

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

JANUARY 1996 – The “Blizzard of ‘96” will long be remembered by Washington, D.C., area residents! Here in Vienna, Department of Public Works crews labored around the clock during and after the snowstorm to help residents dig out as quickly as possible. Town Hall received many expressions of thanks for their efforts, including a much appreciated gift of baked goodies from 37-year resident Mrs. J.R. Hausfeld.

JANUARY 1986 – The proposed residential permit parking ordinance will be back on the agenda at the January 6 Town Council meeting. The ordinance has been redrafted to incorporate comments received from citizens at the October 21 public hearing. If adopted, the ordinance would allow streets to be designated for permit parking in order to eliminate commuter parking and preserve the residential character of the neighborhoods.

JANUARY 1976 – The Town Council will have a public meeting to solicit citizen comment on a proposal to buy the four-acre Galliher tract at 132 Church St., N.E., across the street from the Freeman House. The price tag for the property would be \$250,000-\$500,000. The land would be used for indoor recreation such as a bowling alley or ice-skating rink.

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ORDER MULCH — 703-255-6388

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP — 703-255-5727

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703-255-5730 (TDD)
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703-255-5730 (TDD)

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703-255-6300 (Voice)
703-255-5735 (TDD)

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“Beauty Spot” Awards

Vienna’s Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for their beautification projects. The latest “Beauty Spot” awards, for their continued maintenance of their grounds and landscaping, go to:

- ♦ Charles and Betty Morris, 107 Ayr Hill Ave., N.W.
- ♦ Park Street LLC, 115 Park St., S.E.
- ♦ Vienna Shopping Center (Magru-der’s), 100 block Maple Ave., W.
- ♦ Vienna Inn, 120 Maple Ave., E.

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

The Community Enhancement Commission was created by the Town Council to enhance volunteer efforts to improve the appearance of all areas of town. Membership includes one resident from each quadrant of town; two members from the business sector; and a student from James Madison High School.

Citizens are invited to attend Community Enhancement Commission meetings, held the fourth Thursday of the month (except November and December) at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.



Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, January 2, in observance of the New Year holiday and Monday, January 16, for Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. **NO TRASH PICKUP JANUARY 2.** Trash only (no recyclables) will be collected on January 5 for residents on the Monday/Thursday route.

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.

NEWSLETTER

January 2006

Nominate a Town Business for New Community Service Award

Vienna’s Town/Business Liaison Committee has created a community service award to recognize town businesses that demonstrate a commitment to the community through cooperation and sharing.

Award-winning contributions may be personal, in-kind, or financial and may benefit town residents, other businesses, non-profit organizations, the town government, or the community at large. Examples include shared parking or other physical resources, beautification projects and support for youth sports teams.

To nominate a business or individual business owner, the following information should be submitted:

- Name, address and phone number of nominee
- Description of the contribution/action to be considered and why (200 words or less)
- Name, address and phone number of person making the nomination.

Only in-town Vienna businesses are eligible for the award, and nominations must be received by January 30 to be considered. Send nominations to: Town/Business Liaison Committee, c/o Julie Mirvis, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. Nominations marked “TBLC Award” may also be faxed, 703-255-5729, or e-mailed, mirvis@ci.vienna.va.us.

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.viennava.gov. For more information or assistance in figuring license taxes, call 703-255-6321.

*NEW IN TOWN? There’s 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.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

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

- Reappointed Frank Johnson to the Transportation Safety Commission and reappointed Carole Wolfand as the Vienna-Tyson's Regional Chamber of Commerce representative to the Town/ Business Liaison Committee, both for two-year terms.

- Approved the issuance of a Maple Avenue Feasibility Study RFP with costs not to exceed \$10,000.

- Approved funding for the Town/ Business Liaison Committee's coffee social for town businesses in an estimated amount of \$1,500.

- Approved the purchase of a belt driven vacuum leaf loader from Old Dominion Brush in the amount of \$15,009.

- Approved the purchase of a 2006 Ford F-450 truck cab and chassis from Colonial Ford Truck Sales in the amount of \$28,941.15.

- Approved the purchase of computer equipment and services for the Traffic Engineering Division in the amount of \$6,390.06.

- Directed that the delinquent real estate tax list be published in a newspaper of general circulation, posted on the Town Web site, and recorded with Fairfax County. Liens will be filed against properties delinquent for more than two years.

- Adopted an amendment to the Town Code concerning trespassing.

- Approved a partnership with Vienna Youth, Inc., and the Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League for turf replacement at Waters Field. The Town will contribute \$100,000 to the project and act as project manager.

- As part of the Waters Field turf replacement project, awarded a contract to R.E. Lee Electric for light pole relocation in an amount not to exceed \$24,320, and awarded a contract to William H. Gordon Associates for architectural and engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

- Accepted the resignation of John M. Scheib from the Planning Commission.

OCTOBER 4, 2005

- Approved three blanket purchase orders for the computer replacement program with Gateway Computer for \$5,000, Dell Computer for \$26,767, and PC Mall. Gov for \$12,000.

- Accepted the public improvements for the 300 and 302 Kingsley Road S.W. Subdivision into the Town's maintenance system.

- Approved the purchase of two Chevrolet Impalas for the Police Department at a total cost of \$36,600.

- Approved the purchase of generators from Walley Supply and Equipment Co. at a cost of \$13,986 to power Town traffic lights in an emergency.

- Approved the purchase of fencing for Waters Field from Long Fence Co. in the amount of \$17,774.87.

OCTOBER 17, 2005

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

- Reappointed Mary Wilkerson to the Community Enhancement Commission and appointed Paul Brown to the Commission as the northeast quadrant representative, both for two-year terms.

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.
FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@ci.vienna.va.us
Deadline for February issue is January 15.

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	2 Town Hall closed NO TRASH COLLECTION	3 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	4 Planning Commission	5 Trash pickup ONLY for residents on the Monday/Thursday collection route	6	7
8	9 Town Council	10 Mayor's Advisory Committee	11 Planning Commission	12 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m.	13	14
15 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	16 Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Town Hall closed	17	18 Board of Zoning Appeals	19 Board of Architectural Review	20	21
22	23 Town Council work session & mid-year budget review	24	25 Planning Commission	26 Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.	27	28
29	30 Town Council	31 2006 dog tag deadline Transportation Safety Commission				

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Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in November:

Maple Hair Design <i>beauty salon</i> 320 Maple Ave., E. #B 703-281-1212	Sun of Marrakech <i>import/export</i> 106 Melody Ln., S.W. 703-626-8464	T-Philus <i>management consultant</i> 1005 Westbriar Dr., N.E. 214-223-4977
Jasmine's <i>Middle Eastern restaurant</i> 126 Maple Ave., W. 703-255-9696	PTY Wireless <i>cellular phone sales</i> 527 Maple Ave., W. 703-255-2200	

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

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries in January: *50 years* – Connell's Valet; *30 years* – Robert E. Kuga, DDS, Virginia P. Roman; *20 years* – Daniel H. Wagner Associates, Finance Business Forms, Griffin Communications, H.F.I.C. Management Co., Irene B. Krebs, LCSW; *10 years* – Associated Resume Writers, Billet Graphics, Bob Gambarelli Photography, Bunaugh Construction Services, Cliff DeWitt Massage Therapist, Computer Technology Solutions, Dave Johnstone Contracting, Furniture Center, Maria L. Zapata, Russell J. Heinen, Star's Beads, Virginia Naturally.

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:

- All mulch deliveries are based on availability of mulch.
- 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 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday from January 2 through 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."

Blood Drive Coming Up

A community blood drive, sponsored by Inova Blood Donor Services, is scheduled for Friday, January 20, from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. To schedule an appointment or for more information, call Inova at 1-866-256-6372.

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. Donors will be required to show a photo ID.

Only disposable, single-use, sterile supplies are used to collect blood. You cannot get AIDS or any other disease by giving blood.

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 Vienna Community Center, and residents can call 703-255-6360 to be matched with a young worker.

The Town requests that sidewalks be cleared of snow and ice for the safety of pedestrians, especially schoolchildren.

Town businesses that hire snowplows to clear their parking lots should make sure that snow is not piled onto adjoining sidewalks or pushed into the street. Also, it is illegal to block handicapped parking spaces with snow.

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. 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.

Town Budget Receives Award

For the 12th 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 2005-2006 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.

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

Special Pickups Resume in January

The Town's Special Pickup program will resume this month. To dispose of unwanted furniture, 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 Volkswagen "beetle"). Additional pickups cost \$75 per load for all items except brush. The fee for additional loads of brush is \$25 each.

Special Pickups are for the sole use of the property where the debris has been generated and cannot be transferred to another property in the town. Place all items at the curb or edge of pavement in front of your property.

Special Pickup Guidelines

The amount and type of debris allowed are limited to the following:

1. Discarded furniture, swing sets and playground equipment.
2. 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.
3. Brush and limbs maximum 6 inches in diameter, and no more than 8 feet in length.
4. Building materials (not generated by contractor), which shall include the following items: 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.
5. 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.
6. All sharp items such as box cutters, razors, saw blades and large panes of glass should be wrapped in several layers of newspaper.
7. 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 (tire and rim will be picked up as long as they are separated).
5. Tree stumps and tree parts over 6 inches in diameter. Large tree stumps or tree parts over 6 inches can be disposed of at the Fairfax County Transfer Station located on West Ox Road or at the Fairfax County Landfill located in Lorton.
6. Paint cans. Hazardous materials such as fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, fluorescent light tubes, etc. can be disposed of through the Fairfax County Hazardous Waste Disposal Program. The drop-off center for hazardous waste is the I-66 Citizens' Recycling and Disposal Facility, 4618 West Ox Road (just beyond the Fire & Rescue training academy). Call 703-324-5068 for further information.
7. Biohazardous waste including needles and syringes.
8. Contractor generated material.
9. Brush and trash that are mixed.
10. Dirt and sod.
11. White goods: stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, window air conditioners, whole house air conditioners, microwave ovens, hot water heaters, garbage disposals, washing machines, dryers, cooktops, dehumidifiers and furnaces.

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

Call Promptly for Your Special Pickup

Please 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

White goods are no longer collected 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, cooktops, dehumidifiers and furnaces.

Most appliance dealers will remove an old unit when a new one 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 in Lorton. 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). 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.

Soliciting Banned on Town Streets

At its October 17 meeting, the Town Council adopted an ordinance prohibiting distribution of material, solicitation of contributions, and sale of merchandise to the occupants of motor vehicles on public streets.

Activities prohibited by the ordinance include:

- Distribution of handbills, leaflets, bulletins, literature, advertisements, or similar material;
- Solicitation of contributions of any nature, including donations for non-profit organizations; and
- Sale or attempted sale of merchandise.

Violation of the ordinance will be considered a traffic infraction.

Talk with Your State Representatives

Virginia Delegate Steve Shannon will meet with residents of the 35th District on Saturday, January 7, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Vienna Community Center. Del. Shannon will discuss the upcoming 2006 Virginia General Assembly session and answer questions. For more information, call 703-281-5200 or visit www.delegatesteveshannon.com.

Vienna's State Senator, Jeannemarie DeVolites Davis, will hold a meeting at Town Hall on Saturday, January 21, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. For information, call 703-938-7972.

This year's General Assembly convenes on Wednesday, January 11. The Legislative Information System at the General Assembly Web site, <http://legis.state.va.us>, provides real-time access to General Assembly legislative activities as well as on-line tools to monitor and track one or multiple bills.

Town Council Action ... (continued from page 2)

- Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Planning and Zoning Department's schedule of fees.

- Following a public hearing, affirmed the decision of the Windover Heights Board of Review approving an application for modifications to the property at 322 West St., N.W.

- Adopted a resolution to modify the civilian retirement plan for Town employees by establishing a money purchase plan. (Approved 6-1, Polychrones voting nay.)

- Adopted an ordinance prohibiting distribution of material, solicitation of contributions and sale of merchandise on public streets. (Approved 6-1, Polychrones voting nay.)

NOVEMBER 7, 2005

- Following a public hearing, affirmed the decision of the Windover Heights Board of Review approving an application to construct a fence at 324 West St., N.W.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance concerning collection of the cigarette tax.

- Approved additional architectural and engineering services for the Vienna Town Green project from Lardner/Klein Landscape Architects at a cost not to exceed \$45,496.70.

- Approved the site plan, building elevations, master sign plan and site plan modifications for development of the property at 101 Church St., N.W., under the pedestrian commercial zone regulations.

- Approved a site plan modification and new landscape plan for Chevy Chase Bank, 246 Maple Ave., E.

- Approved the purchase of mail exchange server equipment for the Police Department at a total cost of \$45,815.19.

- Adopted amendments to the Planning and Zoning Department's schedule of fees.

- Accepted the resignation of John DeLong from the Transportation Safety Commission.

NOVEMBER 21, 2005

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

- Reappointed Robert Peterson to the Windover Heights Board of Review as the citizen representative and reappointed Steve Bukont to the Community Enhancement Commission as the southeast quadrant representative, both for two-year terms.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to prohibit parking of watercraft, boat trailers, motor homes and camping trailers on public streets.

- Approved a contract for information technology professionals with Engineering Systems of Los Angeles, CA, in the amount of \$16,000.

- Approved a contract with Safeware of Landover, MD, for clothing, uniforms and accessories for the Department of Public Works.

- Adopted an ordinance concerning collection of the cigarette tax.

Afsar, Lindsey Shields, Madison Roberts, Katherine Doyle, Katie Juliana, Tessa Muss, Rita Regelbrugge and Maggie Frick.

Wheat's Lawn & Landscape is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to an area high school senior with a proven record of volunteer service to the community. The purpose of the 2006 Student Volunteer Scholarship is to reward students for their service and to promote youth volunteerism. For more information and application forms, go to www.wheats.com/wheats/scholarship.html or call 703-641-4790. Application deadline is April 1.

Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will host an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station, corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E., on Saturday, January 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is free; donations accepted. See an operating HO scale model railroad. For more information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.nvmr.org.

www.corbuz.com is a new community Internet portal that provides information and opinions about Vienna area businesses from the residents who use their products and services. Businesses are invited to be listed free of charge and upload promotional coupons. The site also carries free listings of yard sales and other neighborhood and community events.

Thanks to Michaels arts and crafts store for their donation of gingerbread house kits and cookie kits for the Town's Club Phoenix teen center. Vienna Community Center art instructor Brenda Reagan reports that the holiday decorating event for 6th graders was a huge success.

The historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., is closed for the month of January and will reopen in February with an exhibit in honor of Black History Month.



Vienna Woman's Club president Carmie Dinterman, Mayor Jane Seeman and Parks & Recreation Director Cathy Salgado stand behind the bench donated to the Community Center by the Woman's Club to mark its 50th anniversary.

Woman's Club Celebrates 50th

The Vienna Woman's Club was originally formed under the name of Vienna Hills Woman's Club by 22 women on October 12, 1955. The first President was Mrs. A.H. VanHuison. In 1956, the Club became affiliated with the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the oldest women's volunteer organization in the world. In 1958, the membership was opened to all women living in the entire Vienna area and the name was changed to Vienna Woman's Club.

One of the club's best known and most important projects is the annual Harvest Bazaar and Craft Festival, established in 1961, which remains the club's major fundraiser. In 1962 the club inaugurated a scholarship program, and it is estimated that over \$100,000 has been awarded to Vienna students. In 1967 the club initiated the Vienna Police Officer of the Year Award. Each Christmas since the mid-1960s, club members have served as hostesses for the annual Christmas Carol Sing-Along at Wolf Trap Farm Park for the Performing Arts.

The Vienna Woman's Club helped to establish Patrick Henry Library and the Vienna Community Center, and has supported numerous charitable and community service projects. The club is proud of the awards it has received over the years, including the Shell Oil Company's award for achievements in the field of education, and commendation for Outstanding Achievement in Fostering Community Art by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

The Town of Vienna Web Site Has a New Address – www.viennava.gov

When the Town's Web site was launched in 1997, its Internet address – www.ci.vienna.va.us – was chosen to conform to the original naming convention for local governments. Vienna's new address is shorter and easier to remember and repeat. Using the "dot gov" domain also emphasizes that the Web site is an official government site and distinguishes it from other Vienna sites run by third parties. The original address will continue to work for one year while the new address is phased in on all printed materials distributed by the Town.

Town Council agendas and minutes are available online
Visit www.viennava.gov

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest for students through grade 12 will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 11, at the Vienna Assembly of God Church, 100 Ayr Hill Ave., N.E. Prizes will be awarded in instrumental and vocal categories, and winners will advance to compete for scholarships at the state level. The contest is sponsored locally by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, and the entry deadline is February 4. Students should contact their music teachers for application forms. For more information, call Barbara Yetkew, 703-242-4545, or Jack Dovel, 703-938-3371.

Go Warhawks! James Madison High School has published its winter sports calendar. For complete event listings and more information from the Madison Athletic Department, visit www.warhawk.sports.org or call Shelly Anderson at 703-319-2360.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna will hold an open house and registration for the winter session of its "Adventures in Learning" program for people age 50 and older on Thursday, January 12, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Universalist-Unitarian Church, 2709 Hunter Mill Rd. in Oakton. Classes will be held each Thursday, January 19-March 9, and include Tai Chi, bridge, world affairs, a health series, genealogy and more. The program fee is \$35 for up to four classes (additional \$10 for computer class). For more information, call 703-281-0538.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends, a women's social club for new residents, recent retirees and those just wanting to make new friends, will hold its monthly luncheon meeting on Thursday, January 12, at Marco Polo Restaurant. For reservations and more information, call Maxine Laub at 703-560-2869. Other club activities include a book exchange, day trips and tours, and bridge and bowling leagues.

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 Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Donations for wounded service men and women hospitalized in Iraq continue to be collected by the American Legion. Most-requested items include CDs, DVDs and pocket books, and new men's and women's underwear, socks, T-shirts, sport shorts, flip-flops/shower shoes and toiletry items. Town residents may drop off donations at Vienna American Legion Post 180, ATTN: Joyce, 330 Center St., N.

Marketing on a Shoestring: 25 Free and Inexpensive Things You Can Do to Promote Your Business will be presented on Friday, January 20, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., E. Katherine Hutt, President of Nautilus Communications, will discuss how to integrate marketing into all your communications and how to get others to market your business through networking, referrals and word of mouth. The cost is \$20 with five-day RSVP and \$25 thereafter. To register, call the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce at 703-281-1333 or visit www.vtrcc.org.

Upcoming programs at Patrick Henry Library: Wallace Hutcheon, author of *Robert Fulton: Pioneer of Undersea Warfare*, will discuss Fulton's naval inventions at 7 p.m. Wednesday, January 18. On Tuesday, January 24, at 7:30 p.m., as part of the series "Today's Headlines" co-sponsored by the Washington Post, a panel of Post reporters, including Alec Klein, author of *Stealing Time*, will discuss how reporting helps or hinders getting published. Both programs are free of charge; to register, call 703-938-0405.

Weight Watchers is back! The weekly lunchtime Weight Watchers program, hosted by the Town of Vienna, will be meeting again at the Vienna Commu-

nity Center on Tuesdays from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. Open to the public, the cost is \$150 for each 12-week session, payable in advance. To register and for more information, call the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall, 703-255-6350.

Teaching for Life program offers ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages) and computer classes for adults at the Vienna Adventist Academy, 340 Courthouse Rd., S.W. Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, contact teacher Jorge Serna at 571-438-7158 or Teaching_For_Life@hotmail.com.

Open house at Christian Assembly Academy, 8200 Bell Lane (off Cedar Lane toward Gallows Road), will be held on Monday, January 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The non-denominational Christian school has been educating children in grades K-8 for over 20 years. For information, call 703-698-7458 or visit www.christianassemblyacademy.net.

Breakfast buffet, sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180, is held on the third Sunday of each month from 8 a.m. to noon at the Legion Post, 330 Center St., N. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12. For more information, call 703-938-9535.

Welcome Club of Northern Virginia invites newcomers and other residents to its monthly luncheon at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 5, at Westwood Country Club. Certified appraiser Francine Proulx will speak on "Downsizing: The Value of Memories vs. Market Value." For reservations and more information, call 703-242-0217 or e-mail Jstowers39@cox.net. The club also sponsors bridge, golf, theater and other special interest groups.

Congratulations to the Vienna Youth Soccer (VYS) U10 All Star Red Team, the "Racers," who dominated the Herndon All-Star Tournament in November. Coach Debbie Sackman's winning team members are Mira Holford, Phoebe Natale, Nina

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 11. 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, 2006, 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.

JUST FOR KIDS

Roller skating for ages 3-10 will be held on Mondays, January 23-February 27 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. Helmets required.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Why Good Wills Go Bad will be presented on Monday, January 9, 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.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Club Phoenix features a big screen TV, jukebox, CD player, X-Box, Playstation 2, pool and ping pong tables and more. Hours are 7 to 11:30 p.m. Saturday for high school students, 2:30 to 10 p.m. Friday for middle school students, and 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. Friday for 6th graders. Open to all grades with half-price snacks and drinks Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Open house for parents will be held at Club Phoenix on Thursday, January 19, from 5 to 6 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 high school students featuring live bands is scheduled for Saturday, January 7, beginning at 7 p.m. Admission \$5. Students interested in booking a concert at Club Phoenix should call Brandy Mullen at 703-255-5721.

Movie night for middle school students will be held on Friday, January 20,

beginning at 6:30 p.m. Free admission and popcorn.

Mural painting for 6th graders will be held on Friday, January 13, beginning at 3:30 p.m. Put your mark on Club Phoenix by adding your artwork to a mural on the teen center wall. Admission and materials are free of charge.

SPORTS & FITNESS

TotalTennis combines expert tennis instruction with total body strength training and cardiovascular fitness. Classes will be held in the Community Center gym on Saturdays beginning January 7, 8:40 to 9:40 a.m. for beginners and 9:50 to 10:50 a.m. for intermediate/advanced players. The cost for eight classes is \$139 for town residents.

Men's softball league registration is underway. Games begin April 10 at Southside Park. The fee is \$450 per team, and registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For information, contact Keith Fees at 703-255-6352 or e-mail fees@ci.vienna.va.us. Registration deadline February 24.

Adult drop-in basketball is scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays, and volleyball on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Free for town residents; \$3 for out-of-town participants. Drop-in table tennis is offered from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and is free of charge for all players.

POTPOURRI

Personal Safety for Women will be held in four parts – January 23, 25 and 30, and February 1 – from 7 to 10 p.m. Officer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department will teach basic crime prevention and risk reduction measures plus physical self-defense techniques to help women be more confident in an attack situation. The fee is \$5 for town residents plus a \$15 materials fee.

Photography contest applications will be available beginning February 1. The show is scheduled for March 18 and 19, and is open to amateur photographers. The entry fee is \$7 per person with a limit of five photos and a maximum of two in any one of eight categories, including digital, in black & white and color divisions. There is a separate contest section for middle school and high school students.

Writing Your Personal History is an informal, group-run class for people interested in documenting their life stories for themselves and future generations. Class members select topics about which to write, and read their work to each other for supportive feedback. Registration for the spring-summer session begins February 4 for town residents.

Travels Far and Near travelogue program will feature "An Alaskan Cruise and British Columbia Adventure" on Wednesday, January 18, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Preview a video and discuss cruising the inside passage of Alaska and visiting Vancouver and Victoria. Those who have already traveled to this area are encouraged to bring their photos and travel tales. Free of charge; registration required.

Caring for Your Newborn, for new and expectant parents, will be held on Thursday, January 19, from 6 to 7 p.m. Topics include preparing the nursery, what to expect in the first few days, nutrition, bonding, basic baby care, crying, sleep, and when to call the doctor. Free of charge; registration required.

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's spring musical, "1776," will be held January 30 from 7 to 10 p.m. and February 1 from 7 to 10:30 p.m.

Tango lessons will be offered on Saturdays, February 4-March 18, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Learn the basics of leading, following, communication between partners, managing the dance floor and creativity. The fee for six lessons is \$65 for town residents.



SEE "ENCHANTED APRIL" AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER – The Vienna Theatre Company (VTC) will present the romantic comedy "Enchanted April" at the Vienna Community Center January 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. and January 22 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens age 65 and older. Pictured above, VTC members Lorraine Magee, Ken Clayton, Jon Roberts and Jessie Roberts portray British tourists on holiday in Italy.

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 an 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.

Field of Dreams Takes Shape at Waters

Waters Field, located at the corner of Center and Cherry Streets, S.E., and arguably the center of athletics in Vienna for over 50 years, is getting greener this winter! Vienna Youth, Inc. and the Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League have teamed up with the Town of Vienna to transform Waters Field from natural grass to synthetic turf.

The field is receiving a state-of-the-art turf known as FieldTurf. Many college and professional football fields have this product, which is designed to look like grass and play like grass without the wear and tear that grass takes.

No longer will Waters Field be a muddy mess after the first week of football. No longer will the field need irrigation and fertilizer to keep it weed free and green for baseball. Rain will no longer keep players off the field for days at a time. Instead, the field's drainage system can handle even the worst downpour at four in the afternoon and be ready for play at five.

The project will continue through February, and Waters Field will be ready for baseball in April.

FY 06-07 Donation Requests Due

Friday, February 3, is the deadline for non-profit Vienna organizations to apply for donations of Town funds in fiscal year 2006-2007. 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 06-07 budget are encouraged to express their views in writing to the Town Manager in care of Town Hall. The deadline for comments is February 3.

Home Heating Assistance Program

Low-income residents who face an emergency heating situation this winter may be able to receive assistance from the federally funded Crisis Assistance program, which is administered locally by Fairfax County's Department of Family Services. The application period closes March 15, 2006. Funding is limited and benefits for eligible applicants are based on availability of funds.

To apply for the Crisis Assistance program and for more information, call the Department of Family Services at 703-324-7604 or visit the office at the County Government Center.