

CALENDAR

MONDAY, JULY 4
Independence Day. Town Hall closed. Trash collection as usual for residents on the Monday/Thursday route. July 4th celebration at Vienna Community Center.

TUESDAY, JULY 5
Windover Heights Board of Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

MONDAY, JULY 11
Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, JULY 14
Town/Business Liaison Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, JULY 19
Beautification Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20
Board of Zoning Appeals, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, JULY 21
Board of Architectural Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, JULY 26
Transportation Safety Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, JULY 28
First installment on Town real estate tax due.

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

Yard Sale Reminder

Each household in town is allowed to hold two garage/yard sales per year. Two advertising signs, no larger than four square feet each, may be displayed on the property where the sale takes place, and two directional signs, no larger than two square feet each, may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission. Signs are not permitted on public property, in the public right-of-way (10 feet from the curb or edge of pavement), or utility poles. Illegally placed signs will be removed. For more information, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Call these numbers 24 hours a day
Vienna Newsline 255-6333
Police Info Line 255-6363
Special Pickup 255-5727



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911
(Voice & TDD)

VIENNA POLICE
EMERGENCY
938-4900 (Voice)
255-5730 (TDD)
NON-EMERGENCY
255-6368 (Voice)
255-5730 (TDD)

VIENNA TOWN HALL
255-6300 (Voice)
255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER
255-6360 (Voice)
255-5739 (TDD)

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 Town's Director of Human Resources 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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July 1994

VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Traffic Squad Steps Up Enforcement

On July 1, the Vienna Police Department's Traffic Squad will add another member for a total of five full-time traffic patrol officers, giving the unit the manpower to operate seven days a week.

Also beginning in July, the Police Department and the Vienna Transportation Safety Committee will launch a campaign of stepped-up traffic law enforcement and public education on traffic safety issues.

Traffic continues to be one of the primary concerns of Vienna residents, business people and Town officials. The police and the TSC plan to furnish the local news media with information such as locations where radar is being used and numbers of speeding tickets issued; special attention to enforcement of no right turn on red, blocking of intersections, and other traffic violations; and safety tips for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. This information will also appear in future Vienna Newsletters.

If you have questions or comments about this program, please call Chief of Police Danny Kerr at 255-6390.

★Independence Day★

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, July 4, for Independence Day. Trash will be collected as usual for residents on the Monday/Thursday collection route.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION!!

Vienna Community Center Grounds
Monday, July 4, 1994

12 noon-6 p.m. * Arts & Crafts Display
* Food & Drink for Sale
* July 4th All-American Chili Cookoff Sponsored by the CASINOVA Pod, Chili Appreciation Society, Inc., to Benefit the Vienna Optimist Club

MAIN STAGE

12 noon Presentation of Colors, Vienna Police Honor Guard
12:05 p.m. Vienna Choral Society
12:45 p.m. Greg Howard Stick Band
1:45 p.m. Back to Back (country rock)
2:45 p.m. Hickory Grove (bluegrass)
3:45 p.m. Chow Hounds (rock/blues)
4:45 p.m. Hobbs and Partners (country)
5:45 p.m. Heebiegeebies (rock)

CHILDREN'S STAGE

1 & 4 p.m. Ralph the Great Magic Show

SPECIAL EVENTS

11:00 a.m. Annual American Legion All-Star Baseball Game at Waters Field, sponsored by the Journal Newspaper
2:00 p.m. Family Games & Races
3, 4 & 5 p.m. Rollerblade Show
4:00 p.m. Greased Pole Climb

EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

8:00 p.m. Vienna Community Band concert of traditional marches & patriotic music
9:00 p.m. Fireworks

Rain Date FOR FIREWORKS ONLY
Tuesday, July 5
Information — 255-6360
Vienna Parks & Recreation

Building a Deck?

The Town of Vienna requires homeowners to obtain a building permit before constructing a deck. The location of decks is restricted by specific setback requirements depending on the residential zone in which the property is located.

Each application for a deck of any size and height must be accompanied by three complete sets of plans, specifications and a plot sheet, certificate of survey or house plat showing the location of the proposed improvement. The Planning and Zoning and the Public Works Departments review this information, usually within one to three working days, and then return two sets to the applicant to take to Fairfax County for review and approval.

The Town performs a setback inspection of the footing/foundation and, in some cases, a final inspection after the deck is completed. All structural inspections are performed by the County.

For more information about setback requirements, call the Vienna Planning and Zoning Department, 255-6341; for building code information, call Fairfax County's Department of Environmental Management, Building Plan Review, 324-1645, or Residential Inspections Branch, 324-1850 or 324-1860.

Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

MAY 9, 1994

- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1994-95.

- Approved the purchase of 20 Christmas decorations, with brackets and light fixtures, for Church Street and Maple Avenue at a cost not to exceed \$6,500, subject to the execution of an appropriate contract.

- Adopted a Contractor Prequalification Procedure and a Contractor's Application for Prequalification to Bid.

MAY 23, 1994

- Referred two items to the Transportation Safety Commission for study and recommendation: U-turns on Nutley St., S.W., at Roland St. and the new left-turn lane installed on Nutley at Townes of Vienna III; and ways to slow down traffic on Park St., N.E., and the potential use of speed bumps.

- Approved a resolution of appreciation for Mike and Mollie Abraham, to be presented at a future meeting.

- Following a public hearing, unanimously approved an appeal by Princess Jewelers, 527 Maple Ave., W., of a ruling by the Board of Architectural Review. No additional applications are to be made for signs at this location (*approved 6-1, with Seeman voting nay*).

- Following a public hearing, adopted revisions to the Town's Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act map to include certain properties brought into town in last year's town/county boundary adjustment.

- Approved change orders for the police station construction project totaling \$7,763.43. Requested painting of the iron fence between the station and Faith Baptist Church.

- Directed an ordinance to be drafted increasing parking violation fines.

- Authorized a study of the underground sewage treatment tanks at Southside Park at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. The study is to include recommendations for solving any problems that might be discovered along with cost estimates.

- Approved the preliminary plan and cost estimate of \$106,620 for improvements at the Bowman House Arts and Crafts Center to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- Authorized a contract with Tri-Tek Engineering to conduct a soil/drainage inspection at Townes of Vienna III and IV at a cost not to exceed \$2,200.

**Convenient Location
& Friendly Service
ADVANTAGE VIENNA
Support Our
Hometown Businesses**

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

"Steppin' Out," formed in 1990, specializes in the swing and jazz hits of the 1930's and 40's. The public is invited to attend the group's "working concert" at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 15, as they rehearse for their fall concert series. Free admission.

Vienna Community Band presents the last concert of its musical season at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 17. Free admission. The program will include *Adoramus Te* by Palestrina, *Giles Farnaby Suite* arr. by Jacob, selections from the musical

Paint Your Wagon by Lerner and Lowe, and selections from the opera *Samson et Delila* by Saint-Saëns as well as marches and popular tunes.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Summer tennis league begins the second week of July. Women's singles games will be played on Tuesdays and men's singles games on Thursdays at Glyndon and Meadow Lane Parks. Each participant will play a maximum of seven matches during the season, with trophies awarded to the top finalists in each division. The fee for town residents is \$8.

Tennis camps for youngsters aged 8-13 will be held July 5-11 and 18-22, and August 1-5 and 15-19 at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Camps will meet for an hour and a half each day at various times depending on the

players' skill level. The fee for town residents is \$25 per camp.

Power skating/rollerhockey camp for ages 8-15 will be held July 11-15 from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. This outdoor camp, designed for beginner and intermediate skaters, will include basic skill exercises and daily games, and conclude with a championship game and cookout. The fee is \$65 for camp, \$80 for camp plus stick and pads, and \$90 for camp, stick and pads, and skates.

Vienna Youth Inc. football and cheerleading registration, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 16 and 30.

BUS TRIP

A day at the casinos in Atlantic City Thursday, July 21. 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. Reservation deadline July 14.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY AND YOUR ESTATE

Learn the truth about trusts in a free seminar on Monday, July 11, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David G. Hoffman will discuss revocable trusts, minor's trusts, life insurance trusts, marital trusts, state and federal tax implications, funding, and choosing a trustee.

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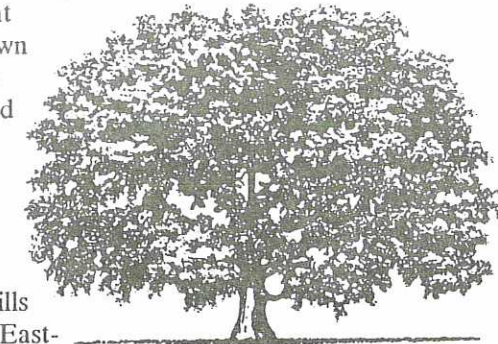
"Creative Memories," a workshop on preserving family photos, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, and 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 15. Learn how to organize, document and creatively display photos using photo-safe supplies. Participants should bring 8 to 10 photos of one event and a pair of scissors. The cost, including supplies, is \$15 for town residents.

Wye Oaks Grow in Vienna

Thanks to a town resident and a former resident, two seedlings from the great white oak tree in Maryland known as the Wye Oak will one day be planted on Vienna parkland. Tom Elliott, who lives on Moore Ave., S.W., and Gordon Cruickshank, who grew up in Vienna, donated the little trees, which will be placed at permanent planting sites once they have grown large enough to avoid being accidentally mowed down or trampled underfoot.

The Wye Oak is believed to be over 400 years old and is the largest white oak tree in the United States. The tree takes its name from the village of Wye Mills in Talbot County on Maryland's Eastern Shore. In 1939, the State of Maryland purchased the Wye Oak from its last private owner, and soon after it was declared the living symbol of the State Tree, the white oak.

Although everything possible is being done to extend the life of the Wye Oak, its future is described as "unpredictable," the single biggest threat to the tree's life being strong winds. Offspring continue to be grown in the Maryland state nursery whenever acorns are produced, and the Town of Vienna can now boast of having two of the great tree's descendants.



TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr., Mayor
Albert J. Boudreau Vincent J. Olson
Martha Jo Garvie Martha H. Pruett
George E. Lovelace Rodger W. Seeman

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for August issue is Friday, July 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.)

Happy Trails



Members of Vienna's Community Beautification Commission celebrated National Trails Day on June 4 by weeding, mulching and planting flowering annuals next to the W&OD Regional Trail across Park Street from the Vienna Community Center. Shown left to right are Commission members Jane Seeman, Karen O'Meara, Tara Swaminatha and Daphne Sloan. Commission Chairman Nancy Laubis also participated in the planting. Flowers were supplied by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and will be maintained by the Beautification Commission.

Recycle White Paper at Town Hall

Vienna residents and businesses are invited to bring white paper to the blue bins behind Town Hall to be recycled along with the Town government's office paper.

"White paper" can include white bond, copier and computer paper (colored ink on white paper is acceptable). Glossy-finish paper and contaminants such as adhesive labels and bindings cannot be recycled.

Not only does white paper recycling reduce environmental pollution and save taxpayers the cost of disposal, but the Town also makes a small profit on the sale of paper to the recycling company.

For more information about this and other Town recycling programs, call Recycling Coordinator Jennifer Steingasser in the Planning and Zoning Department, 255-6341.

Safest Place for Cats Is Indoors

According to the American Humane Association, there are now 58 million cats in U.S. households versus 51 million dogs. People who own cats are reminded that the safest place for a cat is indoors. Statistics show that cats who remain indoors live longer

than those who venture outside where they may become diseased or injured.

Stray cats can also annoy neighbors by digging in their yards and leaving excrement. Increase your cat's health, safety and neighborhood popularity by curbing its instinct to wander.

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. This month's "Beauty Spot" awards go to:

- Helen Weatherly, 124 Glyndon St., N.E., whose blooming azalea hedge and dogwood trees are an annual spring treat.
- Ezra and Jean Rickard, 105 Kingsley Rd., S.W., for the attention and hard work evident in their plantings and landscaping.
- Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E., which maintains well-tended grounds all year round thanks to its members.

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. For more information about the Beautification Commission, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

Interested citizens are always welcome to attend Beautification Commission meetings, which are held the third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

BEAUTY TIP: In the summer, more people take to the streets and sidewalks for an evening stroll or bike ride. It is important for residents to keep shrubs, bushes and tree limbs well trimmed so that they do not overhang sidewalks or obstruct the view of motorists. A little effort and consideration will make this a safe and pleasant summer.

Comment from the Council Table

A Community Project for Everyone

By George E. Lovelace
Vienna Town Councilman

As citizens, we seldom have the opportunity to get directly involved in a project that benefits the entire community, but now we can all join together to help our fantastic Vienna Police Department construct a much needed facility to store the department's motorcycle and bicycle equipment.

I am fortunate to be chairman of the "Build a Cycle Building" project, and you, my friends, are all committee members. Thank you!! Please read on and let's be successful together.

As many of you are aware, the construction of our new police station was a slow and painful process, with the original contractor responsible for unreasonable delays. While the project stalled for many months, the police continued to step up their very effective motorcycle and bicycle patrols, and outgrew their old equipment storage building behind Town Hall.

The Police Department called on community service organizations to meet this need. As a member of the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, I accepted the honor of chairing this effort. The Optimist Club of Vienna responded as well. Along with myself, the working group responsible for making this project happen includes Bob Curry and Oscar (Ox) Hinshaw from the Lions Club, Michael Byard of the Optimist Club, Bob McCormick of the Police Chief's Advisory Committee, Capt. John Cheyne representing the Police Department, and Jared D. Willcox, a town resident and an architect with Lemay Associates.

As our first volunteer, Mr. Willcox designed the building as shown on the right and assisted me in obtaining all permits required by the Town. Supervisor Bob Dix, Jr., has volunteered his support in obtaining the necessary approvals from Fairfax County.

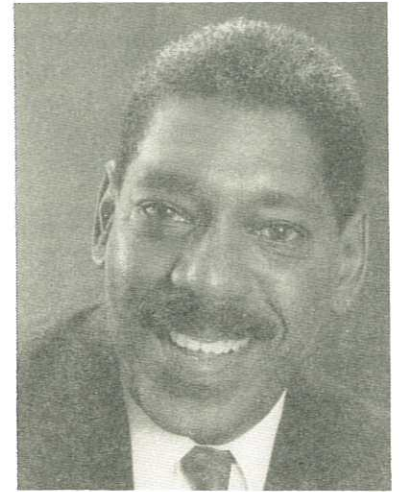
The 16' x 24' building will be located at the rear of the police station parking lot that is entered from Locust Street, between the brick wall and the dumpster enclosure. It will be con-

structed on a slab, with brick walls and metal roof matching those of the police station. The building will have metal doors, one standard exterior door, and glass block windows to allow natural light to enter.

The projected cost of this structure is \$20,000. Construction is scheduled to commence on August 1 and be completed by September 15. The Vienna business community has already responded eagerly to our requests for materials and skilled technicians. Many thanks to:

- Delta Associates: Andres Domeyko — site stake and layout
- Sackett Construction: Alfred Bunaugh — footings and slab
- L.F. Jennings, Inc.: Greg Monday — masonry
- DeMarco Construction: Roger DeMarco — framing
- R.C. Beach, Contractor: Roger Beach — hang doors
- Buhl Electric: Billy Buhl — all electrical
- Sheets Hardware and Lumber, Inc. — materials for the foundation

Starting July 1, citizens, businesses and organizations can drop off donations at the police station and Town Hall. All donors will receive a pin in the image of a motorcycle; those who contribute \$10 or more will have their names listed in a future Vienna Newsletter and on a board to be placed inside police headquarters in perpetuity; and those who contribute \$500



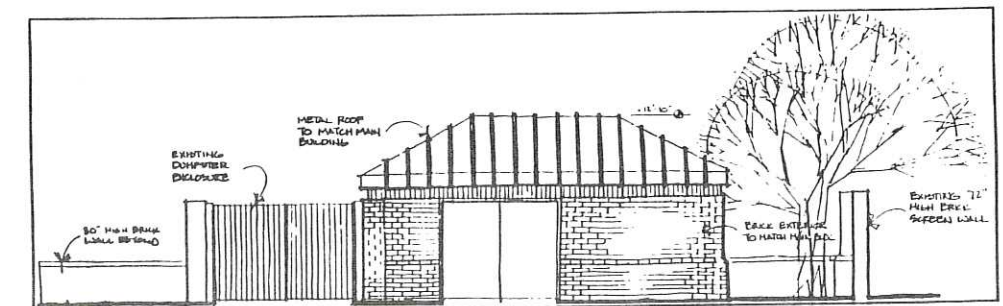
Councilman Lovelace

or more will have their names placed on a plaque mounted on the new building.

The police will be accepting donations during the July 4th celebration at the Community Center. In addition, American Legion Post 180, along with the Lions and Optimist Clubs, will donate 25¢ to the project for each July 4th beer sale.

EVERY PENNY collected will go directly toward the cycle building with no administrative costs. If you have any questions, please call me at 938-8729 (evenings) or Michael Byard, 556-8130; Town Clerk's Office, 255-6303; or Capt. Cheyne, 255-6392.

We have the finest police protection available anywhere. This is a chance for all of us to show our appreciation for their dedication, professionalism and hard work. Thank you in advance for your kind generosity and your community spirit!



Council Adopts FY 1994-95 Budget with No Tax Increase

The Town Council has adopted a budget for fiscal year 1994-95 totaling \$15,250,367. Copies of the budget are available for inspection or purchase in the Human Resources Office at Town Hall.

The budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 30¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, the same rate as last year. Due to a decline in total assessed valuation of property in town, this rate translates into an effective tax rate decrease of 2.88%.

An increase of 5¢ per 1,000 gallons in the water rate and an increase of 9¢ per 1,000 gallons in the sewer rate were approved to offset higher wholesale water costs to the Town and additional debt service requirements. The total in-town rate for this fiscal year is \$4.55 per 1,000 gallons, or about \$14 more per year for the average customer.

The General Fund budget totals \$10,260,781, a 3.34% increase over last year; the Water & Sewer Fund \$3,587,661, an 8.75% increase; and the Debt Service Fund \$1,401,925, a 10.02% increase. Many of the cost increases are beyond the Town's control, such as landfill fees and the purchase of water. The budget includes no new programs or services.

Town employees will receive a 2% cost-of-living adjustment. In addition, Council has approved a new employee pay plan based on a recent job classification and compensation study.

BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Property Tax	\$ 3,778,980	Legislative	\$ 422,526
Public Service Taxes	77,000	Town Manager	848,638
Penalties & Interest	12,020	Finance Department	702,632
Other Local Taxes	3,500,000	Police Department	2,785,108
Permits, Fees & Licenses	52,500	Public Works Department	3,577,272
Fines & Forfeitures	246,000	Tax Relief	90,100
Use of Money	115,000	Parks & Recreation Department	1,176,117
Use of Property	57,500	Planning & Zoning Department	329,238
Park & Recreation Fees	242,500	Reserves & Transfers	329,150
Special Services Fees	7,000	TOTAL	\$10,260,781
Miscellaneous Revenues	45,080		
Non-categorical Aid	268,823		
Categorical Aid	870,380		
Reimbursements	17,500		
Interfund Transfers	535,200		
Use of Prior Year Reserves	434,798		
TOTAL	\$10,260,781		

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Use of Money	\$ 19,500	Operations & Maintenance	\$2,528,478
Water & Sewer Charges	3,413,661	Meter Reading	254,260
Miscellaneous Revenues	24,500	Billing/Customer Service	88,453
Use of Prior Year		Reserves & Transfers	716,470
Retired Earnings	130,000	TOTAL	\$3,587,661
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DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Other Local Taxes	\$ 990,205	Administrative Costs	\$ 1,000
Use of Money	42,000	Debt Service	1,184,300
Interfund Transfers	369,720	Reserve	216,925
TOTAL	\$1,401,925	TOTAL	\$1,401,925

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$15,250,367

Real Estate Tax Due

Town of Vienna property owners are reminded that the first installment on 1994 Town of Vienna real estate taxes is due on July 28. Mailed payments must be postmarked on or before this date to avoid penalties. Your canceled check is your receipt. If you have questions about your bill, please call the Finance Department at Town Hall, 255-6325.

Vienna property owners must also pay Fairfax County real estate tax.

Water Supply Meets Stringent Standards

As a licensed waterworks, the Town of Vienna is compelled to meet a very stringent set of regulations enforced by the Virginia Department of Health, which is directly responsible to the Environmental Protection Agency. The Town's water supply is tested and analyzed through nearly a dozen different procedures and is in full compliance with all standards set for safe drinking water.

The Town staff is involved in an

ongoing program of training and certification to keep abreast of the latest requirements and advances in the water industry. During the last year, two employees have become State certified waterworks operators.

The Town of Vienna is committed to providing its water customers with a safe and aesthetically pleasing product. If you have questions or concerns, please call the Customer Service Office at 255-6385.

Vienna Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park is open each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This month's crops will include fresh-picked corn, tomatoes, peppers, watermelon, cantaloupe, new potatoes and zucchini along with baked goods, jams and jellies, mushrooms and potted plants. The market is readily accessible with plenty of parking and convenient handicapped spaces. For more information, call market manager Ed Bielecki, 281-3530.

Low-cost rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats will be held on Sunday, July 10, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy. All dogs and cats four months of age or older are required to be vaccinated. Vaccine costs \$6 for animals over a year old and \$4 for animals under a year old. When pets are brought to the clinic, dogs must be restrained on a leash and cats confined to a cat carrier or other container. For more information, call the County Animal Shelter at 830-1100.

Fairfax author Dr. Kenneth S. McAtee will sign copies of his book, *Ghost Stories and Legends from the Old Confederacy*, on Saturday, July 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Freeman House general store, 131 Church St., N.E. The book, which is sold at the store for \$15, features personal experiences of the author as well as ghost tales and legends. Dr. McAtee is a Civil War historian who appeared in the recent TV production of *The Spirits of the Confederacy*.

Century 21 Gold Realty thanks everyone who donated or purchased items at its 5th annual Easter Seals rummage sale. Thanks to you, over \$2,600 was raised for Easter Seals programs in the Vienna area.

Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park is located off Beulah Road near the Dulles Access Road. This month's programs include a free tour of the park's hosta garden and daylily collection on July 9, free summertime bird walks each Wednesday and Saturday, and flower arranging classes for chil-

Around Our Town

dren July 17 and 28. Registration is required for all activities; call the park at 255-3631.

Patrick Henry Library summer children's programs are held at Vienna Elementary School. This month's programs for preschoolers (3-5 years old) include:

"Traffic Jam"—transportation stories, 2 p.m. July 14 and 10:30 a.m. July 20.

"Waterworks"—beach and water stories, 10:30 a.m. July 27.

Programs for school age kids (6-12 years old unless noted otherwise) include:

"Ms. Frizzle's Hair Raisers"—scary stories, 2 p.m. July 6.

"Shiver Me Timbers"—pirate lore and more, 2 p.m. July 7.

"Taking Care of You and the Earth"—with singer-songwriter Richard Shine, 2 p.m. July 12.

"Cinderella"—Kaydee Puppet Theater, 2 p.m. July 9.

"Sedimentary Sandwiches and Other Science Surprises" (ages 6-10), 2 p.m. July 26.

"A Trip to the Rainforest"—with a live parrot named Pepe, 2 p.m. July 28.

Sign up for these programs at the library. For more information, call 938-0405.

Open house at the Vienna railroad station Saturday, July 16, 1-5 p.m. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating

HO scale model railroad. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Donations accepted. For more information, call 938-5157.

Summer Health Series, sponsored by the Women's Center, at the National Wildlife Center, 8925 Leesburg Pk. Sessions include "Playing the Health Care Game" on July 9, "Alternative Healing Practices from Ancient to New" on July 16, "Stress & Fitness" on July 23, and "Menopause: Beyond the Myths" on July 30. Each session is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and costs \$10. To register and for more information about this and other Women's Center programs, call 281-2657.

Camp Superkids, a summer camp for children aged 7-10 with asthma, will be held July 23 and 24 at Highroad Camp & Retreat Center in Middleburg. If your child is one of over 21,000 kids in Northern Virginia who have asthma, this camp will help him or her learn how to control and manage asthma while enjoying traditional summer camp activities. A doctor will be available at all times. The camp costs \$55 per child and financial assistance is available. For more information, call the American Lung Association of Northern Virginia at 591-4131.

Did you know? A School-Age Child Care (SACC) program is available for children attending Fairfax County Schools grades K-6. During the school year, professional child care is offered before and after school, and during the summer, winter and spring breaks, full day care is available. Monthly fees are based on family income. To receive a brochure giving registration procedures, call the County Office for Children at 359-1097.

Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds you to be extra cautious while driving during summer vacation time. Children will be at the parks, playgrounds, ballfields and swimming pools every day, and walking or riding bikes on neighborhood streets. Please obey all speed limits.