

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

AUGUST 1997 – The Virginia Department of Transportation has announced that the Town of Vienna's application for the "Streetscape Connection Project" was accepted into the Transportation Enhancement Program and allocated \$120,000. The money will be used to reimburse the Town for the construction of brick sidewalks connecting Maple Avenue and Church Street.

AUGUST 1987 – The Vienna Centennial Committee gratefully acknowledges receipt of its first donation from a community organization, the Vienna Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. The Centennial Committee has also received a generous pledge from the Board of Directors of Vienna Youth, Inc., for a donation each year until 1990.

AUGUST 1977 – Town Manager C. Clay Harrell is urging the passage of legislation in the Virginia General Assembly to allow local governments to declare local water emergencies. The Occoquan Reservoir is at its lowest levels ever and although Vienna does not receive water from Occoquan, the Town plans to cooperate with areas that do by enforcing its water conservation ordinance if necessary.

AUGUST 1967 – Addressing the commuter traffic of 40 years ago, Mayor Jim Martinelli wrote, "Too often, in our haste to reach our destinations, we lose sight of the rights of others on the road to enter, exit, or cross the lane of traffic. Let us all determine in our driving to make Vienna 'Our Kind of Town' for everyone."

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:
Vienna Newline — 703-255-6333
To Order a Special Pickup — 703-255-5727
www.viennava.gov

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

2008 Calendar Deadline

Attention Vienna non-profit organizations! September 1 is the deadline to submit information about your community events for next year to be published in the 2008 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@viennava.gov.



Message from the Mayor

The entire Vienna community was shaken by the disastrous ending to our fireworks display on July 4th. I have personally been in touch with the families of everyone injured in the accident and ask that we all continue to keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

The highest commendations must go to Fire and Rescue Personnel, Vienna Police Officers, Vienna Parks and Recreation Staff, Fairfax County Police helicopter crew, and representatives of the Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office who responded professionally and compassionately to the chaotic scene of the accident, and sincere appreciation to the "Good Samaritans" among the crowd who assisted them.

The Fire Marshal's investigators have determined that the mishap was accidental, a "catastrophic failure" of a 25-round, three-inch mortar that launched into the crowd at a low trajectory. As you may have heard or read in news reports, several similar incidents occurred at fireworks displays throughout the county; fortunately, no other injuries were reported.

In the weeks and months ahead, the Town Council will be reviewing our July 4th fireworks program with the Fire Marshal's Office and studying all options concerning its future. We welcome your comments.

Mayor Jane Seeman

NEWSLETTER

August 2007

Vehicle Decals No Longer Required as of April 15, 2008

The Town Council has eliminated Vienna's motor vehicle license tax beginning next April 15, and residents will no longer be required to display Vienna decals inside their windshields. Until then, however, vehicles must continue to display the 2007 decals, and a decal must be purchased for any new vehicle.

Decals may be obtained by mail or in person at Town Hall. Call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323 for information. Registration forms may be downloaded from the Town's Web site, www.viennava.gov. Decals cost \$20 for passenger cars and trucks under 4,000 pounds, \$25 for cars and trucks 4,000 pounds and over, and \$10.50 for motorcycles. The vehicle license tax is reduced by one-half from October 1 to January 15 and by two-thirds from January 16 to April 1. A decal may be transferred to another vehicle by the same owner for \$1 by returning the original decal, or a substantial part of the decal, along with the registration form and the \$1 transfer fee.

Town of Vienna residents must continue to pay Fairfax County personal property tax on motor vehicles. For information about personal property tax, call the County Office of Assessments at 703-222-8234 or visit the County Web site, www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

Free Wi-Fi Connection at Town Green



Vienna Wi-Fi Hotspot

The Town of Vienna is providing free wireless Internet access at the Town Green, located at Maple Avenue and Mill Street.

This is a pilot project to attract more customers to downtown Vienna, encourage the use of this new public park, and enable more citizens to access Town services online.

From dawn to dusk throughout the year, users can log in using "Vienna Gov't Sponsored Free WiFi" for the SSID. (SSID stands for "Service Set Identifier" and is a unique ID for naming a wireless network. All wireless devices attempting to communicate with each other must share the same SSID.)

Users are responsible for taking measures to secure their devices and Internet communications. For questions or comments, e-mail cgriffin@viennava.gov or call 703-255-6364.

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.

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| <p>POLICE FIRE & RESCUE EMERGENCY 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 DIRECT 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 Director of Public Works 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> | | |

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

MAY 7, 2007

- Authorized the Mayor to participate in a request for representation of towns on the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

- Conducted public hearings on the proposed budget and the proposed real estate tax rate for fiscal year 2007-2008.

- Approved the final plat for a two-lot subdivision of the property at 200 Nutley St., N.W. (Approved 4/2, Cole and Polychrones voting nay, Dellinger absent.)

- Awarded a contract to Inova Health Systems for medical services for Town employees at a cost of up to \$15,000 in fiscal year 2007-2008.

- Approved continuation of the maintenance agreement with Siemens for the Town's telecommunications and phone mail system in the amount of \$22,167.02.

- Awarded a bid to R.M. Thornton for HVAC maintenance at Town Hall, Community Center, Bowman House and Freeman House in the amount of \$16,996 and to Gunnell & Son for police headquarters and Northside Property Yard in the amount of \$16,900.

- Approved the Town's 2% share of the Branch Road improvement project, estimated to be \$56,817.70. Approved the agreement for project construction, operation and maintenance with the Virginia Department of Transportation.

- Approved \$189,404.86 for the W&OD Regional Trail storm sewer drain replacement under a contract with Sagres Construction Corp.

- Approved \$50,000 for the purchase of asphalt from National Asphalt Manufacturing Corp. for repairs of pot holes, water main breaks and road surfaces.

- Approved the continued purchase of aftermarket automotive parts and general repair services in the amount of \$7,601.59.

- Approved the purchase of street sweeper parts from Virginia Public Works Equipment Co. in the amount of \$2,000.

- Accepted the resignations of Fred Skaer from the Planning Commission, Laurie Daugherty from the Town/Business Liaison Committee, and Mary Wilkerson from the Community Enhancement Commission.

MAY 21, 2007

- Renewed the contract for printing, binding and mailing of the monthly Town newsletter with Balderson's, Inc., of Chantilly in the amount of \$17,663.16 for next fiscal year.

- Approved an additional \$5,000 for FY 2007, and \$13,000 for FY 2008 for the purchase of motor oils, lubricants and greases from Tilley Chemical Co. of Baltimore.

- Referred two proposed ordinances to the Planning Commission for public hearing and recommendation: to require developers of single lots to construct a sidewalk when adjacent properties have sidewalks; and to regulate portable storage containers.

- Reappointed Emil Attanasi to the Planning Commission for a one-year term.

- Following a review conducted in a closed session, reappointed Town Manager John Schoeberlein, Town Attorney Steve Briglia, Town Treasurer Phil Grant, and Town Clerk Carol Orndorff. (Polychrones abstained from voting on Town Clerk's reappointment.)

See page 10 for more
Town Council action

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

M. Jane Seeman, Mayor

Laurie Genevro Cole George E. Lovelace
Daniel M. Dellinger Michael J. Polychrones
Edythe Frankel Kelleher Maud F. Robinson

TOWN STAFF

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Town Manager | John H. Schoeberlein | 703-255-6371 |
| Director of Public Works | Holly M. Chu | 703-255-6380 |
| Chief of Police | Col. Robert A. Carlisle | 703-255-6390 |
| Director of Finance | Philip R. Grant | 703-255-6320 |
| Director of Parks & Recreation | Catherine L. Salgado | 703-255-6356 |
| Director of Planning & Zoning | Gregory M. Hembree | 703-255-6341 |
| Town Attorney | Steven D. Briglia | 703-255-6305 |
| Town Clerk | Carol A. Orndorff | 703-255-6304 |

Send news to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.
FAX 703-255-5722 e-mail pio@viennava.gov
Deadline for September issue is August 15.

August

| 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 | | | | | | |
| 5 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week | 6 | 7 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. | 8 Planning Commission | 9 Town/Business Liaison Committee 7 p.m. | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 Board of Architectural Review | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 Town Council | 21 | 22 Planning Commission | 23 Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m. | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | 27 | 28 Transportation Safety Commission | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

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Town Council Action ... *continued from page 2*

JUNE 4, 2007

- Following a public hearing, adopted the water and sewer rates for fiscal year 2007-2008. (*Approved 6-1, Kelleher voting nay.*)

- Approved the Town/Business Liaison Committee's idea to conduct ribbon-cutting ceremonies for new businesses and appropriated \$100 to cover costs.

- Donated \$1,500 to James Madison High School toward construction of a synthetic turf athletic field.

- Extended the annual contract with Sagres Construction Corp. for general construction services.

- Adopted the Town budget for fiscal year 2007-2008 and set the real estate, bank net capital and utility tax rates.

- Approved the purchase of traffic signal equipment from J.O. Herbert Co. and Atlantic Technical Sales in the total amount of \$50,000.

- Approved hiring supplemental laborers for the Sanitation Division from Ace Temporaries at a cost of \$20,000.

- Approved the purchase of transmission fluid, emergency lights, and other vehicle supplies from Northern Virginia Supply at a cost of \$4,236.78.

- Approved the expenditure of \$3,000 to Superior Asphalt Corp. for street repairs.

- Renewed the contract with Silver Communications Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the Parks and Recreation Department's quarterly brochure.

- Renewed the contract with Quality Tree Care in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for tree maintenance and removal.

- Approved a consent agenda for routine goods and services for the Department of Public Works:

- Aftermarket automotive parts and general repair services, \$16,000, Fairfax Auto Parts;

- Automotive Original Equipment Manufacturer, parts, service and warranty work, \$23,000;

- Department of Transportation traffic signs, sheeting, barricades, cones, sign machine, \$15,000;

- Gravel, stone and sand, \$22,000.

- Commercial trash service for condominium units, American Disposal Service, \$16,582;

- Recyclable material processing, Recycle America Alliance (estimated return to Town for recycling \$42,200 over a five-year period);

- Janitorial services for Town Hall and Police Department, Blue Chip Service, \$39,784.24;

- Industrial supplies, and HVAC supplies and lamps, \$16,750;

- Uniforms, clothing and accessories, \$16,539;

- Uniform rental and laundering services, and walk-off mats, \$25,424;

- Underground utility marking, \$78,800;

- Unleaded gasoline, \$160,000.

- Referred to the Transportation Safety Commission for review and recommendation a proposed ordinance concerning riding bicycles on sidewalks and bikepaths.

JUNE 18, 2007

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

- Reappointed Carole Wolfand to the Town/Business Liaison Committee and Tara Voigt to the Transportation Safety Commission, both for two-year terms.

- Conducted a public hearing on a proposed increase in the cigarette tax.

- Approved the revised site plan and site plan modifications pertaining to the location and arrangement of additional parking areas for the Navy Federal Credit Union's annex building at 1007 Electric Ave., S.E.

- Approved a contract with NAG, Inc., dba Engineering Systems, for GIS services in an amount not to exceed \$37,500.

- Amended the personnel code to require a criminal history check and fingerprinting for certain Town employees.

- Approved the continued purchase of brass and iron goods from HD Supply Waterworks in the amount of \$23,500.

- Approved storm drain replacement at Glyndon Street and Tapawingo Road, S.E., at a cost of \$39,754.13 and reconstruction of a timber wall on St. Bernard Drive, N.E., at a cost of \$36,292.65.

- Authorized the continued purchase of water meters from Hughes Supply at a cost of \$103,000.

- Approved a consent agenda for routine goods and services for the Department of Public Works:

- Contract with Lorton Landfill, \$124,500;

- Tires and tubes, \$25,000;

- Hot mix asphalt, \$35,000;

- Asphalt milling, overlay and traffic marking, \$339,040;

- Painting of lane markings, speed humps, crosswalks and intersections, \$12,000.

- Awarded a contract for independent auditing services for fiscal years 2007-2011 to Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates in the amount of \$42,668.

Comment from the Council Table Be a Friend of the Vienna Town Green

By Edythe Frankel Kelleher
Vienna Town Councilwoman

In the Washington metropolitan area we are fortunate to have convenient access to cultural arts centers like Wolf Trap and the Kennedy Center. Now we have free performing arts in our own local community. And area residents have a fun and exciting way to volunteer by joining the **Friends of the Vienna Town Green**.

The first season of the **Summer on the Green** concert series is already a rousing success. It is so pleasant to enjoy a concert outdoors, whether in the evening or at noontime. If you want to eat during the performance, there are many places where a carryout meal may be purchased, or you can bring your own picnic from home.

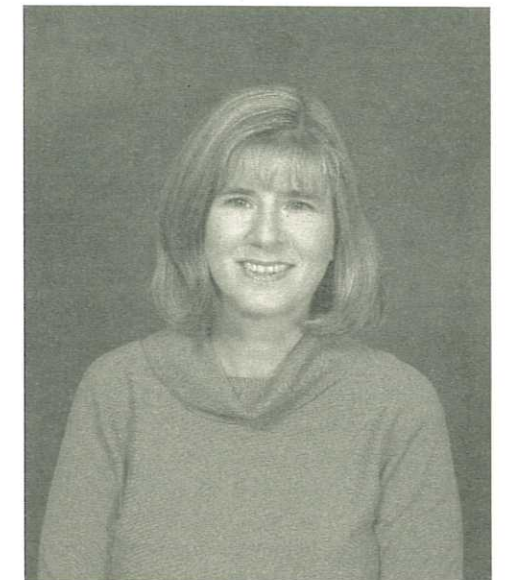
Performers were booked by the Department of Parks and Recreation, but there was an opportunity to involve corporations, citizen organizations and individuals as sponsors of the shows. This first year, sponsors were recruited to pay for each show individually. In the future, a more general fundraising program is needed to increase the number of performances. A cadre of volunteers is also needed.

And so the **Friends of the Vienna Town Green** was founded. The Friends will not only raise funds and recruit sponsors for the concert series, they will help with the shows themselves. They will sup-

plement the Town staff by learning to help the performers set up and take down the sound system and other equipment, and by attending shows and ensuring that each show goes on as scheduled.

We are following in the footsteps of other Friends organizations for local parks. For example, lack of County money for a weed whacker was the impetus behind the founding of the Friends of Mason District Park in 1980. Mason's Friends started a concert series in 1990, which now features concerts three evenings each week, plus children's shows on Saturdays. Co-founder Penelope Gross, now Mason District Supervisor, says that the Friends of Mason District Park have raised more than \$150,000 over the years for the park and its programs. "The Friends take a personal interest in the park and support the staff in park use and programs for the benefit of the community," said Gross.

Several Vienna-area residents have already volunteered to be a part of the Friends of the Vienna Town Green, and they welcome others to join them. The Department of Parks and Recreation plans to conduct training sessions for the Friends at shows in September. (Not only has the audience enjoyed it, word of the Town Green has spread and more performers are asking to play, so a September series will be added to the calendar.)



Councilwoman Kelleher

To join the Friends of the Vienna Town Green, contact Cathy Salgado at csalgado@viennava.gov or 703-255-6360. And if you can't volunteer right now, there will be other ways to contribute in the future – just watch for them in future issues of this Newsletter.

Enjoy Our Parks This Summer

Enjoy summer weather, recreation and the great outdoors at Vienna's home-town parks.

Both Glyndon Park and Meadow Lane Park offer lighted tennis courts, basketball courts, ballfields, playground equipment, picnic areas and restrooms. The pavilion at each park may be reserved for group picnics. The fee for Town of Vienna groups is \$25 for a maximum of five hours.

Northside Park is undeveloped and has no facilities, but is a pleasant area for nature walks and family picnics. Southside Park has ballfields and playground equipment.

For more information, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. For information about other parks in the area, call the Fairfax County Park Authority, 703-246-5700, and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, 703-352-5900.



MINUTES & AGENDAS FOR TOWN COUNCIL AND BOARDS & COMMISSIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT WWW.VIENNAVA.GOV

FY 2007-08 Budget Adopted

The Town's adopted budget for fiscal year 2007-08, which began July 1, totals \$29,090,210 for all funds, an increase of \$1,038,898 or 3.7% over last year.

The budget is based on a real estate tax rate of 19.96¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, an increase of 1.34¢ from last year's tax rate. Of that increase, 62¢ is the amount necessary to recoup a portion of the revenue lost as a result of the Town Council's decision to eliminate the vehicle license tax. The additional shortfall will be made up from an increase in the cigarette tax from 50¢ to 75¢ per pack.

In the Water and Sewer Fund, the water rate for town residents has increased from \$3.44 to \$3.99 per 1,000 gallons and the sewer rate from \$4.54 to \$4.77 per 1,000 gallons. This increase is necessary to protect the Town's bond rating, which could be adversely affected by continuing to use water and sewer fund balances to support the rising costs of purchasing water and sewage treatment. Overall, a town resident will pay an additional \$59.28 per year for water and sewer service based on a quarterly average usage of 19,000 gallons. This represents an increase of 9.77% over existing rates.

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

FY 2007-08 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES

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| Property Tax | \$ 7,818,249 |
| (19.96¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation) | |
| Other Local Taxes | 6,354,900 |
| Permits, Fees & Licenses | 66,500 |
| Fines & Forfeitures | 267,500 |
| Use of Money & Property | 604,000 |
| Park & Recreation Fees | 690,000 |
| Special Services Fees | 10,000 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | 72,100 |
| Non-categorical Aid | 17,354 |
| Categorical Aid | 1,893,864 |
| Interfund Transfers | 962,000 |
| Use of Prior Year Reserves | 950,000 |
| TOTAL | \$19,706,467 |

EXPENDITURES

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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Legislative | \$ 675,294 |
| Administration | 1,588,219 |
| Finance Department | 1,276,121 |
| Police Department | 5,289,009 |
| Public Works Department | 6,399,032 |
| Tax Relief | 284,676 |
| Parks & Recreation Department | 2,709,710 |
| Planning & Zoning Department | 700,343 |
| Reserves & Transfers | 250,103 |
| PC Replacement | 109,000 |
| Equipment Replacement | 424,960 |
| TOTAL | \$19,706,467 |

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES

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|------------------------|-------------|
| Use of Money | \$ 112,500 |
| Water & Sewer Charges | 6,366,871 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues | 53,000 |
| TOTAL | \$6,532,371 |

EXPENDITURES

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|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Operations & Maintenance | \$4,557,280 |
| Meter Maintenance & Reading | 432,087 |
| Billing/Customer Service | 170,486 |
| Transfers | 1,289,422 |
| Equipment Replacement | 83,096 |
| TOTAL | \$6,532,371 |

DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES

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|---------------------|-------------|
| Other Local Taxes | \$2,343,800 |
| Use of Money | 180,150 |
| Interfund Transfers | 327,422 |
| TOTAL | \$2,851,372 |

EXPENDITURES

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|----------------------|-------------|
| Administrative Costs | \$ 700 |
| Debt Service | 2,511,911 |
| Reserves | 338,761 |
| TOTAL | \$2,851,372 |

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$29,090,210

"Project Lifesaver" Brings Loved Ones Home Safely

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 approximately 145 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. In over 1,450 searches nationwide, there have been no reported serious injuries or deaths, and recoveries average less than 30 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 visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/sheriff/lifesaver.htm

A monthly donation of \$25 is requested from program participants or their caregivers. 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 Project Lifesaver.

Vienna Choral Society, under the direction of Paul Patton, welcomes new members for its 2007-08 season. No audition is required and many solo opportunities are available in upcoming programs. Rehearsals will be held at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W., each Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. beginning August 28. For more information, call 703-255-5508 or or visit www.viennachoralsociety.org.

Open House at Summit Christian Academy will be held on Saturday, August 18, from 1 to 4 p.m. The school is now enrolling grades K-8 for the 2007-2008 school year. Full-day kindergarten five days a week, and before- and after-school care are available. For more information, call 703-698-7458 or visit www.summitvienna.org. Summit Christian Academy is located at 8200 Bell Ln. off Cedar Lane.

Breakfast buffet, sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180 and the Sons of the Legion, will be open on Sunday, August 19, from 8 a.m. to noon at the Legion Post, 330 Center St., N. \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under age 12. For information, call 703-938-9535.

Vienna Toastmasters meets at the Vienna Community Center the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Are you afraid to get up and speak in front of others? You are not alone, but Toastmasters can help you overcome your fears in a fun and friendly atmosphere. For more information, call Nicola at 703-268-5001.

Vienna Host Lions Club meets the second and fourth Tuesday evening of the month at American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St., N. For information, contact Mike Mead at 703-938-5235 or mike_mead@aol.com. Congratulations to Vienna Lion Joe Volpe, who was installed as District 24-A Governor for 2007-2008 at the Lions' 90th annual convention in Chicago.

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, August 20, at the Dunn Loring fire station, 2148 Gallows Rd. Club member Dianna Gutoski will share information on AKC performance events. Bring your dog and meet other Sheltie owners and breeders. For more information, visit www.PotomacValleySSC.com.

ViVa! Vienna! Benefits Community

For over 20 years, proceeds from the annual ViVa! Vienna! town festival have been returned to the community. This year, the Rotary Club of Vienna, which manages the festival, donated almost \$80,000 from ViVa! Vienna! 2006 to the organizations listed below. For more information, visit www.viennarotary.org.

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department
Vienna Parks & Recreation Department
Committee for Helping Others
Marshall Academy
Marshall High School Ethics Day
George Bitner Memorial
Historic Vienna, Inc.
Salvation Army
The Women's Center
Gloria's Happy Hats
Rotary International
Save the Children
Virginia Emergency Families for Children
Bikes for the World
Five Talents International
Face the Fire Ministries
Novaco, Inc.
GoodDogz.org, Inc.
Children's Friendship Project
for Northern Ireland

Vienna Police Department
Good News Jail and Prison Ministry
The Shepherd's Center
Madison High School Ethics Day
Patrick Henry Library
Habitat for Humanity
Vienna Babe Ruth League
Homestretch
Court Appointed Special Advocates
Villa Maria Work Study Center
Friends of Court
Center for Multicultural Human Services
Softly International
Lazarus Project
Vienna Stars
Madison High School Wetlands Project
Lamb Center
Shelter Box USA
Crop Walk

Vegetation Must Be Kept 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 plantings trimmed will help make Vienna a safer and more attractive community, and all the walkers and bicyclists in your neighborhood will appreciate it! For more information, or to report violations, call the Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-255-6341.

PLEASE NOTE: Before cutting any tree, shrub or other plant near your home, first make sure it belongs to you. If you are unsure whether vegetation is on your property or in the public right-of-way, check with the Parks and Recreation Department, 703-255-6360.

Grass and weeds growing up through cracks in the sidewalk and between the sidewalk and street detract from Vienna's beauty. The Town government simply does not have the personnel required to maintain these rights-of-way as it would like, and so asks residents to assist by controlling grass and weeds next to their property.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Wildlife of the New World for ages 6-12 begins at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 1, at Patrick Henry Library. See live birds and reptiles through the eyes of Jamestown settlers. Presented by the Wildlife Center of Virginia and cosponsored by the Friends of the Fairfax City Regional Library. To register and for more information, call 703-938-0405.

Historic "Little Library," located on the grounds of the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., will be open the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 4 p.m. beginning September 2. Members of Historic Vienna, Inc., will provide a history of the building and its role as Vienna's first library. Built in 1897, by 1969 it was the oldest continuously used library building in Fairfax County. For more information, call 703-938-1791.

Photography exhibit by members of the Vienna Photographic Society is at the Fairfax County Government Center through September 22. The exhibit is hung on the third floor, and all photos are for sale. Directions to the Government Center can be found at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/maps/locatMap.htm>.

Calling all crafters! The 47th annual Holiday Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held on Saturday, November 10, at the Vienna Community Center. For information and an application, interested crafters and vendors should contact the bazaar coordinator at 703-938-7716 or e-mail jvolpe@cox.net.

"Time Tested Favorites," the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna (SCOV) 10th anniversary cookbook, is available for \$10. Proceeds go to provide services and programs for older adults in the local community. The cookbook features over 100 recipes contributed by SCOV volunteers. For more information, call 703-281-0538 or e-mail office@scov.org. The Shepherd's Center is a non-profit inter-faith organization sponsored by area congregations and community groups to serve older persons in the Vienna/Oakton areas.

"Mix It Up!" a mixed media show open to all local artists, will be held at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., August 28-September 29, with a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, August 31. Regular hours are Tuesday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.vienmaartssociety.org or call 703-319-3971. The Vienna Arts Society Gallery in the Village Green Shopping Center is open Tuesday-Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For information, visit the Web site or call 703-319-3220.

Vienna Farmers' Market, located on Church Street in the parking lot next to the red caboose, is open rain or shine each Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. Merchandise includes jams, coffees, free-range pork products, prepared salad greens, fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods, kettle corn, cut flowers, crepes and doughnuts, free gardening advice and more. For information, call Karyn at 703-861-7784.

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 in sturdy plastic bags at the usual location on Tuesday, August 28, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at 703-281-2498 for information.

Free Summer Wellness Fair at Lofty Salon and Wellness Center, 354 Maple Ave., W., will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, August 31. The staff of stylists, aestheticians, and massage therapists will answer questions about your health and well-being. Refreshments will be served. Space is limited; RSVP by August 27 to 703-242-0609 or e-mail msharb1@yahoo.com.

Vienna Names in the News

Town resident **Joan Dempsey**, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary President and Canteen Coordinator, recently received the 2006 Fairfax County Canteen Award in recognition of her many years of dedicated service to the Fire Department.

The Optimist Club of Vienna hosted the Optimist International President, **Ronnie Dunn**, at its June 19 meeting. Ms. Dunn was in the Capital-Virginia District Region to present a \$25,000 check on behalf of the Optimist Foundation to the Pentagon 9/11 Memorial Fund.

The Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce has announced its award winners for 2007: Business Person of the Year – **Renee Younes, Enterprises, Inc**; Business of the Year – **Jammin' Java, Daniel Brindley**; Citizen of the Year – **Matthew Brennan, Brennan & Waite**; Chairman's Award – **Pastor Craig Burns, Vienna Assembly of God**; Lifetime Service Award – **Crystalake Engravers, Todd and Luz Meloy**; New Member of the Year – **Tysons Corner Center**; Entrepreneur of the Year – **Dr. Alan Dappen, Doctokr Family Medicine**; Non-profit of the Year – **Homestretch, Gina Cocomello**; and Educator of the Year – **Chad Rummel, Oakton High School**.

Town resident **JP Brehony** of JP Brehony Homes and Commonwealth Housing Corp., was awarded an Environmental Certification after completing the Green Advantage residential course and exam. The Green Advantage program promotes sustainable construction practices by educating professionals in energy savings and the conscientious use of renewable resources and environmentally friendly building products.

Italian Gourmet: Homegrown Business



Many people know about the Italian Gourmet deli, located at 505 Maple Ave., W., in the Village Green Shopping Center, but did you know the establishment is 35 years old? The owners of the Italian Gourmet, Jeremy and Margaret Schottler (shown outside the business, above), were nominated last year for the Town/Business Liaison Committee's Community Service Award for their involvement in the Vienna community, including their long-time sponsorship of a Little League team. They also regularly supply James Madison High School with free or minimum-rate lunches for special events.

Jeremy is a lifelong Vienna resident who worked at the deli in high school and while attending George Mason University. When he had the opportunity to purchase the Italian Gourmet in 1998, he made it his own and says he loves everything about the business, from stocking the shelves to catering to large groups to interacting with customers.

Jeremy and his wife of two years, Margaret, pride themselves on the quality and authenticity of their food. Many of the cookies and other products are homemade or imported from Italy as well as by way of Brooklyn. Customers also appreciate the warm, friendly atmosphere and special attention at this hometown family business.

Call the Italian Gourmet at 703-938-4141 or visit www.The-Italian-Gourmet.com.

The Town/Business Liaison Committee will be accepting nominations for the next Business Community Service Award in early 2008. The award, which recognizes businesses and business owners for outstanding contributions to the community life and spirit of Vienna, is open to any business within the town limits. For more information, call Julie Morris at 703-255-6347 or e-mail tblc@viennava.gov.

Noise Restricted During Wee Hours

Town ordinance prohibits excessively loud noise from radios, televisions, musical instruments, machinery, pets and other sources that disturbs the surrounding neighbors, especially in the late evening and early morning hours. Noisy home building projects and the operation of loud machinery such as lawn mowers, chain saws and leaf blowers in residential zones are prohibited between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. To report noise complaints, call the Police Department, 703-255-6366.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in June:

United Inspection Services
home building inspections
310 Edwin Ln., N.E.
703-242-3674

Ecent Designs
custom T-shirt sales
922 Glyndon St., S.E.
703-727-6748

Nahid
wedding planner
109 Fardale St., S.E.
703-281-3200

New ownership:
Vienna Dental Care
360 Maple Ave., W. #C
703-281-1311

New ownership:
Ali Baba Bakery
303 Mill St., N.E. #B
703-242-9295

New ownership:
Allure Nails
117 Church St., N.W.
703-242-3973

Congratulations to the following businesses, both commercial and home occupations, celebrating milestone anniversaries in August: *30 years* – Donnelly's Printing & Graphics; *10 years* – DSC 2002, Elliott Research, The Mauren Company.

Support Our Hometown Merchants

The disruption caused by the Beulah Road and Branch Road reconstruction projects is being felt by the businesses located within the construction areas. Town residents are urged to continue to patronize these shops, restaurants and other businesses during the coming months and to be patient with any inconvenience in reaching them.

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 or visit www.viennava.gov. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.



The Vienna Theatre Company (VTC) will present an evening of laugh-filled one-act plays on Friday and Saturday, August 17 and 18, at 8 p.m. Complimentary desserts will be furnished by VTC as a thank-you to their loyal audiences and to the Town of Vienna for its 36 years of sponsorship. Shown above are Jessie and Jon Roberts, veterans of the VTC stage and actors in two of the one-act plays, with a sample of the hospitality and welcoming greeting waiting for you. Tickets may be purchased at the Community Center during normal business hours or at the door on performance evenings.

SPECIAL EVENT

Enjoy a favorite family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, August 24, 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 22 and for weather information on the day of the show.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Supermarket tour at Vienna's Giant Food store will be given August 9 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Registered dietitian Denise

Feil will teach you how to read food nutrition labels and analyze ingredients to determine which food products are the healthiest. \$30 for town residents.

Resting metabolic rate testing will be offered August 1 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and August 8 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. A registered dietician will determine your daily caloric needs to help you achieve your weight loss goals. Participants will be scheduled at 20-minute intervals. \$50 for town residents.

Adult drop-in basketball is scheduled on Mondays and Wednesdays, volleyball on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and table tennis on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. Free of charge for town residents; \$3 for out-of-town participants. Call ahead to check on the availability of the gym.

Open gym for ages 17 and under, 3:30-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call ahead to check on availability.

SUMMER CAMPS

Colonial Camp for ages 6-10, presented by Historic Vienna, Inc., will be held on the grounds of the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Saturday, August 11, from 12 noon to 4:30 p.m. Learn about life in Jamestown through games, storytelling, music, a treasure hunt and more. The fee is \$20 for town residents.

August sports camps include tennis, baseball, lacrosse, soccer, horseback riding,

golf, and an all-sports sampler. Call for information on dates and fees.

BUS TRIP

See the Baltimore Orioles play the Boston Red Sox at Camden Yards on Saturday, September 8. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 2:30 p.m., giving participants time to visit Baltimore's Inner Harbor before the 7:05 p.m. game time. The cost of \$65 for town residents includes transportation and game ticket in the lower reserve outfield seating.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Club Phoenix is open this summer! Summer hours are 3 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday for 6th, 7th and 8th graders, 3 to 10 p.m. Friday for 7th and 8th graders, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday for all grades 6-12. Club Phoenix features a big screen TV, VCR, jukebox, video games, pool and ping pong.

POTPOURRI

Discount tickets to Kings Dominion, Six Flags and Busch Gardens amusement parks are available at the Community Center Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Checks payable to "Town of Vienna" and credit cards accepted.

Help keep our parks and playgrounds clean and safe. Report any damage or unsafe conditions to 703-255-6360.

Antique & Classic Car Winners Announced

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department has announced the winners of its annual 4th of July Antique and Classic Car Show. First prize went to Tom Brooks with his white and turquoise 1955 Packard convertible named "Sapphire." A very close runner-up was Ed Gurney with his shiny red 1929 Ford Roadster with yellow wheel spokes. Twenty-eight cars were on view in the parking lot directly in front of the Community Center entrance, and about 300 visitors cast ballots for their favorites.

Vienna Youth Players present



at the
Vienna Community Center

August 3, 4, 10 & 11 at 7:30 p.m.
August 12 at 1 p.m.

General Admission \$10
Students & Senior Citizens (over 65) \$9
Tickets Available
at the Community Center

This Month On The Green

The Town Green is located on Maple Avenue between Mill Street and the W&OD Trail. These free performances are presented by the Town of Vienna and the Friends of the Town Green.

Wednesday Noon Tunes

Showtime at noon
August 1 — Vienna Youth Players
Seussical Review
August 15 — Nicolo Whimsey Show

Tuesday Tales

Stories and songs for ages 2-5
presented by the staff
of the Patrick Henry Library
Children's Department
10:30 a.m. August 7 & 21

Ten O'clock Thursdays

Showtime at 10 a.m.
August 2 — "Three Pigs" Puppet Show
sponsored by Vienna Babysitting Co-op
August 16 — "Songs from Around the
World" with Brooksie Wells
sponsored by Versatile Title/Escrow

Family Fridays

Showtime 6:30-8 p.m.
August 24 — Nighthawks Swing Band
sponsored by bikes@vienna

The Vienna Community Center will be closed
August 20 - September 3
for annual building maintenance

Halloween Parade Entry Deadline

Friday, September 28, is the entry deadline for the 61st annual Vienna Halloween Parade. This year's parade theme is "Jamestown - Celebrating 400 Years of History." Grand Marshal Woody Belcher, a member of the Rotary Club of Vienna and Chairman of ViVa! Vienna!, is a direct descendent of American Indian princess Pocahontas, who befriended the Englishmen who landed in the New World in 1607.

The Halloween Parade Committee encourages parade participants to focus on 400 years of Virginia history. Entry application forms and information can be downloaded from the Town's Web site, www.viennava.gov, or call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. Because space is limited to the first 90 approved applicants, the parade may fill before the entry deadline. Completed applications do not guarantee entrance.

The parade will step off at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 24, on Maple Avenue. The parade route is approximately half a mile long, from Branch Road to Center Street, and lasts about an hour and a half. Please make sure your group is prepared with warm clothes, comfortable shoes and flashlights. (The line-up areas are very dark and spooky!)

The categories for judging of parade entrants are Youth Band, Adult Band, Float with Music, Float without Music, Youth Performers, Adult Performers and Antique Vehicles. Floats will continue to be judged on creativity and theme interpretation. This year's awards ceremony will be at the November 5 Town Council meeting. Winners will be notified in advance.

Become a Parade Sponsor

Invest in a memory! Become a sponsor for the Halloween Parade and help maintain the parade's excellent level of entertainment. Thrill your friends, kids, grandkids, office mates or potential clients by putting your name (or theirs!) in front of 35,000+ parade watchers. For information, call Rebecca Diamond at 703-463-4241 or e-mail rdiamond@tysonsdodgejeep.com.