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## ***ViVa! Vienna! - May 25-27***

# Free admission, priceless memories at annual community festival

*by Communications Specialist Adam Kincaid*

The cost of an all-day ride wristband at the annual ViVa! Vienna! festival: \$35. The cost of admission to the three-day, Memorial Day weekend event: Free. The memories made at the community festival, which features live entertainment, more than 125 food vendors and crafters, and, of course, tummy-tickling rides: Priceless.

Each year dozens of Rotary Club of Vienna volunteers stage the community festival, which bears the Town's name and offers fond memories for generations of Vienna citizens. The Rotary Club works hard to ensure that the festival remains affordable and accessible.

"Compared to other festivals in the area, ViVa! is designed to be accessible for families," says Rotary Club President A.J. Oskuie. "It's not designed to cost attendees an arm and a leg, unlike a lot of similar experiences. Part of our mission is to keep that in mind. As a charity organization, yes, we want to generate funds to distribute to community organizations, but we don't want to punish the guests who are helping us reach that goal by charging them a fortune."

Entry into the festival is free. Guests also can enjoy, free of charge, performances by eight bands and six special performances as well as attend a Memorial Day ceremony at 1 p.m. Monday, May 27. The festival takes place along historic Church Street and around the Town Green area.

Sorry, the more than three dozen rides are not free. The number of tickets needed varies from ride to ride; tickets are \$1 each, \$20 for a sheet of 24, or \$35 for an all-day wristband. But remember, it's all for a good cause.



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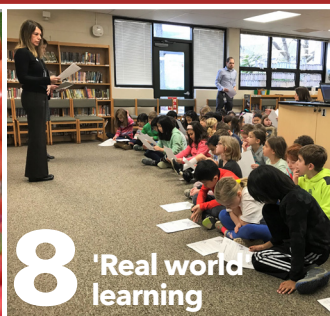
## IN THIS ISSUE



**Certified gold**



**Get fresh!**



**'Real world learning**

## Just do it! VOTE

Town Council elections are **Tuesday, May 7**. Six candidates are on the ballot for three open Council positions. Voter-registered Town residents may cast their vote from 6 a.m.-7 p.m. May 7 at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street.

Unofficial election results will be posted on the Town website and to the Town's social media accounts as soon as they are available.

## Vienna Community Center is golden

**T**he recently renovated Vienna Community Center isn't only bigger and better – it's also golden. The community center has received gold-level LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification through the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC).

The most widely used green building rating system in the world, according to the USGBC website, the LEED program provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient, and cost-saving green buildings.

The Vienna Community Center attained gold-level certification through its new construction/major renovation project, which was completed in 2017.

“We knew going into the renovation project that our goal was to have a silver-level LEED-certified building,” says Mayor Laurie DiRocco. “We're very excited to have exceeded our goal and proud to have this recognition of Vienna's commitment to enhancing sustainability.”

The Vienna Community Center received 62 of 110 possible LEED points, qualifying the building and construction project for the second-highest rating available through the USGBC program. RRMM Lukmire Architects managed the LEED certification process for this project.

Among the categories for which the community center attained LEED points were alternative transportation – public transportation access and parking capacity, stormwater design quality control, water efficient landscaping, optimizing energy performance, use of recycled and low-emitting materials, having a green housekeeping management plan, construction waste management, and building reuse – maintaining existing walls, floors, and roof. ♻️



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“Many people appreciate the opportunity to have all-day entertainment for their children in their own community at a price that's dwarfed by the fees, tickets, and other costs at major theme parks,” says Oskuie.

As ViVa! intends to be inclusive in its experience, so is distribution of the festival's proceeds.

The Rotary Club splits 100% of the event's earnings among as many local organizations as possible. “We write checks from a couple of hundred dollars to \$5,000 dollars to help as many people we can,” says Rotarian Jodi Scholes. “We don't just want to write one big check; we want to write hundreds of little checks to maximize the impact we can have in the community.”

In addition, this year, proceeds from purchases of festival t-shirts, which are being created using a winning design selected from among high school art student entries, will support Fisher House Foundation, which helps keep veteran and military families together during times when medical care is needed.

ViVa! Vienna! is open from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 25 and 26, and from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday, May 27. Find more information at

[vivavienna.org](http://vivavienna.org). ♻️





## First phase of study looks at existing multimodal conditions along Maple

Wrapping up the first phase of the Maple Avenue Multimodal Transportation and Land Use Study, traffic consultants Kimley-Horn presented data related to existing multimodal conditions in the commercial corridor, which also includes Church Street, at the April 1 Town Council work session and an April 4 community meeting. The April community meeting was the first of three that will be part of the community engagement process related to the study.

In their presentations, Kimley-Horn representatives noted that overall transportation challenges in the corridor include:

- a dual identity as a “Main Street” and arterial roadway
- narrow sidewalks
- interactions between pedestrians and autos
- numerous full access commercial entrances
- lack of on-street bicycle facilities
- relatively low transit service frequency serving direct mobility needs to and from the corridor
- numerous unconnected surface parking lots
- discontinuous parallel street network south of Maple Avenue.

Strengths in the corridor include:

- well-connected sidewalk network
- trail access
- several accessible bus stops
- most intersections operate at an acceptable level
- median lanes increase capacity by removing turning traffic from through lanes
- pedestrian signals are integrated into the signal network.

Kimley-Horn reported that about 37% of the daily trips along Maple Avenue, which number more than 33,000, occur during the morning and evening rush hours. Translation: Maple Avenue is congested most of the day.

Kimley-Horn’s presentation can be found on the Town’s website, [viennava.gov](http://viennava.gov), on the Public Works/Administration page.

In the next phase of the study, Kimley-Horn will look at future corridor conditions up to 2030 and suggest how reasonably anticipated future development, through the Maple Avenue Commercial zone and by-right, may impact levels of activity for each travel mode and how the various modes may interact with one another. These findings will be presented at a community meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 12, at Town Hall. Study recommendations will be presented later this summer. ↴

Traffic Volume	Maple Avenue	Church Street
Average Daily (VDOT 2017)	30,000 to 31,000	4,600 to 6,000
Daily (February 2019)	33,200	7,900
AM Peak Period (6am to 9am)	4,800	1,200
PM Peak Period (4pm to 7pm)	7,300	2,100
Percent of trips during peak periods	37%	42%

Here are some additional numbers reported by Kimley-Horn about current conditions in the Maple Avenue corridor....

# 33,200

daily trips along Maple Avenue in February 2019; the number along Church Street is 7,900

# 2,500

average W&OD Trail users on a typical Saturday; it’s about 1,500 on weekdays

# 111

approximate number of curb cuts between Nutley and Follin Lane

# 81

miles of sidewalk in the corridor

# 51%

more than half of crashes are angle crashes, and a quarter of these occur at driveways

# 11%

trips in the corridor that are local



## Top 10 reasons to visit the Vienna Farmers Market

**T**he Vienna Farmers Market opens for the season Saturday, May 4. Sponsored and operated by the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna, the market is 100% volunteer-run and nonprofit. The farmers market will be open 8 a.m.-noon Saturdays through October 26 in the parking lot of the Vienna Community Center.

Here are the top 10 reasons you really need to stop by the Vienna Farmers Market at least a few times this season.

- #10 Admission is free.** It's a great idea to bring your own bag!
- #9 There's always something new.** Four new vendors to the market this year will offer spiced bacon, organic fruit, candles, and kombucha.
- #8 Location, location, location.** This is the second year that the market will be outside the community center. This new location, at the heart of Town, provides the market with visibility and convenient accessibility. W&OD trail-users often stop in for a sampling of fresh sausage, barbecue, crepes, and coffee as they ride or walk by.
- #7 The variety.** The market includes 28 vendors offering apple cider doughnuts, bacon, barbecue, breads, candles, coffee, crepes, dog treats, eggs, Ethiopian food, free range meats, granola, honey, jams, kombucha, lavender products, olive oil, pastries, peanut brittle, pies, plants, produce, sausage, and spices. There are sugar-free and gluten-free options as well.
- #6 Hope you dance.** The farmers market offers a party atmosphere. Each week the market features live entertainment and local musicians. When the weather is perfect and the band is really jammin', folks have been known to break into spontaneous dance.
- #5 Proceeds help kids.** All of the money raised by the Optimists through the farmers market is used to support programs for students in Vienna and Oakton schools.
- #4 You can eat your way around the market.** Of course you can find lots of fresh, good-for-you items to help you concoct delicious meals at home, but there also are lots of yummy prepared eats ready to be consumed on the spot.
- #3 Kids are welcome.** Children are welcome at the Farmers Market. In fact, there's free face-painting. (Dogs, however, except for service dogs, are not permitted in order to comply with Virginia health regulations.)
- #2 Eat local.** All of the produce is certified as locally grown within a 125- to 200-mile radius. Produce at the market generally is picked the night before. One of the seven produce vendors at the Vienna market is organic.
- #1 The sensory experience and sense of community are amazing.** The Vienna Farmers Market is a weekly social event and a gathering place. It's a sensory experience with delicious food samplings, colorful offerings, meats cooking, kids running around, music playing. The market is a great place to visit with neighbors and to meet new friends. 📍



photos by Adam Kincaid





## Public Works Open House - May 2

# Town's men and women at work also know how to have fun

Staff members in the Town's public works and parks and recreation departments work hard to maintain and enhance the community's roads, facilities, parks, and more. They also know how to have fun and look forward each year to the Town's Public Works Day Open House, which provides an opportunity to share with the Town's youngest residents the trucks, tools, and equipment that help them get the job done.

Area children and their parents are invited to enjoy all sorts of crafts, toys, and games during the annual open house, which will be held 2-6 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Northside Property Yard.

This unofficial spring kickoff brings together equipment and staff members from public works, police, and the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. This year hats, bandanas, and even rubber duckyies will be handed out to attendees. A few light refreshments will be available. ↴



photos by Adam Kincaid

## How the sausage play gets made

In preparation for a national tour this fall, a special preview performance of *19: The Musical* will be staged at the Vienna Community Center at 8 p.m. Friday, May 17. Professional actors, singers, and dancers will perform music, choreography, and narration from this musical about the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which provided women with the right to vote.

The event is free and open to the public, but seating is limited so visit [viennava.gov/webtrac](http://viennava.gov/webtrac) to reserve your tickets.

Created by Washington D.C.'s Through the 4th Wall cofounders Jennifer Schwed and Doug Bradshaw, *19: The Musical* chronicles the story of the struggles of women suffragists, including Alice Paul, Ida B. Wells, Susan B. Anthony, Carrie Chapman Catt, and Inez Milholland. The national tour is planned to coincide with the 19th Amendment's centennial next year. ↴



photo by John Nelson

Mayor Laurie DiRocco invites you to a presentation of interesting regional data & good conversation

# Mayor @ Your Service

May 14 • 7:30 pm • Town Hall

Eileen Ellsworth with the Community Foundation for Northern Virginia will discuss the **OPPORTUNITY INDEX**

*The Opportunity Index for Northern Virginia is an interactive data resource reflecting our region's economy, community health, civic life, and educational outcomes. It serves as a critical resource for community knowledge and strategic philanthropic giving.*

## Policing by the numbers

In March, the Vienna Police Department issued its 2018 annual report, which shows that Vienna police officers responded to 10,740 calls for service last year.

The annual report provides data related to criminal incidents, enforcement activities, and crash statistics. Destruction/damage to property and vandalism incidents were up 59% while drug/narcotic offenses were down 38%. Ten cars were stolen in Vienna last year, and theft of valuables from vehicles continued to be a significant issue. The police department reminds residents to remove all valuables and lock unattended vehicles. 📌

Here are some additional 2018 numbers of interest from the police department annual report, which can be found online at [viennava.gov/policeannualreport](http://viennava.gov/policeannualreport).



**833**

pounds of unused prescription medications collected in Vienna through participation in spring and fall National Drug Take Back Day initiatives



**24**

DUI arrests made



**5,836**

traffic summonses issued; 1,022 parking summonses were issued as well



**278**

people arrested and charged with 289 offenses



**377**

crashes in Vienna; up from 330 in 2017

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**Deadline for the June issue is May 10.**





## A bevy of bicycling events

**N**orthern Virginia has a well-earned reputation for being a bike-friendly region. The Town of Vienna is proud to be part of the region's momentum as a bronze-level bicycle-friendly community, as certified by the League of American Bicyclists. This month several national and local events embrace and celebrate the area's biking identity.

On the national level, **Bike to Work Day is May 17**. Commuter Connections and the Washington Area Bicyclist Association invite all to try bicycling to work, even if just for one day, as a clean, fun, and healthy way to commute. Registering for this free event at [biketoworkmetrodc.org](http://biketoworkmetrodc.org) gives participants access to 115 pit stops in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia, including the Vienna pit stop on the Town Green, sponsored by Spokes, Etc. The first 20,000 registered participants get a free t-shirt.

For students, **National Bike to School Day is May 8**. Local schools as well as thousands of schools around the country will participate in this 8th annual celebration of walking and biking to school. Vienna elementary schools will be participating in a bike/walk challenge.

Mayor Laurie DiRocco is getting in on the bicycling action as well. She'll trade in her sneakers for pedals and swap her **May 17 and June 7** Friday morning walks in favor of **community bike rides**. Those who wish to participate should be ready to roll from the community center at 9:30 a.m.

The **Vienna Bike Rodeo** fosters safety, cycling etiquette, and knowledge of road rules. This year's Bike Rodeo will take place from 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, **May 4**, in the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department parking lot. Police officers and veteran cyclists will instruct children on breaking, balancing, and handling surprises as they guide them through a custom-designed obstacle course.

Note: Children must have a helmet to participate. 🚫



photos by Adam Kincaid

### CSC Native Plant Sale

## Sale of the future

**S**pring is here, and it's time to plant the "seeds" for future seasons – and generations.

The Conservation and Sustainability Commission will offer a large selection of native plants for sale from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, May 18, in the parking lot of the Vienna Community Center. All plants are raised and sold by Hill House Garden Nursery, which specializes in high-quality native plants.

Plants include flowering perennials, native shrubs, and small trees. These plants attract birds, bees, and butterflies, all of which are beneficial to the home landscape. Cash, checks, and credit cards will be accepted.

In addition, Kristina Clarin of the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District, and beekeeper Steven Youssef will be on hand to share information and answer questions. 🚫

## Partners in pedagogy

For a second year, the Town of Vienna has partnered with Madison pyramid schools to present students with authentic, project-based learning opportunities. Schools in the Madison pyramid have embraced project-based learning (PBL) as a means to provide “real world” opportunities that deliver powerful learning experiences.

Every grade level at Wolfrap Elementary, located just outside the Town of Vienna limits, is encouraged to take on three PBL projects, and one of each grade’s projects this year was undertaken in conjunction with the Town of Vienna.

Wolfrap fifth-graders designed a colorful, multipurpose sign to welcome people to and provide history about Salsbury Spring Park. The sign also doubles as a habitat for birds. (Not all PBL projects, like this one, are necessarily implemented.)

Wolfrap third-graders are working with the school’s art teacher, the Vienna Public Art Commission, and stormwater quality professionals with the Town to create a design for some of the Town’s more than 1,800 curbside storm drain inlets.

Water Quality Engineer Christine Horner and Engineering Technician Tyler Weepie met with students to help them make the connection between the Town’s stormwater infrastructure and streams. “We emphasized,” says Horner, “that whatever you put in or flows into the inlet ends up in streams and eventually in the [Chesapeake] Bay. We conveyed information to students not only about what they were doing, but why they’re doing it.”

The approximately 90 second-graders in four classes at Wolfrap cross-pollinated a language arts unit on persuasive writing with a science unit on the Monarch butterfly in their PBL

project with the Town. The second-graders wrote persuasive letters to fellow residents, some of which may be published in local newspapers, to convince them to do more to protect the Mexico-migrating Monarch.

Second-grader Sahana Gowrishankar wrote:

“Dear people of Vienna, I think we should take action to help save the Monarchs....Here’s a list of things we can do to save Monarch Butterflies:

- plant milkweed all over Vienna
- plant gardens
- plant pollinator [sic] flowers
- avoid pesticides
- limit moing [sic]
- rasing [sic] Monarch Butterflies
- and last but not lest [sic] planting a giant place in Vienna for a butterfly garden with lots of milkweed and pollinator [sic] flowers....”

The Wolfrap second-graders kicked off their PBL on Monarch butterflies with a visit from Mayor Laurie DiRocco and members of the Town’s Conservation and Sustainability Commission.

That same evening, March 11, several of the students came to Town Hall for a Council meeting at which the Town adopted the Mayor’s Monarch pledge “to demonstrate Vienna’s continuing commitment to Monarch butterflies and other pollinator species.”

“The students love the authenticity and knowing that they can make changes to the community,” says second grade lead teacher Stephanie Burdett. “It gives them a feeling of importance, that they’re being heard by part of the community. It’s never too early to make an impact on the community you live in.”



## Muggles and Jedi welcome at May Teen Center events

### Wizard Day

May 2 • 3-6 pm

Bring your hats, ties, robes, and brooms for an afternoon of Harry Potter movies and Quidditch.

### Revenge of the Sixth

May 6 • 3-6 pm

Talk like Yoda you will – if you use the Force and trooper through a marathon of Star Wars’ movies and themed games.

### 5th annual Phoenix Awards + Live Improv Show

May 10 • 6:30-10 pm

This event is for anyone who wants a knee-slapping good time and to help honor the hard work and diligence of the Teen IMPROV Club, Club Phoenix Teen Council, and Teen Center staff.

*All events are at the community center. Contact Natalie Duncan at [natalie.duncan@viennava.gov](mailto:natalie.duncan@viennava.gov) or 703-255-5736 for more information.*





## Student shines in IT job with the Town

by Communications Specialist Adam Kincaid

Sam Erickson leads a double life as both a junior at Cedar Lane School and the Swiss army knife employed by the Town’s IT department. Through the school’s Work Awareness in Transition (WAT) program, Erickson is obtaining real-world work experience to supplement his schoolwork.

Erickson, who began his stint with the Town’s IT Department in October 2017, starts his day like any other high school student, taking the bus and hustling to be on time for homeroom. In the afternoon, he puts on his business casual garb, packs up lunch, and buses himself over to Town Hall to get to work on tasks such as responding to IT help tickets, replacing computer parts, and editing the Town’s intranet.

“The program is designed for students to learn both independent job skills and soft skills needed for employment, even down to how to dress, transport yourself, and be on time,” says Cedar Lane Employment and Transition Representative Anna Zukowski. “It teaches students the importance of social skills in a real-world working environment. Sam has excelled in it all. He is always excited to go to work and never misses a day.”

The program heavily relies on a strong connection between the student and

workplace. The business or, in this case, Town Hall must be within five miles of the school and assign an onsite job coach – in this case, Computer Technician Edgar Marmolejos.

“It really feels rewarding to help someone like Sam fulfill their aspirations,” Marmolejos says. “The program and school don’t get enough attention for their efforts in teaching students to rely on themselves to grow. Sam two Septembers ago versus who he is today – he has learned to figure things out for himself, become independent, and now he’s carved out of wood.”

Erickson is fully committed to the IT path and values the program’s unique opportunities. “My dad is very tech savvy,” he says. “Ever since I was a kid I wanted to learn as much as I could alongside him. Eventually I want to create more websites and venture into creating 3D objects and designs. Now, thanks to those who have helped me at school and Town Hall, I am on my way.”

Cedar Lane staff members recognize Erickson as a strong representative of the program and encourage other students to note his success.

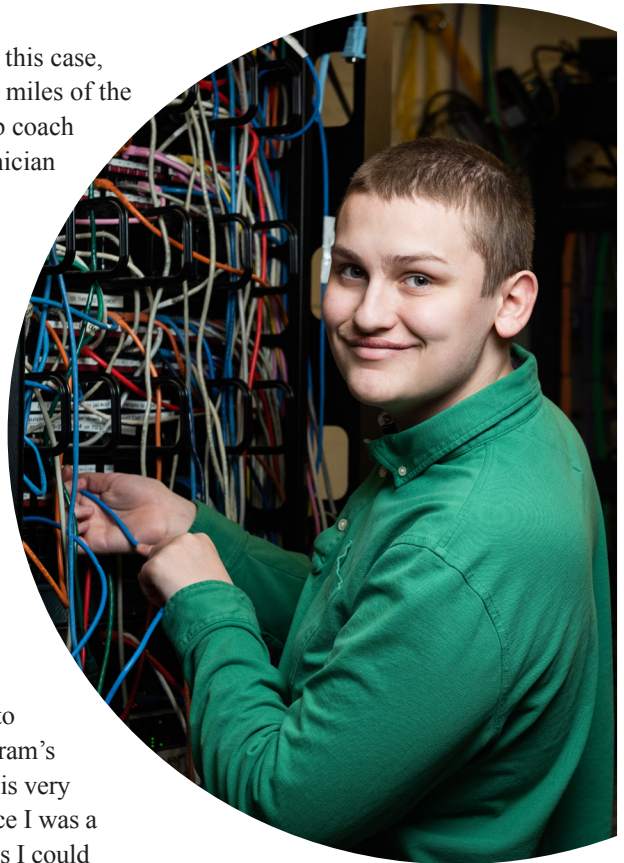


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Sam Erickson

“He’s a superstar,” Zukowski says. “He was so thrilled with his experience in his first year with the Town of Vienna’s IT Department that he jumped at the opportunity to do it again this schoolyear. People here at school have taken notice of how well he has done.”

## TBLC initiates community dialogue about parking

The Town Business Liaison Committee, along with Mayor Laurie DiRocco, hosted a community brainstorming session about public parking in the commercial corridor March 14. About 35 business owners and others attended the meeting, which generated practical as well as creative suggestions for addressing the ongoing challenge of parking in the commercial district.

A follow-up meeting to further discuss ideas and perhaps begin determining implementation possibilities will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 9, in Town Hall Council Chambers. This meeting is open to the public.

Ideas generated at the March 14 meeting included short-, mid- and long-term potential solutions and ranged from the practical to the creative. Some suggestions included creating an offsite parking area for employees, creating a parking map, sharing parking among businesses, running a trolley, and investigating bike and scooter share stations. To see all of the ideas discussed at the March 14 meeting, visit [viennava.gov/parkingideas](http://viennava.gov/parkingideas).

## Town Council Actions

The following items represent recent Town Council actions, but do not constitute official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas, and meeting videos are available online at [viennava.gov](http://viennava.gov).

### April 8

- Held public hearings on the fiscal year 2019-20 proposed budget and water and sewer rates.
- Reset a public hearing regarding the fiscal year 2019-20 real estate tax rate for May 13.
- Awarded a Church Street sidewalk extension project (between 344 Church Street NE and Glyndon Street NE) to Ashburn Contracting Corporation for \$338,035.

- Set a public hearing for April 29 regarding rezoning of 374-380 Maple Avenue W from C-1 local commercial and RS-16 single-family detached residential zoning districts to Maple Avenue Commercial (MAC) zoning for a proposed 380 Maple Avenue mixed-use development.
- Set a public hearing for May 13 regarding extension of the temporary suspension of the Maple Avenue Commercial (MAC) zone, which currently is set to expire June 27, to November 15 and referred the matter to the Planning Commission for consideration.

### Appointed to serve

At its April 8 meeting, Town Council recommended **Mike Gadell** to the Fairfax County Circuit Court for reappointment to the Board of Zoning appeals for a five-year term.

## Vienna businesses with staying power

Congratulations to the following Vienna businesses celebrating milestone anniversaries this month.

25 YEARS

**Animal Dental Clinic**

20 YEARS

**Dave Shepherd Magic**

15 YEARS

**Analyteks  
Hoffman Networks**

10 YEARS

**Happy Younglings**

5 YEARS

**Leslie L. Meyer  
Maple Medical Group**



## Open for business

Town of Vienna business licenses were issued in March to these companies:

**Dr. Goldberg & Associates**  
*mental health counseling*  
360 Maple Avenue W  
703-935-0058

**Keiko Charcoal Chicken**  
*restaurant*  
235 Maple Avenue E  
703-261-6178



# 35 years ago...

The very first ViVa! Vienna! was held on Church Street 35 years ago this month. The May 1984 Town newsletter reports that the then six-hour Town festival featured a “pedestrian mall” between Lawyers and Church filled with craft booths, music, refreshments, and children’s entertainment. The event was sponsored by the Greater Vienna Chamber of Commerce and Vienna Jaycees.

Thinking about going solar?  
Find answers to your questions  
and information about pricing and installers at the

## Solarize Forum

7 pm • May 21 • Town Hall



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# HAPPENINGS around town

The Jets and Sharks are at it again in **James Madison High School Drama's** production of *West Side Story*. Performances are at 7:30 pm May 2, 3, and 4 as well as at 2:30 pm May 4 at the high school. Advance tickets are \$12 and available online at [madisondrama.com](http://madisondrama.com); \$15 at the door.

Thousands of top-quality used books, CDs, and DVDs will be available at the **Friends of Patrick Henry Library's spring book sale** on Saturday and Sunday, May 4 and 5. Sale hours at the library are 10 am-4 pm Saturday and 10 am-2 pm Sunday; on Sunday, attendees can fill a big shopping bag with books and more for only \$5. Credit cards will be accepted. All proceeds benefit the Patrick Henry Library.

In preparation for its 50<sup>th</sup> annual used book sale this fall, the **McLean branch of the American Association of University Women** will collect used books, CDs, DVDs, records, and recent textbooks from 9 am-1 pm at SunTrust Bank, 515 Maple Avenue E, on the following Saturdays: May 4, June 1, June 22, July 13, and August 3. For more information, visit [aaubookfair@gmail.com](mailto:aaubookfair@gmail.com) or call 703-527-4206.

In celebration of 90 years of gardening in Vienna, the **Ayr Hill Garden Club** will present *Gardening with Kids* from 1-4 pm Sunday, May 5, at the Freeman Store, 131 Church Street NE. This event features bouquet arranging from harvested bulbs as well as summer vegetable planting. The session is free and open to the public. In order to ensure adequate supplies, please RSVP to [monica.anschel@hotmail.com](mailto:monica.anschel@hotmail.com).

**Vienna (Host) Lions Club** will hold a fundraiser from 11 am-9 pm May 7 at Foster's Grille. Simply put your receipt in the Lions box, and Foster's will donate 20% of your purchase to Lions' youth, sight, hearing, and community programs. For more information, call Tom Comi at 703-281-4575 or visit [facebook.com/viennahostlionsclub](http://facebook.com/viennahostlionsclub).

The **Ayr Hill Garden Club** will host its **annual spring plant sale**, with a special focus on plants native to Virginia, from 8 am-1 pm Saturday, May 11, on the grounds of the Freeman Store, 131 Church Street NE. Plants available include those that thrive in sun or shade, are deer resistant, and tolerate drought. Native

plants attract beneficial birds and insects to gardens. Sale proceeds help the Ayr Hill Garden Club maintain five area gardens.

Town of Vienna Water Quality Engineer **Christine Horner** and W&OD Trail founder **Barbara Hildreth** will be guest speakers at the **North East Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA) general membership meeting** at 7:30 pm Thursday, May 16, at the Vienna Community Center. Horner will speak on benefits of stream health and restoration efforts as well as share guidelines/best practices for citizens living in proximity to Chesapeake Bay watershed waters. Hildreth will present *A Founder's Tale, The W&OD Trail: How it Came to Be*. Safety and trail use issues also will be addressed. In addition, the annual election of NEVCA officers will be held. The meeting is open to all.

Sip tea and learn about the language of flowers at one of the **Freeman Store and Museum's** upcoming **traditional English teas**. Enjoy scones, tea sandwiches, assorted sweets, and a bottomless cup of tea from 3-5 pm Friday, May 18, and Saturday, May 19. Tickets are \$30 per person. Space is very limited; make reservations by calling 703-938-5187 or email [historicvienna@gmail.com](mailto:historicvienna@gmail.com).

The **Vienna Choral Society** will share the stage with the Louise Archer Elementary School chorus at its final concert of the season at 7:30 pm Saturday, May 18, at Providence Presbyterian Church, 9019 Little River Turnpike. The **There's Always Plan B** concert features the music of Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Bernstein, and the Beatles. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for seniors and students (ages 15-18); youth 14 and younger are free. For more information, visit [viennachoralsociety.org](http://viennachoralsociety.org).

**American Legion Post 180** will host its **monthly breakfast buffet** from 8 am-noon Sunday, May 19. Menu items include omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy, and more. For more information, call 703-938-6580.

Stay up to date regarding all **Freeman Store and Museum** and **Historic Vienna, Inc.** events and information via social media. Follow @FreemanStore\_Museum on Instagram and join the Historic Vienna, Inc. group on Facebook.

**Epiphany Preschool**, a play-based preschool with an emphasis on nature, is now registering students for the 2019-20 school year. To schedule a tour or for more information, contact 703-938-2391 or [epiphanypreschool@vacoxmail.com](mailto:epiphanypreschool@vacoxmail.com).

Coffee table books are available for half price throughout the month of May at the **Freeman Store Book Cellar**. Search for reasonably priced used books in numerous categories from 12-4 pm Wednesday-Sunday at the store located at 131 Church Street. Used book donations are accepted anytime; boxed or bagged books may be delivered to the Freeman Store porch during times that the store is closed. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

**BRAWS (Bringing Resources to Aid Women's Shelters)** will host the third annual **Sports Bras Support BRAWS Fun Run** at 7:30 am Saturday, June 1. The run will begin at the Farmers Market at the Vienna Community Center and will continue along the W&OD Trail. The fun run goes until 8:30 am, when runners will return to the community center for refreshments, music, and a raffle. Registration is \$25 and available at [braws.org/fun-run-2019.html](http://braws.org/fun-run-2019.html) or on race day at 7 am.

## Historic Vienna Inc.'s summer antiques evaluation event returns from

11 am-4 pm Saturday, June 22, at the Freeman Store. Oakridge Auction Gallery specialists will evaluate your treasures and provide verbal quotes. Reservations are required; call 703-938-5187 to reserve your 10-minute slot. Please provide a description of your item when you make reservations so that the antique specialists can conduct research. The cost is \$10 per item with a limit of two items per customer.

The **Town of Vienna Community Band** has **two free community concerts** coming up. The band will perform at 1 pm Saturday, May 25, at ViVa! Vienna! and on Monday, May 27, at the Memorial Day Service hosted by American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180, at Flint Hill Cemetery. Visit [viennacommunityband.org](http://viennacommunityband.org) for more information.

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911**  
(Voice & TDD)

**Vienna Police**  
703-938-4900 voice  
703-255-5730 TDD  
Non-emergency  
703-255-6366 voice  
703-255-5730 TDD

**Community Center**  
703-255-6360 voice  
TTY Virginia Relay 711  
120 Cherry St. SE  
Vienna, VA 22180

**Vienna Town Hall**  
703-255-6300 voice  
TTY Virginia Relay 711  
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# May TOWN CALENDAR

<b>1</b>	Joint Work Session: Review of MAC Update • 7:30 pm	<b>16</b>	Board of Architectural Review • 8 pm
<b>2</b>	Public Works Open House (Northside Property Yard) • 2-6 pm	<b>17</b>	Preview Performance: 19: The Musical (VCC) • 8 pm
<b>4</b>	Vienna Farmers Market (VCC) • 8 am – noon	<b>18</b>	Vienna Farmers Market (VCC) • 8 am – noon
<b>4</b>	Bike Rodeo (VFD) • 9 am – noon	<b>18</b>	Native Plant Sale (VCC) • 8 am – 1 pm
<b>4</b>	Vienna Theatre Company: Ripcord (VCC) • 8 pm	<b>20</b>	Town Council Work Session • 7:30 pm
<b>5</b>	Vienna Theatre Company: Ripcord (VCC) • 2 pm	<b>21</b>	Solarize Forum • 7 pm
<b>7</b>	Town Election (VCC) • 6 am – 7 pm	<b>21</b>	Public Art Commission • 7 pm
<b>8</b>	Windover Heights Board of Review • 7:30 pm	<b>22</b>	Planning Commission • 8 pm
<b>8</b>	Planning Commission • 8 pm	<b>23</b>	Conservation and Sustainability Commission • 7:30 pm
<b>9</b>	Community Brainstorming Session II: Parking • 6 pm	<b>25</b>	Vienna Farmers Market (VCC) • 8 am – noon
<b>9</b>	Town Business Liaison Committee • 7 pm	<b>25</b>	ViVa! Vienna! (Town Green/Church Street) • 10 am – 10 pm
<b>10</b>	Board of Architectural Review Work Session • 8 am	<b>26</b>	ViVa! Vienna! (Town Green/Church Street) • 10 am – 10 pm
<b>11</b>	Vienna Farmers Market (VCC) • 8 am – noon	<b>27</b>	Holiday: Town Offices Closed/Regular Refuse Collection
<b>13</b>	Town Council Meeting • 8 pm	<b>27</b>	ViVa! Vienna! (Town Green/Church Street) • 10 am – 6 pm
<b>14</b>	Mayor @ Your Service • 7:30 pm	<b>28</b>	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee • 7 pm
<b>15</b>	Board of Zoning Appeals/Public Hearing • 8 pm	<b>28</b>	Transportation Safety Commission • 8 pm

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings take place at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S. Meeting schedule subject to change; check [viennava.gov](http://viennava.gov) for updates.