

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

AUGUST 1993 – To help keep costs down, the Fairfax County Office of Transportation is now using its own Fairfax Connector buses rather than Metrobuses to provide rush hour service between the Vienna and Dunn Loring Metro stations. The minibuses, painted white with red and yellow stripes, carry 25 passengers and are equipped with wheelchair lifts. The routes, schedules and fare structure have not changed.

AUGUST 1983 – The Babe Ruth 16-year old Southeast Regional Tournament, hosted by the Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League, will be held August 4-11 at Waters Field. President Reagan, Governor Robb and other dignitaries have been invited to the opening day activities, which will be taped and televised on WNVC channel 56. WNVC will also broadcast the championship game.

AUGUST 1973 – Continued vandalism in Vienna's parks may force the closure of many facilities. The problem has cost the Town thousands of dollars in damage. A frequent target for vandals is water fountains, which have been battered with clubs and bats, knocked over and stripped of their hardware. Town Manager C. Clay Harrell said if the destruction continues the fountains will be turned off and residents will have to do without water in parks.

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

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

<p>FIRE & RESCUE 911 (Voice & TDD)</p>	<p>Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799 Business Hours Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>PRSRST STD U.S. POSTAGE PAID Vienna, Va. Permit No. 36</p>
<p>VIENNA POLICE EMERGENCY 703-938-4900 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD) NON-EMERGENCY 703-255-6366 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD)</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>VIENNA TOWN HALL 703-255-6300 (Voice) 703-255-5735 (TDD)</p>	<p>This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.</p>	
<p>COMMUNITY CENTER 703-255-6360 (Voice) 703-255-5739 (TDD)</p>		

Grass and Weeds Must Be Trimmed

The Town Code specifies that "owners of property within the Town shall not allow grass, weeds and other foreign objects to exceed 6 inches in height within 100 feet of any street or adjacent property line."

Property owners found in violation of this ordinance will be sent a certified letter from the Department of Planning and Zoning giving them 10 days to cut their grass. If they do not, the Town will cut the grass and bill the property owners. Unpaid bills will be recorded as tax liens against offending properties.

The Town Code also restricts the height of bushes, hedges, and other plantings (and fences) to three feet above the curb level within 25 feet of an intersection. Keeping foliage trimmed makes it easier for pedestrians and bicyclists to see approaching vehicles.

Every resident's effort to keep grass and plantings trimmed will help make Vienna a safer and more attractive community.

For more information, or to report violations, call the Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-255-6341.



Get Involved!

Membership on Vienna's boards and commissions provides citizens the opportunity to become actively involved in Town affairs. An application for appointment is on pages 5 and 6 of this newsletter.

Yard Sale Reminder

Each household in town may hold two yard sales per year. No permit is required. Two advertising signs, no larger than four square feet each, may be displayed on the property where the sale takes place, and four directional signs, no larger than two square feet each, may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission. Signs may not be exhibited more than two days prior to the start of the sale. Signs are not permitted on public property, in the public right-of-way (10 feet from the curb or edge of pavement), or on utility poles. Illegally placed signs will be removed. For more information, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

Permit Required To Close Street

Residents are reminded that permission from the Town Manager is required to close a street for a neighborhood block party. Streets may not be closed by residents for any other reason, including letting children play in the street.

NEWSLETTER

August 2003

Hearings Set on Requests to Remove Properties from Historic District

At its September 8 meeting, the Town Council will hold public hearings on five requests to remove property from the Windover Heights Historic District in northwest Vienna. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

The Town Planning Commission, following its own public hearing in May, has recommended that the properties at 130 Pleasant St., N.W., 346 Windover Ave., N.W., 222 Lovers Ln., N.W., 224 Walnut Ln., N.W., and 200 Walnut Ln., N.W., not be removed from the historic district. The Commission also recommended that Council consider ways to enhance and strengthen the Town's Historic Districts Ordinance.

The Windover Heights Historic District was created by Council in 1979. Many of the homes in the district contain distinctive architectural features, were the sites of significant events in the town's history, or belonged to prominent citizens. The Windover Heights Board of Review approves new construction and major exterior alterations of buildings within the historic district to ensure that they are in keeping with the old and historic architectural aspect of the surroundings.

Fight the Bite

Say NO to MOSQUITOES



Eliminate Standing Water
Don't let mosquitoes "BUG" you!
There are things that YOU CAN DO!

Campaign Against West Nile Virus Continues Through the Summer

Since May, Fairfax County has continued to combat West Nile virus by treating 50,000 to 60,000 storm drains with a larvicide to inhibit mosquito breeding. A second round of storm drain treatments was scheduled to begin the end of July. These storm drain treatments will not eliminate all of the mosquitoes but will help reduce the mosquito population. The product used to treat the storm drains is a naturally occurring bacteria, which is harmless to other insects and the environment.

Unlike previous years, the County Health Department is not collecting dead birds this year. However, they are very interested in knowing the location of dead birds for their surveillance programs. Citizens can call the Health Department at 703-246-2300 to report a dead bird.

West Nile virus is spread through the bite of an infected mosquito. The majority of people bitten by an infected mosquito do not get sick. People who do get sick usually suffer a mild flu-like illness. People over age 50 are at greatest risk of serious illness.

For more information on West Nile virus, log onto the Health Department's page on the Fairfax County Web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/service/hd/ and click on "Mosquitoes" at the bottom of the page, or call 703-246-2300.

Safety "Rules of the Road" Are for Bicyclists of All Ages

By Officer Virginia Palmore, Vienna Police Department

Under the Vienna Bikeway Plan (Chapter 21 of the Town Code) anyone riding a bicycle on town streets is subject to the State Motor Vehicle Code and shall have all of the same rights and duties applicable to the driver of a motor vehicle. However, there are special provisions in the State Code applying to bicycles, one of which states that a person riding a bicycle across a roadway or a crosswalk shall have the rights and duties of a pedestrian under the same circumstances.

It should be noted that, generally speaking, where a bike path in the Town of Vienna crosses a public street or roadway, stop signs or other traffic control devices are placed so as to control the movement of traffic on the bike path, and the bicyclist must stop at such signs and yield the right-of-way to the traffic on the roadway.

Another special provision of the State Code allows bicycles to be ridden on sidewalks unless prohibited by the local jurisdiction. In the Town of Vienna, children under 11 years old may ride a bike on any public sidewalk, and bicyclists of any age may ride on sidewalks wherever it is hazardous to ride in the roadway. No one is permitted to ride a bike on a sidewalk in any private shopping center. A bicyclist on a sidewalk must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians.

Although Fairfax County requires children aged 14 and younger to wear a helmet when riding a bicycle, the irony is that most of the bicycle-related complaints received by the Vienna Police Department involve the unsafe riding habits of *adult* cyclists. Many children are taught bicycle safety at school and have the "rules of the road" fresh in their minds. With more residents out riding their bicycles during the summer, the following summary is offered to help cyclists of all ages refresh their memories on the laws applying to the operation of bicycles in Virginia:

Traffic Control

- Obey all traffic signs, signals, lights and markings. This includes stop signs.

Where to Ride

- Ride with the flow of traffic on the right side of the road. Bikes may also be ridden on the shoulder of the road.
- Ride as close as possible to the right edge of the road, except when passing another vehicle, making a left turn, avoiding unsafe conditions, or when the lane width is too narrow to share with a motor vehicle.
- Do not ride between two lanes of traffic moving in the same direction, unless one lane is a separate or mandatory turn lane.
- Ride single file on streets. Bicyclists may ride two or more abreast on paths or other roadways designated exclusively for bike use.

Riding on the Sidewalk (Vienna ordinance)

- Children under 11 years old may ride a bike on any sidewalk.
- Bicyclists of any age may ride on sidewalks wherever it is hazardous to ride in the roadway.
- No one is permitted to ride a bike on a sidewalk in any private shopping center.
- Always yield the right-of-way to pedestrians on sidewalks.

Changing Directions

- Signal your intention to stop or turn with the left arm. Signals do not have to be given continuously if both hands are needed to control the bike.
- Bicyclists may make left turns either as motorists or pedestrians do. To make a pedestrian left turn, continue straight across the intersecting road, obey the traffic signals, turn left at the corner, and proceed as usual. Bicyclists may also dismount and walk in the crosswalks.

Equipment

- Earphones may not be worn while riding a bike.
- Bikes ridden after dark must have a white headlight visible for at least 500 feet and a red reflector visible for 300 feet to the rear. A red light visible for 500 feet to the rear may be used in place of or in addition to the reflector.
- Bicycles ridden on roadways must have brakes that make the wheels skid on dry, level, clean pavement.

Registration

- Vienna residents are encouraged to register their bikes with the Police Department to help deter theft. If you would like to register your bicycle or have any questions concerning bike safety, please call the Police Department's Community Services Office at 703-255-6396.

FY 2003-04 Budget Adopted

The Town's adopted budget for fiscal year 2003-2004, which began July 1, totals \$23,219,572 for all funds, an increase of \$125,320 or 0.54% over last year.

The real estate tax rate has been reduced by a penny to 27½¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation; however, due to reassessments by Fairfax County, the average Vienna taxpayer will see an increase in the real estate tax bill of approximately \$80 per year.

Water and sewer rates have been increased for the first time in five years due to rising operational costs. For town residents, the water rate increased from \$2.44 to \$2.71 and the sewer rate from \$3.16 to \$3.39 per 1,000 gallons. Overall, a town resident will pay an additional \$50 per year for water and sewer service based on a quarterly usage of 25,000 gallons. This represents an increase of 8.45%.

A "Budget in Brief" summary is given below; for information about the budget or to obtain printed copies, contact the Administrative Services Office at 703-255-6350.

FY 2003-04 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Property Tax	\$ 6,290,752	Legislative	\$ 570,604
(27½¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation)		Administration	1,350,345
Public Service Taxes	98,500	Finance Department	1,040,040
Penalties & Interest	25,000	Police Department	4,309,859
Other Local Taxes	5,071,842	Public Works Department	5,039,754
Permits, Fees & Licenses	36,300	Tax Relief	153,775
Fines & Forfeitures	345,700	Parks & Recreation Department	2,037,539
Use of Money & Property	170,000	Planning & Zoning Department	481,665
Park & Recreation Fees	425,000	Reserves & Transfers	217,320
Special Services Fees	15,400	PC Replacement	109,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	105,000	Equipment Replacement	341,000
Non-categorical Aid	416,420	TOTAL	\$15,650,901
Categorical Aid	1,119,717		
Reimbursements	81,781		
Interfund Transfers	814,500		
Use of Prior Year Reserves	634,989		
TOTAL	\$15,650,901		

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Use of Money	\$ 53,665	Operations & Maintenance	\$3,301,932
Water & Sewer Charges	4,738,835	Meter Maintenance & Reading	291,829
Miscellaneous Revenues	15,800	Billing/Customer Service	138,377
Use of Prior Year		Transfers	1,198,343
Retained Earnings	213,700	Equipment Replacement	91,519
TOTAL	\$5,022,000	TOTAL	\$5,022,000

DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Other Local Taxes	\$1,842,000	Administrative Costs	\$ 400
Use of Money	15,025	Debt Service	2,546,271
Interfund Transfers	377,613	TOTAL	\$2,546,671
Use of Prior Year Surplus	312,033		
TOTAL	\$2,546,671		

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$23,219,572

Council Action

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weather to Mount Vernon Asphalt & Paving in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

- Cooperative purchase of motor oils, lubricants and greases to Fuchs Lubricants Co. and Tilley Chemical Co. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

- Traffic marking to R.J. Merkel at a cost not to exceed \$12,000.

- Plastic trash bags to Calico Industries at a total price of \$7,680.

- Tires and tubes to Donald B. Rice Tire Co., McCarthy Tires, Alban Tire Corp., Rosson & Troilo Manufacturing Co., and Lawn & Power Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$27,000.

- Pager rentals and paging services to Metrocall in the amount of \$1,500.

- Asphalt-liquid, hot and cold mix to National Asphalt Manufacturing Co. and Superior Paving Corp. at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.

- Traffic signal equipment to Atlantic Technical Sales at a cost not to exceed \$14,000.

- Asphalt milling, overlay and traffic markings to Virginia Paving Co. in the amount of \$500,078.

- Adopted amendments to the Town Code:

- Chapter 1, General Provisions, Schedule of Fees.

- Chapter 6, Finance and Taxation, Cigarette Tax, Levy and Rate.

- Chapter 9, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Adoption of State Code.

- Chapter 4, Architectural Design Control, Application and Appeals.

- Re-appointed Philip R. Grant as Town Treasurer, John H. Schoeberlein as Town Manager, Steven D. Briglia as Town Attorney and Carol A. Orndorff as Town Clerk for fiscal year 2003-04. (*Polychrones abstained from voting on Town Clerk re-appointment.*)

- Conducted a closed session to discuss matters of real estate owned by the Town.

View Town Council minutes online at www.ci.vienna.va.us.

Pickeral Retires as Director of Vienna Community Band

John J. Pickeral, Jr., retired last month after 21 years as director of the Vienna Community Band. A Town Council proclamation honoring Pickeral states that throughout his tenure as bandmaster, "the Vienna Band has consistently enhanced its record and its reputation as an organization which places a very high value on musical excellence, and has contributed significantly to the musical education of our residents."

Pickeral attended Handley High School in Winchester and performed each year in the Virginia All-State Band. He graduated from the University of Virginia with degrees in music education and chemistry, and was selected as first chair euphonium in the National Intercollegiate Band. His career as a music educator in Virginia public schools spanned 39 years.

Pickeral plays all musical instruments of the modern concert band. In addition to his work with the Vienna Community Band, he directs the Kings Park Concert Band, the Concordia German Band, and his own 17-piece dance band, Constellation. Recently he accepted the position of acting music director of the Alexander Citizens Band. He was with the Washington Redskins Band for 20 years, serving as music director for three years.

The Vienna Community Band was formed in 1975 under the auspices of the Parks and Recreation Department to assist in the celebration of the U.S. Bicentennial. The group now numbers about 80 volunteer musicians who live in Vienna and surrounding communities, have diverse musical and professional backgrounds, and are drawn together by a love of musical performance.

The band offers free public concerts throughout the year and participates in major Town events such as the July 4th celebration, ViVa! Vienna! and Walk on the Hill, playing a wide variety of music.

Blood Drive Coming Up

Mark your calendar and roll up your sleeve! A community blood drive, sponsored by Inova Blood Donor Services, is scheduled for Friday, September 5, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center.

To make sure that adequate blood donor center personnel and supplies (and refreshments!) are on hand, and to reduce waiting time, citizens are requested to call Inova at 703-698-3885 to schedule a donation time.

Remember, only disposable, single-use, sterile supplies are used to collect blood. You cannot get AIDS, West Nile virus or any other disease by giving blood.

The general requirements for blood donor eligibility are minimum age of 17 (no upper age limit), good general health with no minor illness symptoms for three days, and minimum weight of 110 pounds. You will also be required to show a photo ID. If you have questions about eligibility, call Inova, 703-698-3885.

GIVE SOMEONE A SECOND CHANCE — GIVE BLOOD

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.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in June:

Fitnlean4life
nutritional consultant
108 Moore Ave., S.W.
703-981-7912

Out of Asia
restaurant
128 Maple Ave., W.
703-899-7373

Gem or Beads with Us
sales of beads and gems
810 Plum St., S.W.
703-281-2900

Inner Peace Yoga
yoga instruction
404 Orleans Cir., S.W.
703-255-4804

*Convenient Location
& Friendly Service
SHOP IN VIENNA*

Support Our Hometown Merchants

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries this month: *30 years* – Marco Polo Restaruant, Jackie Pujol, MD; *20 years* – Tuesday Morning, Albert A. Citron; *10 years* – Paddington Station, Pendragon International, Twig House, Aesthetic and Reconstructive Plastic Surgery Center, Great Harvest Bread Company, Myra Binns Bridgforth, LPC.

Calendar Deadline

Tuesday, September 2, is the deadline for Vienna non-profit organizations to submit information about their community events for next year to be published in the 2004 Town Calendar. Address calendar items to the Public Information Office, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180, fax 703-255-5722, or e-mail pio@ci.vienna.va.us.

Vienna Little League will host the 2003 Southeastern Regional Senior Softball Tournament August 1-6 at Yeonas Park. The Southeast Region comprises the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia. Each state will be represented by one team in the tournament. The winner will represent the Southeastern Region in the Senior Softball World Series in Jeffersonton, Kentucky August 10-16. Town residents are invited to attend the games and welcome the athletes to Vienna.

Gobble gobble! Registration is already underway for the Vienna Jaycees 5K Turkey Trot. The race will be held on Sunday, November 16, beginning at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S. VVFD will be the primary beneficiary of the race proceeds. Printable registration forms are available at www.geocities.com/vienna_jaycees and online registration is available at www.racepacket.com.

Homeschooler mixer will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, September 2 (rain date September 9), at Glyndon Park. Parents and students of all ages are invited to network with fellow area homeschoolers. For more information, call Vicki at 703-242-8827.

Farmers' Market behind Town Hall, sponsored by the Vienna Jaycees, is open each Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. In season now: peaches, tomatoes, corn, squash, beans and much more. For more information, call Karyn at 703-861-7784.

White Paper Recycling

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" includes 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. White paper recycling reduces litter and saves taxpayers the cost of disposal.

Lightning CAN Strike Twice

Your Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department reminds you: These are the dog days of summer, those hazy, hot and humid days when there is always the chance of an afternoon thunderstorm. And thunderstorms bring lightning. Please be aware of approaching thunderstorms and take precautions to avoid becoming a victim of a lightning strike.

There are some locations that are extremely dangerous and should be avoided during thunderstorms. These include open fields; athletic fields; golf courses; swimming pools and other bodies of water; and areas around wire fences, clothes lines, overhead wires, railroad tracks and isolated trees. Also, you should not talk on the telephone or take a shower during a thunderstorm. The best places to be during a thunderstorm include inside a home, large metal frame building, automobile with metal top (not convertible) and city streets shielded by nearby buildings.

Know the Warning Signs Of Major Heat Emergencies

Despite repeated warnings, hundreds of people die or are hospitalized as the result of heat-related illnesses each year. Individuals in poor physical condition, young children, the elderly and the obese are highly vulnerable. It is important not to leave children or animals in cars with the windows closed. You should avoid prolonged exercise and labor, drink plenty of fluids and rest frequently in hot weather. Major heat emergencies include:

- **Heat cramps:** muscular spasms and pain resulting from salt loss through sweating or inadequate salt intake. The abdominal, leg and arm muscles are usually affected. Treatment consists of removal from the hot environment and administration of salted fluids to correct the chemical imbalance.

- **Heat exhaustion (or prostration):** an excessive pooling of blood in the extremities away from the brain, heart and lungs. This results in dizziness, weakness and nausea. The patient's skin is usually pale, cool and profusely wet with perspiration. Care for this person also involves cooling and fluid replacement. If heat exhaustion is not soon reversed, the patient should be taken to the hospital.

- **Heat stroke:** a true medical emergency requiring immediate and aggressive cooling efforts. The body fails to eliminate excess heat and the internal temperature rises to a dangerous or fatal level. The primary objective of emergency care is to cool the body as rapidly as possible. Total immersion in water is the most effective method of cooling, followed by application of wet sheets and sponging. Emergency medical assistance must be summoned to start intravenous therapy and provide rapid transportation to the hospital. Heat stroke represents a disturbance of the central nervous system and is associated with a mortality rate of 20%.

For more information, call the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department's Life Safety Education Section at 703-246-3801.

No Dogs Allowed Unless on a Leash

Dog owners are reminded that it is against the law to let dogs run at large on public or private property. Dogs must be restrained by a dependable leash and controlled by a responsible person when off the property of the owner. Dogs found running at large may be picked up by the Animal Warden, and owners charged with dog-at-large violations must appear in court. Fines increase with each offense to a maximum of \$500.

The Town also has a "pooper scooper" ordinance that requires dog owners to clean up after their pets when out for a walk.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Girls Softball League capped a soggy but highly successful spring season by winning all three division championships in the annual Northern Virginia Fastpitch All-Star Tournament. The all-star teams were the cream of the crop of more than 380 players on the 31 teams competing during the season, in which about half of the 179 scheduled games had to be postponed or canceled because of rain.

Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce has announced the winners of its annual service awards. Congratulations to Business Person of the Year Jodi Scholes of Northern Virginia Massage Center, Business of the Year Northwest Federal Credit Union, Entrepreneur of the Year Linda Ekas of Ekas Consulting, and Citizen of the Year Bob McCormick of McCormick Insurance Agency.

Northern Virginia Long-term Care Ombudsman Program will conduct a training program for new volunteers September 18, 19 and 25 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Volunteer ombudsmen make weekly visits to a specific nursing home or assisted living facility, helping residents resolve problems with the facility and intervening with the staff for residents who have lost the ability to communicate on their own behalf. For more information, call 703-324-5435 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ombudsman.

Northern Virginia Senior Softball begins its Fall-Ball season September 2. Men age 50+ and women age 40+ are invited to play on Tuesday and Thursday mornings on Fairfax County fields. This is a slow-pitch league with players assigned to teams according to their skill levels. The \$35 fee includes a hat and T-shirt. For more information, call Dave Scheele, 703-524-5576, or visit www.nvss.org.

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. Regular donors may leave publications at the usual location on the third Tuesday of

the month from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. *only*. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call project chairman Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Learning in Retirement Institute, an affiliate of George Mason University and member of the Elderhostel Institute Network, offers retirement age adults daytime courses, special events, trips, socials and other activities. Courses are offered in Fairfax City and Reston. Registration for the fall term will be held August 21-September 8. For information, call 703-503-3384 or visit www.gmu.edu/departments/lri.

Vienna Carnival, sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce, will be held at Nottoway Park September 4-7. Hours are Thursday and Friday from 5 to 10 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday is Carnival Preview Night – ride all night for \$13. Volunteers are needed to work at the carnival. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 703-281-1333.

“Helping Your Child Cope with Separation and Divorce” will be presented on Saturday, August 23, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Women’s Center, 133 Park St., N.E. Topics will include normal emotional reactions, handling anger and guilt, and coping with change. The cost is \$35 for Women’s Center members and \$45 for non-members. To register and for more information on this and other Women’s Center programs, call 703-281-2657.

“Jewels for Jesus” summer camp for children ages 6-11 will be held August 4-8 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Vienna Assembly of God, 301 Center St., N. Activities will include Bible lessons, songs, puppets, drama, art and outdoor games. Rides to and from the church are available. For more information, call 703-938-7736. Para información en Español, 703-631-3566.

Super Snakes for ages 6-12 will visit Patrick Henry Library at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 5. Reptiles Alive will bring a

live python, boa constrictor, king snake and more. Sponsored by the Friends of the George Mason and Patrick Henry Library branches. To register for this free program and for more information, call the library at 703-938-0405.

Learn about herbs at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Ct. (off Beulah Road). Programs include All About Allium August 23, Sensational Salvia August 30, Welcome to the Eupatorium September 6, and Those Crazy Capsicums September 13. A 9 a.m. herb walk will precede each 10 a.m.-noon herb profile talk. The fee is \$10 per session. To register, call 703-255-3631.

Red Hat Society is a national organization for women over age 50 who just want to have fun. The Vienna chapter, “Totally Eccentric Adventurous Red Hatters,” is currently seeking new members. To find out more about this disorganized organization with no dues, no plans and no work, call Shirley Jackson at 703-938-4747 or visit www.redhatsociety.com.

National Capital Bird Club will meet at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, August 3, at the McLean Government Center, 1437 Balls Hill Rd. Birds welcome at the meeting. For information, call 301-946-3511 or visit www.ncbc-dc.org.

La Leche League of Vienna will hold its next meetings August 6 and September 3 at 10 a.m. Pregnant and nursing women and their children are welcome to attend. The topic for August is “The Advantages of Breast Feeding.” For meeting location and more information, call 703-716-4872.

The MOMS Club (Moms Offering Moms Support) is an international non-profit organization specifically for at-home mothers. The group’s activities include speakers and discussions, park playdays, playgroups for pre-schoolers, baby-sitting co-ops, book clubs, service projects benefiting needy children and a monthly MOMS Night Out. For information about the Vienna chapter, contact Shannon at ssieff@cox.net or call 703-281-7901.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR APPOINTMENT BY TOWN COUNCIL TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, ETC.

NAME: _____ DATE: _____
 AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

YEAR MOVED TO VIENNA: _____ TELEPHONE NO.: H: _____

PLACE OF WORK & OCCUPATIONAL TITLE: _____ O: _____

RESIDE WITHIN TOWN LIMITS? _____ REGISTERED VOTER IN TOWN OF VIENNA? _____

OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY (may attach professional resume) AND SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE THAT WOULD PREPARE YOU FOR SERVICE AS AN ADVISOR TO TOWN COUNCIL:

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS (Please list courses taken that would relate directly to public administration/problem solving.):

Membership on boards and commissions often entails several evening meetings throughout the year. Normally, most boards and commissions meet at least once monthly, with an occasional extra meeting per month.

CAN YOU EXPECT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THESE MEETINGS? _____

IS THERE ANY PARTICULAR EVENING(S) PER MONTH ON WHICH YOU COULD NORMALLY NOT BE AVAILABLE?

HAVE YOU SERVED, OR DO YOU CURRENTLY SERVE, ON BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS? _____ IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:

IN WHAT CIVIC OR SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS ARE YOU ACTIVE? _____

WOULD YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN SUCH ORGANIZATIONS OR YOUR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION(S) OR BUSINESS ACTIVITY POSE ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR INAPPROPRIATE ASSOCIATION AS A MEMBER OF A TOWN BOARD OR COMMISSION?

IN A FEW WORDS, PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR INTERESTS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND INDICATE HOW YOUR APPOINTMENT TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL QUALITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN VIENNA:

WHICH BOARD OR COMMISSION INTERESTS YOU MOST?

WHY?

Note: The Town's boards and commissions have a small number of members, and relatively few vacancies occur each year. Your application, therefore, may not be acted on immediately but may be held in a citizen "talent bank" until such time as a vacancy, or other Town project, matching your abilities and interests is available. Your interest in serving the Town is sincerely acknowledged and appreciated.

Planning Commission - approves preliminary plats of subdivisions, prepares the Comprehensive Plan for the future development of the town, hears and makes recommendations to Council on rezoning requests and other planning and zoning matters.

Board of Zoning Appeals - is authorized to hear and decide appeals of any decision made by the Director of Planning and Zoning, grant variances from the zoning code, approve conditional use permits, and interpret the zoning map.

Board of Architectural Review - examines and approves plans for commercial buildings, signs and landscaping to ensure that new construction is not bizarre or garish and is harmonious and compatible with existing buildings.

Transportation Safety Commission - studies intersections, traffic signs, speed limits and other matters relating to street safety and makes recommendations to Council.

Windover Heights Board of Review - approves new construction and major exterior alterations of buildings within the Windover Heights Historic District in northwest Vienna to ensure that they are in keeping with the old and historic architectural aspect of the surroundings.

Town/Business Liaison Committee - makes studies and offers recommendations to Council on matters affecting the town's businesses and their relationship with other segments of the community.

Community Beautification Commission - created to act as the focal point for beautification and litter control programs.

BRING OR MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AT VIENNA TOWN HALL, 127 CENTER ST., S., VIENNA, VA 22180.

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. Activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Quarterly coin and stamp show August 9 and 10. 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.

Enjoy a favorite family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, August 22, beginning at dusk (around 8:45 p.m.). Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Parents are required to stay with their children during the movie. For information on which G-rated film will be shown, call 703-255-7842 after noon on August 20 and for weather information on the day of the show.

Summer concert on the lawn of the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. Enjoy the U.S. Navy choral group, Sea Chanters, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, August 22. Free of charge; bring your own chair or blanket. Call 703-255-7842 for information on cancellation or change in venue due to inclement weather.

BUS TRIP

Enjoy the casino at Midway Slots in Delaware on Thursday, August 14. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10 a.m. and return about 8 p.m. The cost of \$20 for town residents includes transportation and buffet-style meal. Reservation deadline August 7. Adults only.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Adult co-ed fall kickball league begins August 24. Doubleheader games will be played at Southside Park on Sundays beginning at 10 a.m. The fee of \$250 per team includes umpires, equipment and awards. The league is limited to 12 teams, which will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Six Flags trip for ages 14-17 Saturday, August 2. Leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about 8:30 p.m. The cost of \$45 for town residents includes transportation and admission.

Concert featuring live bands for high school students Saturday, August 16, from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission \$5. Call 703-255-5721 to schedule a date for your band.

Middle school dance and BBQ Friday, August 15, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Cost of \$4 includes food and DJ.

MATURE ADULTS

Wayside Theatre will present "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change" on Saturday, August 2. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10:30 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. The cost of \$55 for town residents includes transportation, lunch and show ticket.

POTPOURRI

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Our Town" will be held August 4 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. (minor roles), August 5 from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. and August 6 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Parts are available for 14 men and 6 women. Be prepared to do a cold reading from the script. For more information, call Suzanne Maloney at 703-281-7160.

VIENNA YOUTH PLAYERS PRESENT

*"Joseph and the Amazing
Technicolor Dreamcoat"*

at the Vienna Community Center

August 1, 2, 8 & 9 at 7:30 p.m.

August 3 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets \$8 General Admission
\$7 Students & Senior Citizens

Information 703-255-6360
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