabies epidemic in Northern Virginia, the Town Council has adopted an emergency ordinance requiring all cats over six months old to be vaccinated against rabies. The increasing incidence of rabies in wild animals has caused concern about the potential for rabies to spread to the domestic cat population.

**January 1973:** After 14 years on the Vienna Town Council, L. Dean Wallace has announced that he will not seek re-election in May. Mr. Wallace said that he was making his announcement early in order that others would have time to get their signatures and make their preparations. This is typical of the thoughtfulness which characterizes Mr. Wallace - a true gentleman!

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** Congratulations to the following businesses on achieving milestone anniversaries in January 2013: **(50 Years)** Sheets Wholesale, Inc.; **(40 Years)** C&C Garage, Inc., County Transmissions, Inc., Daniel H. Framm, MD, Just Like New, Tommy Beach, Inc. and Vienna Woods Swim and Tennis Club; **(30 Years)** Krystal Maid Service, Natural Notes and Vienna Hardwoods, Inc.; **(20 Years)** Counseling Services of Vienna, James Madison Shell and McDonald's; **(10 Years)** Air Treatment Company, Andre Luis Biauth, Chandramaya Craig, Deeds Realty Services, L.C., Estelle Belisle, Interword Corporation, LTD, Marshall O. Potter, Mitchell Eye Institute, P.C., Paradigm Service Group, LLC and Unisoft Corporation, LTD.

## DOG LICENSE DUE BY

**JANUARY 31**

Effective November 1, dog license fees changed to a flat rate of \$10 per dog.

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](http://www.viennava.gov). A current rabies vaccination certificate is required to obtain a license. For more information, call (703) 255-6323.

## TRAIN STATION/ CABOOSE CLOSED

The Train Station and the W&OD Caboose will not be open to the public during the months of January and February.

The next open houses will be on Saturday, March 16, from 1 to 5 pm.