

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

MAY 1989 — The Vienna Arts Society is 20 years old this month. Organized by nine local artists to share their interests, enrich their experience in art, and make a creative contribution to the community, it is now one of the largest art organizations in the area with over 215 members.

MAY 1979 — Residents of Beulah Road and other interested citizens are encouraged to attend the Town Council meeting on May 21 to participate in a discussion on establishing a standard for the width of Beulah Road for future planning purposes. It should be emphasized that the Town has no intention of widening Beulah Road. Many residents have expressed a desire to retain the character of the road and avoid urbanizing it. The purpose of establishing a width standard is to eliminate confusion and uncertainty on the part of both the residents and home builders as to the future of this street.

MAY 1969 — Under Vienna's new ordinance regulating the keeping and breeding of horses and ponies, the animals may be kept on lots of two or more acres with no more than one horse or pony per acre. All such property must be fenced so as to prevent the animals from straying closer than ten feet from all property lines.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP 255-5727

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(Voice & TDD)

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EMERGENCY
938-4900 (Voice)
255-5730 (TDD)
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VIENNA TOWN HALL
255-6300 (Voice)
255-5735 (TDD)

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

Vienna Town Hall
127 Center Street, South
Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799
Business Hours Monday-Friday,
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Drive Smart Vienna!

Your Transportation Safety Commission has provided the following selected information from the Vienna Police Department's 1998 traffic accident summary:

Last year 475 traffic accidents occurred within the town boundaries. Over 400 of these accidents involved two vehicles, and less than one quarter involved town residents.

The most accidents occurred in September (11.8%), the fewest in August (5.3%). The highest number of accidents occurred between 10 a.m. and 12 noon, and between 2 and 4 p.m. Almost 70% of all accidents took place during afternoon hours.

Most accidents occurred in clear weather (63.5%) and on dry pavement (69.1%).

Men accounted for 52.98% of drivers involved in accidents, women 47.02%. The average age of the drivers was 40.6. Young drivers (aged 16-20) were involved in 11.92% of accidents, and older drivers (over 66) were involved in 10.49% of accidents.

It's the Law! Bicyclists must obey the same laws as drivers of motor vehicles, including stopping at all stop signs. Drivers must yield to bicyclists and pedestrians in crosswalks.

TOWN OF VIENNA

★Memorial Day★

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 31, for Memorial Day. Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday collection route.

American Legion Dyer Gunnell Post 180's Memorial Day ceremony will be held at Flint Hill Cemetery in Oakton beginning at 10:30 a.m. with a concert by the Vienna Community Band. Following the ceremony there will be an open house and buffet lunch at the Post Home, 330 Center St., N., and the dedication of a Civil War Trails marker at the entrance to the property, once the site of a Union Army fort.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Post 180 will conduct its annual Poppy Promotion throughout Vienna during Memorial Day weekend, with proceeds going to veterans' hospitals in Virginia.

Budget Hearing May 17

At its May 17 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1999-2000. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Copies of the proposed budget are available for review at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge at Town Hall, and the entire budget document may be purchased.

REMINDER TO BUSINESSES:
The deadline for filing your business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) return is May 3. For information, call 255-6321.

NEWSLETTER

May 1999

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

☆TOWN ELECTION TUESDAY, MAY 4☆

Polls Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

All Voting at Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry St., S.E.

ON THE BALLOT

For Town Council (vote for no more than three):

W. Samuel Althoff Michael J. Polychrones
 Vincent J. Olson M. Jane Seeman

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For election results, call the Vienna Newsline, 255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close or visit the Town's website, www.ci.vienna.va.us

Community Center Drop-off Recycling Site to Close June 30

Now that Vienna residents can recycle their cardboard and mixed paper at the curbside along with their newspaper and bagged materials, the recycling drop-off site located at the Vienna Community Center will close on June 30.

Alternate recycling sites include the Blake Lane Park, 10031 Blake Ln. in Oakton, and the National Wildlife Federation, 8925 Leesburg Pk. (just beyond the toll road). These are full-service sites and collect cardboard, mixed paper, telephone books, glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles and jugs, newspaper, button batteries, and metal food and beverage cans. For more information about these sites, call the Fairfax County Recycling Information Line at 324-5052.

PLEASE SEE PAGE 3 OF THIS NEWSLETTER FOR A "CLIP AND SAVE" GUIDE TO SOLID WASTE COLLECTION IN VIENNA.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

FEBRUARY 1, 1999

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

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed sidewalk construction.

- Approved the purchase of Glock pistols for the Police Department, with funding to come from a federal grant in the amount of \$4,090 and \$455 in matching Town funds.

- Approved a change order to the Community Center renovation project in the amount of \$1,793.38 to repair the concrete floor slab in the gymnasium and to remove a tree.

- Rejected the single bid received for the Wall Street booster pump station. The project will be rebid at a later date.

- Authorized the Mayor to write a letter to the Virginia Secretary of Transportation, forwarded through the Chairman of the I-66 Policy Advisory Committee, expressing the

view of Council that prior to any additional construction on I-66 between the Beltway and Route 50, the extension of Metrorail to Centreville should be given first priority.

- Appointed Kevin McNiff to the Planning Commission and appointed Ken Plum as the northwest quadrant representative to the Community Enhancement Commission, both for two-year terms.

FEBRUARY 22, 1999

- Following a public hearing, approved the installation of a "tot lot" on Town owned right-of-way on Branch Road, S.E., at Locust Street. (Approved 5-2, McCormick and Robinson voting nay.) Plans for the park will include either a six-foot fence or evergreen screening between it and the adjacent residential property. (Approved 6-1, Boudreau voting nay.) Authorized the Town staff to proceed with the project through the regular procurement practices and zoning regulations.

- Following a public hearing, approved an ordinance that prohibits telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail and Internet addresses on commercial signs. (Approved 6-1, McCormick voting nay.) Other sec-

tions of the ordinance, approved unanimously, establish a master sign plan.

- Approved expansion of the curbside recycling program to include cardboard, mixed paper and telephone books. Awarded a bid for pickup of recyclables to FCR Virginia, Inc., at a price of \$21,012.

- Adopted a resolution requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation to schedule the next phase of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project as an Urban Highway Project.

- Adopted amendments to the community beautification ordinance, including changing the name of the Beautification Commission to the Community Enhancement Commission.

- Accepted the resignation of Patricia Wangness from the Town/Business Liaison Committee.

MARCH 1, 1999

- Conducted an executive session to interview candidates for reappointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Waived the masonry wall requirement for Wheat's Landscape Design Center #1, 301 Mill St., N.E.

- Approved a transfer of funds to cover the cost of debris removal from the January 15 ice storm.

- Approved amendments to the sanitary sewer construction specifications and details.

- Approved the final plat for the resub-division of the property at 218 and 220 Park St., N.E.

- Reappointed Fred Skaer to the Planning Commission and reappointed Dr. Jerome Covell to the Town/Business Liaison Committee, both for two-year terms.

May 1999

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TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Albert J. Boudreau Vincent J. Olson
 Steven D. Briglia Michael J. Polychrones
 Robert P. McCormick M. Jane Seeman

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
 Deadline for June issue is Friday, May 14.

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.)

Trash and yard waste first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week

All meetings are held at Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise

Memorial Day
 Town Hall closed

Wildlife Abundant in Spring

By Tom Taylor, Town Animal Warden

Spring is upon us. This means that it's baby season among area wildlife. For those of you who might see some of our furry or feathered friends around, don't be alarmed; they may be out and about with little ones in tow. This can be a joy to watch, but please follow these basic rules to fully enjoy the wildlife among us:

- Never approach or try to pet any wildlife.
- Do not feed any wildlife at any time.
- If young are found alone, leave them alone unless it is known that the mother is dead.

If you're not sure, call Animal Control at 255-6377.

- Report all suspected injured or nuisance wildlife to Animal Control.

If you find a baby bird or fledgling (young bird without flight), if possible place it back into its nest or someplace on the tree where the nest is located. Wear leather gloves and wash your hands afterwards. Try to keep your cats inside until the fledgling birds can fly. (Problems with human scent are just a myth.)

This is also the time of year when snakes start to come out. These animals are very beneficial for rodent and insect control and should be left alone. All but one of the snakes indigenous to this area are harmless and will not bite you or your pet cats and dogs if left alone. The only snake to worry about in this area is the copperhead. This snake is venomous. It has a light to dark copper/tan body with brown hourglass/butterfly shapes going down its back. Young copperheads look just like adults but have a green tip on the tail. These snakes just want to be left alone and will not strike unless threatened. Never approach an unknown snake; leave it alone and call Animal Control. Please, if possible don't kill any snakes; call Animal Control for help and identification.

RABIES UPDATE: Many citizens have called my office enquiring about the rise of rabies in this area. The actual numbers of positive rabies cases in Fairfax County, 91 in 1997 and 68 in 1998, reflect a decline in rabies. This drop also occurred on the statewide counts. It is undetermined how 1999 will go, but to date 17 positive rabies cases were reported throughout the county. This does not mean we should let our guard down. Awareness and vaccinating our pets are the best barriers to this disease. To protect yourself and your family please vaccinate your pets, especially your outdoor cats as they are more likely to come into contact with the rabies virus. Report all strange animal behavior (domestic or wild) to Animal Control as soon as possible.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in March:

AB Lawnscape Ltd. (landscape & lawn care) 807 DeSole St., S.W. 319-8447	Interlinked Network Group (computer consulting) 1009 Fairway Dr., N.E. 319-2161	Tru-Temp Heating & Cooling (contractor) 110 Elm St., S.W. 807-6790
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CJ's Landscaping, Inc. 468 West St., N.W. 938-3268	Tri Therapeutic Massage 320 Maple Ave., E. #A 242-9380	Ghostpeddler (market collectibles) 614 Spring St., S.E. 242-7407
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Convenient Location & Friendly Service

SHOP IN VIENNA

Support Our Hometown Merchants

Home Projects Require Permit

Your Planning and Zoning Department reminds you: It is no secret that home improvement projects usually take longer and cost more than anticipated. However, some contractors and even a few homeowners try to expedite the process and save money by cutting corners and taking shortcuts. To many contractors and homeowners this may be tempting, but it usually generates more problems and costs more money than if the proper procedures had been followed.

The most common example is beginning a home improvement project without obtaining the proper permits beforehand. Building codes and specifications vary from one jurisdiction to another. Although the Town of Vienna is located in Fairfax County and uses County structural plan review and inspection services, Vienna has its own code regulating home improvements. Instead of guessing whether you need a permit, or relying on a contractor to find out, simply check with the Planning and Zoning Department at Town Hall.

Unfortunately, some contractors and homeowners proceed with home improvements and avoid obtaining permits to try and save money and time, and to make changes that are not code approved. When a valid building permit is obtained for home improvements, a red card with the words "BUILDING PERMIT" on it should be displayed so that it is visible from the street. If there is no red card visible, then chances are a permit was not obtained.

If you are unsure whether the home improvements you are planning require a permit, or if you have questions regarding home improvement projects going on in your neighborhood, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

In-town Water Rates Lower

The town versus county cost-of-living comparison in last month's newsletter failed to mention water rates. The rate for town residents is \$2.44 per 1,000 gallons; the rate for out-of-town customers is \$2.82. The sewer rate is \$3.16 for all customers.

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 (limit 20 bags per pickup)	Picked up on first collection day each week
Metal food and beverage cans, aluminum foil and plates, plastic bottles and jugs of all kinds, glass bottles and jars of all colors	Place together at curb in transparent plastic bags	Picked up on second collection day each week
Newspapers, cardboard, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, telephone books	Place at curb bundled with string or placed in brown paper bags (no plastic bags)	Picked up on second collection day each week
Brush less than 1½" in diameter and cut in 4' lengths	Place at curb bundled and tied	Picked up on second collection day each week
Brush greater than 1½" and less than 6" in diameter 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: stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, furnaces	Place at curb, doors removed (limit two per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Scrap metal: small auto parts such as engine blocks and transmissions; playground equipment	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: wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall and paneling	Place at curb (limit 300 pounds masonry items per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
CONTRACTOR GENERATED WASTE: BUILDING MATERIALS, TREES, ETC. WILL NOT BE COLLECTED BY THE TOWN		

Drop-off Recycling Sites

LOCATION AND HOURS	WHAT IS ACCEPTED
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
I-66 Citizens' Recycling & Disposal 4618 West Ox Rd. (beyond the Fire & Rescue academy) 1-5 p.m. Thursday, 8 a.m.-12 noon Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday	Hazardous materials: fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, cleaners, etc. Call 324-5068 for information

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND
A TREE PLANTING CEREMONY
TO MEMORIALIZE THE DEDICATED
PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER OF

JAMES C. ("JIM") MARTINELLI
1928-1997

ARCHITECT OF VIENNA'S FIRST COMMUNITY CENTER,
MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBER, PLANNING COMMISSIONER,
AND MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD;
ABOVE ALL, A LOVING HUSBAND AND FATHER
AND A COMPASSIONATE HUMAN BEING.

11 A.M. SATURDAY, MAY 22, 1999
AT THE VIENNA COMMUNITY CENTER
120 CHERRY STREET, S.E.

TOWN OF VIENNA YEAR 2000 CELEBRATION!!!

New Year's Eve - December 31, 1999
in & around the Vienna Community Center
FREE FAMILY FUN!!!

"Oldies" band ♦ dance band playing all types of music ♦
line dancing ♦ food vendors ♦ Teen Center open ♦
For the kids - clowns, juggler, magician, sing-along, videos & more
FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT MIDNIGHT!!!

Look for Year 2000 Celebration Souvenirs
at the ViVa! Vienna! Town Festival May 30

Roving Vendors
No Longer Allowed
At Public Events

The Town Council has amended the peddlers licensing ordinance to prohibit roving vendors from any community event that is held in public streets or parks, including ViVa! Vienna!, the July 4th celebration, and the Halloween parade.

During last year's parade several vendors walked in the roadway along Maple Avenue, impeding traffic and creating a safety hazard. At least one vendor sold a material known as "silly string," which purchasers sprayed on the streets, sidewalks, bus shelters, and even parade participants and spectators. The Town received many complaints about the situation, including a letter from the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the parade.

The ordinance amendment prohibits sales of merchandise of any kind by roving vendors at all future community events.

Vienna Crime Down,
Traffic Enforcement
Increased in 1998

The Vienna Police Department's annual report shows a decrease in both serious crime and less serious crime during 1998, while traffic enforcement initiatives surpassed last year's record high.

More than 10,000 traffic citations were issued, up from 9,000 in 1997. The police purchased traffic classifiers to assist in measuring traffic volume and speed in residential areas, began installation of a photo red light signal monitoring system, increased the number of child safety seat inspections and truck inspections, and conducted its first sobriety checkpoint operation in many years.

A total of 1,188 business patrols were conducted during 1998, up from 862 the previous year. In addition, the holiday campaign against shoplifting, offering a "free ride in a police car if you shoplift from this store compliments of Vienna Police Department," met with a very favorable response from Vienna businesses.

The annual report is available for review at police headquarters.

sales and other activities. If you would like to become a Friend, pick up an application at the library, or apply over the Internet at www.co.fairfax.va.us/library.

Scholarship golf tournament, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Athletic Directors, Administrators, and Coaches Association, will be held on Monday, May 10, at Westpark Golf Club in Leesburg. A portion of the \$70 fee is tax deductible and includes 18 holes of golf with cart, continental breakfast, and buffet lunch. Proceeds benefit the scholarship fund for Northern Virginia's scholar athletes. For more information, call Henry Hambrecht, 858-3702, Nelson Harvey, 430-2306, or Carl Sell (sponsor info), 339-0500.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold its last luncheon meeting before the summer break on Thursday, May 13, at Marco Polo Restaurant. The Good Time Band will provide entertainment. For reservations and more information, call 938-4835.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Vienna Chapter 1116, will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Tuesday, May 4, at 1:30 p.m. Retired NOAA research hydrologist Donald Wiesnet will give a slide presentation on Antarctica. Refreshments will be served, and visitors are welcome. For more information, call Bob Stankey at 591-6310.

Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park invites the public to "Garden Day" on Saturday, May 15, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be an array of programs and tours; visiting horticulture authorities; and sales of hostas, herbs, chrysanthemums, and other perennials. Park admission fees will be waived for the day. For more information, call 255-3631, ext. 301.

Vienna Photographic Society will meet on Wednesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the lecture hall at Thoreau Middle School, 2505 Cedar Lane. Barbara Southworth will discuss "A Straight Photographer in a Digital World." The public is invited to attend, and new members are always welcome. For more information, call Mo at 816-2423 or visit www.safeport.com/vps/.

VVFD Acquires Thermal Imager

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department (VVFD) is the first fire and rescue company in Fairfax County to be equipped with a thermal imager, a device that enables emergency workers to locate victims more quickly in a hot, smoky atmosphere.

The VVFD Ladies' Auxiliary provided funds for the thermal imager, which also has the capability to broadcast a TV signal to the Incident Commander at the scene of a fire to help in the evaluation of conditions inside the building. The thermal imager will enable rescue crews to avoid becoming entrapped in the fire themselves, and the recorded images can be used for training purposes.

In addition to locating fire victims, the thermal imager can be useful in finding lost persons at night, determining whether downed power lines are "hot," and other situations in which the ability to determine differences in temperature can be a safety factor.

VVFD will demonstrate the thermal imager for civic associations and community service organizations if requested. Call Fire Chief George Ellis at 721-6770.

Can Your House Number Be Seen?

An important message from the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department:

It's a life-threatening situation where police, fire or ambulance service is needed. You dial 911 and feel confident that help will soon be there. You hear the sirens coming and see the flashing lights reflecting off the trees. But wait, they did not stop. They went too far. Maybe they could not see your address.

One of the recurrent problems emergency personnel encounter when responding to calls is missing or hard (sometimes impossible) to read house numbers. Precious time is wasted looking for the location of an emergency because the address is not properly posted so it is visible and distinguishable from the street.

Try driving past your house during the day and again at night to see how easy your numbers are to read. Both the size and location of numbers are important. They should be large enough and placed so that they can be read from the center of the street going in both directions on the darkest night, in the worst of weather, and not obscured by shadows or hidden by foliage.

How does your house measure up to this checklist?

✓ Script writing may look appealing, but can you read it on a dimly lit street from a moving vehicle?

✓ Are your house numbers large enough to be seen from the street?

✓ Do the numbers contrast sharply with their background?

✓ If the house is some distance from the street or the view of the house is blocked by trees or shrubs, are your house numbers on a sign attached to a tree, fence, gate, or lawn stake near the street?

✓ On a corner lot, do the house numbers face the street named in your address?

✓ Are your house numbers illuminated or easily visible at night?

If you have questions about the proper method of posting your address for safety, call the Fire and Rescue Department at 246-3801.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Tour historical sites associated with Civil War Confederate Col. John Singleton Mosby on Saturday, May 15. The tour will be conducted by Mosby scholars Jim Moyer and Tom Evans. A charter bus will leave at 9 a.m. from the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., and return at 5 p.m. The cost is \$25 for Historic Vienna members, \$30 for non-members. Send checks to Historic Vienna, Inc., P.O. Box 53, Vienna, VA 22183. For more information, call 938-9668. Reservation deadline May 8.

The Golden Girls senior women's softball association's tournament teams, 1991-1998, have been inducted into the Washington Metropolitan Slow Pitch Softball Hall of Fame. During these years, the Golden Girls have won gold medals at the National Senior Olympics and placed first in several tournaments. Women aged 40 and over may call Donna Packard, 938-0387, for more information about the Golden Girls.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 20, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. The program will honor the 1999 winners of the Vince Kaspar Prize for Excellence in the Arts. This special arts program, named in memory of a member who worked with Vietnam veterans in developing their literary talent, recognizes the artistic efforts of local students. For more information, call 255-0353 or visit the web page at www.geocities.com/pentagon/8305.

Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce has initiated an awards program, "Chamber Stars," to honor students at James Madison, George Marshall, and Oakton High Schools who have excelled in a particular subject or have shown great improvement in grades, attendance, or behavior. The objective of the program is to honor deserving students who would otherwise go unrecognized. Each school will select three students quarterly who will receive certificates identifying them as Chamber Stars and choose books for their school libraries to be donated in their honor. Borders Books at

Tyson's Corner is providing the books at a discounted price, which will be paid by Chamber of Commerce members. For more information, call the Chamber office at 281-1333.

Used books wanted for a sale to be held next month at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. Donations may be dropped off at the Freeman House general store from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays, or left on the front porch when the store is closed. Please do not bring National Geographics or other magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest condensed books. Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., to benefit restoration of Moorefield, built in 1790 and the oldest house still standing in town. For more information, call 938-5187.

Vienna Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park opens for the season on May 5. Local vendors will sell fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs, honey, jams and jellies, baked goods, plants and flowers each Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine. The adjacent Plant Clinic will provide free advice on tree and plant problems from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Plenty of parking is available with convenient handicapped spaces. An Assistant Market Manager is needed to volunteer a few hours periodically. Contact Market Manager Ed Bieleci at 281-3530.

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2003, and VVFD's History Committee is collecting memorabilia. Anyone previously connected with the Fire Department or its Ladies' Auxiliary is invited to contact the Committee at P.O. Box 1115, Vienna, VA 22183-1115, or call Committee Chairman Thomas B. Bonner at 938-7158.

Coffee House/Open Mike at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., N.E., 7-10 p.m. Saturday, May 1. The evening will feature refreshments and live music by Epiphany's Praise Band, and an open mike will be available for adults and kids to bring their acts onto the stage. For more information, call 938-3494.

Vienna Arts Society will sponsor a critique session entitled "How'm I Doing?" on Monday, May 3. The cost is \$15 for VAS members, \$20 for non-members. For details, call Doris deSha at 255-6654. The VAS gallery, 513 Maple Ave., W., in the Village Green Shopping Center, is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Friday, and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

Yard sale, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held on Saturday, May 1, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 306 Edwin Ln., N.E. Proceeds will support community service projects. The Woman's Club will host its annual English Tea on Saturday, May 15. For details, call 255-0443. Vienna women are invited to learn more about the club and its programs.

"Plants Plus" sale, sponsored by Five Hills Garden Club, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, May 15, on the grounds of the Vienna Community Center. The sale will feature primarily perennials with a few shrubs, annuals, and garage sale type items.

Your old magazines and paperback books (no hard covers) are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. For those who have donated in the past, please leave publications at the usual location on the third Tuesday of the month *only* from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Ee sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call project chairman Florence Roseborough at 281-2498 for information.

Vienna Community Band will present a free outdoor concert as part of the annual ViVa! Vienna! Town Festival at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 29, at Church and Mill Streets, N.E. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Friends of Patrick Henry Library will hold their annual ViVa! Vienna! book sale at the library on Saturday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Friends provide volunteer workers, organize special programs, and raise funds through used book



Special Events

- * Arts & Crafts Vendors *
- * Live Music & Entertainment *
- * Wide Assortment of Food & Drink *
- * Carnival Rides For Adults & Children *

**For Information,
Call 255-4742**

Sat., May 29th

10:00 AM - 11:00 PM
Amusements - Food - Music

Sun., May 30th

12:30 - 7:00 PM
"Street Festival"

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

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

Vienna Theatre Company presents "The Foreigner" May 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15 at 8 p.m. and May 2 (signed performance) and 9 at 2 p.m. (Please note, these dates differ from those in the spring brochure.) Tickets \$8 general admission, \$7 for students and senior citizens.

BUS TRIPS

Whale watching trip to Cape May, New Jersey, on Saturday, June 5. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 7:30 a.m. and return by 11 p.m. The cost of \$56 per person includes transportation and whale watching boat tour. Reservation deadline May 21.

Enjoy a day at the casinos in Atlantic City on Thursday, May 20. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about 11 p.m. \$30 per person; includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline May 13.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Bike Rodeo Saturday, May 15, 10-11 a.m. for ages 5 and 6, 11 a.m.-12 noon for ages 7 and 8, and 1:30-2:30 p.m. for ages 9-12. Kids will learn the rules of the road, have a bike inspection, ride on two bike safety courses, and register their bikes. The OC Racing demonstration team will perform at 2:30 p.m. Free of charge; advance registration required. Sponsored by Vienna Parks and Recreation, the Vienna Police, and Bikes@Vienna.

PLEASE NOTE: CHERRY STREET, S.E., WILL BE CLOSED TO THROUGH TRAFFIC DURING THE BIKE RODEO.

Enjoy a movie outdoors at Glyndon Park at dusk (about 7:45 p.m.) Friday, May 21. Free admission. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Call for information on the film scheduled. Parents are required to stay with their children during the show.

Auditions for the Vienna Youth Players' summer production will be held June 2 and 3 from 6 to 9 p.m. Call to schedule an audition time for children aged 10-18.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Pickleball tournament Wednesday, May 19, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. This will be a doubles-only competition with partners chosen at random. Players of all skill levels welcome. Free of charge; advance registration required.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, May 12, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

Let's go bowling on Tuesday, May 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$3.50. Participants carpool to the bowling alley. Space is limited, so register early.

POTPOURRI

Applications for booth space at this year's July 4th celebration are now available. Food, game, and activity booths sponsored by local non-profit organizations cost \$20 each, and booths for private arts and crafts vendors cost \$40 each. The reservation deadline is June 23. The celebration is scheduled for Sunday, July 4, on the Community Center grounds (rain date July 5).

Group reservations are now being accepted for Glyndon and Meadow Lane Parks. Enjoy covered picnic areas, tennis and basketball courts, ball fields, and playground equipment. The fee for up to five hours is \$15 for Town of Vienna groups plus a \$10 key deposit for use of the restrooms. The Fairfax County Park Authority, 246-5700, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, 352-5900, also have group facilities at parks in the Vienna area.

Arm chair traveler series takes you to Spain on Friday, May 7, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share their own travel stories with the group. Free of charge; refreshments provided by Van Slycke & Reeside Travel.

Grand Reopening of the Newly Redesigned Southside Park 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 2

Old-fashioned Slow Pitch Softball Game
Warhawk Baseball Home Run Derby
Greater Vienna Sports Camps Family Games
Moon Bounce & Face Painting for the Kids
Hotdog Lunch Prepared by Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary

All free of charge!



Underground Fiber Optic Cable To Be Installed in South Vienna

The Town Council has awarded a telecommunications franchise to e.spire Communication, Inc., to install fiber optic cable in the southeast and southwest quadrants of town. The cable will be placed completely underground, and work could begin as early as this month. The franchise agreement grants e.spire "pass-through" use of public right-of-way to provide telecommunication service to customers located outside the town.

As shown on the map, the cable system will enter the town on the south side of Maple Avenue, then turn southeast on East Street and stay on the east side of the street to Echols Street, where it will cross to the south side of the street to the Echols Street bridge. A cable attachment will be placed on the outside face of the bridge, and the system will continue across Branch Road to the west side of the road heading north to and across Locust Street. At Locust, the cable will turn west staying on the north side of the street to Park Street, where it will cross to the west side of Park and go south to Tapawingo Road. After crossing to the south side of Tapawingo, the cable will go west to Nutley Street, cross to the west side of Nutley and go south to Marshall Road, then cross back to the east side of Nutley and out of the town limits.

Residents wanting more information about the project may call Department of Public Works Engineer Mike Bomgardner at 255-6387.

