



Town of Vienna

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Vienna Family Fishing Rodeo



A Free Event for Vienna Families

Saturday, March 29

Three, 1-hour Fishing Time Slots

10 am, 11 am and 12 pm



Wildwood Park (Wolftrap Stream), 700 Block of Follin Lane SE

Pre-registration required; space is limited. Tickets available at the Vienna Community Center beginning Saturday, March 15, at 9 am; limit of 6 per household.

The newly restored Wolftrap Creek will be stocked with hundreds of trout for the Vienna Family Fishing Rodeo on March 29! This event is held in partnership with the Fairfax County Storm Water Division, Public Works and Environmental Services, Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department and Navy Federal Credit Union.

If you would like to volunteer to assist participants with fishing, contact csalgado@viennava.gov.

Providence Community Center Public Meetings

The Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and Community Services will be holding several focus group meetings in February and March to gather community input on programs and services for the Providence Community Center.

Oakton Elementary School, 6 - 8 pm
3000 Chain Bridge Road, Oakton
Tuesday, February 25, March 4 and 11

Vienna Presbyterian Church, 10 am - 12 pm
124 Park Street NE, Vienna
Thursday, February 27, March 6 and 13

To register or for more information, call (703) 787-4962 or e-mail Jessica.Rhoades@fairfaxcounty.gov.

More information: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ncs/news/ni2014/providence.htm

Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit

CONTEST ENTRIES

Thursday, March 13, 5 pm - 8:30 pm

Friday, March 14, 12 pm - 3:45 pm

EXHIBIT

Saturday, March 15, 10 am - 3 pm

Sunday, March 16, 12 pm - 3:30 pm

The Amateur Photography Contest and Exhibit will be held March 15 and 16. Entries will be accepted Thursday, March 13, and Friday, March 14. Ribbons will be awarded in eight categories: animals, architecture, digital, nature, pictorial, photojournalism, portraiture and scenic. There will be a separate contest section for middle and high school students. Visit www.viennava.gov.

The entry fee is \$10 per person. Entries are limited to four photos with a maximum of two per category. Thanks to the Vienna Photographic Society for its assistance with this event.

Town Council Actions

The following items are extracts of recent Town Council actions and are not official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes, agendas and meeting videos are available online at www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=567. All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

January 27, 2014

Mayor Seeman Absent

- Adopted an ordinance to vacate a portion of public alley adjacent to 114 Ayr Hill Ave NW and accept payment of \$2,250.
- Adopted an ordinance to vacate a portion of public alley adjacent to 210 Center Street N and accept payment of \$1,125.
- Awarded a contract to Sagres Construction Corporation for Maple Ave service drive sidewalk construction in the amount of \$121,564.
- Approved the purchase of 1,100 tons of road deicing salt from International Salt Company in the amount of \$59,048.
- Approved the purchase of additional audio visual equipment for the Town Council chambers from Human Circuit in the amount of \$12,328.21.

February 3, 2014

- Awarded a contract with ETC Institute for the Citizen Survey in the amount of \$12,000.
- Approved the development of a community learning garden on the site of the existing Vienna Elementary School garden.
- Approved a memorandum of understanding between the Rotary Club and the Town of Vienna for the construction of the Town Green roof.
- Approved the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority letters of permission for the Tapawingo Rd and Electric Ave trail connections.
- Approved a memorandum of agreement between the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, Fairfax County and the Town for HB 2313 Transportation 30% monies.
- Accepted the resignation of Jessica Hurst from the Community Enhancement Commission.

Upcoming Council Public Hearings

All public hearings are held at Town Hall, 127 Center St. S at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.

March 17: Qwest Franchise Renewal

Visit www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=453 for up-to-date public notices.

Welcome New Businesses

These businesses received business licenses during the month of January.

Alto Solutions, LLC
Consultant
(202) 841-6707

Proficiens, LLC
Consultant
(571) 213-2668

Technologist, INC.
Consultant
129 Park Street NE 10
(703)509-0700

WholeSpace LLC
Interior Design
(571) 214-2339

Taaluma Totes, LLC
Sales - Totes Online
(502) 420-8545

Quality Counts LLC
Traffic Data Collection
314 Dominion Road NE
mfarwell@qualitycounts.net

Veterinary Surgical Centers
Veterinarian
124 Park Street SE LL
(703) 242-6000

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Deadline for the April issue is March 15.

Tax Relief for Senior and Disabled, Low-Income Homeowners

Both the Town of Vienna and Fairfax County offer real estate tax relief for low-income homeowners who are 65 years old and over, or permanently and totally disabled. To qualify, the following requirements must be met:

- Total household income of \$72,000 or less. This amount excludes \$6,500 of income of relatives, other than the spouse, who reside in the household. Also excluded is \$7,500 of any income received by the disabled homeowner. One-hundred percent tax relief is given for total combined income of \$52,000 or less, 50% tax relief between \$52,001 and \$62,000 and 25% tax relief between \$62,001 and \$72,000.

- Total combined assets of no more than \$340,000. This amount excludes the value of the residence, up to one acre of land and household furnishings.
- Disabled persons applying for the first time must show evidence of disability.

The Town of Vienna and Fairfax County also offer real estate tax relief for certain disabled veterans and their surviving spouses from local real estate tax on their principal residence.

In addition to real estate tax relief, Fairfax County provides rental grants and relief from personal property tax for one automobile per household.

Applications for 2014 for all programs are due April 1. This date may be

extended to December 31 of this year for first-time filers or if hardship conditions exist which, through no fault of the applicant, prohibit applying by April 1.

If you forgot to apply for 2013, applications are still being accepted based on hardship and for first-time filers.

For more information and to obtain Town application forms, call (703) 255-6325.

For County applications, call (703) 222-8234. Applications and information can also be found at www.viennava.gov and www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

Budget Work Sessions and Public Hearings Scheduled

Preparation of Vienna's budget for the fiscal year (FY) 2014-2015 is underway. Citizens will have an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget at public hearings during the April 7 and 28 Town Council meetings.

FY 2014-2015 Budget Calendar

- Sat., March 22, 9 am: Budget Work Session
- Mon., March 24, 8 pm: Budget Work Session
- Mon., April 7, 8 pm: Public Hearing on Proposed Budget
- Mon., April 21, 8 pm: Budget Work Session (if needed)
- Mon., April 28, 8 pm: Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Tax Rates
- Mon., May 12, 8 pm: Adoption of Budget, Tax Rate and Water and Sewer Rates

All meetings are held in the Town Council Chambers, 127 Center Street SE, and are open to the public. The proposed budget will be available to the public by March 10.

For more information on the budget process, contact the Town's Finance Department at (703) 255-7824.

March Vienna At Your Service Canceled

The meeting of Vienna At Your Service scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, has been canceled. In April, Mayor Seeman will host the annual Volunteer Reception on Tuesday, April 8, at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center Street S. Residents are invited to submit nominations by March 3 to mayor@viennava.gov or download the form online at www.viennava.gov. For more information, visit www.viennava.gov or call (703) 255-6311.

March Town Meetings

Meetings are at Town Hall, 127 Center Street S, at 8 pm unless otherwise noted.

Monday, 3rd: Town Council Meeting

Thursday, 20th: Board of Architectural Review

Tuesday, 4th: Windover Heights Board of Review

Saturday, 22nd: Budget Work Session, 9 am

Monday, 10th: Town Council Work Session

Monday, 24th: Town Council Budget Work Session

Wednesday, 12th: Planning Commission

Tuesday, 25th: Transportation Safety Commission

Thursday, 13th: Town/Business Liaison Committee, 7 pm

Wednesday, 26th: Planning Commission

Monday, 17th: Town Council Meeting

Thursday, 27th: Community Enhancement Commission, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, 19th: Board of Zoning Appeals

Spring Break and Summer Camp Registration Open

Registration for Vienna Parks and Recreation spring break and summer camps is now open! Registration is available online at www.viennava.gov or in-person at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE.

Camps include: Summer Playground Camp, Teen Excursion Camp, Extended Day Camp, sports camps including baseball, football, lacrosse, fencing, softball, field hockey and tennis, All-Sports Camp, computer and robotik camps, drama camps, art camps and more! View the Parks and Recreation Spring Brochure online or at the Community Center to see what we have to offer!

Spring break camps will be held April 14 through 18. Summer camps run from June through August. For more information, call the Vienna Community Center at (703) 255-6360.

Camps fill up quickly, so register now to reserve your spot!

Shepherd's Center Serves Residents 50+

Are you over 50 years old and sometimes need a little help or want to give back to this wonderful Vienna community? The Shepherd's Center of Oakton –Vienna (SCOV) is here to help you! SCOV is a volunteer based nonprofit dedicated to promoting and supporting purposeful, independent living for mature adults. They want to help you maintain a productive and positive lifestyle while you remain living in your home for as long as possible. Their team of volunteers provides the following services free of charge:

- Transportation to medical appointments and for local errands
- Friendly callers and visitor program
- Minor home repairs and decluttering advice
- Respite care

SCOV also offers intellectual and social programs at a minimal cost:

- Adventures in Learning (classes, workshops and discussion groups)
- Quarterly luncheons
- Day trips & outings
- Health care advocacy workshops
- Caregiver support groups

Please contact the Shepherd's Center if you or a neighbor would like more information about receiving services or attending any of our programs. Please also consider volunteering and sharing your time and talents! Check out the website at www.scov.org or call the office at (703) 281-0538.

Board and Commission Spotlight: Board of Architectural Review

Vienna's Board of Architectural Review encourages the construction of attractive buildings, signs and landscaping while helping to prevent the deterioration of the physical appearance of the town, which could create hazards to public safety and health.

The Board is charged with reviewing all applications for construction, alteration or restoration of any structure, building, landscape feature or sign within the town, except for detached single-family residences in single-family detached residential zones.

Recent applications before the Board have included renovations to the Vienna Shopping Center, exterior modifications for the former Wu's Garden and new signage for the Freeman House.

The Board of Architectural Review meets at 8 pm on the third Thursday of each month in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 127 Center Street South.

All meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend. Commission members include Chairperson Shirley Damon, Vice-Chairperson Paul Layer, Michael Cheselka, Laine Hyde and Roy Baldwin. Citizens may contact the Board through staff representative Matthew Flis at (703) 255-6347 or mflis@viennava.gov.

Voter Registration Deadline: April 14

Monday, April 14, is the last day to register to vote in the May 6 Town election. You are eligible to register if you are a Vienna resident, at least 18 years old by election day and a U.S. citizen. You may register in person in the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at the County Government Center or by mail. Application forms are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, all public libraries and other locations around the county and at www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for the Town election; however, you should check your voter registration card to be sure it lists your current name and address. For more information, call the Fairfax County's Office of Elections at (703) 222-0776.

EARTH HOUR: MARCH 29

On Saturday, March 29, participate in Earth Hour by turning off your lights at 8:30 pm for one hour.

Visit: www.earthhour.org

Tax-Aid Program at SunTrust, February 3 - April 15

The AARP Tax-Aide program is the nation's largest free, volunteer-run tax preparation service, available to low- and middle-income taxpayers with special attention to those age 60 and older. AARP Tax-Aide is administered by the AARP Foundation in cooperation with the IRS.

Tax-Aide volunteers are trained to assist with filing the 1040 form and the more standard of the schedules, including Schedules A and B. (Taxpayers with complex tax returns are advised to seek paid tax assistance.) Since 1968, AARP Tax-Aide volunteers, trained in cooperation with the Internal Revenue

Service, has helped nearly 50 million taxpayers file their tax returns each year.

From February 3 through April 15, Tax-Aide volunteers will be at SunTrust Bank, 515 Maple Ave E, Monday through Friday from 10 am to 2 pm. No appointment is required. You do not have to be retired or a member of AARP to benefit from this free program.

All tax returns will be filed electronically. All taxpayers MUST bring a government-issued picture ID and Social Security cards or other official documentation for yourself and

all dependents. For more information, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarp_taxaide.

The AARP Tax-Aide program also provides online tax counseling as a public service. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers are trained to understand individual federal tax issues, especially the provisions of the tax code that affect older people. Please limit your questions to federal taxes only. AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will review your questions, and you will receive an answer by email within three to five business days. Visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Virginia Green Restaurants

By Joanne Burke, Community Enhancement Commission

If you value green or sustainable practices when it comes to your restaurant choices, consider selecting a Virginia Green Restaurant. The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (Virginia DEQ) and the Virginia Tourism Corporation (VTC) have partnered to sponsor a Virginia Green Restaurant self-certifying designation. To be designated a Virginia Green Restaurant, the restaurants "certify that they are at a minimum practicing core activities and hopefully doing much more."

Per the Virginia DEQ, the core activities include the following:

- **Minimize the Use of Disposable Food Service Products:** use products that are made from bio-based or renewable resources and provide for recycling or composting of items.
- **Recycle Grease:** handle grease in an environmentally friendly manner.
- **Recycle and Reduce Waste:** glass bottles must be recycled and additional recycling and waste minimization is encouraged.
- **Use Water Efficiently:** have a plan for conserving water.
- **Conserve Energy:** have a plan in place to reduce overall energy consumption.

Maple Avenue Restaurant can proudly boast the Virginia Green Restaurant status and Café Amouri is well on its way to becoming a Virginia Green Restaurant. We hope to encourage other local restaurants to participate in this program as the restaurant industry has the opportunity to have a significant impact on people's daily lives and how they think about the environment.

For a list of participating restaurants visit the Virginia Tourism Corporation's (VTC) Virginia Green Restaurant listing at www.virginia.org/directory/dining/VirginiaGreen. This listing enables you to view Virginia Green Restaurants in your area by allowing restaurants to be viewed by region, locality or city.

W&OD Trail Safety

In order to help prevent motorists from turning onto the W&OD trail from Maple Avenue, the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA) has installed new permanent bollards at the entrance to the trail on either side of Maple Avenue. These bollards will block the path of a vehicle and send a clear visual signal that vehicles are not permitted on the trail.



From time to time, vehicles will be spotted on the trail. More than likely, they are either NVRPA staff on site to perform maintenance work or utility crews. In either instance, the vehicles will be clearly marked.

To ensure the safety of trail users, NVRPA has developed a few easy rules that everyone should abide by in order to ensure the safe enjoyment of the trail by all users. Visit: www.nvrpa.org/uploads/Files/trailrules.pdf.

For more information on NVRPA, visit www.nvrpa.org.

Water Mains Flushed in Spring

Each spring the Town of Vienna flushes the water mains in its distribution system in order to maintain a high standard of water quality and to ensure proper and efficient operation of the fire hydrants. The preventive maintenance program begins in early April, and flushing usually occurs between 7:30 am and 3:30 pm; however, some flushing will be performed during nighttime hours due to the hydrant's location or not to interrupt traffic flow on major roadways.

Water mains are flushed by opening the fire hydrants and allowing the water to flow freely for a short period of time. The flushing cleans out sediment that normally accumulates during the summer and winter and enables the Town to test and perform routine maintenance on the 800+ fire hydrants within its service area.

Flushing may result in some discoloration and the presence of sediment in the water reaching your home or business. These conditions are not harmful and should be of short duration. If you encounter discolored water in your home, run the faucet until the water is clear. The Town appreciates your tolerance of this inconvenience. If you need more information, please call the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office at (703) 255-6385.

Happy Anniversary!

Congratulations to the following businesses on achieving milestone anniversaries in March 2014:

35 Years

Virginia Heart

15 Years

Saco's Barbor Shop

30 Years

John W. Hall, DDS

Michael L Gannon,
DMD

Sharon Baldwin Voice
Studio

10 Years

DL Engineering, LLC

John Dobricky
Kumon of Vienna

Saran Consulting
Services

Sweet Ginger

Total Lawn & Yard Care

20 Years

Howard Viola Studio

Orchids For You

Recycling at Northside:

Drop Off Used Motor Oil, Antifreeze and Batteries

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, antifreeze and car batteries is Saturday, March 1, from 8 am to 2 pm at Northside Property Yard, 600 Mill Street NE (entrance at the dead end of the street). This service of the Public Works Department provides citizens a convenient and environmentally responsible way to dispose of vehicle waste products. For more information, call (703) 255-6380.

Recycling Events in Fairfax County

The following recycling opportunities are provided by Fairfax County. For more information on these events, contact Ben Boxer at (703) 324-5052 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/recycling.

Saturday, March 15: Household Hazardous Waste Collection,

9 am to 2 pm, South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria

Saturday, March 22: Document Shredding,

8 am to 12 pm, South County Center, 8350 Richmond Highway, Alexandria

Sunday, March 23: Electric Sunday, 10 am to 3 pm, I-95 Complex, 9850 Furnace Road, Lorton



Vienna Green Business Recognition

Nominations Due April 3

The Town of Vienna encourages local businesses to adopt sustainable and environmentally-friendly practices that protect the environment by conserving energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving water quality.

To help meet this objective, the town recognizes businesses that adopt green practices. Generally speaking, being a green business means changing the way an organization purchases, develops, produces and provides products and services so it has a positive effect on the environment.

Participating businesses and non-profit organizations located in the town are considered for this recognition and the award will be presented during the Annual Vienna Green Expo on Thursday, April 24.

To submit a nomination, e-mail pio@viennava.gov by April 3, 2014. Please provide the business name, contact and why they should be considered for a Green Business Award.

Spring Street Sweeping Schedule

The Public Works Department's spring street sweeping program begins this month. The town has been divided into eight sections to be covered according to the schedule below. Residents are requested not to park on the street during the scheduled time for their section to allow the street sweeper to do a thorough job. As the time for each section approaches, signs will be placed on streets as a reminder, and residents can also call the Public Works Department at (703) 255-6380 to obtain a more definitive date of when the street sweeper will be on their block. The schedule is subject to change in case of inclement weather.

SECTION I

MARCH 24 - 28

West of Lawyers Rd. to town limit & north of Maple Ave. to town limit

SECTION II

MARCH 31 - APRIL 4

East of Lawyers Rd. to Beulah Rd. & north of Maple Ave. to town limit

SECTION III

APRIL 7 - 11

East of Beulah Rd. to eastern town limit & north of Maple Ave. to northern town limit

SECTION IV

APRIL 14 - 18

East of Glyndon St. & east of W&OD Trail to western town line & south of Maple Ave.

SECTION V

APRIL 21 - 25

East of Center St. & east of Lullaby Ln. to Glyndon St. & W&OD Trail & south of Maple Ave. to southern town limit

SECTION VI

APRIL 28 - MAY 2

South of Kingsley Rd. to Cedar Ln. & southern town limit

SECTION VII

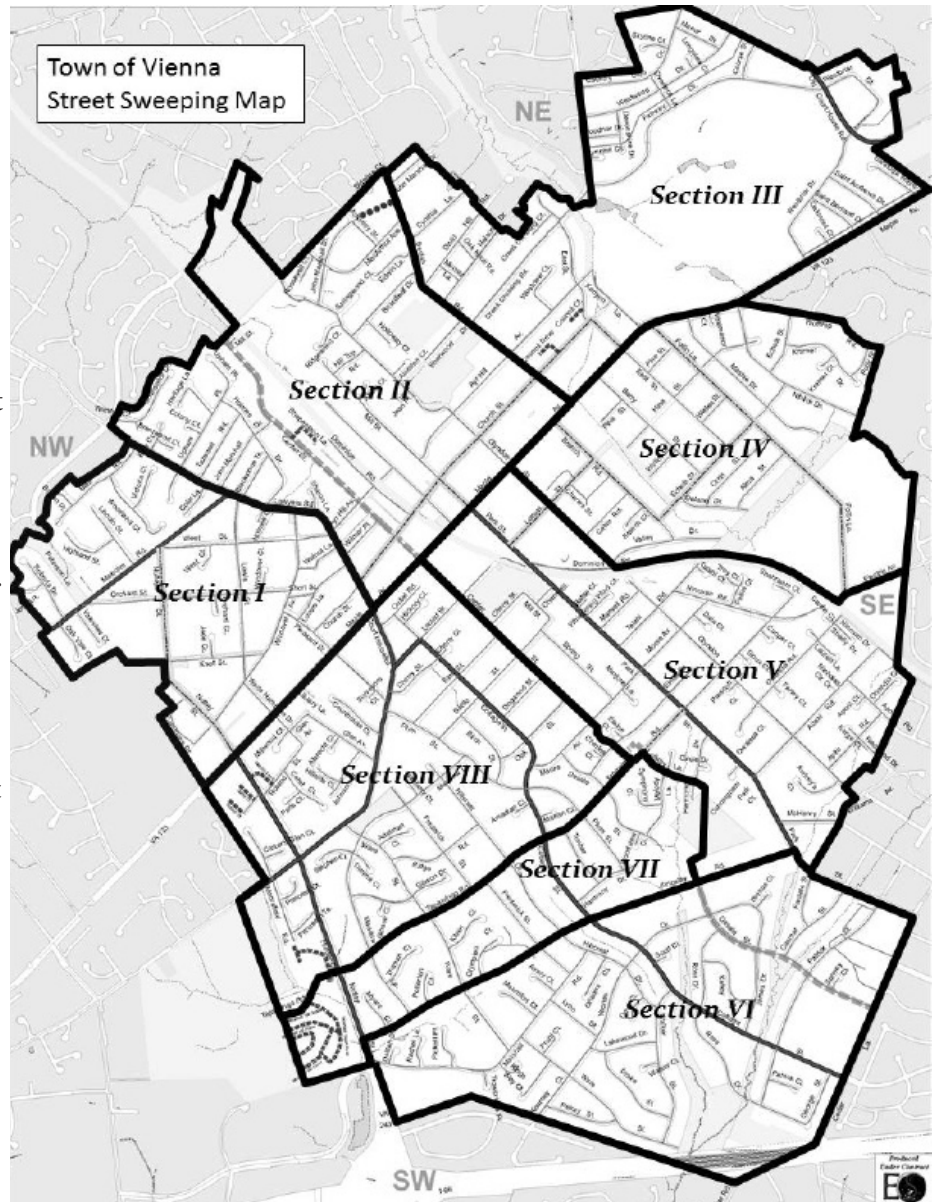
MAY 5 - 9

North of Kingsley Rd., west of Lullaby Ln., south of Tapawingo Rd. & east of town limit

SECTION VIII

MAY 12 - 16

North of Tapawingo Rd., west of Center St., south of Maple Ave. & east of town limit



6TH ANNUAL VIENNA GREEN EXPO

SAVE THE DATE

Presenting 35 Juried Exhibits

When: Thursday, April 24

Time: 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Where: Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE

Presenting practical information & demonstrations to help you make green choices for your home & garden! Great ideas that can save you money & help the environment! Featuring tips for improving energy efficiency, purchasing local organic products, creating sustainable gardens, recycling, plus the latest in electric & biofuel vehicles & more!

Sponsored by the Vienna Community Enhancement Commission

FREE CONCERT

Vienna Community Band

Sunday, March 2, 7 pm

Vienna Community Center
120 Cherry Street SE

Selections include:

Music from famous Broadway musicals: George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, Andrew Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera, John Kander's Chicago, and Harold Arlen and Yip Harburg's Wizard of Oz, just to name a few.

Free. No tickets required. Open to all ages.

www.viennacommunityband.org



Statewide Tornado Drill

When it comes to tornadoes, there's no such thing as a "tornado season." Tornadoes can strike anywhere, anytime, and you need to know the drill.

Be prepared by participating in the Virginia Department of Emergency Management's Statewide Tornado Drill on Tuesday, March 11, at 9:45 am.

Learn what the signs are and how to prepare by visiting www.vaemergency.gov/node/203.

First Mondays with Supervisor Hudgins

Meet with Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Hunter Mill District, Cathy Hudgins on Monday, March 3, from 1 to 3 pm at the Patrick Henry Library. Walk-ins are welcome, or if you prefer, you can schedule an appointment by calling the Hunter Mill District Office at (703) 478-0283.

Nominate A Vienna Volunteer By March 3

Mayor M. 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 Volunteer Reception on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Please visit www.viennava.gov to download the form and send it to Mayor Seeman at 127 Center Street S, Vienna, VA 22180 or e-mail mayor@viennava.gov. Nomination forms are also available in the January and February Town newsletters. *Nominations must be submitted by March 3, 2014.*

Historic Vienna Garden Tour: April 29

As part of Historic Garden Week, the Garden Club of Fairfax is hosting a combination walking and shuttle bus tour of Fairfax County - Historic Vienna, on Tuesday, April 29.

Visitors should park at either Meadowlark Botanical Gardens or Wolf Trap national park. Shuttle buses will run throughout the day taking participants to a 3/4 mile walkable loop that features several Vienna homes and gardens from 10 am to 4 pm. Special events at Wolf Trap and Meadowlark will be held throughout the day until 5 pm and 7 pm, respectively.

Tickets will be sold the day of at all of the featured homes and Meadowlark. To purchase tickets in advance, visit a participating business or visit www.vagarden.org.

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & RECREATION

All classes are held at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, unless otherwise specified.

Register for Parks & Recreation classes online at: www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=545.

CAMPS

Spring Break Camps are available through Vienna Parks and Recreation from April 14 through 18. A variety of camps are available including acting, art, soccer, basketball, computer and robotics. View page 6 of the Spring Parks and Recreation brochure for more information.

Register now for Summer Camps!

View pages 28 through 38 in the Spring/Summer Camp Parks and Recreation brochure to see what we have to offer!

ADULT & FAMILY TRIPS

The Philadelphia Flower Show trip will take off from the Vienna Community Center at 8 am on Thurs., March 6, and return at 7 pm. This year's show will turn the Pennsylvania Convention Center into a 10-acre living canvas. The cost is \$69 for residents and \$86.25 for out-of-town participants. Register early to reserve your spot!

JUST FOR MATURE ADULTS

What to Feed a Living Trust, Mon., Mar. 10, 10 to 11:30 am. No registration required.

Blood pressure check, Wed., March 12, 10:45 am to 11:45 am. Free, no registration required.

JUST FOR TEENS

The TNT - Towards No Tobacco Program, presented by Club Phoenix and the Fairfax County Department of Neighborhood and

Community Services, teaches teens about tobacco use and ways to say no. Sessions begin at 3:45 pm on March 26 and 27, April 1-3, April 8 and 9, and April 22-24. If you are interested in having your teen attend, contact Tammy Funk at (703) 255-5736.

SPORTS AND FITNESS

Adult Spring Tennis League registration is open until each league fills with eight players in each division (16 men, 16 women.) League play begins March 22, with matches held at either Meadow Lane or Glyndon Parks. The cost is \$15 for residents and \$20 for out-of-town participants. Register early to reserve your spot!

Adult drop-in programs at the Community Center include basketball on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30 am to 10:30 pm and volleyball and table tennis on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 pm to 10:30 pm. The fee is \$3 for non-residents. Call the Community Center at (703) 255-6360 prior to arrival to ensure the gym is open.

JUST FOR KIDS

Gym Drop In for Tots, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:45 am to 9:45 am. Toddlers can ride their play vehicles in the gym with parental supervision. No motorized vehicles; must have three wheels or more. Call the Vienna Community Center at (703) 255-6360 prior to arriving to ensure that the gym is open.

Baby Signs, for ages 6 to 12 months with parent or guardian, teaches you and your child sign language using songs, play and books that can immediately help improve communication between you and your child. The class is held on Thursdays, April 3 through June 5, 10:30 to 11:30 am. The cost for eight classes is \$208 for residents, \$258 for out-of-town participants.

New Moms Group, for moms and their children ages 6 weeks to 6 months, provides the opportunity for new moms to get together and share information on being a new mom including feeding, sleeping through the night, nap time challenges, teething, stress and time management and more. The class is held on Thursdays, April 3 through June 5, from 12 to 1 pm. The cost is \$208 for residents and \$258 for out-of-town participants.

POTPOURRI

Travel Photography aims to increase your satisfaction with your photography. Learn tricks for photographing indoor, nighttime, moving subjects, while you are moving, cloudy days and people. This class is designed for amateurs and experienced photographers. Class is held on Sat., March 15, 12:30 to 3 pm. Cost is \$30 for residents and \$42.50 for out-of-town participants.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Your old magazines and paperback books 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 the last Tuesday of each month from 9 am to 7 pm. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call Florence Roseborough at (703) 281-2498 for information.

Join Northern Virginia Senior Softball (NVSS) now to play 2 slow-pitch 7 inning games Tuesday and Thursday mornings, Apr. 8 through Aug. 1. Average age is 66. Placement on one of 28 teams in one of three skill-level conferences is by skill assessment, not a try-out. Everyone present bats; 11 play defense. Fee includes skills training and a conditioning program, Feb. 11 through Apr. 3. For fun, fitness and friendship, see nvss.org and call Dave at (703) 524-5576.

Epiphany Preschool, an outreach of Epiphany United Methodist Church, is now registering students for the 2014/2015 school year. To schedule a tour or for more information, please call the office at (703) 938-2391 or email epiphanypreschool@vacoxmail.com.

Breakfast Buffet, Sun., Mar. 12, 8 am to 12 pm, Vienna's American Legion Post 180, 330 Center Street N. Adults \$8, children \$3: omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon, etc. Open to the public, proceeds benefit Girls State. For more information, call (703) 938-1379.

Social Action Linking Together (SALT) will host a "Richmond Wrap-Up" forum on Sat., March 22, 9:00 to 11:15 am with the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180, 330 Center Street N (park and enter the rear of the building.) Northern Virginia State legislators will discuss the 2014 General Assembly session and answer questions from attendees. Professor Richard Rubenstein, University Professor of Conflict Resolution and Public Affairs at George Mason University, will keynote on the theme: "How Poverty and Inequality Endanger Virginia? Are there Solutions?" Free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.S-A-L-T.org or contact John Horejsi at jhorejsi@cox.net or the American Legion at (703) 938-9535.

Mardi Gras Party, a Tribute to Fats Domino with music by New Orleans' own, Terry Lee Ryan will be held Sat., Mar. 8. Costumes optional. Tickets are \$35; fundraiser for the Veterans' National Emergency Fund at the American Legion Post 180, 330 Center St. N.

PFLAG Fairfax, a community group for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and **FLY**, a social group for LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12 (with parental permission) to 19, will meet concurrently on Tues., Mar. 4, 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the Program Building at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. FLY also holds Teen Lounges on the third Friday of every month, alternating movie/pizza nights at UUCF with meet-ups at various locations. Email wf.pflag@gmail.com or go to FLY's Facebook page for time and place. www.facebook.com/groups/fly.pflag/

The Vienna Woman's Club will once again award three \$1,000 financial grants to Vienna high school seniors living in the 22180-22182 zip codes. You need a 2.5 GPA and have a burning desire to further your education. Both young men and women are encouraged to apply. Applications are available by contacting your high school career center, or Jo-Lynn Westlund (703) 698-1237 or visit www.viennawomansclub.org. Deadline is Wed., April 9.

Vienna Choral Society presents Lullabies - with special guests, the Mosby Woods Mustang Chorus - 4:30 pm, Sat., Mar. 15, at Vienna Baptist Church. Adults \$25, seniors/students \$20, youth (14 and below) attend free. Tickets at www.viennachoralsociety.org.

Unless specifically noted as an event conducted or sponsored by the Town of Vienna, the events listed are published for informational purposes only. The listing of these events does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the event or necessarily reflect any policy or position of the Town of Vienna or its employees.

Annual Children's Printmaking Workshop, Tues., Mar. 25, 4 to 5 pm, Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. E. A dozen members of the Vienna Arts Society will assist children ages 7 to 12 as they create original prints, to include printing a fish, making relief prints and mono-prints, etc. Free. Registration required by contacting the Children's Librarian at (703) 938-0405.

The Vienna/Oakton Vision Impaired (VIP) Resource Group will meet on Mon., Mar. 17, from 10:15 am to 12 pm at the Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue. The first Guest Speaker is Shirley Barnett, a former Professor at George Washington University and one of our very own VIP Members. The second guest speaker is Duveen Winter who will demonstrate the new Clearview Plus Speech CCTV, as well as the new Compact 5 TOUCH portable digital magnifier. If you live in the Vienna/Oakton area and need a ride, please call The Shepherd Center (three day advanced notice is required) at (703) 281-0538. Feel free to contact Chato Carter at (703) 938-1533 for any VIP related inquiries.

Great Escapes!, Sat., Mar. 15, 6 to 9 pm at Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St. NW. Meet the artists at a reception featuring original works inspired by travel at home and abroad. Enjoy wine and cheese during a special presentation on opportunities to participate in river cruises in Europe. The exhibition is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, Mar. 4 through Mar. 29. Free. (703) 319-3971 www.ViennaArtsSociety.org

The Welcome Club of Northern Virginia provides an interesting variety of social and civic activities for women, truly something for everyone! Whether you're new in the area or a long-time resident, and looking for friendships and camaraderie, you'll find a home within our friendly organization. Our spring New Friends Coffee is scheduled for Mon., Mar. 24, where you'll enjoy light refreshments and an opportunity to meet the officers and board members at no cost or obligation. For information about the Club and how to receive your invitation, visit www.welcomeclubnvirginia.com.

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast, hosted by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, will be held on Sat., Mar. 15, from 8 am to 12 pm at the Fire Station, 400 Center St. S. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for children under 12 and free for children under 4. The price includes all you can eat pancakes, sausage, bacon, juice, coffee, etc. There will also be tours of the fire equipment.

The Vienna's Woman's Club is seeking crafters and vendors for its 54th annual Holiday Bazaar to be held on Sat., Nov. 15, at the Vienna Community Center. Funds collected from the event support the club's scholarship awards. For information and an application, e-mail Diane Abel at dcabel@cox.net.

The Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna presents Lunch 'N Life with guest speaker Ric Edelman, Chairman and CEO of Edelman Financial Services, on Mon., Mar. 10, from 12 to 2 pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Road. The cost is \$10 per person; reservation and payment required by Wed., Mar. 5. For more information, visit www.scov.org or call (703) 281-0538.

The Daniel Plan is a small group which meets to support one another on a healthy, biblical lifestyle plan. The group will meet on Sundays at 12:30 pm at the Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road. For more information contact Karen Curtis at (703) 864-7205. There is no charge for the group.

St. Mark Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year for kindergarten through 6th grades. Visit our website at www.stmark.org/school for more information or to schedule a private tour.

People in the News: In January, Caffe Amouri, 107 Church Street NE, collected and donated 35 winter coats to the Lamb Center as part of their first donation to the center. This winter, Caffe Amouri is collecting coats through their "Coffee for Coats" campaign, which aims to provide winter coats to individuals in need in our community. Learn more about Caffe Amouri's community involvement at www.caffeamour.com.

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THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

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March 2004: The Transportation Safety Commission will discuss the Church Street corridor at its next meeting on Tuesday, March 30. The Commission is seeking input on what the problems are and possible solutions to make Church Street safer for pedestrians and vehicles.

March 1994: Revised solid waste regulations take effect March 1. Among the major changes are that “yard waste,” defined as grass, leaves and small clippings, must now be bagged and separated from the regular trash.

March 1984: “Planning for Tomorrow,” the final report of the Citizen Advisory Panel on Redevelopment of Commercial Zones, has been presented to the Town Council. The panel was appointed in 1983 to explore what actions might be taken to enhance the economic vitality of the town while maintaining its residential qualities. Among the recommendations is the establishment of the Church Street Advisory Board, since the panel felt that this is the area most likely to be redeveloped over the next ten years.

March 1974: The Virginia Department of Highways will conduct a public hearing March 21, at the Vienna Community Center on the widening of Park Street from its present two lanes to four lanes. In 1996, the Town Council requested the Highway Department to approve widening the street between Maple Avenue and Cedar Lane, then in 1972 asked the State to take no action while it considered an alternate route along Dominion Road, and last November returned to its original request for State assistance for the Park Street project.

Hunter Mill District

Community Summit, March 1

On Saturday, March 1, Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins will host a summit of discussions and presentations by local officials and County agencies, with an emphasis on the Hunter Mill District. The public is invited to attend this summit from 8:30 am to 1 pm at Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon.

The program will include presentations on the proposed FY2015 County budget, a virtual tour of the Hunter Mill district and the Hunter Mill Huddle with a State of the District discussion. For more information, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill or call (703) 478-0283.

Train Station/Caboose

Open House: March 15

The Train Station and the W&OD Caboose will be open on Saturday, March 15, from 1 to 5 pm.

The Train Station houses a scale model of the Western and North Carolina railroad as it existed in the 1950s. The open house is hosted by the Northern Virginia Model Railroaders. Free admission; donations accepted.

The Caboose is maintained and hosted by the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna. Admission is free.