

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

JANUARY 1991 – Vienna Police Officer David Stein, a Sergeant in the Air Force Reserves who has been assigned to Operation Desert Shield, reports that one of the biggest problems facing our men and women stationed in Saudi Arabia is plain old homesickness. To help fill this need, the Vienna Police Association is accepting gift items to be sent to our armed forces overseas. The Town Council has adopted a resolution urging all residents, businesses and organizations to fly the American flag daily until our men and women in Saudi Arabia return home.

JANUARY 1981 – At its January 19 meeting, the Town Council will consider whether to join with other Northern Virginia jurisdictions in implementing the 911 emergency number for police calls. In the past, Council has expressed opposition to the “basic” 911 system that Fairfax County hopes to implement this summer. The concern has been that this system might actually slow down police response time to an emergency within the town. Town residents who dial 911 for a police emergency would reach a County dispatcher and then have to be transferred back to the Vienna Police Department.

JANUARY 1971 – Each year the Town Council faces the question: “Should Vienna discontinue the use of metal vehicle plates with the name of the town and issue windshield stickers in their place?” Each year the \$1,500 which would be saved by using stickers is weighed against the boost to civic pride that seeing a tag with the name of one’s own town gives. This year again, Council voted in favor of metal tags. A citizen survey, however, showed a definite preference for stickers, citing ease of installation.

JANUARY 1961 – A new development in Vienna is the proposed garden-type apartments and shopping center at Park Street and Cedar Lane by the Vienna Development Co. The necessary zoning has been approved by the Town Council. Construction on this project is scheduled to begin around June 1961, with probable completion a year later.

Attention Organizations! Banner Applications Accepted January 1

Beginning January 1, non-profit community organizations may apply to display banners across Maple Avenue during 2001. Application forms are available in the Town Manager’s Office at Town Hall.

All groups wishing to display a banner must submit an application, including those which have had banners in previous years. Requests will be reviewed on a first come-first served basis.

Each application must be accompanied by a \$150 deposit, which will be returned if the applicant meets all conditions listed in the approval of the application, including picking up the banner by a specified date.

Each banner accepted may be displayed for no more than two weeks. The following dates in 2001 are not available and should not be requested: April 17–May 1, May 14–28, October 10–24, and the entire month of December.

REQUESTS POSTMARKED OR HAND DELIVERED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2001, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. FAXED REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT ANY TIME.



NEWSLETTER

January 2001

Special Pickups Resume January 2

The Town’s Special Pickup program will resume on Tuesday, January 2. To dispose of unwanted furniture, appliances, building materials, brush and other debris not included in the regular trash collection, residents can order a Special Pickup. Place discards at the curbside, then call the Special Pickup recording promptly at 703-255-5727 and be prepared to leave the following information: your name, address, daytime phone number, amount of debris, and type of debris.

Each residence is entitled to receive two free Special Pickups per year, with a limit of one dump truck load per pickup (about the size of a Volkswagon “beetle”). Additional pickups cost \$75 per load for all items except brush. The fee for additional loads of brush is \$25 each.

BEFORE CALLING FOR YOUR SPECIAL PICKUP,
PLEASE REVIEW THE SPECIAL PICKUP GUIDELINES
ON PAGE 3 OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Use New Hotline to Order Mulch

The Town of Vienna Department of Public Works now has a “mulch line” for your convenience when ordering free leaf and/or wood mulch. To place your order, call 703-255-6388 and leave your name, address, daytime phone number, type of mulch desired (wood or leaf), and the number of loads to be delivered. One load is estimated to be about the size of a VW Beetle, or 2–2.5 cubic yards. Please note the following important conditions:

- Mulch deliveries will be placed only in the driveway at the end closest to the house.
- Once mulch is delivered, it becomes the property of the homeowner and the Town will not remove any excess mulch ordered.

Orders will be taken through February 28, with delivery beginning in mid-January. For more information, call the Department of Public Works at 703-255-6382.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

TO ORDER MULCH – 703-255-6388

Visit the Town’s web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed on New Year’s Day, Monday, January 1; Lee-Jackson/King Day, Monday, January 15; and Friday, January 19, in observance of Inauguration Day. **NO TRASH PICKUP NEW YEAR’S DAY.** For residents on the Monday/Thursday collection route, both trash and recyclables will be picked up on Thursday, January 4. Trash and recyclables will be collected as usual on the other holidays.

Christmas Tree Pickup

The Public Works Department will collect Christmas trees during the month of January. Place trees at the curbside on the second collection day of the week to be picked up along with recyclables. Trees should be unadorned (no tinsel).

Dog Tag Deadline

All Town dog licenses must be renewed by January 31. The fee is \$10 for a fertile dog and \$5 for an infertile dog. A current rabies vaccination certificate must be shown to obtain a license, and a spay/neuter/infertile certificate must be shown for a reduced price license. For more information, call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323.

Emergency Notification Form Inside

The Vienna Police Department is updating its Voluntary Emergency Notification Registry files. See page 5 for details.

FIRE & RESCUE
911
(Voice & TDD)

VIENNA POLICE
EMERGENCY

703-938-4900 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)
NON-EMERGENCY
703-255-6366 (Voice)
703-255-5730 (TDD)

VIENNA TOWN HALL
703-255-6300 (Voice)
703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER
703-255-6360 (Voice)
703-255-5739 (TDD)

Vienna Town Hall
127 Center Street, South
Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799
Business Hours Monday – Friday,
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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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 Capital Projects Engineer 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 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.

Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise

NOVEMBER 6, 2000

- Conducted a closed session to discuss candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.

- Approved the revised site plan for the redevelopment of the Page building property at 801 Follin Ln., S.E. (approved 6-1, Olson voting nay), and approved the following site plan modifications: location of the existing building beyond the minimum setback line; location of parking areas beyond the minimum setback line; parking structure in excess of maximum height requirement (approved 6-1, Robinson voting nay); number of parking spaces below the required amount (approved 6-1, Seeman voting nay); parking lot lighting beyond the maximum height requirement (approved 5-2, Olson and Robinson voting nay), with the lights not to shine beyond the perimeter of the property; placement of a "loading berth" beyond the minimum setback from public park property.

- Awarded a contract for the Northside Public Works Facility to Falls Church Construction Corp. in the amount of \$4,291,000 (approved 5-2, Boudreau and Polychrones voting nay).

- Awarded a bid for silt removal from Wolftrap Creek at Maple Avenue to R.M. Soderquist in the amount of \$24,440.

- Referred to the Planning Commission for a public hearing and recommendation a proposed amendment to the sign ordinance concerning neon signs.

NOVEMBER 20, 2000

- Awarded a bid for financing of the Town's vehicle replacement program to Sun Trust Bank at a net financing cost of \$55,379.60.

- Awarded contracts for the final design of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project Phases 2A and 2B and bus shelters, in the total amount of \$153,448.08.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Albert J. Boudreau	Vincent J. Olson
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Robert P. McCormick	Maud F. Robinson

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Town Manager	John H. Schoeberlein	703-255-6371
Director of Public Works	Dennis W. King	703-255-6381
Chief of Police	Col. Dan Boring	703-255-6390
Director of Finance	Philip R. Grant	703-255-6320
Director of Parks & Recreation	Richard S. Black	703-255-6356
Director of Planning & Zoning	Gregory M. Hembree	703-255-6341

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for February issue is Tuesday, January 16.

FY '02 Donation Request Deadline

Friday, February 2, is the deadline for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds in fiscal year 2001-2002. Applications should be addressed to Town Manager John H. Schoeberlein, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180-5799. All requests must include the following information:

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

Citizens who have suggestions about what items should be given priority for funding in the Town's FY '02 budget are encouraged to express their views in writing to the Town Manager in care of Town Hall. The deadline for comments is also February 2.

NEW IN TOWN?

Vienna's Public Information Office has a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

January 2001

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7 Trash pickup, first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	1 New Year's Day Town Hall closed NO TRASH PICKUP	2 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	3	4 Trash pickup/recycling for Mon/Thur route Chief's Advisory Committee, 7 p.m.	5	6
14 All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	8 Town Council	9	10 Planning Commission	11 Town/Business Liaison Committee 6:30 p.m.	12	13
21	15 Lee-Jackson/King Day Town Hall closed	16	17 Board of Zoning Appeals	18 Architectural Review Board	19	20 Inauguration Day
28	22 Town Council mid-year budget review	23	24 Planning Commission	25 Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.	26	27
	29 Town Council	30 Transportation Safety Commission	31			

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Helpful Winter Water Tips

This time of year poses particular problems for a water system. Your Vienna Public Works Department appreciates citizen reports of water surfacing on roadways because this is a primary indicator of water main breaks. Water puddling around water meters should also be reported immediately.

Here are some tips for protecting pipes this winter:

- ✓ Locate and be able to operate the main shut-off valve, inside the house.
- ✓ Prior to freezing temperatures, cut off outside spigots, at inside valves, then drain spigots and leave open. If this is not possible, a trickle of water may be run from spigots as long as the temperature remains below freezing. Detach hoses from all outside spigots and drain them.
- ✓ Any interior water lines in unheated areas such as garages should be protected in some manner, for example, by insulation or draining.
- ✓ Interior water lines should be protected against drafts entering the house through holes in the walls or vents in crawl spaces.
- ✓ Interior water lines touching outside walls above ground level should be insulated.
- ✓ Never use an open flame to thaw frozen pipes. Instead, use a hair dryer.

Are High Heating Bills Burning You Up?

The U.S. Department of Energy urges consumers to be "energy smart" and take advantage of these inexpensive and easy fixes that can save up to 25% on winter heating costs:

• SEAL OUT COLD AIR

- Caulk and weatherstrip doors and windows
- Close chimney flue and seal unused fireplaces
- Seal exterior walls around pipes and wires
- Use plastic sheeting on the interior to make a temporary double-pane window

• TUNE UP HEATING SYSTEM

- Tune up furnace or heat pump
- Change filters
- Bleed trapped air from hot water heaters
- Seal leaky ducts
- Check that furniture, carpeting or drapes do not cover registers

• IMPROVE THERMOSTAT PERFORMANCE

- Install a programmable thermostat
- Reduce temperature to lowest comfortable setting
- Close registers in unused rooms

• PRACTICE WINDOW MANAGEMENT

- Close drapes on north-facing windows
- Close drapes on south-facing windows to capture solar heating

Consumers may also wish to consider longer-term solutions that can save up to 50% on heating costs. These include adding insulation to attic and walls, and insulating ducts; upgrading to a high efficiency furnace or heat pump and water heater; replacing windows with energy efficient models; and planting evergreen trees and shrubs to the north and northwest of the house to serve as a windbreak.

Beware of Danger In the Cold

While working and playing outdoors this winter, please be alert to the dangers associated with cold weather. The following information has been provided by the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department:

The human body has regulatory mechanisms to defend itself from internal cooling. Even a slight drop in body temperature triggers the regulatory systems to turn up the heat through shivering. Once the core temperature drops below 94°F, the regulatory system fails. As the temperature drops even further, the possibility of death increases; at 83° F cardiac standstill, or fibrillation, becomes common.

A decrease in body temperature is called hypothermia. A person with moderate hypothermia (94°-84°F) may be conscious, but will be lethargic, apathetic, cool to the touch, and pale. The high risk group for hypothermia is very likely elderly persons who can't afford high heating bills.

Frostbite is a more common, less serious result of exposure to cold. Many of us have experienced some of the following signs associated with frostbite: pricking pain, numbness, waxy-white or mottled-blue discoloration, hardness, and impaired movement. Do the following right away:

- Seek medical attention (go to the hospital or dial 911)
- Very gently remove covering (especially gloves and socks)
- Cover frostbitten nose or ears with warm hands
- Place your frostbitten hand in your armpit
- If unable to seek medical attention, place extremity in water at a constant 100°-105°F
- Cover with dry sterile dressing and elevate injured part on a pillow

Unfortunately, cold-related dangers occur frequently and often go unnoticed or untreated. This results in permanent injuries, amputations, and sometimes loss of life.

If you are going to be outside in cold weather, dress warmly in layers, wear a hat (50% of the body's heat loss is through the head), and know when to come in from the cold.

Before Calling for Your Special Pickup, Please Review These Guidelines:

• Building materials — wood, broken concrete, building brick and block, fences, drywall and paneling — will be picked up. Masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc. are limited to 300 pounds per pickup (about two wheelbarrow loads). Building materials generated by contractors and/or persons employed by homeowners to renovate, repair and/or perform maintenance on their homes will not be picked up.

• Sod, small stumps, brush, trees and limbs of a diameter greater than 1½ inches and less than 6 inches and no more than 8 feet in length will be picked up. The Special Pickup crews do not collect any tree parts over six inches in diameter. Most logs are greater than six inches and, therefore, they are not acceptable. The reason for this regulation is that the tub grinder used by the Public Works Department to make wood mulch cannot handle tree parts over this size. Logs, stumps and other large tree parts can be disposed of at the Fairfax County Transfer Station on West Ox Road or at the County Landfill in Lorton. Leaves are not picked up by Special Pickup crews.

• Discarded furniture, swing sets and playground equipment will be picked up.

• Up to 300 pounds of scrap metal and small automobile parts such as engine blocks, transmissions and tires will be picked up. Tires must be removed from the rim. Whole automobile bodies will not be picked up.

• Two major appliances per residence will be picked up. These include stoves, refrigerators, dishwashers, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners and furnaces.

• Old heating oil tanks, gas tanks, and pressurized tanks such as propane, air or freon will not be picked up. Fuel tanks, paint cans, insecticides, fluorescent light tubes, and other hazardous wastes, and biohazardous waste including needles and syringes, will not be picked up. For information about hazardous waste disposal, call 703-324-5068.

• Please separate brush, appliances, building materials, etc. from each other. This makes it easier for pickup crews to salvage recyclable items, reducing the amount of debris taken to the landfill.

• For the safety of Special Pickup crews, please separate large pieces of glass from other discards.

• Residents of corner lots are requested to place discards in front of the property, not on the side.

• Please keep Special Pickup items away from regular trash and recyclables, fire hydrants, water meters, gas valves, fences, utility poles, trees and shrubs, vehicles, etc. Place discards in an open area accessible to a crane truck.

Call Promptly For Your Special Pickup

Residents are reminded to call the Special Pickup number, 703-255-5727, as soon as debris is placed at the curbside. Piles of trash that go uncollected for weeks on end because of residents' failure to call for a Special Pickup are an eyesore and a potential health and safety hazard. When an "illegal" pile of trash is spotted by or reported to Town personnel, the resident will receive a notice to call for a Special Pickup within 48 hours. Otherwise, the debris will be collected anyway and that address charged for one of its two annual free Special Pickups, or if both pickups have already been made, it will be charged for an additional pickup.

Don't Dump on Your Neighbors!

Be a good neighbor and call for a Special Pickup. It's much easier than dumping unwanted items illegally on a neighbor's yard or in a park, and it keeps our community looking clean and attractive.

CHO Needs Furniture and Appliances

Instead of using a Special Pickup to dispose of unwanted furniture and appliances *in good working condition*, consider donating them to CHO (Committee for Helping Others). Beds and mattresses are especially needed, as are dining tables and chairs. To arrange for a pickup of your donation, call CHO Furniture Chairman John Kliewer at 703-281-7614.

Fund Established For Lt. Andrews

Town of Vienna Police Lieutenant Ben Andrews and his family wish to express their sincere appreciation for the many expressions of support received from the Vienna community since a motorcycle accident while on duty left him paralyzed from the chest down. Lt. Andrews was in pursuit of a speeder on Courthouse Road November 9 when the accident occurred.

A member of the Police Department since 1982, Lt. Andrews has served in the patrol, narcotics, criminal investigations, and traffic divisions and has earned numerous meritorious service awards. In 1987 he was named Officer of the Year by the Vienna Woman's Club.

The Vienna Police Association has established a fund on behalf of Ben and his family. Contributions can be sent to First Union National Bank, Attn: Karen Hummer, Vienna Police Assn./Ben Andrews, 212 Maple Ave., E., Vienna, VA 22180. Make checks payable to the Vienna Police Association and write "Ben Andrews" in the memo line on the check.

Talk with Your State Legislators

Virginia State Senator Janet Howell and Delegate Jeannemarie Devolites will host a town meeting on Saturday, January 13, in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. They will give an overview of the issues to be considered in the 2001 session of the General Assembly in Richmond, solicit citizen input, and answer questions.

Town Code On-line

Citizens can now access the entire Vienna Town Code via the Internet. Go to the Town government home page, www.ci.vienna.va.us, click on "Departments," then "Town Clerk," and then "Town Code Information."

Welcome New Businesses

The following businesses licenses were issued in November:

RBD Associates
consulting
323 Nutley St., N.W.
703-281-5203

PRN Medical Supply
sales of medical supplies
386 Maple Ave., E. #102
703-242-0809

Kristern Thorne
massage therapy
301 Maple Ave., W. #D
703-255-1500

CRC Associates
contractor
502 Plum St., S.W.
703-850-0802

Vienna Facial Plastic
Surgery Center
110 Maple Ave., E.
703-319-0292

Convenient Location & Friendly Service
SHOP IN VIENNA
Support Our Hometown Merchants

Mary F. Schumann, PhD.
psychotherapy
133 Maple Ave., E. #306
703-716-4644

Jette Hansen
massage therapy
301 Maple Ave., W. #D
703-255-1500

Your Town Planning Commission

The Vienna Planning Commission is a nine-member board charged by State statute with approving preliminary subdivision plats and making recommending to the Town Council on final plats, site plan modifications, changes in zoning, amendments to the zoning ordinance, and revisions to the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Commissioners also provide recommendations to the Board of Zoning Appeals on applications for conditional use permits.

Recent activities include the Commission's review of the conditional use permit application and requested site plan modifications for Northside Property Yard, and the five-year update to the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

The Vienna Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, except on the fourth Thursday instead of Wednesday in October, no meetings in July, and no second meeting in November and December. Meetings take place in the Council Chamber at Town Hall and interested citizens are invited to attend. Commission members include Chairwoman Laurie Genevro Cole, Vice Chairman Emil D. Attanasi, Edward H. Chase, Kevin McNiff, Frederick Skaer, Peter Van der Nat, and Sydney H. Verinder. There are currently two vacancies. Citizens may contact the Planning Commission through its clerk, Denise Rose Adams, at 703-255-6349 or e-mail to dpr@ci.vienna.va.us.

"Beauty Spot" from Your Community Enhancement Commission

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for their beautification projects. The latest "Beauty Spot" award goes to Alfred Demarcki and Roy Sebulsky, Sr., 219 Battle St., S.W., for the restoration of their home.

In addition, Beauty Spot awards were presented to the following residents for their great decorations at Halloween:

- Linda Gadd, 705 Plum St., S.W.;
- David and Beth Bathe, 230 Moore Ave., S.W.; and
- Shannon and Gina Milligan, 901 Frederick St., S.W.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E.

per person. To register and for more information about this and other Women's Center programs, call 703-281-2657.

The Vienna Chapter, National Association of Retired Federal Employees, will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 2, at the Vienna Community Center. Lin Noyes, Clinical Director of the Family Respite Center in Falls Church, will discuss services provided for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and other disabilities and for their caregivers. For more information, call 703-938-8180.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, an interfaith community ministry for people age 50 and over, has announced the winter term of its "Adventures in Learning" program January 18-March 8. Classes will be held each Thursday and include Tai Chi, Writing Your Life Story, International Folk Dancing, Beginner's Computer, and many more. Kick-off and registration will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, January 11, at St. Mark's Catholic Church, 9970 Vale Rd. For more information, including class times and fees, call 703-281-0538.

Vienna Little League (VLL) registration for children ages 5-12 will be held at the Vienna Community Center on the following dates: January 13 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; January 17, 25 and 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. Children registering for the first time must show a birth certificate or passport for verification of age and proof of residency within the VLL boundaries. The fee for the 2001 season is \$65 per T-ball player (ages 5 and 6) and \$75 per player for all other levels. For registration updates and more information, call the VLL hotline at 703-573-4285 or visit www.vll.org.

Homeschooling moms are invited to a Support Night, to share concerns and experiences with other moms, on Thursday, January 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the meeting room at Patrick Henry Library. For more information, call Vicki at 703-242-8827.

James Madison High School SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) is winding up its "red ribbon" safety campaign for MADD (Mothers Against Drunk

Driving). SADD members cut and mounted 45,000 red ribbons to be distributed during the holiday season to remind citizens not to drink and drive. In addition, SADD has organized a "buckle up" campaign and is raising funds to display posters throughout Vienna urging that every person in a vehicle use seat belts for every trip. Anyone interested in donating time and/or money to support SADD activities can call John Lingenfelter at 703-319-2364.

Health Information Library, run by INOVA, is a telephone voice system designed to increase the public's awareness and understanding of all facets of health from aging to women's health. This directory provides sources for people to gain information on specific ailments through a 24-hour hotline number coupled with a four-digit code related to each ailment. Call 703-204-3330 or visit INOVA's web site at www.inova.com.

Shortness of Breath (S.O.B.) Club, a support organization for those with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease or any other illness that leads to shortness of breath, meets regularly at Alexandria Hospital. For more information, call the American Lung Association of Virginia at 703-591-4131.

Income tax time is just around the corner, and to help you prepare your federal return the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) offers information via the Internet. By accessing the IRS web site at www.irs.ustreas.gov, you can download tax forms and find out about electronic filing, tax law changes, tax statistics, and information on both personal and business taxes. The site also lists a tax calendar, full tax regulations, and sources of taxpayer help and education. In addition, you can communicate with IRS personnel by e-mail.

Start the New Year with a Resolution To Get Involved in Your Community!

A new Jaycee chapter is being organized in Vienna. Young men and women ages 21-39 are invited to join this national organization, which encourages development of personal and leadership skills through community involvement. The Jaycees have been very active in Vienna over the years, co-sponsoring the Halloween Parade, raising funds to purchase a mobile intensive care unit for the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, and supporting Camp Virginia Jaycee for the mentally retarded. For more information, call Ariel Jones at 703-527-2233 or e-mail arieljone@aol.com.

New Optimists wanted! The Optimist Club of Vienna is holding an Open House on Saturday, January 6, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Stop by and meet the leaders of the Optimist Club of Vienna and find out the benefits of belonging to one of Vienna's finest community service organizations. Club members raise \$25,000 each year to help the youth of the Vienna/Oakton area. For more information, call Carol Brennan, president, at 703-620-4977.

Chief's Advisory Committee Welcomes You

The Police Chief's Advisory Committee will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 4, in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Officer Bill Murray will present "Defensive Driving Techniques." Representatives of community organizations and individual citizens are invited to attend. This is a chance to discuss law enforcement and public safety issues within the community and also to learn about the various projects and programs of the Vienna Police Department. For more information, call Mary Ellen Larkins at 703-281-7847.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Free, confidential tax help for middle to low income taxpayers regardless of age will be available each Wednesday beginning February 14 through April 11 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Sun Trust Bank (formerly Crestar), 515 Maple Ave., E. (The elevator inside the bank's side door on Berry Street offers convenient access to the site upstairs.) Bring copies of your 1999 federal and Virginia returns; federal and Virginia tax forms and booklets for 2000; documents showing 2000 income; Social Security number for all dependents; and receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions. This program is sponsored by AARP and the IRS.

Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will hold an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station on Saturday, January 13, from 1 to 5 p.m. The public is invited to see an operating HO scale model railroad featuring the Western North Carolina Railroad from Spencer/Salisbury to Asheville in the decade 1945-1955. Admission is free; donations accepted. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.geocities.com/Hearthland/Plains/6120.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold its regular luncheon meeting at noon Thursday, January 11, at Marco Polo Restaurant. Toby Felker, a WASP (Woman Air Service Pilot), will share her experiences as a pilot in the 1940's. For reservations, call 703-938-1077. Bridge groups meet on the first Tuesday and third Wednesday of each month. Call 703-938-3505 or 703-281-4811 for more information.

Patrick Henry Library offers free activities for children and adults. Library patrons of all ages are invited to attend "Robots and Space Stuff," stories and activities with aliens and robots, at 7 p.m. Thursday, January 18. For more information, call the library at 703-938-0405.

Your old magazines and paperback books (no hard covers) are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult De-

vention 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. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call project chairman Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Vienna Arts Society (VAS) will sponsor a watercolor workshop, "Saving the Whites of the Paper," January 10-12. Carolyn Grosse Gawarecki will lead participants in designing paintings with the white paper as the center of interest. For more information, call Sandy Offutt at 703-435-2772. The VAS gallery, located in the Village Green Shopping Center, features original art that's reasonably priced. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 703-319-3971 or visit www.viennaartssociety.org.

Northeast Vienna Citizens Association will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesday, January 30, at the Vienna Community Center. Guest speaker will be Mayor Jane Seeman. All interested citizens are welcome to attend. For more information, call David Jodice, 703-255-0884, or Mary Ellen Larkins, 703-281-7847.

Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest for students through grade 12 will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 24, at the Vienna Assembly of God Church. Participants will compete for a chance to win scholarships at the state level. Sponsored locally by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, the contest is named in honor of Jimmy Bland, best known as the composer of "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny." The entry deadline is February 17. For application forms, call Al or Alice Boudreau at 703-938-6722.

Vienna Girls Softball League will host walk-in registration at the Vienna Community Center January 13 and 20

from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This program is for ages 16 and under. For more information, call the league hotline, 703-281-5216, or visit www.eteamz.com/vgsl.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, January 18, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Guest speaker Dennis R. Ruth, who served as a Quad 50 platoon leader during the Vietnam War, will discuss how this World War II anti-aircraft weapon proved effective against base camp attacks and convoy ambushes. For more information, call 703-255-0353 or visit www.geocities.com/pentagon/8305.

Child care provider recruitment campaign is underway, sponsored by the Fairfax County Office for Children. The campaign goal is to respond to a shortage of child care providers through an incentive program under which current providers will earn a \$150 referral bonus if they recruit a friend or neighbor to receive a County child care permit. New providers will receive a start-up "toolkit" containing marketing and reference materials that will help them start their businesses. For more information, call Gail Bjorklund at the Office for Children, 703-449-9555.

Teen smoking cessation program will be conducted by the American Lung Association of Virginia at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Centreville from 5 to 6 p.m. each Wednesday for ten weeks beginning January 24. The Not on Tobacco (NOT) program is free of charge and offers specific help with problems such as nicotine withdrawal, weight gain, and how to cope with family and friends who smoke. To register and for more information, call 703-591-4131 by January 17.

Investment Instruction and Discussion Group will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, January 17, at The Women's Center, 133 Park St., N.E. Led by Larry Murphy of Paine Weber, each monthly meeting of the group will include a focused educational segment plus general discussion and questions. The cost is \$20

Police Updating Emergency Notification Files

The Vienna Police Department is updating its Voluntary Emergency Notification Registry files. As a service to town residents, the police maintain this registry to facilitate prompt and proper contact with next-of-kin or other designated persons in the event of an emergency. This service is provided free of charge and is strictly voluntary. The information provided by residents will be used only in emergency situations. To be listed in the registry or to update your current listing, complete the form below and return it to police headquarters, 215 Center St., S.

VOLUNTARY EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION REGISTRY (Please print or type all information)

Name _____

Address _____

City Vienna State Virginia ZIP 22180 Home Phone 703-_____

Any medical problems that should be made known to the Police Department? If so, please explain:

In case of an emergency, please notify the individuals listed below in the order listed:

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

Does this person have a key to your house? Yes or No (circle one)

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

Does this person have a key to your house? Yes or No (circle one)

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ Relationship _____

Does this person have a key to your house? Yes or No (circle one)

I understand that my participation in this program is purely voluntary. I am aware of the nature of this service and desire to participate. I release and agree to hold harmless the Town of Vienna and its employees from all liability for the consequences of their release or failure to release the data provided by me.

Signature _____

Date _____

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Theatre Company will present the mystery/drama "Wait Until Dark" January 19, 20, 26, 27 and February 2, 3 at 8 p.m. and January 28 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). General admission \$8; students and senior citizens (65 and older) \$7.

Quarterly coin and stamp show will be held January 27 and 28. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. About 15 stamp dealers and 45 coin dealers will participate. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Coin Club.

BUS TRIP

Ski Whitetail on Tuesday, January 30. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 7 a.m. and return by 7 p.m. Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Call for price information on the various packages available. Reservation deadline January 23.

SPORTS & HEALTH

Spring co-ed softball league begins April 22. Games will be played Sunday mornings at Southside Park. The registration fee is \$375 per team and includes 14 regular season double-header games, umpire fees, softballs, awards, and a post-season tournament. Town of Vienna residents will have priority registration January 4 through February 5.

Men's Early Bird Softball Tournament registration is underway. All games will be played on Saturday, March 24. Two divisions of five teams each will play inter-division games, with the top two teams from each division competing in a single-elimination championship finale.

The cost of \$110 per team includes a minimum of four games, umpire fees and awards.

Adult drop-in basketball is offered each Monday and Wednesday, and volleyball on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for out-of-town players and free of charge for Vienna residents. A valid photo ID with proof of residency must be presented at the door. Drop-in table tennis is also held on Tuesday and Thursday nights. No charge for table tennis.

Friday night skating for the entire family will be held January 5 through March 9 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Admission is \$1 per child and 50¢ for participating adults. Bring your own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Parents are required to stay with their children.

Monday afternoon roller skating for ages 3-12 begins January 22 through March 19 from 3 to 4 p.m. Admission is 50¢ per child. Participants must furnish their own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Parents are required to stay with their children and are welcome to participate.

Learn how to balance hormones naturally on Tuesday, January 16, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Dr. Kathryn Thompson of Wellness Group Seminars will discuss the cause of symptoms that occur during PMS and menopause, and offer solutions via diet, vitamins, chiropractic care, and exercise. Free of charge.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Club Phoenix Teen Center features a big screen TV, jukebox, Dreamcast, and more. During the school year, operating hours for high school students are 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, and 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday. For grades 7 and 8 hours are 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, and 3 to 10 p.m. Friday. For 6th graders hours are 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. Club Phoenix is open

to all grades on Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Babysitting fundamentals for boys and girls age 12 and older will be presented on Saturday, January 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. The fee of \$25 per person includes a manual and certificate upon completion. Bring a bag lunch and a doll.

Comedy Night for high school students will be held on Saturday, January 20. Doors open at 7 p.m.; show starts at 8 p.m. Free admission.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY AND YOUR ESTATE

Introduction to wills, trusts and estate planning Monday, January 8, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss the many forms of wills and trusts, gift giving, federal and state tax considerations, and making peace with probate. Free of charge.

"Estate Conservation" Tuesday, January 23, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Financial advisor Nicholas Yrizarry will talk about shrinkage, benefits, probate, taxes, and wills/trusts. Participants receive a workbook to keep. Free of charge.

Basics of long-term care insurance Thursday, January 11, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; repeated on Thursday, January 25, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sean Sinclair of Edward Jones Investment will show how to protect your assets, and the myths and mystery behind Medicaid and Medicare coverage. Free of charge.

"How to Buy a Home for Less Than You Expected" Wednesday, January 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. Mortgage consultant Edwin Peacock and realtor Matthew Cockerham will explain how to buy a home with little or no down payment, how pre-approval can save you money, how to work

with a buyer's agent, and more. Free of charge.

"Smart Women Finish Rich" Wednesday, January 17, from 7 to 8 p.m. Mark Costello of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter will help you establish your financial goals, share seven important lessons for women, and discuss the "female advantage." Free of charge.

SENIOR CITIZENS

55 Alive Mature Driving Program, sponsored by AARP, Monday and Tuesday, January 22 and 23, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 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. \$10 per person.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, January 25, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$3.75. Participants carpool to the bowling alley.

Free blood pressure check for senior citizens on Wednesday, January 10, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

POTPOURRI

Personal Safety for Women will be held on four consecutive Wednesdays, January 24-February 14, from 7 to 10 p.m. Your instructor will be Officer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department. The class includes basic education in crime prevention and risk reduction measures, and practice in physical self-defense techniques. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and exercise shoes. \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

"Time Management: Juggling Time and Happiness" Tuesday, January 23, from 7 to 8 p.m. Ari Tuckman, PsyD, MBA, will discuss how to put your valuable time into activities that are the most personally rewarding. Free of charge.

Parks Maintenance Division Moves To Temporary Quarters at Southside

An office trailer and two large steel storage containers just inside the Ware Street entrance to Southside Park will be the temporary location of the Parks and Recreation Department's Parks Maintenance Division for approximately one year during construction of the new Public Works Department complex at the Northside Property Yard. The existing Parks Maintenance Division buildings at Northside will be demolished, and the division will relocate to the Nutley Street Property Yard once the Public Works Department employees move into their new facility.

The Town regrets any imposition on residents near Southside Park. Unfortunately, the unavailability and cost of suitable rental space in the industrial and commercial sections of Vienna necessitated the office trailer arrangement. Requirements for Parks Maintenance operations include accessibility, electricity, water and sewer, and space for the employees' personal vehicles and six maintenance vehicles (four pickup trucks and two small dump trucks). Space was also needed for two 40'x8' steel storage containers for equipment, tools and materials. At Southside Park, all of these necessities were available, and the park restroom building has been heated to provide restroom facilities for division personnel.

The Parks Maintenance Division consists of ten employees. Typical working hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Privacy fencing and/or other screening will be erected around the temporary site at Southside to lessen the impact of the operations there, and the Parks and Recreation Department intends to vacate the site at the earliest possible opportunity.

Citizens who have questions regarding the arrangements at Southside or about the Parks Maintenance operation, can call Richard Black, Director of Parks and Recreation, at 703-255-6356.

Parks & Recreation Department Welcomes New Senior Citizen Program Coordinator

Cheryl Harlan has joined the staff at the Vienna Community Center as Program Coordinator for senior citizen activities, but she would rather be known as the "program coordinator of life enhancement for the mature adult." Cheryl is developing programs for two generations of seniors - the "baby boomers" and the World War II generation - each with varied interests and abilities.

Among the programs Cheryl will be offering this spring are a Tuesday evening relaxation class, and a multi-session nutrition and healthy lifestyle class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings co-sponsored by Fresh Fields grocery. Also being developed is a "mind-body" series in which various professionals in the health and fitness fields will present the latest developments to help achieve optimum wellness.

For those who like big group events and trips, Cheryl is hoping to offer visits to Hillwood Museum; the Naval Observatory to look at the night sky through large telescopes; and Lancaster, Pa., to the Millennium Stage's Production of NOAH, a favorite multimedia extravaganza.

