

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

Windover Heights Board of Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Police Chief's Advisory Committee, 7:30 p.m. at Vienna Police Headquarters.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5

Recycle used motor oil/antifreeze/car batteries at the Town property yard, 247 Nutley St., N.W., 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 7

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

Mayor's Advisory Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Town/Business Liaison Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

MONDAY, MARCH 14

Town Council work session, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

Beautification Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

Board of Zoning Appeals, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

Board of Architectural Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
St. Patrick's Day.

MONDAY, MARCH 21

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27

Palm Sunday.
Passover.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

Transportation Safety Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

**TRASH AND YARD WASTE FIRST COLLECTION DAY,
CURBSIDE RECYCLING SECOND COLLECTION DAY
EACH WEEK.**

COMING NEXT MONTH . . .

April 1 - Family Easter egg hunt at the Community Center.
April 4 - Town Council meeting, including receipt of public comments on proposed FY 95 budget.

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The Town of Vienna does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs or activities. The Director of Human Resources, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA, has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements.

This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 255-6330, TDD 255-5735.

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VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Revised Trash and Special Pickup Regulations Take Effect March 1

Residents are reminded that a number of changes in the Town's solid waste regulations become effective March 1:

- "Yard waste," defined as grass, leaves and small clippings, will be picked up on the first collection day of the week. Yard waste must be bagged and separated from the regular trash. Yard waste does not include bundled brush, which will continue to be collected on the second collection day of the week.

- Residents will be required to call for a special trash pickup within 48 hours from the time discards are placed at the curb. Should a resident not call, the Town will proceed to

collect the debris anyway and charge the resident for the appropriate number of special pickups.

- Each residence will still receive two free special pickups per year. The fee for additional pickups has been changed to a flat \$25 for brush and increased from \$50 to \$75 for other debris.

A handy reference guide to the Town's solid waste collection programs is printed on page 3 of this newsletter. Additional copies of the brochure published last month, outlining all of Vienna's solid waste regulations, is available at Town Hall. If you have questions, please call the Public Works Department at 255-6381.

Vehicle Registration Begins March 15

1994 Town of Vienna motor vehicle decals go on sale March 15 and must be displayed by midnight April 15. Decals may be purchased by mail or in person in the Finance Department at Town Hall. (Military personnel must apply in person only.)

Decals cost \$20 for passenger cars and trucks weighing under 4,000 pounds, \$25 for cars and trucks 4,000 pounds and over, and \$10.50 for motorcycles.

Information for pre-printed application forms for 1994 decals was taken from 1993 records; therefore, if your

vehicle was not registered in Vienna last year, you will not automatically receive an application in the mail. Please call 255-6323 or visit the Finance Department to obtain forms.

Town of Vienna residents do not need to purchase Fairfax County vehicle decals, but they must pay County personal property tax on motor vehicles. Personal property tax forms are available at Town Hall for the convenience of Vienna residents. For information, call the County Office of Assessments at 222-8234.

Budget Available

Copies of the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1994-95 will be available for public review beginning Wednesday, March 30, in the Human Resources Office at Town Hall. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge, and the entire budget document may be purchased.

Business Tax Due

All businesses in the Town of Vienna, including home occupations, must renew their business licenses by March 1. License tax forms are available in the Finance Department at Town Hall. For more information and assistance in figuring license taxes, call 255-6323.

Voter Deadline

Monday, April 4, is the last day to register to vote in the May 3 Town election. Voter registration will be conducted at Patrick Henry Library from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 2. For additional registration locations and hours, call 324-4700.

If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for the Town election.

For information about absentee voting, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 222-0776.

Help Prevent Frozen Pipes

Our area has experienced unseasonably cold weather this winter, and when the temperature drops below freezing for more than a day or two, there is a good chance your pipes may freeze. To help prevent this from happening, your water and sewer customer service staff has these suggestions:

- Make sure that all of your outside spigots are shut off at the inside valve, then drained. This will prevent any water from freezing back into the pipes.

- Pipes that are placed against masonry walls have a very good chance of freezing. It's a good idea to insulate all exposed pipes, or install insulation between the pipe and the wall.

- For customers with a history of freeze-ups, and in cases of prolonged subfreezing temperatures, it is advisable to allow an interior tap to run at a trickle until the weather moderates. Running water protects interior pipes and meters from freezing.

REMINDER: The Town's water main flushing program starts this month, which could cause some discoloration and sediment in the water but is not harmful.

Town Council Meeting Results

All votes are unanimous unless stated otherwise.

JANUARY 3, 1994

● Following a public hearing, approved the vacation of a portion of the Oblique Street right-of-way at 401 Orchard St., N.W., for the purchase price of \$4,000.

● Following a public hearing, approved an agreement with Fairfax County and the County Redevelopment and Housing Authority to allow Town participation in the Community Development Block Grant Program.

● Following a public hearing, directed that changes in the proposed amendments to the cable TV ordinance be readvertised and scheduled a second hearing on the matter for February 7.

● Ordered the destruction of surplus police weapons. (*Approved 4-3 with Boudreau, Garvie and Seeman voting nay.*)

JANUARY 17, 1994

● Conducted an executive session to discuss appointments to Town boards and commissions.

JANUARY 24, 1994

● Conducted a public hearing on the proposed purchase by the Town of the Lowe's property, 143 Maple Ave., E.

● Voted to discontinue the direct alarm system to the Police Department and to convert Town facilities to a commercial alarm service. (*Approved 4-3 with Pruett, Seeman and Mayor Robinson voting nay.*)

● Authorized the purchase of a new radio console for the Police Department at a cost of approximately \$12,000.

JANUARY 27, 1994

● Held an executive session to discuss possible acquisition by the Town of the Lowe's property. Retained Robert A. Johnson as Special Counsel to represent the Town in negotiations pertaining to the property and authorized Mr. Johnson to draft an offer for its purchase. The offer would be contingent on a title search, survey, compliance with all federal and state environmental controls, and demolition of the existing building at a reasonable price.

Public Hearing

At its March 21 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to decrease the business license tax on massage salons and health clubs. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Council will also discuss the proposal at its March 14 work session, which is open for the public to attend. Copies of the ordinance are available for review in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall.

SHOP IN VIENNA

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS AND RECREATION

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Commodores, the U.S. Navy Band's jazz and big-band ensemble, will give a free performance at 8 p.m. Friday, March 25. The group tours nationwide in conjunction with Navy recruiting and has performed with Clark Terry, Joe Pass, Grover Washington, Jr., and other jazz artists. Senior Chief Musician Gerard Ascione directs the 18-member group.

BUS TRIPS

All aboard! The Murder Mystery Matinee Train Ride is scheduled for Thursday, April 28. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 5 p.m. The cost of \$58 per person includes bus transportation; round trip train ride from Union Bridge, Md., to Blue Ridge Summit, Pa.; on-board luncheon buffet; and a chance to solve the "Murder on the Maryland Express." Reservation deadline March 1.

Spring break getaway to Sportland America on Friday, April 1. A school bus will leave the Community Center at 11 a.m. and return around 3 p.m. The cost of \$23 per person includes transportation, \$5 in tokens for video games, refreshments, and two and a half hours of unlimited access to batting cages, rollerskating, indoor golf, orbitron gyro, gladiator climbing wall, bumper cars and velcro jumping. Reservation deadline March 25.

A day at the casinos in Atlantic City is scheduled for Thursday, March 24. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. The cost of \$27.50 per

person includes transportation and casino package of quarters. Reservation deadline March 17.

SENIOR CITIZENS

55 Alive Mature Driving Program, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be held Monday and Tuesday, March 28 and 29, from 9:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. The registration fee is \$8 per person; advance registration is required.

The course covers the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions and accident prevention measures. Graduates of the course could receive a discount on their car insurance.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, March 24, at 1 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$5, payable at the bowling center. Participants carpool from the Community Center.

Free blood pressure check on Monday, March 21. Members of The Medical Team will be available beginning at 11:30 a.m. to check your blood pressure.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Bob Brown Marionettes will present "The Wizard of Oz" at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 30. Admission is \$3.50 per person, free of charge for children under age three.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

While renovations continue at Patrick Henry Library, children's programs will be held at the Vienna Community Center. These activities are free of charge. To register, call 938-0405.

"Animal Antics" - Stories and fingerplays for two-year olds and a parent or guardian, 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, March 9.

"Animals on the Loose" - Stories and fingerplays for ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, or 2 p.m. Thursday, March 24.

POTPOURRI

Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit Saturday, March 19, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sunday, March 20, 12 noon-4 p.m. Entries will be accepted Thursday, March 17, 5-9 p.m. and Friday, March 18, 12 noon-4 p.m. Photos will be judged by local professional photographers and ribbons awarded in nine categories in black & white and color divisions. The entry fee is \$7 per person. Entries are limited to five photos per person and two per category.

Saturday night dance for adults March 19 at 8 p.m. Admission \$5 per person, \$9 per couple. Waltz, swing, rumba and more to good music provided by dance instructor/DJ Joy Edwards. Dancers of all ability levels are welcome.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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George E. Lovelace	Rodger W. Seeman

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall. Deadline for April issue is Tuesday, March 15.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the *Newsletter*. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number. (This information will not be published.)



ANTIQUES SHOW AND SALE
MARCH 4-5-6, 1994
VIENNA COMMUNITY CENTER

● 12 noon-9 p.m. Friday ●
● 12 noon-7 p.m. Saturday ●
● 12 noon-5 p.m. Sunday ●

Admission \$4 per person

Timely Advice About Spring Construction Projects

An architect will draw up custom plans tailored to your needs and a painter will use the exact color you choose, but when you apply for a building permit for a major home improvement your desires may be constrained. Your one-of-a-kind design will have to conform to the extensive and complicated system of rules regarding construction.

Since dealing with building codes is not something that you do very often, getting guidance about some of the common problems can help make the process a little smoother. It is also important to understand the differences in dealing with code inspectors as opposed to contractors and other pros on the job. Your Vienna Planning and Zoning Department offers this advice:

First, inspectors have the last word on many construction details, from the depth of the footing to the amount of

insulation in the walls. The people who check your plans keep track of the construction codes, come to the job site and make sure you or your contractor are doing things the right way.

Obtaining a permit does not have to be an adversarial process and you do not necessarily have to provide detailed plans drawn by an architect. You can make your own drawings and go through the plan review process yourself, or for a modest project such as a deck, you can use a set of construction guidelines supplied by the Planning and Zoning Department that specify details such as beam sizes and limits on spans.

Some homeowners do not apply for a permit when one is required. The Town of Vienna routinely receives calls from neighbors complaining about noise or piles of debris at the site of a job with no permit. Licensed contrac-

tors also report jobs run by contractors who cut their prices (and likely some construction corners, too) and do not bother to get permits.

The best bet on a do-it-yourself project is to plan the job as completely as possible, then stop by the Planning and Zoning Department at Town Hall for guidance.

If you try to beat the system by avoiding the permit process, or by scrimping on lumber sizes, spans, and footing depth, an irritated neighbor, a contractor, or an inspector driving by can get you in a lot of trouble. That's in addition to the fact that your job may not be safe or last as long as it should if you try to bypass the permit.

As a rule, if you are obviously trying to do the right thing but do not have the expertise to fill in all the blanks, an inspector will help with the details.

The Town of Vienna generally requires that three sets of construction plans and three copies of the plat of your property showing the location of all improvements accompany your building permit application. The Town will review and approve the application prior to the structural review and issuance of the actual building permit by Fairfax County. The County will not review any permit applications until the Town has approved them, so to save time and money be sure to come to the Town first.

If you have questions or need more information, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Make Sure the Kids Are Buckled Up!

Your Vienna Transportation Safety Commission reminds you to make sure passengers use seat belts when you drive, including all children. Those too small for seat belts should be placed in a child safety seat. Children held on an adult's lap can suffer serious injuries in case of an accident.

Guide to Solid Waste Collection in Vienna

ITEM COLLECTED	HOW TO PREPARE IT FOR PICKUP	HOW THE TOWN COLLECTS IT
Household trash	Place at curb in plastic bags or trash cans with lids	Picked up on first collection day each week
Grass, leaves and shrub clippings	Place at curb in plastic bags separate from household trash	Picked up on same day as household trash
Recyclables: <i>metal food and beverage cans; aluminum foil and plates; plastic bottles and jugs; glass bottles and jars of all colors</i>	Place at curb together in transparent plastic bags	Picked up on second collection day each week
Newspapers	Place at curb bundled with string or placed in brown paper bags	Picked up on same day as recyclables
Brush less than 1½" in diameter and cut in 4' lengths	Place at curb bundled and tied	Picked up on same day as recyclables
Brush greater than 1½" in diameter and cut in 8' lengths	Place at curb	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Furniture	Place at curb	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Major appliances: <i>stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners and furnaces</i>	Place at curb (limit two per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Scrap metal: <i>small auto parts such as engine blocks and transmissions; swing sets and other playground equipment</i>	Place at curb (limit 300 pounds scrap metal per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Tires	Place at curb (separate from rims)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Building materials: <i>wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall and paneling</i>	Place at curb (limit 300 pounds concrete per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727

Drop-off Recycling Sites

LOCATION AND HOURS	WHAT IS ACCEPTED
Vienna Community Center 120 Cherry St., S.E. Daylight hours	Newspapers; metal cans; aluminum foil and plates; plastic bottles and jugs; glass bottles and jars of all colors; cardboard; household batteries
Town Property Yard 247 Nutley St., N.W. First Saturday in March, June and December, second Saturday in September 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	Used motor oil; antifreeze; car batteries
Fire and Rescue Training Academy 4600 West Ox Rd. in Fairfax 1-5 p.m. Thursday, 8 a.m.-12 noon Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday	Hazardous materials: <i>fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, cleaners, etc.</i> ; Call 324-5068 for information
Giant Food 359 Maple Ave., E. 24-hours a day through May 15	Telephone directories (no plastic bags or other materials)

Tax Relief Applications Due April 1

Both the Town of Vienna and Fairfax County offer real estate tax relief for low-income homeowners who are 65 years old and over, or permanently and totally disabled. To qualify, the following requirements must be met:

- Total household income of \$30,000 or less. This amount excludes \$6,500 of income of relatives, other than the spouse, who reside in the household. Also excluded is \$7,500 of any income received by a homeowner who is permanently and totally disabled. Where the total combined income is between \$30,000 and \$35,000, a 50% tax relief is given, and between \$35,000 and \$40,000 a 25% tax relief.

- Total combined assets of no more than \$150,000. This amount excludes the value of the residence, up to one acre of land, and household furnishings.

- Disabled persons applying for the first time must show evidence of disability.

In addition to real estate tax relief, Fairfax County provides grants to senior citizens and disabled citizens who rent their residences in order to relieve eligible renters of the indirect burden of County taxes passed on by their landlords. The County also provides relief from personal property tax for one automobile per household. The assets and income limitations for these programs are different from the real estate limits.

Applications for 1994 for all programs are due April 1. First-time filers and citizens filing late due to hardship have until December 31 of the current tax year to file an application for that year. Applicants filing late due to hardship must provide detailed substantiation that a hardship existed that prevented a timely filing.

For more information and to obtain application forms, call 222-8234, ext. 4. Hearing-impaired citizens may call (TDD) 222-7594.



Around Our Town - Community Happenings of Interest



Vienna Choral Society concert, "An American Album," 8 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. Program will feature "Testament of Freedom" by Randall Thompson, Hanson's "Song of Democracy," works by Aaron Copeland, medley of spirituals. Tickets \$10 general admission, \$7 for senior citizens and students, Family Discount Special of \$15 for two adults and any number of children under age 18. For reservations and more information, call Hazel Foote, 938-4839, or Larry King, 938-7517.

Art auction to benefit the Vienna Choral Society Saturday, March 26, at the Vienna Community Center. Preview of the art 6:30 p.m., auction 7:30 p.m. Art will include original oils, watercolors, enamels, etchings, graphics, most with opening bids ranging from \$60 to \$150. Admission of \$5 includes complimentary wine, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes. For tickets and more information, call Nancy Post, 938-8767, or Barbara Galvin, 573-4018.

Wardrobe investing advice from Farrah Javid, consultant with Nordstrom's Personal Touch service, at the Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton luncheon Thursday, March 3, at the International Country Club in Fairfax. For reservations and more information, call 255-0059 or 444-5625.

Bland Music Contest, sponsored by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, at the Vienna Community Center. Vienna area students will compete in vocal and instrumental divisions for a chance to win scholarships at the State level. The contest is named in honor of James A. Bland, composer of "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny."

Mount Vernon horticulturist J. Dean Norton will present an illustrated discussion of the gardens at George Washington's home at the annual

general membership meeting of Historic Vienna, Inc., 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at Vienna Elementary School. The meeting will also feature presentation of HVI's Heritage Preservation Award to Ayr Hill and Five Hills Garden Clubs.

Historic Freeman House store and museum, closed during January and February, will reopen the first weekend in March, 12 noon-4 p.m. Saturdays, 1-5 p.m. Sundays. The Freeman House, built around 1859, is located at 131 Church St., N.E., and staffed by volunteers of Historic Vienna, Inc., the town's non-profit organization for restoration and preservation. For more information, call 938-5187.

Antiques appraiser Josephine Thrasher will be at the Freeman House Saturday, March 26, 12 noon-4 p.m. She will give a verbal appraisal of the approximate age and current value of any item, up to three items per person, for \$7.50 per item (\$5 for HVI members). A photograph may be brought in if the piece is too large. All proceeds go to Historic Vienna's restoration projects. To make an appointment and for more information, call 938-9668.

Casino Night and "Taste of Vienna" sampling of local restaurant fare, hosted by Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce, 8 p.m.-12 midnight Saturday, March 19, at Crestar Bank, 515 Maple Ave., E. Cost of \$25 per person includes game chips, two drink tickets, food from participating restaurants, prizes. "Prohibition era" costumes encouraged. For tickets and more information, call the Chamber office, 281-1333.

Police station tour, sponsored by the Southwest Vienna Citizens Association, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 8. Community Services Officer Virginia Palmore will lead the group through the new facility, located at 215 Center

St., S. Those who plan to attend are encouraged to call in advance Robert Laubis, 938-3426; Fred Botz, 281-3142; or Rita Perko, 281-9349.

Spring fashion show, hosted by the Vienna Woman's Club, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the Vienna Community Center. Fashions by Pat's Dress and Bridal Shop of Sterling. Admission of \$9 per person includes refreshments and door prizes, with proceeds benefiting CHO (Committee for Helping Others).

Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, thank Vienna residents on behalf of Sheriff Carl Peed for donating books and magazines to detainees at the County Adult Detention Center. Call Florence Roseborough, 281-2498, for information about making donations. Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.

ViVa! Vienna! '94 planning is underway. Now is the time to apply for booth space at this year's town festival, scheduled for 12:30-6:30 p.m. Sunday, May 29. For an application and more information, call 255-4742 or write ViVa! Vienna! Inc., P.O. Box 822, Vienna, VA 22183.

"Godspell," presented by the youth of Vienna and McLean Baptist Churches, in the Fellowship Hall of Vienna Baptist, corner of Marshall Rd. and Ware St., S.W., 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 6. No admission charge and no reservations required; donations received at the door. For more information, call Jack Price, 281-4400.

Fashion show/luncheon and silent auction, sponsored by the Fairfax County Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary, Friday, March 18, at the Ramada Hotel, 7801 Leesburg Pk., Falls Church. Fashions by Lady Hamilton of Arlington and Pat King's of

Alexandria. Tickets \$25 each; reservation deadline March 13. Call Evelyn Lee, 536-8740, or Sylvia Laiti, 830-8849.

"Natural Products - Next Generation of Pesticides," presented by U.S. Department of Agriculture research plant pathologist James Locke, at the Old Dominion Chrysanthemum Society meeting Thursday, March 10, 8 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls St. For more information, call Mrs. Seeger at 560-6274.

Rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats 12 noon-2 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, 4500 West Ox Rd. in Fairfax. Vaccine given to pets over a year old costs \$6 and provides protection against rabies for three years; vaccine given to pets under a year old costs \$4 and protects for one year. In bringing animals to the clinic, dogs must be on a leash and cats confined to a cat-carrier or other container. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Veterinary Medical Association and Fairfax County Department of Animal Control. For more information, call 830-1100.

Landscape design workshop at Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park March 5, 12 and 19, 10 a.m.-12 noon. Emphasis will be on proportion and scale, with the garden viewed as an extension of the house. The fee is \$35 for all three sessions. Space is limited and registration required by March 4. Call 255-3631 for information. Meadowlark Gardens is located at 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Ct., off Beulah Road near Route 7 and the Dulles Access Road.

Basic home maintenance and repair for the beginner is the subject of a workshop sponsored by The Women's Center Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. Sally Sue

Towne, basic home maintenance instructor for Fairfax County Adult Education, will discuss and demonstrate tool basics, energy efficiency, identifying emergency shutoffs in the home, painting and wallpapering, protecting the home from water damage, tile installation, and hiring a professional handyperson. Workshop fee \$16 per person. To register and for more information on this and other Women's Center programs, call 281-2657.

Freedom from Smoking clinic, conducted by the American Lung Association of Northern Virginia, at the Fair Oaks Kaiser Permanente building 7-9 p.m. Mondays, March 14-April 18, and Wednesday, March 30. The cost is \$80 per person and offers the benefit of group support while teaching behavior modification techniques. Additional clinics are scheduled for later this spring in Reston and Manassas. To register and for more information, call 591-4131.

W&OD Railroad photographs, tickets, schedules, handbills, signs, mile markers and other artifacts are being sought by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for historic and educational displays. The W&OD Trail now runs along the former railroad right-of-way. Donations are welcome, or the Park Authority will arrange to copy photos and other memorabilia. Eventually, the items may be permanently on view in a museum along the trail. For more information, call 729-0596.

Did you know? The Parenting Education Center of Fairfax County Public Schools' Office of Adult and Community Education offers classes such as "How to Talk So Kids Will Listen," "Parenting the Difficult Child," and "Dealing with the Pressures of Single Parenting." Classes are offered both in the daytime and at night. For updated class information, call 506-2382.

BEAUTY SPOT

From Your Community
Beautification Commission

Vienna's Community Beautification Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other worthy beautification projects.

Here are the winners of this month's "Beauty Spot" awards:

- Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hudson, 801 Ware St., S.W. (corner of Ware and Gibson Drive), for their attractive and innovative home remodeling.

- The Commission made an exception this month in giving an award to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Cray, 2501 Casmar St. (corner of Park Street and Casmar). The Crays do not live in the Town of Vienna, but the Commission felt they deserved an award for their beautifully landscaped residence. It makes a good impression on entering or leaving Vienna.

- Don and Susan Sobel of the Clock Shop of Vienna, 109 Church St., N.W., for their tasteful improvements to the exterior of their shop.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them to: Vienna Community Beautification Commission, c/o Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180.

BEAUTY TIPS: Spring is just around the corner, so the Commission recommends spending this month planning improvements to your business, home or yard.

Remember to keep tree branches, shrubs, vines and hedges trimmed so that they do not overhang sidewalks or obstruct the view of motorists. All the walkers and bicyclists in town will appreciate it!