

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

JANUARY 1995 – At its January 9 meeting, in response to complaints about commuter parking on residential streets, the Town Council adopted an ordinance to allow for the establishment of permit parking zones. Vehicles parked on the street in restricted areas will be required to display special decals. Temporary parking permits are available for guests of residents in the restricted areas. No permit is required for vehicles making delivery or service calls.

JANUARY 1985 – A nationwide search is now underway for a new Town Manager to replace Brackenridge Bentley, who has submitted his resignation effective January 25. Bentley will become Town Manager in Front Royal on February 1. Former Director of Public Works Hector Allen will serve as acting Town Manager until a new manager is installed. The Town Council hopes a selection can be made by April.

JANUARY 1975 – The Vienna Railroad Station was restored by Town personnel last summer so it could be used someday as a museum. In January, the Town Council approved a proposal submitted by the Northern Virginia Model Railroaders to use the building. Once interior improvements have been completed, the building will be open to the public.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363

MULCH HOTLINE – 703-255-6388

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

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

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| <p>COMMUNITY CENTER 703-255-6360 (Voice) 703-255-5739 (TDD)</p> | | |

Town Budget Receives Award

For the 11th consecutive year, the Town of Vienna has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. This award, for the fiscal year 2004-2005 budget, is the highest form of recognition for governmental budgeting.

In order to receive the award, a jurisdiction must satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well a government's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all of these categories to receive the award.

Nancy E. Novak, Vienna's Director of Administrative Services, received a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Presentation as the individual primarily responsible for achieving the award.

Copies of Vienna's budget are available for public review at Town Hall.



NEWSLETTER

January 2005

Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed on Friday, December 31, in observance of the New Year holiday; Monday, January 17, for Martin Luther King, Jr., Day; and Thursday, January 20, for Inauguration Day. **NO CURBSIDE RECYCLING DECEMBER 31.**

Christmas Tree Pickup

Christmas trees will be collected 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 Renewal

Residents are reminded that dogs age four months and older must be licensed, and all Town dog licenses must be renewed by January 31 each year. Dog tags are available in the Finance Department at Town Hall, by mail and online. The fee is \$10 for a fertile dog and \$5 for an infertile dog. A current rabies vaccination certificate is required to obtain a license, and a spay/neuter/infertile certificate is required for a reduced price license. Dogs trained and serving as guide dogs for the blind, hearing dogs for the deaf or hearing impaired, and service dogs for the mobility impaired must be licensed but are exempt from the license tax. For more information, call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323.

All Town Of Vienna Employees Now Trained In CPR/AED

Sudden cardiac arrest is a major cause of death in the United States, claiming about 220,000 lives each year. Currently, only about five percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims survive. A strong "chain of survival" can increase this to 20 percent or more and save at least 40,000 lives a year. The chain of survival is a four-step process developed by the American Heart Association to minimize the time from the onset of symptoms to treatment. The four links in the chain of survival are early access, early cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), early defibrillation and early advanced care. The Town of Vienna has now joined that chain of survival with its CPR/AED program.

All Town of Vienna employees, from the Town Manager on down, are now certified in CPR and the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs). A total of four AED units are located in town government buildings: one at the Northside Property Yard, the Town's public works facility housing approximately 75 employees; one at the Vienna Community Center, which is used by over 100,000 people each year; and two at Town Hall, one in the main floor entranceway and the other outside the second floor Council Chamber, site of many meetings and a weekly court session.

American Heart Association certification for all 175 Town employees in both CPR and AED was achieved in-house, with eight employees from various departments volunteering to take on the demanding challenge of becoming American Heart Association certified instructors. Thanks to its employee volunteers and matching grant funds to purchase the AEDs, the Town's cost for this program is very little, but the benefit for a heart attack victim is priceless!

Business License Deadline March 1

March 1 is the deadline for payment of the business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) tax. All businesses in the Town of Vienna, including home occupations, must renew their business licenses each year. The amount of the tax is based on gross receipts, and the rate varies according to the type of business. The gross receipts threshold is \$50,000, below which the tax does not apply. Those businesses with total annual gross receipts of \$50,000 or less pay only the minimum license fee of \$30 per year. License tax forms will be mailed out this month, and forms are also available in the Finance Department at Town Hall and online at www.ci.vienna.va.us. For more information or assistance in figuring license taxes, call 703-255-6321.

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.

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

OCTOBER 18, 2004

- Accepted a \$20,000 grant from Fairfax County for an after-school program at the Vienna Community Center.
- Approved a contract to refurbish two tennis courts and a basketball court at Glyndon Park and a basketball court at Southside Park in an amount not to exceed \$12,682.50.
- Directed the Town Attorney to meet with representatives of Verizon to negotiate a telecommunication franchise. Following approval of the franchise agreement by Council, installation of a fiber-to-the-premise (FTTP) network can begin.
- Accepted grant funds for several Police Department programs.
- Approved the purchase of a 2005 Ford Explorer for the Police Department at a cost of \$23,922.

- Approved distribution of the 2004-2005 Dining & Lodging Guide in the Town Newsletter at an estimated cost of \$725.
- Approved a contract with Site Works of Manassas for drainage improvements off of Blair Road, N.W., at an estimated cost of \$27,000.
- Extended the contract with the PBM Limbach Group of Lanham, MD, for HVAC maintenance at all Town owned buildings at a total annual cost of \$30,955.92.
- Approved the purchase of clothing, uniforms and accessories from Safeware of Landover, MD, at an estimated cost of \$20,100.
- Waived all costs for permits and bonds associated with the sprinkler system being installed at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

- Referred to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation a proposed amendment to the zoning code concerning the definition of "shopping center."

OCTOBER 25, 2004

- Conducted a closed session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Reappointed Paul Layer to the Board of Architectural Review for a two-year term as the architect member. Appointed Zach Spencer as the student member of the Community Enhancement Commission for this school year, and appointed Ingrid Rapavy to the Community Enhancement Commission for a two-year term as the southwest quadrant representative.
- Approved the final plat for the re-subdivision of the property at 321 Nutley St., S.W., subject to certain conditions concerning landscaping and drainage, and submission of a bond or letter of credit.

- Approved a blanket purchase order for the Computer Replacement Program in the total amount of \$50,000.

NOVEMBER 8, 2004

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the zoning code concerning security fences.
- Adopted an amendment to the Town's civilian employee retirement plan.
- Authorized the implementation of a retirement health savings plan for Town employees.
- Approved a contract with International Salt Co. of Clarks Summit, PA, for 600 tons of road de-icing salt for the 2004-2005 snow removal season at a price of \$49.02/ton or \$29,412.

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TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.
FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@ci.vienna.va.us
Deadline for February issue is Friday, January 14.

January

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise | 1 Town Council | 2 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. | 3 Town Council | 4 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 5 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 6 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. |
| 2 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week | 3 Town Council | 4 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. | 5 Town Council | 6 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 7 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 8 New Year's Day |
| 9 Town Council | 10 Town Council work session (includes mid-year budget review) | 11 Mayor's Advisory Committee | 12 Planning Commission | 13 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 14 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 15 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. |
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| 23 Town Council | 24 Town Council | 25 Transportation Safety Commission | 26 Board of Zoning Appeals | 27 Board of Architectural Review Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m. | 28 Board of Architectural Review Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m. | 29 Board of Architectural Review Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 p.m. |
| 30 Town Council | 31 Town Council | | | | | |

2005

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in November:

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| Elisa E. Nebolsine <i>social worker</i> 380 Maple Ave., W. #303B 703-938-2949 | MB Consulting Group <i>software consultant</i> 504 Adelman Cir., S.W. 703-319-4012 | C.T. Nails <i>nail care</i> 338 Maple Ave., W. 703-255-4992 |
| Dodelivery.com <i>food sales & delivery</i> 450 Maple Ave., E. #307 703-625-4448 | Prodelivery <i>food sales & delivery</i> 336 Maple Ave., W. 571-338-4160 | KS Custom Carpentry <i>carpentry</i> 520 Mill St., N.E. 703-849-8887 |

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

FY '05 Donation Requests Due

Friday, February 11, is the deadline for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds in fiscal year 2005-2006. 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.

Citizen Budget Input Welcome

Citizens who have suggestions about what items should be given priority for funding in the Town's FY '06 budget are encouraged to express their views in writing to the Town Manager in care of Town Hall. The deadline for comments is February 11.

"Beauty Spot" Award

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for their beautification projects. The latest Beauty Spot award goes to:
* Thomas and Lindy Stevens, 316 Windover Ave., N.W., for the transformation of their home.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcome. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E., Vienna, VA 22180.

Sewer Backups Are Expensive! Backup Insurance Is Not!

All insurance companies writing homeowner policies in Virginia offer special coverage for damage resulting from backups of drains and sewers, and this additional protection is available at very reasonable rates. For information on obtaining sewer backup coverage, contact your insurance company. The Town's insurance carrier rarely approves claims resulting from sewer backups unless negligence in maintaining the system can be shown. Therefore, residents are encouraged to protect their property by obtaining sewer backup insurance.

If you experience a problem with clogged sewer lines in your home, call the Public Works Department, 703-255-6381, before you call a commercial sewer cleaning service; you may save yourself the price of a service call. A public works crew will check out the main sewer line and, if the obstruction occurs there, will clean it out at no charge to you.

To help prevent sewer backups, the Public Works Department cleans the main sewer lines whenever residents notify the department that their service laterals have been rodde by a commercial sewer cleaning service. Pressure cleaning to remove material washed into the main sewer line from the service lateral may help prevent future blockage of the main line. If you have your sewer service lateral cleaned, please call the Public Works Department.

The discharge of anything other than waste and toilet paper through residential sewers can cause a stoppage in the house line or in the main sewer, resulting in property damage. Items that should **never** be flushed down toilets include disposable diapers, paper towels and sanitary napkins. These and other non-fluid items should be disposed of with the regular trash.

Flood Insurance – The Town of Vienna participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, which covers direct losses caused by surface flooding, including local drainage problems. Copies of the Flood Insurance Rate Map are available for review in the Department of Public Works. For more information, call 703-255-6381.

Comment from the Council Table

A New Project for the New Year

By Michael J. Polychrones
Vienna Town Councilman

Happy New Year! Welcome 2005! The holiday rush is over and now it is back to the regular routine and many will be planning and starting new projects for the new year. A project that has been in the planning stage for the last few years and is getting underway is the expansion of the facilities of the Vienna Fire House. Construction is beginning and the project there is moving forward.

A few years ago I requested that the various civic organizations in town get behind this undertaking and help support the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. The response was very good with almost all of the civic clubs participating in the effort. As an example, the Vienna Jaycees sponsored the Turkey Trot that has turned into an annual event which raised significant dollars. If not for the support from all of our civic and service clubs and organizations, I do not think this project would have gotten off the ground. Various businesses and corporations have also been generous in their donations.

Fairfax County has provided \$1.5 million in bond funds for the expansion and construction of the facilities. Unfortunately, the total cost of the renovation will be \$3 million when all is finished. So we are barely more than half way there for the total funds needed. We need to remember that the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department

is a private entity in which Fairfax County provides some paid firefighters for staffing and roughly \$100,000 for maintenance. All of the rest of the operational needs and/or renovations, etc., are the sole burden of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Company.

I feel that as citizens we need to support this effort both with our dollars and our time, because it is for the benefit of all of us in this Town. A Capital Fundraising Campaign Committee was formed and has included some of Vienna's energetic volunteers and prominent citizens and was kicked off with a very successful Pancake Breakfast that was held in the early fall. As we start this New Year, let one of our resolutions be to give our money, time and



Councilman Polychrones

talents to this important project. I believe that our very health, safety and welfare is at stake. On behalf of my fellow Council members and the Town of Vienna staff, wishing a joyous and prosperous 2005!

Welcome in the New Year with All Day Bingo on Sunday, January 2, 2005, to Benefit the Vienna Volunteer Department

Where: The Flame Room at the fire station, 400 Center St., S. Doors will open at 12 p.m., and early birds will begin at 3 p.m. Admission includes ALL regular, special and jackpot games, a free meal and other surprises.

- 34 Regular and Special Games paying \$100 each
- 1 Jackpot Game paying \$1,000
- 8 Early Birds paying \$100 each
- 10 Later Birds paying \$100 each
- 1 Bonanza Game paying \$100
- 1 Winner-Take-All \$?,???
- 1 Vienna's Fortune Game paying \$100

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department hosts smoke-free BINGO every Sunday night in the Flame Room.
Doors open at 4 p.m.
Sales begin at 5 p.m.
Games begin at 7 p.m.

For more information, call 703-938-2678 or visit www.vvfd.org

Council Action

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- Denied a request from Calico Industries of Annapolis Junction, MD, to increase the price of plastic trash bags sold to town residents.

- Approved the purchase of a replacement traffic cabinet from J.O. Herbert Co. of Midlothian, VA, at a cost of \$11,693.20.

- Awarded a bid for two replacement kilns for the Bowman House Arts & Crafts Center to Campbells Ceramic Supply in the amount of \$5,940.

Special Pickups Resume in January

The Town's Special Pickup program will resume on Monday, January 3. 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.

Special Pickup Guidelines

Call 703-255-5727 to arrange for a Special Pickup.
The amount and type of debris are limited to the following:

1. Discarded furniture, swing sets and playground equipment.
2. Sod and brush.
3. 300 pounds of scrap metal per residence, small automobile parts such as engine blocks, transmissions and tires. All tires must be removed from the rim.
4. Trees and limbs of a diameter greater than 1½ inches and less than 6 inches and no more than 8 feet in length.
5. **Beginning January 1, 2005, the collection of white goods will be discontinued.** White goods include stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, window air conditioners, whole house air conditioners, microwave ovens, hot water heaters, garbage disposals, washing machines, dryers, cook-tops, dehumidifiers and furnaces.
6. Building materials (not generated by contractor), including wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall, and paneling. Each residence is limited to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc. per pickup.
6. Building materials (not generated by contractor), which shall include the following items: wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall, and paneling. Each residence shall be limited to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, block, stone, rock, etc. per pickup.
7. Please refrain from placing piles of brush under power lines or trees, or close to shrubs, walls or vehicles. Place all piles in an open area accessible to a crane truck.
8. All sharp items such as box cutters, razors, saw blades and large panes of glass should be wrapped in several layers of newspaper.
9. In the interest of safety, parents should caution their children not to play in or around debris placed at the curb for a special pickup.

The following items will **not** be picked up:

1. Gas tanks
2. Fuel oil tanks
3. Pressurized tanks such as propane, air or freon
4. Mounted tires (Town crews will pick up the tire and the rim as long as they are separated.)
5. Tree stumps and tree parts over 6 inches in diameter
6. Hazardous materials such as fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, florescent light tubes, etc.
7. Biohazardous waste including needles and syringes
8. Contractor generated material
9. Brush and trash that are mixed
10. Chain link fencing

QUESTIONS? CALL THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, 703-255-6382

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.

It is illegal to place debris in the public right-of-way without arranging for a Special Pickup. 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. If no action is taken by the resident after the notice is issued, the Town will seek legal remedy to gain compliance with the Town Code.

No White Goods

Residents are reminded that the Department of Public Works will no longer collect white goods as part of the Special Pickup program. White goods include stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, window air conditioners, whole house air conditioners, microwaves, hot water heaters, garbage disposals, washing machines, dryers, cook-tops, dehumidifiers and furnaces.

Most appliance dealers will remove an old unit when another is delivered. Also, residents may take white goods to the Fairfax County I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Rd., or the I-95 Landfill Complex, 9850 Furnace Rd. There is a \$1 disposal fee for each appliance. The hours of operation are 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

CHO Needs Donations

Instead of using a Special Pickup to dispose of furniture and other household items in good working condition, consider donating them to CHO (Committee for Helping Others). Beds, dressers, tables and chairs are in high demand. To arrange for a pickup of your donation, call 703-281-7614.

Since 1969, CHO has been helping needy families and individuals in the Vienna area obtain food, shelter, clothing, fuel, transportation, furniture, and other necessities. Donations, financial contributions and volunteer help are always welcome.

and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Loy McGaughy's mixed media show opens January 23. For more information, call 703-319-3220 or visit www.viennaartssociety.org.

Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., offers classes to the public by members of the Vienna Arts Society. Classes beginning this month include fused glass jewelry, watercolor, figure drawing with live models and "Abrakadoodle" classes for children. For more information, call the center at 703-319-3971.

Dessert reception in support of the first annual Vienna Relay for Life will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, January 26, in the Madison High School cafeteria. In addition, purchase a dessert at Tequila Grande restaurant during the month of January and 15% of the proceeds will be donated to the Vienna Relay for Life, which will be held next June as part of the American Cancer Society's nationwide fundraising event to honor and remember those whose lives have been touched by cancer. For information, contact Stacy Capra at 703-255-0995 or CapraParty@verizon.net.

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 boxed or bagged 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.

Donations for wounded service men and women returning from Iraq to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC, are still needed by the American Red Cross. Most-requested items are phone cards, men's and women's under-clothing and white socks of all sizes, and "creature comforts" such as games and puzzles, playing cards, CDs and CD players. Toiletries cannot be accepted. Town residents may drop off donations at Vienna American Legion Post 180, ATTN: Joyce, 330 Center St., N.

New "Project Lifesaver" Program Brings Loved Ones Home

Project Lifesaver, sponsored by the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, is a program that assists individuals with Alzheimer's disease, Down syndrome, autism and related diseases and disabilities. Using state-of-the-art technology and a specially trained search and rescue team, the program locates wandering adults and children and returns them to their families and caregivers.

Project Lifesaver clients wear a personalized wristband that emits a silent tracking signal every second, 24 hours a day. The signal can be tracked on the ground or from the air over several miles. Since each wristband has a unique frequency, the Project Lifesaver search team can quickly locate a person who has wandered away from home.

The Project Lifesaver team comprises over 100 volunteers from within the Sheriff's Office, both sworn deputies and civilian staff members, who are trained and certified in electronic search and rescue. The technology used has reduced search times from hours and days to minutes.

To enter someone in the Project Lifesaver program, the following requirements must be met:

1. The client must be a resident of Fairfax County, Fairfax City, or the Towns of Vienna or Herndon.
2. The client must have a legally responsible caregiver willing to place the client in the program.
3. Clients and caregivers must abide by the conditions of the program and contract.
4. Complete the application process.

For more information, contact the Project Lifesaver coordinator at 703-246-2805 or write to: Project Lifesaver, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, 10520-B Judicial Dr., Fairfax, VA 22030.

Individuals, organizations and businesses are needed to help fund and maintain this program for those who cannot afford it. To make a tax-deductible donation, contact the Project Lifesaver coordinator.

Is Your Organization On Our List?

Vienna's Public Information Office maintains a list of civic associations and community organizations that is made available to new residents and other interested citizens. The list is also used to notify organizations of Town meetings and other activities of interest to them, and in case of emergency.

To have your organization added to the list, or to update your current listing, contact the Public Information Office, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180 or phone 703-255-6330, fax 703-255-5722, e-mail pio@ci.vienna.va.us. Please include your organization's mailing address, contact person with phone number and, if applicable, Web site address and e-mail.

We're on Call 24/7 for Water Emergencies

Residents are reminded that even at night or on weekends, Town assistance for water and sewer emergencies is only a phone call away. Department of Public Works employees are prepared to respond to water line breaks and other urgent problems 24 hours a day. For assistance, call the Police Department's non-emergency number, 703-255-6366.

During regular business hours, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Vienna Girls Softball League, Little League, Babe Ruth League, VYI Lacrosse and VYS Soccer are coordinating this year to make it easier for parents and players to register for the sports of their choice. Walk-in registration for Vienna Girls Softball League, Little League, Babe Ruth League, and VYI Lacrosse will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, January 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vienna Youth Soccer will hold its registration the same day at Thoreau Intermediate School, due to space restrictions.

Vienna Girls Softball League winter clinics will be held each Sunday, January 9-February 20, at Flint Hill Elementary School. Fielding and hitting clinics begin at noon, followed by pitching clinics at 1:30 p.m. The cost for all seven sessions is \$25 in advance or \$5 each at the door. Registration forms for the clinics and the 2005 spring season are available at www.VGSL.org. For more information, call Bob Walker at 703-938-6842.

Town Hall Meeting with Delegate Steve Shannon will be held on Wednesday, January 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. This meeting precedes the 2005 Virginia General Assembly session, which convenes on January 12, and a representative from the Governor's office has been invited to attend. For more information, call 703-281-5200 or visit www.delegatesteveshannon.com.

Spies of Washington, a two-part lecture series on espionage in the Washington area from the Civil War to the present, will be held at 7:30 p.m. January 24 and 31 at Patrick Henry Library. Carol Bessette, master tour guide and former Air Force intelligence officer, will discuss spies and their psychological motivations, and introduce area locations associated with spying. To register for this free program and for more information, call the library at 703-938-0405.

Walk Vienna Committee encourages Patrick Henry Library patrons to walk to "Stories for Little Ones," stories and activities for children through age 4 accom-

panied by an adult on Thursday, January 13, at 10:30 a.m. Walkers will be treated to hot chocolate and stickers. To register for this free program, call the library at 703-938-0405. For more information about Walk Vienna and to find out how you or your group can get involved, contact Walk Vienna Chairman Sue Oremland at walkvienna@hotmail.com.

Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest for students through grade 12 will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 12, at the Vienna Assembly of God Church, 100 Ayr Hill Ave., N.E. Participants will compete for a chance to win scholarships at the state level. The contest is sponsored locally by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, and the entry deadline is February 2. For application forms and more information, call Rhoda Stevens, 703-281-0497.

Notecards featuring a pen-and-ink drawing of Louise Archer Elementary School are being sold by the school PTA. Created by art teacher Debbie Lord, the image is printed on high-quality, off-white paper. The price is \$5 for a pack of eight, and proceeds go to support school programs. To make a purchase, call the school office at 703-937-6200 or e-mail Efrankzzz@aol.com.

Wesley Preschool, 711 Spring St., S.E., is accepting registrations for the 2005-06 school year for children born in 2000, 2001 and 2002. Children must be toilet trained. For more information, call the preschool office at 703-938-3970.

The Golden Girls women's softball league invites women 40+ to join them for the 2005 season, which begins in April. All skill levels are welcome from beginner to tournament caliber. For more information, call Donna Packard, 703-938-0387, or e-mail oldeepee@juno.com.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold registration for the winter term of its "Adventures in Learning" program for people age 50 and over on Thursday, January 13, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 344 Courthouse Rd., S.W. Classes

will be held each Thursday, January 20-March 10, and include Tai Chi, Bridge, World Affairs, Literary Potpourri and many more. The program fee is \$30 for up to four classes (\$10 extra for computer class). For more information, call 703-281-0538.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 227, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, January 13, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. Wayne M. Gatewood, Jr., a Vietnam veteran and president of Quality Support, Inc., will discuss how to start and operate a veteran-owned business. For more information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit www.geocities.com/vva227.

Vienna Woman's Club will hold its annual International Luncheon at 1 p.m. Wednesday, January 19, at the Vienna Community Center. For more information, call Marie Ordeman at 703-938-1581 or e-mail mordeman@aol.com. The Vienna Woman's Club has served the community since 1955.

Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will hold an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., on Saturday, January 15, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. See an operating HO scale model railroad. For information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org.

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club, serving the greater Washington metro area, will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, January 17, at the Dunn Loring fire station, 2148 Gallows Rd. Guest speaker will be Dr. Kim Danoff of the Holistic and Rehabilitation Medicine Clinic. Bring your dog and meet other Sheltie owners and breeders. For more information, visit www.shetlandsheepdog.us.

Vienna Arts Society Gallery, located in the Village Green Shopping Center, features the work of watercolorist Suzanne Binnie through January 22. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Community Volunteers to Be Honored

MAYOR JANE SEEMAN INVITES YOU TO NOMINATE AN OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER IN RECOGNITION OF HIS/HER SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF VIENNA. MAYOR SEEMAN PLANS TO HONOR THESE VOLUNTEERS AT THE MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING ON TUESDAY, APRIL 12. PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS FORM TO MAYOR SEEMAN AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN BELOW. NOMINATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE MARCH 1.

NOMINATION FORM FOR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE NATURE OF THE VOLUNTEER WORK PERFORMED BY THE NOMINEE AND WHY YOU FEEL HE/SHE DESERVES SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

NAME OF NOMINATING PERSON OR ORGANIZATION:

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE MARCH 1, 2005, TO:

**MAYOR JANE SEEMAN
VIENNA TOWN HALL
127 CENTER STREET, SOUTH
VIENNA, VIRGINIA 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. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENT

Quarterly coin and stamp show
January 22 and 23. 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. For information, call Darren M. Coker at 703-532-6640.

BUS TRIP

Ski Liberty trip is scheduled for Tuesday, February 1. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return around 8:30 p.m. Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Call for prices of the various combination packages. Reservation deadline January 24.

JUST FOR KIDS

Roller skating for children ages 3-10 will be held on Mondays, January 24-March 7, from 3 to 4 p.m. Admission is 50¢. Children must be accompanied by an adult, and participants must furnish their own skates and safety equipment.

Kids Night Out Friday, January 28, from 6 to 9 p.m. Kids age 5-10 can enjoy an evening of pizza, crafts and a movie. Admission for town residents is \$15 per child, and \$6 for each additional child in the family.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Open house for parents will be held at Club Phoenix on Wednesday, January 19, from 6 to 7 p.m. View the facility, learn about programs, meet the staff, complete the required registration form, discuss issues and concerns, or sign up to be an adult volunteer.

Concert night for middle school students will be held from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, January 7. Check out our area's talented high school and middle school bands. Admission \$5.

8-ball tournament for 6th graders Friday, January 14, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Free of charge and prizes will be awarded. Single players only.

Babysitting fundamentals, for boys and girls age 12 and older, will be offered on Saturday, January 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 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 \$30 per person includes a manual and certificate upon completion. Bring a bag lunch and a doll.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Why Good Wills Go Bad Monday, January 10, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Join attorney David Hoffman for a discussion of Virginia will law, organizing your assets, when to change your will, talking to your executor, reducing probate, will copies, do-it-yourself tax plans and more. Free of charge; no advance registration required.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Free introductory class to hypno weight loss will be held on Monday, January 10, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Learn about the hypno weight loss workshop beginning January 24. Hypnosis can be an effective tool in helping people identify the root causes of overeating, lack of motivation and other saboteurs of healthy living. Advance registration required.

"Peak Performance" is a six-step program to increase energy and productivity. Join licensed chiropractor Kathryn Thompson on Tuesday, January 25, from 7 to 8 p.m. for a discussion of the way you eat, correct water intake, rest and proper nutrition, stress reduction, organizing, and stretching. Free of charge, but advance registration required.

Half marathon training for beginning to experienced women runners. An informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 4. Learn how to

prepare to run in the annual Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon (13.1 miles) in Virginia Beach and enjoy one-on-one coaching, non-competitive group runs, flexible training schedules, and new friends. The cost for the program, which begins January 10 through September 4 (race day), is \$550 or about \$15 per week.

Weekly lunchtime Weight Watchers program, hosted by the Town of Vienna, meets at 11:30 a.m. each Thursday at the Community Center. Open to the public, the cost is \$150 for each 12-week series, payable in advance. To register and for more information, call the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall, 703-255-6350.

Sign up now for men's softball and adult co-ed softball leagues. Registrations accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For information, contact Keith Fees at 703-255-6352.

POTPOURRI

Personal Safety for Women will be held in four parts – January 24, 26, 31 and February 2 – from 7 to 10 p.m. (*All sessions must be attended.*) Your instructor will be Officer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department. The class includes basic education in crime prevention and risk reduction measures plus practice in physical self-defense techniques. Participants should expect to become more confident both physically and psychologically in an attack situation. The fee is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

Adult cooking classes begin this month. Join the chefs of "A Cook's Quest" for instruction in all types of food preparation from basic sauces to a Tuscan dinner party. Call for information on dates and fees for each class.

Travels Far and Near, a new monthly travelogue program, will present "Turkey – An Insider's Perspective" on Monday, January 24, from 1 to 3 p.m. Professional tour guide Mehmet Cabuk will

share travel tips and information about currency, climate, security issues, holiday celebrations and more. Free of charge; advance registration required.

Be the life of the party! Magic 101 will put you on the right track to become a skillful magician. Balloon Sculpture will teach you how to twist balloons into creative shapes. Both classes will be held on Saturday, January 15: Magic 101, 9:30-11:30 a.m., \$40 for town residents age 9-adult plus \$5 materials fee; Balloon Sculpture, 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., \$15 for town residents age 9-adult plus \$5 materials fee.

Vienna Dog Park is an off-leash dog park located at Moorefield Park, 700 Courthouse Rd., S.W. The fenced 90 x 150 foot area is shaded with on-site water. The park is open from dawn to dusk. Please respect others by following the posted rules and picking up after your dog. To find out more about the Vienna Dog Park, visit www.viennadogs.org.

Stockings for Soldiers

Thanks to the generosity of Vienna area residents, 20 boxes and 70 stockings filled with holiday goodies were sent by the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department to U.S. servicemen and women stationed in Iraq.

Army Maj. Mike McNeally, who distributed the goodies, wrote, "Thank you so much for all the work and contributions from the people of Vienna. It's making a difference with each and every soldier."

Holiday Tree Ornament Award Winners

Thousands of Vienna area residents turned out on Church Street November 28 to view the Capitol Holiday Tree at its last stop on the way to the front lawn of the U.S. Capitol. Schoolchildren, scouts and community service organizations made ornaments for the tree, and several of those received awards from the Town of Vienna for their outstanding designs. Congratulations to Sarah Franklin, Julia Capoblanco, Anna Cheng, Katherine Hutt Puschel and the Ayr Hill Garden Club.



Lisa Hill Corley, Rose DeClercq, Mona Kay Helper and Lori Staley will appear in the Vienna Theatre Company's production of the comedy/drama "Steel Magnolias" at the Vienna Community Center January 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 and 29 at 8 p.m. and January 23 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens age 65 and over.

Mulch Delivery Begins This Month

The Public Works Department will deliver ground leaf mulch and ground wood mulch to town residents free of charge beginning in mid-January. Orders will be taken through February 28. To place your order, call the "Mulch Line" recording, 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. Half loads are available on request.

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.**

Residents may pick up mulch themselves in any amount between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday from January 2 until March 30. The mulch is stored on Town-owned property off Beulah Road near Glyndon Park. Look for the sign, "Free Leaf Mulch & Wood Mulch."

Help Available for Snow Removal

Vienna area teens are available to shovel snow and help with other odd jobs. The teen and the person needing the work decide on the amount to be paid for the service. Teens can sign up at the Community Center, and residents can call 703-255-6360 to be matched with a young worker.

The Town/Business Liaison Committee (T/BLC) presents snow removal awards to businesses and residents that do an excellent job in removing snow from their driveways and/or sidewalks, or help others in removing snow. Awards are presented at Town Council meetings. To make a nomination or for more information, e-mail tblc@ci.vienna.va.us or call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.