



Town of Vienna

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Newsletter

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Happy Holidays!



From the Vienna Town Council and Town Staff

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

Town offices will close at noon on Tuesday, December 24, and remain closed through Wednesday, December 25, for the Christmas holiday. Town offices will also be closed on Wednesday, January 1, for the New Year's holiday. In addition Town Hall will be closed on Friday, December 6, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm during the annual Town employees' holiday luncheon.

HOLIDAY REFUSE COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Refuse will be collected as normal on Tuesday, December 24; however, there will be **no collection** on Wednesday, December 25 and Wednesday, January 1. Wednesday route refuse will be collected along with the regular Thursday route on Thursday, December 26 and Thursday, January 2.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

The Public Works Department will collect Christmas trees during the month of January. Place trees at the curbside on your regular collection day. Trees should be unadorned (no tinsel). Also, do not place Christmas trees in bags for collection.

Town Calendar

Delivery

The 2014 Town of Vienna wall calendar will be mailed to every in-town residence by mid-December. One per household. If you do not receive your calendar by January 1, contact the Public Information Office at (703) 255-6330.

THANK YOU!

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.

You're Invited!

The Mayor and the Vienna Town Council invite you to the annual Holiday Reception on Friday, December 13, from 4 to 6 pm in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S. No RSVP required.

★ ★ Celebrate New Year's Eve Safely!

FIRST NIGHT VIENNA ~ December 31st

www.firstnightvienna.org

Town of Vienna

VIENNA

See page 8 for more information on this new and exciting Vienna tradition!

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.

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

September 23, 2013

- Awarded design contracts to RDA and Urban Engineering for new sidewalks on Lewis Street NW (including water line), Ayito Road SE, Glyndon Street NE and John Marshall Drive NW.
- Adopted a resolution endorsing an application for a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality grant to fund sidewalks to MetroRail.
- Accepted the right of way dedications for four traffic signal reconstruction projects at Maple Ave. & Lawyers Rd., Maple Ave. & Center St., Maple Ave. & Park St., and Nutley St. & Courthouse Rd.
- Awarded a \$411,000 contract to Elite Power and Energy Corporation for a new Police Department emergency generator and installation of the old generator at Town Hall.
- Approved the purchase of the replacement for vehicle #31 in the Water and Sewer Division under

- the Vehicle Replacement Program for a total cost of \$47,242.91.
- Awarded a contract to Colossal Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$14,700 for the repair and paint of the historic Little Library.
- Awarded a capital lease contract to US Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance for the financing of the FY2013-2014 Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Program.
- Amended Chapter 9, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article 1, Section 9-3, regarding traffic offenses and Driving While Intoxicated.

October 7, 2013

Cole Absent

- Approved a final plat and waiver from the maximum permitted deviation from pre-existing lot grades for a two lot resubdivision in Vienna Woods (853 Park Street SE).

- Approved a final plat for a two-lot re-subdivision at Westbriar Country Club Manor.
- Approved Davenport as Financial Advisor for the Town's proposed bond issue.
- Appointed McGuire Woods as Bond Counsel for the Town's proposed bond issue.
- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the Vienna Business Association for the First Night Vienna event.
- Awarded a contract in the amount of \$14,478.78 to Windows Plus, LLC for the replacement of the Bowman House windows.
- Set the 2014 Town Council meeting schedule and added an additional town-observed holiday (December 26, 2014). *Approved 5-1, Polychrones Voting Nay*
- Approved a resolution opting out of the Virginia Retirement System's Virginia Local Disability Program and executed a participation agreement with the Virginia Association of Counties Risk Pool for the purposes of offering a comparable plan.
- Awarded a \$21,560.53 contract for pedestrian improvements at Follin Lane SE and the entrance to Navy Federal Parking Garage.
- Authorized the addition of a 12-month extension for completion of public improvements for Birdseye Subdivision.

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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FAX (703) 255-5729 • e-mail pio@viennava.gov
Deadline for the January issue is December 15.

Upcoming Council Public Hearings

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

Upcoming Public Hearings:

- No public hearings are currently scheduled for the month of December.

COMMENT FROM THE COUNCIL TABLE

Who Provides Vienna's Emergency Assistance for Police, Fire and Medical Services, and How Resident Calls Are Received and Dispatched

By Councilmember Howard Springsteen, Vienna Town Council

This fall I completed my 25th year of continuous service in the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department (VVFD) located at 400 Center Street South. Over the years, one thing is constant with the VVFD as I still find myself explaining to Vienna residents who provides emergency assistance (police, fire and medical service) and how residents' calls are received and dispatched.

Police assistance and coverage to the Town of Vienna is provided by the Vienna Police Department, which has been in existence for over 66 years. The department is a full-service law enforcement agency employing 41 sworn officers and 11 civilian members, who are supplemented by a 5-member police auxiliary unit. The Police Department is one of the seven Town Departments that comprise the Vienna Town government. The Police Department's yearly operating budget is approximately \$6.3 million and is funded by tax revenues received by the Town of Vienna. Last year, the Vienna Police Department responded to over 16,900 calls for assistance.

Fire and emergency medical service coverage is provided by a combined Fairfax County career staff and volunteer effort. Of the 38 fire stations across the County, the Vienna fire station is

one of 12 volunteer fire departments. The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, in existence for over 60 years, provides 24-hour coverage at the Vienna fire station, which includes a career staff of 20 personnel covering three 24-hour shifts. The VVFD, which began over 110 years ago in 1903, has over 90 members including over 40 operational volunteers who work closely with the career personnel and help staff an additional engine and ambulance providing supplemental assistance when needed. The VVFD volunteers own and maintain the Vienna fire station and purchase all the emergency vehicles at the station. This effort requires raising funds of over \$300,000 annually. Fairfax County covers the costs of the County career staff, station utility costs, vehicle repairs, fuel, maintenance and insurance costs that total approximately \$2.6 million annually. Last year, there were over 3,600 unit responses by the Vienna fire station.

When a Vienna resident needs emergency assistance for police, fire or medical service, you need to call 911 and the call is automatically routed to the Fairfax County 911 Emergency Operations Center located on West Ox Road in the Fair Oaks area. Vienna police calls are routed through the



County's 911 center and immediately passed to the Vienna Police Department dispatcher in the Vienna police station, who then dispatches the Vienna police. Non-emergency calls to the Vienna police can be received on the (703) 255-6366 number. Fire and emergency medical services calls are dispatched from the County's 911 center and assigned to either the Vienna fire station units or, if they are not available, to the nearest fire station that has available units. The dispatch time for either police or fire calls is usually less than a minute depending on the nature of the call.

I hope this information gives a good overview of our available emergency services. We as residents can be proud of these emergency services. As 2013 draws to a close, I hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday season and we as a community continue to thrive in 2014.

Nominate Your Favorite Business for a Community Service Award

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 March 7, to Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Joseph Pudlick, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center Street South, Vienna, VA 22180 or by fax to (703) 255-5729 or e-mail to tblc@viennava.gov (put "TBLC award" in subject line.)

Real Estate Tax Due: December 5

The second installment of your 2013 Town of Vienna real estate taxes is due on Thursday, December 5. If you have not received your bill, please call the Town's Real Estate Office at (703) 255-6325 or e-mail realestate@viennava.gov.

December Town Meetings

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

Monday, 2nd: Town Council Meeting CANCELLED

Tuesday, 3rd: Windover Heights Board of Review, 7:30 pm (if needed)

Monday, 9th: Town Council Work Session

Wednesday, 11th: Planning Commission

Thursday, 12th: Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 pm

Friday, 13th: Mayor and Town Council's Holiday Reception at Town Hall, 4 - 6 pm

Monday, 16th: Town Council Meeting and Work Session

Wednesday, 18th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Thursday, 19th: Board of Architectural Review

Thursday, 26th: Community Enhancement Commission CANCELLED

Town-Wide Loose Leaf Collection Continues Through December

Town-wide loose leaf collection began on October 28, 2013. Regardless of where you live in town, residents are asked to rake leaves to the curb **at any point** between October 28 and December 31, 2013.

Starting in North Vienna

In total, **three leaf collections** will be performed throughout town from November 2013 through January 2014, weather permitting. Each pass will begin in north Vienna and once the northern part of Town is completed, crews will begin collections in south Vienna. As in previous years, collection crews will only pass your house once during each of the three collections. Daily leaf collection updates can be viewed online at www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=990.

Rake Your Leaves By December 31

It is important that your leaves are raked to the curb by December 31 or you may miss the final collection pass. If you miss the final pass, you will be asked to bag your leaves in clear plastic bags so that they can be collected on your regular weekly collection day.

If you have any questions regarding leaf collection, please contact the Department of Public Works at dpw@viennava.gov or (703) 255-6380.

For important tips regarding loose leaf collection, visit www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=163.

Dog License Due by January 31

Town dog licenses must be renewed by January 31 each year. The license fee for each dog is \$10. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be shown if the rabies vaccination expires by January 31, 2014 or for any dog new to town. Applications are available at Town Hall, by mail and online at www.viennava.gov. For more information, call (703) 255-6323.

Please Shovel Snow if Possible

Fight this winter's feelings of being cooped up and trapped by getting out and helping your neighborhood clear its sidewalks of snow! Get a group together, fill your thermos with cocoa and get some muscle warming exercise. Help your neighbors, mail carriers, dog walkers, kids walking to school and others using the public sidewalks and clear the snow.

Please note that businesses who hire snowplows to clear their parking lots should make sure that snow is not piled onto adjoining sidewalks or pushed into the street. Also, it is illegal to block handicapped parking spaces with snow.

Hire a Teen to Help Clear Snow
If you are unable to shovel snow,

the Community Center can help by matching you with a Vienna area teen who will work with you individually to shovel snow and help with other odd jobs for a mutually agreeable fee. Teens can sign up at the Vienna Community Center and residents can call (703) 255-6360 to be matched with a young worker.

Snow Removal Awards

Recognize your neighbors (residential and business) that do an excellent job in removing snow or help others this season by nominating them for an award through the Town/Business Liaison Committee. To make a nomination or for more information, email tblc@viennava.gov or call the Public Information Office at (703) 255-6361.

He's Comin' To Town...

Hear a message from Santa Claus especially for the children of Vienna beginning Monday, December 16, through Christmas Day on the Vienna Information Line, (703) 255-6333.

Recycling at Northside:

December 7

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, December 7, from 8 am to 2 pm at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill Street NE (entrance at the dead end of the street). This service of the Department of Public Works (DPW) provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products.

DPW also offers recycling of small rechargeable batteries at the quarterly recycling events at Northside as well as at Town Hall and the Community Center. Rechargeable batteries include nickel-cadmium (NiCd), nickel-zinc (NiZn), lithium-ion (Li-ion), nickel-metal hydride (NiMH), and small sealed lead-acid (SSLA or Pb). Rechargeable batteries come in many types, including standard AA, AAA, C, D, and 9-volt, or a special design for a specific device. They may be removable or internal to a device.

Alkaline batteries (non-rechargeable) are not recyclable; however, they have been redesigned to have a very low toxicity and may now be disposed of safely in your household trash. For more information, call (703) 255-6380.

Donate Gifts for Santa's Ride

The Vienna Police Department will participate in the 2013 Santa's Ride for Children on Tuesday, December 10. Santa's Ride for Children benefits children who are hospitalized or in need during the holidays. Vienna residents can support this program by bringing in donations of unwrapped toys, games, books and other gifts to the Vienna Police Department, 215 Center Street S, by Monday, December 9.



Santa is scheduled to arrive in Vienna, escorted by his squad of motorcycle elves on Tuesday, December 10.

Leaf Mulch Delivery

The Public Works Department will take orders December 2 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-January. 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. 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) 255-6382 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 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.

Welcome New Businesses

*These businesses received business licenses during
the month of October*

Dominion Dive Club
Athletic Training
510-B Mill Street NE
(703) 579-6880

Iris Dental Care
Dentist
305-E Maple Avenue W
(703) 865-8455

RECYCLING KEEPS VIENNA “MERRY AND BRIGHT”

By De Anna Vouvakis, Community Enhancement Commission

Searching for a holiday gift for everyone? Ever consider increasing your recycling? This idea may not be on the top of your holiday list, but Americans throw away 25% more trash during the holiday time from Thanksgiving to the New Year than any other time of the year. Recycling is a gift for yourself, your loved ones, and all of Vienna.

Recycling also makes a positive impact on our Town's budget. Last year, the Town spent almost \$400,000 to dispose of trash and collected approximately \$30,000 for recycling. Simply put, we pay to dispose of trash and we get paid to recycle. Plus, recycling in Vienna is so easy: no need to separate anything, just place it outside on the day of collection in a transparent plastic bag, or purchase a large blue recycling bin to quickly wheel out onto the curb.

The following are a few ideas to give your holiday recycling a boost:

- Recycle your shopping bags, cardboard boxes from toys, gifts and stores as well as the non-metallic wrapping paper, ribbon and bows that adorn gifts.
- Send E-Cards instead of paper ones, and recycle the paper ones you receive.
- Reuse gift bags, newspaper, boxes and create gift tags with saved cards.
- Recycle food and drink containers, plastic plates and silverware, napkins and other paper products when you entertain.
- Remove your name from unwanted catalog mailing lists to save paper.
- Use real, unbuttered popcorn to pack gifts, and reuse Styrofoam peanuts or return to UPS stores (call before delivering).

- Buy rechargeable batteries and a battery charger to cut down on battery consumption.
- Purchase recycled products as gifts, especially those with high post-consumer content, and support retailers who demonstrate sustainable business practices.

Don't forget your Christmas tree! The Town will pick up live trees left on the curb - no need to bag - on each scheduled collection day in January. The trees are picked up along with brush and recycled into mulch to be used in our community once again.

You can always visit the Town of Vienna's recycling page for up-to-date recycling information: www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=159. Truly the gift that keeps on giving, recycling is a perfect way to keep Vienna clean, green, “Merry and Bright!”

Seeking Volunteers for the Vienna Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committees

The Vienna Town Council is seeking Vienna citizens to volunteer to serve on the re-established Vienna Bicycle Advisory Committee and the newly created Pedestrian Advisory Committee. The Committees will serve as advisory boards to the Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) and members will be appointed by the Town Council. Each Committee will consist of six community members, in addition to a member of the TSC to serve as Chair.

The Committees will meet on alternate months at 7 pm prior to the Transportation Safety Commission meeting on the last Tuesday of each month at Town Hall. The goal of the Committees is to provide recommendations to the Transportation Safety Commission and the Vienna Town Council for improving the pedestrian and bicycle network in Vienna. The Vienna Town Council will consider applicants for appointment in December and January, with the expectation that the Committees will begin work in January.

Anyone interested in serving on the Bicycle Advisory or Pedestrian Advisory Committees should complete the Board and Commission application available online at www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=350 or in the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall, 127 Center Street S, 2nd floor. For questions on the application process, contact the Town Clerk's Office at (703) 255-6304.

Town Council Meetings Broadcast Live on Town of Vienna Community Network

Vienna residents are invited to watch live broadcasts of Town Council meetings on the Town of Vienna Community Network (TVCN) on Cox channel 27 and Verizon channel 38 at 8 pm on the first and third Mondays beginning December 16, 2013. (Check the Town Calendar for meeting dates.) Council meetings will be re-broadcast on TVCN at 6:30 pm on the following Wednesday, and 10 am and 9 pm on Thursday.

You can also view the live broadcast of the Council meeting on the Town's website or view the video on demand. Visit www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=282 for more information.



2013 ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE WINNERS

The Town of Vienna and the Vienna Business Association have announced the winning entries in the 2013 Vienna Halloween Parade held October 23. Winners were recognized at the November 4 Town Council meeting.

Best in Show – Optimist Club of Greater Vienna

Youth Band – 1st Place: James Madison High School Marching Band; 2nd Place: George C. Marshall Marching Statesmen

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

Floats (with Music) – 1st Place: Northwest Federal Credit Union; 2nd Place: Vienna Inn/James Madison Drama Department; 3rd Place: Optimist Club of Greater Vienna

Floats (without Music) - 1st Place: Montessori School of Oakton; 2nd Place: Coldwell Banker Residential Realty; 3rd Place: VYS Under 9 Travel Soccer

Youth Performing Groups – 1st Place: Vienna Jammers Percussion Ensemble; 2nd Place: Vienna Dance Academy; 3rd Place: Cuppett Performing Arts Center

Adult Performing Groups – 1st Place: GottaSwing Dancers; 2nd Place: Kena Temple Shriners; 3rd Place: Cardinal Cloggers

Antique Vehicles – 1st Place: Daughters of the American Revolution; 2nd Place: Northern VA Corvette Club; 3rd Place: Old Dominion Historical Fire Society

Thanks to the following Halloween Parade sponsors for their generous contributions: Pure Chiropractic, Vienna Wireless Society, Robeks, Garai Orthodontics, Govan Builders, Northeast Vienna Citizens Association, Vienna Family Dentist, Bright Horizons and the many goodie bag sponsors.



Vienna Business Anniversaries

Congratulations to the following Vienna businesses who will celebrate milestone anniversaries in December 2013:

10 years

Starbucks Coffee #2804
Vienna Florist
Virginian Restaurant

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Donation Requests Due December 13

Friday, December 13, is the deadline for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds in Fiscal Year 2014-2015. Applications should be addressed to Town Manager Mercury Payton, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center Street S, Vienna, VA 22180. All requests must include the following information:

- Name of the organization and names and addresses of its officers;
- Purpose of the organization and a description of its programs and activities;
- Percentage of members or participants who live in town or who own or are employed by town businesses;
- Organization budget showing all income and expenses for the year in which the donation will be used;
- Amount of funding requested from the Town;
- Purpose for which the donation will be used;
- Synopsis of the fundraising activities being conducted during the current year; and
- Statement signed by the principal officer that membership or participation is open to all residents and business people in town without regard to race, national origin, religion or sex.

Shop Vienna: Your Local Business Directory

Businesses are invited to register their business with Shop Vienna, an online database featuring Town of Vienna businesses! If you choose to claim your business in the directory, you will have access to a variety of features that will help promote your business and gain visibility. Residents and visitors can access the directory to view a comprehensive listing of Town businesses and learn more about Vienna's unique business community. **View Shop Vienna online at www.viennava.gov.** The cost to businesses to participate is \$25 annually and is due when you renew your business license. Sign up now for a free six week introduction period!



Celebrate New Year's Eve Safely!

FIRST NIGHT VIENNA ~ December 31st

www.firstnightvienna.org

Tuesday, December 31, 2013

7 pm - Midnight

Historic Church Street

Free admission; All ages
www.firstnightvienna.org
info@firstnightvienna.org

First Night Vienna is a new event sponsored by the Vienna Business Association and the Town of Vienna that aims to provide a fun, alcohol-free celebration for all ages in the heart of Vienna! Enjoy your neighbors and family with an evening of food, entertainment, music and hands-on activities for kids and adults!

Ring in the new year at 9 pm for the younger children and then at midnight for the New Year's finale. Church Street will be closed to vehicular traffic.

CHURCH STREET STROLL

CHURCH STREET CLOSSES AT 5:45

MONDAY 🎄 DECEMBER 2 🎄 6:00PM 🎄 9:00PM

Santa arrives at 6:15PM

Santa and Mayor light the tree at 6:20PM

SHOWMOBILE STAGE	HISTORIC STRUCTURES OPEN
Wolftrap Elementary Singers	Freeman Store and Museum
Vienna Theatre Company	Little Library
Louise Archer Singers	Caboose
Green Hedges Jazz Ensemble	Train Station
First Baptist Church	Knights of Columbus
Men's Choir	<i>formerly First Baptist</i>
Vienna Community Band	Vienna Presbyterian's Old Chapel
STROLLING	Toys for Tots Collection
Fairfax Jubilaires	<i>Sponsored by Coldwell Banker</i>
Vienna Falls Chorus	Collection box will be located
of Sweet Adelines	next to the Showmobile

Bonfires with Marshmallows
Hot Chocolate 🎄 Petting Zoo

INFORMATION
703 938 5187
Merchants Will be Open

VIENNA COMMUNITY BAND HOLIDAY CONCERT

Sunday, December 15
3 pm

Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry Street, SE
Free

Mayor M. Jane Seeman will narrate Newell Long's *'Twas the Night Before Christmas*. Local school children will lead a sing-along of familiar chorals.

Enjoy a wide-variety of holiday music performed by the Vienna Community Band.

No tickets necessary; open to all ages.
(703) 403-9179

www.viennacommunityband.org



CHO Christmas Store Prepares to Open!

We need your help on Friday, December 13, at the Vienna Presbyterian Church to set up our Christmas Store. This is also the time to bring us your donations of new toys for children ages 1 to 12, gift cards for teens and food gift cards. Hopefully you've already made arrangements to donate your bikes and good winter clothing.

If you can help us, we will be working from 9:30 am until noon on Friday and from 8:30 am until noon on Saturday, December 14. We also need help cleaning up at noon. That's a good time for high school kids to earn some service hours. Please call Carolyn Mysel at (703) 281-7614, box #1, and let us know if you can help!

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.

TRIPS/SPECIAL EVENTS

Third Annual Caroling on the Green will be held Wed., December 18, on the Town Green, 144 Maple Ave, (weather permitting) at 6:30 pm. All ages are welcome to participate. The event is free, but donations are accepted for the Vienna Jammers. In case of inclement weather, meet at the Whole Foods Vienna.

Kid's Fun Day Out, for ages 4 to 12, will be held on Sat., Dec. 14, from 1 to 4 pm at the Vienna Community Center. Parents are invited to drop off your child with the Vienna Parks and Recreation staff for a fun filled afternoon while you get a few hours to finish all of your holiday to-dos! Pre-registration is required; space is limited. The cost is \$10 for the first child, \$5 per sibling. Call Brandy Wyatt at (703) 255-5721 or email bwyatt@viennava.gov to register.

SPORTS AND FITNESS

Gym Drop in for Tots, through December 19; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:45 am to 9:45 am. For ages 20 months to 5 years with parent. Please call the Community Center at (703) 255-6360 prior to arrival to ensure the gym is available. Gym closed November 14 and 28. Free.

Mommy Boot Camp starts in January. Register now to reserve your spot - kids of all ages are welcome. For more information, call (571) 214-6667 or visit www.mommybootcamp.org.

JUST FOR TEENS

Club Phoenix After School Program for grades 6 through 8 runs Monday from 12:30 pm to 6:30 pm and Tuesday through Friday from 2:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Registration is required. Contact Tammy Funk at (703) 255-5736 to register your teen.

Late Night Winter Wonderland Party for Club Phoenix members will be Fri., Dec. 13, from 3:30 to 10 pm. All grades are invited to spend the evening enjoying all that winter has to offer!

Pop, Pop and Watch Day for Club Phoenix Teen members will be on Thurs., Dec. 19, at 3:30 pm. Celebrate the unofficial start to winter break with popcorn, poptarts and an afternoon of movies.

Teen Etiquette will be held on Sat., Feb. 1, from 10 am to 12 pm and will teach your teen everything they need to know about table manners. The cost is \$40 for residents and \$50 for out-of-town participants, plus a \$5 materials fee due the day of class.

JUST FOR MATURE ADULTS

What to do When Somebody Dies will be held on Mon., Dec. 9, from 10 am to 11:30 am. No registration required.

Caboose and Train Station Open Houses

The Train Station and Caboose, located along the W&OD Trail near the Church Street intersection, will be open to the public on Mon., Dec. 2, from 6 to 9 pm during the annual Church Street Stroll. Free admission.

Free Blood Pressure Check, Wed., Dec. 11, 10:45 am - 11:45 am at the Community Center. No reservation required.

POTPOURRI

Tracing Your Family Roots, beginning Sat., Jan. 25, from 2 to 4 pm, will help you learn more about your past. The cost is \$50 for residents, \$62.50 for out-of-town participants and \$25 for mature adults.

Vienna Theatre Co. tickets for their production of THIS, a comedy/drama by Melissa James Gibson, go on sale at the Community Center on Tues., Dec. 17. Tickets are \$13 each and are available in advance or at the door. Visit www.viennatheatreco.org.

Family Skate Nights are held on Friday nights, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm in the Community Center gym. The cost is \$1 per person and is appropriate for the whole family! Participants need to bring their own skates and safety equipment; no scooters, roller skates and in-line skates only. Parents are required to stay and are invited to participate!

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Your old magazines and paperback books are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. Regular donors may leave publications in sturdy plastic bags at the usual location on the last Tuesday of each month from 9 am to 7 pm. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at (703) 281-2498 for information. *No collection will be held December through February.*

High School Oratorical Contest, Sat., Jan. 11 at 10 am at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St. N. First prize \$150, second and third prizes \$50. For more info contact Ron Patterson, (703) 867-1285 or ronp5555@yahoo.com. Register by Jan. 3.

The Five Hills Garden Club will create wreaths for municipal buildings as a gift to the Town of Vienna at their next meeting on Tues., Dec. 3, Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park Street, at 9:30 am for socializing. The meeting will commence at 10 am followed by a light luncheon at noon. Open to the public, visitors may wish to email ahead to fivehillsgardenclub@gmail.com so the club can prepare a friendly welcome and give specific directions.

New Years Eve Party at Vienna's American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St. N. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Chris Polk Band: \$35 single, \$50 per couple, benefits Legion National Emergency Fund. Call (703) 938-9535 for info/tickets.

Breakfast Buffet, Sun., Dec. 15, from 8 am to 12 pm, Vienna's American Legion Post 180, 330 Center Street N. Adults

\$8, children \$3: omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. For more information, call (703) 938-1379.

"Season's Greetings" showcases original art and hand-made gift items created by members of the Vienna Arts Society. Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St. NW, Tuesdays – Saturdays, Dec. 3 - 21, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Meet the artists at a reception Thurs., Dec. 12, 7:30 pm. Free and open to the public. (703) 319-3971; www.ViennaArtsSociety.org.

The Annual All You Can Eat Holiday Pancake Breakfast, hosted by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, will be held on Sat., Dec. 14, 8 am to 12 pm at the Fire Station, 400 Center St. S. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for children under 12 and free for children under 4. The price includes all you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, coffee, etc. Santa Claus will make his arrival at 10:30 am to greet all the children or adults who are kids at heart. There will also be tours of the fire equipment.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna is sponsoring a Great Decisions Discussion Group. The series is created by the Foreign Policy Association and will empower participants to discuss global issues shaping US foreign policy and the world. The group will meet every third Friday starting January through May and restart in September through November at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 344 Courthouse Rd. SW, from 10 am to 12 pm. Please call the Shepherd's Center at (703) 281-0538 to register and to purchase the book (\$25).

The Annual Food Drive, sponsored by Northeast Vienna Citizen's Association (NEVCA), for the benefit of the Committee for Helping Other's (CHO) will be held through December 31. All nonperishable unexpired food items are accepted; however, the following needs are in great demand:

- Diapers #2, Fruit Cocktail, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Canned Tuna, Canned Salmon, Spam, Small Canned Hams (available at local drug stores), Canned Chili, Lentils, Tomato Sauce, Cooking Oil, Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap

The following locations will have food boxes:

- Town Hall, 127 Center St. S
- Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE
- Evolution Fitness, 216 Dominion Rd.
- Bikes@Vienna, 128A Church St. NW
- Caffe Amouri, 107 Church St. NE
- Rexall Drug Store, 150 Maple Ave. W
- Uniquities, 421 Church St. NE #D

A box co-sponsored by NEVCA and Supervisor Cathy Hudgins will also be at Patrick Henry Library from December 1 to December 31. Questions may be addressed to Carolyn Mysel at (703) 938-7213.

Any veteran needing help with a Veterans Administration claim may contact Phil Dunn, the Service Officer at American Legion Post 180 in Vienna. No need to be a Legion member, just an armed forces veteran. Contact Phil at (703) 938-9535 or post180.cmdr@gmail.com.

Unless specifically noted as an event conducted or sponsored by the Town of Vienna, the events listed are published for informational purposes only. The listing of these events does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the event or necessarily reflect any policy or position of the Town of Vienna or its employees.

The Vienna Choral Society invites you to an unusual holiday concert. Listen to "Light and Dark," on the Solstice, 4:30 pm, Sat., Dec. 21. Tickets and details at www.viennachoralsociety.org.

PFLAG Fairfax, a community group for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and **FLY**, a social group for LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet concurrently on Tues., Dec. 3, 7:30-9:00 pm in the Program Building at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. FLY also holds Teen Lounges on the third Friday of every month, alternating movie/pizza nights at UUCF with meet-ups at various locations. E-mail wf.pflag@gmail.com or go to FLY's Facebook page for time and place. www.facebook.com/groups/fly.pflag/

Green Hedges School Open House, Fri., Dec. 13, 9:00 to 10:30 am. Visit classes in progress and meet our talented faculty! Average class size is 15. Challenging Academics Building Confidence & Leadership. Montessori Preschool, Traditional Grades 1 - 8. Nestled in a historic neighborhood just minutes from the Vienna Metro at the corner of Windover and Nutley. www.greenhedges.org

Vienna Adventist Academy, 340 Courthouse Rd. SW, is selling Florida Navel Oranges, Ruby Red Grapefruit and Tangerines this month. All orders must be placed by Mon., Dec. 2. The fruit will be available for pickup Fri., Dec. 13 and Sun., Dec. 15. For more information or to place an order, please contact the school office at (703) 938-6200 or viennaadventistacademy@gmail.com.

Purchase Christmas trees, wreaths, roping, coloring books and Virginia peanuts from the The Vienna Host Lions

starting on Sat. Nov. 30, at their usual location in the Walgreen's lot on Maple Avenue. Extra big trees will be available on Nov. 29. There will be Fraser firs, Douglas firs as well as Spruces. Prices vary due to type and height.

Kelsey Loesch of Vienna won a national essay contest held by the American Legion Auxiliary for seventh and eighth graders. Kelsey submitted her essay "What Freedom Do I Enjoy Most" to the Vienna American Legion unit last winter and won at that level, then won at the state and national levels. National winners were announced Nov. 10.

The Advent Project in Concert, Sun., Dec. 1, 3:30 pm, Johann Sebastian Bach's Magnificat, BWV 243, with Christmas sections, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 8601 Wolftrap Road. Information: Patrice Roe, (703) 896-7424, development@olgcvva.org.

Holly & Ivy: A Christmas Marketplace, Sat., Dec. 7, 10 am - 5 pm and Sun., Dec. 8, 7:30 am - 3 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 8601 Wolftrap Rd. Merchandise ranges from holiday décor to fine art to gifts for all of the members of the family! Also, raffles, white elephant items and a huge used book sale! On Sunday from 10 am - 1 pm, kids can come to "The Santa Experience," where you can visit with Santa (parents, bring your camera!), then make a craft and enjoy a treat! Information: Patrice Roe, (703) 896-7424, development@olgcvva.org.

Koinonia Koffeehouse Holiday Performances, Sat., Dec. 14, 7-10 pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, De Sales Hall, 8601 Wolftrap Road. Holiday themed open mic, light refreshments, good cheer. Information: Patrice Roe, (703) 896-7424, development@olgcvva.org.

Get into the Holiday Spirit at the Freeman Store

Santa Clause at the Freeman Store

Historic Vienna, Inc. will welcome Santa Claus to the Freeman Store, 131 Church Street NE, from 1 to 3 on Saturday, December 14 and Sunday, December 15. Ayr Hill Garden Club will once again decorate the HVI tree and the museum rooms for the holidays, providing the perfect backdrop for holiday photos with Santa, so bring your camera! Free and open to the public. For information call (703) 938-5287 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

Holiday Cards and Handcrafted Local Ornaments

Historic Vienna, Inc.'s 2013 Christmas card and Ornament have arrived at the Freeman Store. Local artist D. Marshall Elliott has created a beautifully detailed painting of the snow-covered Store, festooned with green wreaths and roping, the windows alight with a warm and welcoming glow. Notable this year is the representation of both the National and Virginia plaques recognizing the historic importance of the building. Cards are sold in packs of 10 with envelopes for \$8.50.

Rachel A. Peden has once again crafted a unique hand-painted ornament for HVI – a jolly Santa with a sack of toys over his shoulder. Creativity abounds as some have glasses, freckles or other unique details. The Santa ornament is \$19.50, as are the other ornaments in the series, now numbering 14.

Cards and ornaments are available now, exclusively at the Freeman Store, 131 Church Street NE. For more information call (703) 938-5187 or visit www.historicviennainc.org.

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THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

From the Vienna Newsletter Archives

December 2003: The Sons & Daughters Cemetery, located on Orchard Street NW, recently became the twentieth property in town to receive a Historic Designation Marker. There are over 200 graves in the cemetery, many belonging to former slaves, freed citizens and their descendents along with soldiers who served under Capt. Harmon Salsbury in the Union Army's 26th Regiment. The cemetery is still in use and belongs to the First Baptist Church of Vienna.

December 1993: The Town of Vienna has completed its transition plan for compliance with the physical accessibility standards set by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The plan identifies the modifications required to provide physical accessibility for all citizens at Town Hall and other government facilities, including handicap parking, elevators and specially designed restrooms, drinking fountains and telephones.

December 1983: The Town Council has sent the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation a position paper on the proposed I-66/Nutley Street interchange, objecting to VDH&T's current construction plans and recommending alternatives that would minimize adverse impacts on the town.

December 1973: The country is facing a serious energy crisis. To curb the use of energy, Vienna will not light the Town Christmas street decorations this season, although they will be installed. Residents are asked to keep Christmas lighting to a minimum and to decorate their homes this year with non-lighting outdoor displays.

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget Underway

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year 2014-2015 has begun. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget and tax rate at public hearings during the April 7 and 28, 2014 Town Council Meetings.

For more information on the budget process, call the Town's Finance office at (703) 255-7824 or visit www.viennava.gov.

FY2015 Budget Calendar

Friday, March 7: Distribution of Proposed Budget

Saturday, March 22: Budget Work Session

Monday, March 24: Budget Work Session

Monday, April 7: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget

Monday, April 21: Budget Work Session (if needed)

Monday, April 28: Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate

Monday, May 12: Budget and Tax Rate Adoption