



City Scoop

May
2018

The City of Vienna is an Equal Opportunity Provider, Employer and a Drug Free Workplace.

Dates to Remember

National Day of Prayer
Service
Vienna City Square
May 3, 2018
11:00 a.m.

May 13, 2018
Mother's Day

May 14, 2018
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

May 17, 2018
Vienna MainStreet Meeting
Marise's Restaurant
12:00 p.m.

May 28, 2018
Memorial Day
City Hall Closed



Happy Mothers Day



HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS!

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★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★

UNITY

EPHESIANS 4:3

MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO KEEP THE UNITY
OF THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE BOND OF PEACE.

MAY 3, 2018

#PRAY4UNITY
NATIONALDAYOFPRAYER.ORG



National Day of Prayer Theme for 2018

The National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. In 1988, the law was unanimously amended by both the House and the Senate and signed into law by President Ronald Reagan on Thursday, May 5, 1988, designating the first Thursday of May as a day of national prayer. Every president since 1952 has signed a National Day of Prayer proclamation.

Prayer brings people together. Prayer builds bridges between opposing persons and even political parties. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. Prayer brings UNITY. In 2018, our theme will be Pray for America - UNITY, based upon Ephesians 4:3 which challenges us to mobilize unified public prayer for America, "Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace."

Our hope is that individuals, churches, and spiritual leaders in America, will humble ourselves and unify in prevailing prayer for the next great move of God in America. We can come together in clear agreement that this is our greatest need. We can become a visible union, standing together in prayer. We can pray more than ever before, and practice extraordinary prayer for the next great move of God in America that will catapult the message of the gospel nationally and internationally.

Pray with us. Sponsor an event in your community. Become a volunteer. Order resources to help promote an event in your area. Support the National Day of Prayer financially. Together, we can mobilize unified public prayer for America!

"There is no great movement of God that has ever occurred that does not begin with the extraordinary prayer of God's people." Dr. Ronnie Floyd

May is Historic Preservation Month

By Janet Joiner

At the April 23 Council Meeting, Vienna Mayor and City Council adopted a proclamation designating May 2018 as Historic Preservation Month in Vienna. Since 1973, communities across America have taken this opportunity to showcase their historic properties and raise awareness about the benefits and importance of historic preservation.

This year, the Vienna Historic Preservation Commission is showcasing the Vienna Cultural Center as a place that matters.

The quaint frame building was originally the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church constructed and organized in 1903. Charter members of the Church were Colonel M. P. Hall, R. S. Middleton, W. J. Bullock, W. M. Turton, and Miss Bertha Leonard. The vicar came from Americus once a month to hold services. The congregation disbanded in the early 1940s.

In the 1950s and 60s the building was used as a kindergarten where Aunt Janie Forehand held classes for many years. After the kindergarten closed, the structure fell into a state of near ruin and was scheduled to be burned by the local fire department.

The Vienna Historic Preservation Society rescued the building and restored it back to its original grandeur. The Vienna Cultural Center is now used for small community functions.

There is an erosion problem on the grounds that needs addressing and the building is in need of repairs. If you would like to make a donation toward these needed repairs, please contact Janet Joiner, Vienna City Hall at 229-268-4920 or at janet.joiner@cityofvienna.org.



Georgia Cities Week Recap

Free Lunch Meet & Greet in the Park



Coloring Contest Winners



Winners pose with DCES Principal Sharron Marcus

First Grade:

1st Place – La'Meah Youngblood

2nd Place – Jada Brown

3rd Place – Makayla Hamilton

Second Grade:

1st Place - Leanna Sills

2nd Place – Justin Xaiver Thomas

3rd Place – Connor Gualteny

Third Grade:

1st Place – Jar'Darius Fedd

2nd Place – Cristian Chun

3rd Place – Amya Anderson

City Officials & Employees Reading Day at DCES



Mayor Hobby Stripling



Michael Bowens, City Administrator



Janet Joiner, Community Development Director



Michelle Lawson, Cashier



Velvet Layfied, Code Enforcement Officer

National Arbor Day Tree Planting Program in Honor & Memory of Councilman Jimmy Kelly



Family of Councilman Jimmy Kelly participating in the tree planting in his memory



Vienna recognizes the 15 year anniversary of being a designated Tree City USA

Photos by Tim Franzen, The News Observer Reporter

Dooly County Chamber of Commerce Professional Women's Luncheon



Norma Jean Hawkins (left) is presented with the award for Professional Woman of the Year



Professional women in the community gathered together for a wonderful meal and program.



Kelsey Norris (left), the celebration's key note speaker, was awarded the Service Reward for Outstanding Volunteer Service

Photos by Angela Barentine, The News Observer Managing Editor

The Little Lily Project

The Little Lily Project helps provide feminine hygiene products to middle and high school girls who may otherwise not be able to access these items.

Items Needed:

Feminine pads

Feminine wipes

Girls panties sizes 12-14

Panty liners

For more information:

Email: thelittlelilyproject@gmail.com

Facebook: The Little Lily Project

Phone: (229) 273-1669

Items can be dropped off at
Vienna City Hall.



**National Small Business Week is April 29 - May 5, 2018.
Make sure to shop, eat, and support local businesses in Vienna!**

Dooly County High School Students Complete Vienna Leadership 101

Thirty Dooly County High School students in Ms. Deborah Heckwolf's AP class recently completed Vienna Leadership 101, a community leadership training class. Community Development Director, Janet Joiner said, "The overall goals of the class are to make local government more accessible to everyone and to produce productive and engaged citizens for the future. Often our youth feel disconnected from the community outside of school life, so we hope this class will help them be more knowledgeable about their community and instill a desire in them to be engaged in the community."

The course consisted of 4 sessions. Topics discussed were the history of Vienna/Dooly County, the organizational structure of the City of Vienna, law enforcement and how to communicate with officers, the importance of litter control and the fact that littering is a crime, five qualities of a good leader, and volunteer opportunities with the City of Vienna.

As a class project, the group participated in the "Keep Vienna Clean as a Whistle City-wide Cleanup" by adopting a mile of 41 Highway in front of the school. At the end of the fourth session, Mayor Hobby Stripling passed out Certificates of Completion to 29 students.

Bobcat Spotlight

Submitted by Leeza Streetman, DCHS Media Specialist



The Dooly County High School faculty in partnership with The News Observer has selected as this week's Bobcat Spotlight Student - 9th grader, Ta'Travian Haugabrook. Ta'Travian has participated this school year as a member of the JV and varsity football, JV basketball, and high school track teams. He is also on the A/B Honor Roll. He serves as an usher in his church and enjoys working out at the gym after school. Ta'Travian is the son of Carisa Evans and Demetrius Haugabrook. DCHS Assistant Principal Bobbie J. King presented Mr. Haugabrook with a commemorative pin in recognition of this accomplishment. The commemorative pin was provided by Georgia Power Company, Middle Georgia EMC and South Georgia Banking Company.



Days & Hours of Operation:



Tuesday

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Closed on Saturday, Sunday, & Monday

**1321 E. Union Street, Exit 109 off of Interstate
I-75, Vienna, Georgia**

**Please call (229) 268-2045 or (229) 268-4920 to set
up an appointment for a large group tour.**

Volunteer

If you would like to be more involved with the community, please contact Staley Bell about becoming part of the Keep Vienna Beautiful and/or Vienna Main Street Programs.
staley.bell@cityofvienna.org
(229) 268-4921



If you have a community event or promotional material you would like shared in the Vienna City Scoop Monthly Newsletter, please contact Staley Bell, City of Vienna Program Manager staley.bell@cityofvienn.org or (229) 268-4921

Recipe

Blue Banana Smoothie

Ingredients

8 ounces milk (use your favorite such as fat-free, low-fat, reduced-fat, almond, soy)
½ cup frozen banana slices
½ cup frozen blueberries

Optional Boosts (Choose 1 or More)

1 cup fresh baby spinach
½ cup plain low-fat yogurt
¼ cup oatmeal
1 to 2 tablespoons ground flaxseeds
1 tablespoon unsweetened cocoa powder
Honey, to taste
Cinnamon, to taste



Calories: 190; Total Fat: 1g;
Saturated Fat: 0g;
Cholesterol: 5mg; Sodium:
105mg; Total Carbohydrate:
38g; Dietary Fiber: 4g;
Sugars: 27g; Protein: 10g

Directions

In blender, puree everything until smooth. Serve immediately.

Cooking Notes

The frozen fruit gives the smoothie a thick texture. Add water if you want a thinner consistency or add ice if you want it even thicker.

Nutrition Information

Serving size: 1 smoothie
Serves 1

The Old Man and the C by Neil Joiner



A Parable of Purpose

Cephas Jackson was deep in South Georgia, driving down Hopeful Road near Chason Crossing. He had been to look at an antique tractor, thinking he might enjoy having one to tinker with, hoping he would get asked to put it in the Christmas Parade. The tractor was a bit overpriced in his opinion. He left it there and began the two-hour drive back home. “Another wasted day,” said Cephas aloud, although he was alone in the truck.

A lot of Cephas’ days seemed wasted since his retirement. He didn’t miss work, but he missed having something to do. He missed the routine of having a place where he was supposed to be.

Cephas saw a homemade sign just off the right-of-way. All he could read was a big letter C and a large dollar mark. He figured it must be someone asking for a handout. He didn’t know if the need was real or not, so he planned to drive on by, hoping they wouldn’t approach him at the four-way stop.

When Cephas got closer he saw that the scribbled C wasn’t for Cash. “Collards – \$1,” it read, a message that caught Cephas by surprise.

The old man had the sign propped against his rusted truck, a truck that held a generous supply of collards. He sat in a lawn chair that needed new straps. He, the chair, and the truck seemed quite comfortable under a massive oak tree, a tree Cephas knew was much older than the man.

Cephas thought he might enjoy some fresh collards, and a dollar seemed like a bargain. “Good morning,” he mumbled to the old man.

“It sure is a good morning,” replied the old man with a giant smile. “I’ve got my health and a truck load of collards! That’s a good morning to me.”

Cephas thought it was a bit of a stretch to be so happy about just two things, especially since one of those things was collards. The old man’s smile, however, was infectious. Cephas could not help but smile back.

“I can understand being happy about your health,” said Cephas. “But at a dollar a head, seems like you wouldn’t be that happy about these collards.”

The old man took another lawn chair off the back of his truck and placed it near his own. “If you got a minute to spare, Mister, I’ll tell you about these collards.”

Cephas sat down, partly from curiosity, partly from having nowhere else he had to be. The old man told how he had been doing this for over a decade. He had retired from his work, then his wife had died. Their three children lived too far away to visit often.

“These collards,” said the old man, “give me a reason to get up every morning. I plant them, then keep them watered and free of weeds. I bring them out here and make a little spending money.”

“Seems like you could raise the price and make a few more dollars,” said Cephas.

“I probably could,” said the old man, “but I ain’t here for the money. I like having the folks stop by. Sometimes I get lucky and another old man will sit in that same chair you’re in. We’ll visit for a while. He’ll leave with my collards, and I’ll stay here with his dollar. Most of the time we both feel a bit richer that day.”

Cephas folded a twenty-dollar bill so the old man wouldn’t know he was due any change. He took a bundle of collards, shook hands with the fellow and drove away. On the way home, he planned his collard patch. And he thought about growing pumpkins for the fall and gourds to make houses for martins. Cephas’ mind was overflowing with possibilities. It was a feeling that he knew was worth way more than the twenty dollars he had left behind.

Cephas envisioned a small stand under the big oak in his own yard. He would open it when the weather was nice, and would price everything at just a dollar. He’d have an extra chair or two and maybe a checker board. He knew that an old man might stop by on occasion, a man who had more time than plans, a man who had no particular place that he needed to be. “This sure has been a good day,” said Cephas aloud, although he was alone in his truck. “This has been a really good day.”

RECYCLE, REUSE, REPURPOSE, OR DONATE



NOTICE!

Recycling Bins are located in the parking lot of HomeRun Recycling, 838 Shiloh Road, (South 7th Street), Vienna.

Cardboard, plastic, aluminum and glass are accepted at this location.

Please do NOT put normal household garbage in these recycling bins!

Please flatten ALL cardboard boxes before putting them in the recycling bins.

Thank you for Keeping Vienna "Clean as a Whistle".

Please Don't Litter



Help Keep Your Community Clean

Limbs / Household Goods Pickup Schedule

The City of Vienna Public Works Department has announced that LIMBS / Yard Waste will be picked up on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Large household items will be picked up on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Please do not mix trash with your limbs/yard waste. Do NOT pile limbs near power lines, power poles or fences.

Please call (229) 268-4744, if you have any questions. Thank you!

Tips for reducing, recycling, and disposing of hazardous materials: Automobile

- Never dump vehicle fluids on the pavement, the ground or down the storm drain. Collect and recycle motor oil, oil filters and other automobile fluids at vehicle service centers or parts stores listed on 1-800-CLEANUP and www.cleanup.org.
- Wash your vehicle at a professional car wash facility. This way the wastewater will be treated instead of possibly becoming a pollutant in a nearby stream. If you decide to wash your car at home, use a low or non-phosphate soap and wash your vehicle in a grassy area instead of on pavement.
- Regularly tune your car and fix leaks.

Kid's Page





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The Mission Statement of the City of Vienna

To deliver to the citizens of Vienna and others high quality municipal services.

Our Purpose

To be dedicated to the citizens' quality of life, planning and preparation that will ensure development and growth for our community.

To provide public services that exceed the expectation of citizens. To be creative and innovative in our approach to the needs of citizens, recognizing the trust and confidence that our citizens place in us as caretakers of governmental services.



May Birthdays

May 2 - Gary Killings
May 13 - Dustin Stephenson

Elected Officials

Hobby Stripling, Sr., Mayor

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Vienna Police Department

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Cozie Ray, Police Chief

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Michelle Lawson, Municipal Court Deputy Clerk

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Vienna Volunteer Fire Department

In case of fire, please call 911.

Michael Causey, Fire Chief

Phillip Warren, Assistant Fire Chief



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