January 2019

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

BAPPY NEW YEAR

Historic Preservation News

our community

National Register Data 2 Grants Awarded Senator George Biography

Did You Know?

As of 10/2/18, Georgia has:

listings in the National Register of Historic Places and contributing resources.

The City of Vienna has 175 contributing resources listed in the Vienna Central Historic District. In addition to the Historic District, the Vienna Rosenwald School and the former Vienna High and Industrial School are also listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

****** George Museum Project Awarded Grant

The Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council awarded the Walter F. George Law Office Museum, located in Busbee Park, with a grant in the amount of \$3,300 to be used for the digitization of the Senator George's records. These funds are provided by the National Historic Publication and Records Commission through a grant to the University of Georgia and the Georgia Archives.

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This project will guarantee the longterm preservation and sustainability of the Senator's collection and provide easy access to these records for research and educational purposes for generations to come, while the original materials will benefit from the reduction in physical handling. Work on this project will begin in early 2019.

Thank You Walmart Giving!

Walmart Giving and the local area Walmart in Cordele has selected Vienna Main Street's Community Grant application to receive a \$1,300.00 grant. These funds will be used to make much needed repairs and improvements to the **Vienna Cultural Center**, also known as The Prince of Peace Episcopal Church.

Walmart Giving said, "We are thrilled to support your work in our communities and share your desire to provide local impact. By receiving this grant, you are part of a long history of Walmart's commitment to giving back to the communities where we operate."

A Giant from Georgia The Life of U. S. Senator Walter F. Georgia

Coming Soon!!!



Fundraising Goals

Anonymous Donor Makes Proposal

The Vienna Historic Preservation Commission has been raising funds to make badly needed repairs to the Vienna Cultural Center, formerly the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church. The fund has received a few donations, but more money is needed to complete the work.

A donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, has proposed a challenge. When we raise \$2,500 in donations, he will match it with \$2,500.

Donations are tax deductible. Make your check out to Vienna Main Street and note that it is for the Historic Preservation Fund. You will receive an acknowledgement and a tax letter for your filing needs. **28 years of treecycling in Georgia** has made "Bring One for the Chipper" the largest event of its kind in the nation. **Over 6 million** Christmas trees have been recycled and diverted from landfills since the start of the program.

Bring One For The Chipper! January 5, 2019

KeepGeorgiaBeautiful.org

In Georgia in 2018, 95,324 trees were collected in total. Of these,

28 Years of Treecycling

____ 90,157 were recycled into mulch for playgrounds, city and county

landscaping projects, and individual homes.

- **1,944** trees were sunk into lakes across the state to provide fish habitats.
- **1,294** were used for fuel or other uses.

You can support the Chipper program by bringing your cut Christmas tree to Vienna Public Works on 2nd Street beginning Saturday, January 5th from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and then the rest of the month of January on Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Limbs / Household Goods Pick-up Schedule

Vienna Public Works will go back to their normal schedule of second and fourth Wednesday pick-up with large items being picked up on the fourth Wednesdays.

Please do not mix trash with your limbs/yard waste. **Do not** pile limbs near power lines,

If you have questions, please call (229) 268-4744. Thank you!



FREE SCRAP TIRE PICKUP January 7 – 18



Please place tires beside the street separate from regular garbage.

Did you know litter cleanup costs the U. S. more than an estimated \$11.5 billion each year? Love your community. Please don't litter!

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR: A BIOGRAPHY



January 21, 2019



Born in Atlanta, Georgia on *January 15, 1929,* Martin Luther King became synonymous with the civil rights movement. He dedicated his life to addressing this situation through non-

violent means until his untimely death in 1968.

He was raised by a family of preachers and became assistant to his father at the Ebenezer Baptist Church in his hometown of Atlanta. He was college educated and started his first semester at Morehouse College when he was just 15 years old. He attended Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania and later went on to get his PhD in theology from Boston University. While he was attending school in Boston, Martin Luther King met Coretta Scott. The two married at the home of Coretta's parents and they raised a family of four children.

His active participation in the civil rights movement began with the Montgomery bus boycott inspired by Rosa Parks. He organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and used it to lecture on race-related topics.

Dr. King used the media to spread the word and his participation in sit-ins and protests landed him in jail on more than one occasion. One of his most profound writings came through his letter from the Birmingham jail.

In 1963, he took part in the historic March on Washington. More than 200,000 peaceful participants gathered at the Lincoln Memorial and listened as MLK Jr. delivered his famous, "I Have a Dream" speech. In 1964, Dr. Martin Luther King was the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for his unrelenting work in the civil rights movement. He led 1,500 black and white people on a march outside of Selma to bring attention to the social injustices that were going on at that time. When the group was met by a wall of state troopers, King led his group to a prayer session avoiding further confrontation with authorities.

When changes began happening in the civil rights movement, Dr. King turned his attentions to poor people and the Vietnam War. But it wasn't long before Martin Luther King's life ended abruptly when he was assassinated in Memphis Tennessee on April 4, 1968. The biography of Martin Luther King attests to the grief felt around the world with riots in over 100 cities upon hearing of his death.

Dr. Martin Luther King is known for his powerful speeches and motivating words to get people involved in facing the injustices of the day. His work is remembered and as a tribute to his life, Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a federal holiday that is celebrated on the third Monday of January every year. (Taken from: http://www.drmartinlutherking.net/mart

Scenes from 2018 Christmas in Vienna



Dooly County High School Band Ensemble



Santa Claus came to town!





Thank You to all who provided entertainment at Christmas in the Park

Jason Daniels, DJ Duck Dooly County High School Band Dooly County Step Team Jane and Daryl Brown Pleasant Valley Youth Choir Robin Brown Brittany Braswell





Thank you to all participants in the Christmas Tree Decorating Contest. You helped beautify and bring Christmas cheer to Vienna's City Square!

Albany Area Primary Health Care

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Dooly County Chamber of Commerce

Dooly County High School Beta Club

Dooly County K-8 Academy

Flint Humane Society

Mt. Zion CME Church

Roger Kingdom Foundation

The Jewell of Vienna

The News Observer

Vienna Garden Club

Vienna Woman's Club





JOB FAIR

Interviews conducted onsite

Thursday, February 21 10am to 2pm and 4pm to 7pm Hwy. 280 West, Cordele, GA 31015 All Job Applicants will be interviewed!

Positions Include:

Guest Services Clerks - Hotel, Visitor Center & Marina

Food & Beverage Servers

Line Cooks

Bartenders

Houseman

Housekeepers





January 1, 2019 New Year's Day *City Hall Closed*

January 7-18, 2019 Scrap Tire Cleanup

January 9, 2019 11:30 a.m. Dooly County Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting

January 14, 2019 6:00 p.m. City Council Meeting Vienna City Hall

January 21, 2019 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day *City Hall Closed*

February 7, 2019 Dooly County Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner Meeting



Last year more than 705 million vacation days went unused. By encouraging Americans to plan, the U. S. Travel Association is helping put those unused days to good use. Research shows that individuals who plan are more likely to use all their time off, take more vacation days at once and report greater levels of happiness at work and at home. On January 29th, spread the word and encourage Americans to plan their vacation days for the rest of the year.

VOLUNTEER

If you would like to be more involved with the community, please contact Laura Johnson about becoming part of the Keep Vienna Beautiful or Vienna Main Street Programs. laura.johnson@cityofvienna.org (229) 268-4921

You don't get HARMONY When everybody SINGS THE SAME

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-Doug Floyd

Fruits of Vienna Themed Dinners

Greek Dinner: Tuesday, January 8th & Thursday, January 24th

Italian Dinner: Tuesday, February 5th and Thursday, February 21st

Email <u>sleep@fruitsofvienna.com</u> for reservations.

KID'S PAGE



Joiner's Corner



by Neil Joiner Grier's Almanac

I was standing at the counter in Forbes Drug Store a while back and noticed a small stack of Grier's Almanacs. Steve Morgan, who owns the pharmacy with his brother Frank, told me I was welcome to take one. I was glad that he offered it for free, greatly relieved that I wouldn't have to make the stressful decision of whether to part with a dollar. Even if I hadn't wanted an Almanac, I would probably have taken it anyway.

The late Miller Lawson was a beloved friend to our family and a fountain of common sense. He told me that when somebody offers you something for free, it's usually best to take it. Miller said that he had hauled off some things that weren't even good enough to throw in the trash. But he had smiled and said thank you and kept the door open for better possibilities.

Grier's Almanac was a staple in farm households during the days of my youth. I don't remember where ours came from. Maybe it was from nearby Joiner's Store, or maybe from somewhere in Unadilla. We kept it on the kitchen counter, right next to the phone book.

Farmers and other folks with vegetable gardens faithfully consulted the Almanac to decide when to plant. Daddy didn't use it for that. Our Almanac seemed more for entertainment than agriculture. Before smart phones, 24-hour television, and social media, people read things from printed pages and then had what we called conversations. It might be good for someone to do a documentary on that sort of thing.

I was kind of excited that day in Forbes to be taking the 2018 Almanac home. It had been a long time since I had seen one. It brought back childhood memories of flipping through the pages, wondering what life changing information that year's edition might offer.

According to the cover this is the 212th annual issue, having been published every year since its debut in 1807. With that kind of track record, I figured it must be loaded with valuable information.

It didn't surprise me to find a deal on hearing aids. Those ads seem to be everywhere. Sometimes my wife turns down the corner of a page, so that I'll take notice. Not long ago, Jane suggested I should get my hearing checked. But the thing is, if I get hearing aids I won't have an excuse that now allows me to slyly ignore some of what she says. Clear hearing is convenient, but it comes with a cost.

There were ads for fatigue remedies, walk-in bathtubs, Zoysia lawn plugs, and poultry products, plus some canine antiseptic powder that's been relieving itchy pups for 1,022 dog years. I don't know if it's safe for humans, but I'm thinking about ordering a bottle for a friend of mine. My buddy Chris Kauffman taught me that referencing, "a friend of mine," is how to buy something when you don't want people thinking it's for you.

What I found most exciting were the numerous ways to improve health, wealth, and luck for a nominal price. There's a Fast Money Candle for eight dollars or Love Draw Oil for only five. Lucky Mojo Bags are priced to sell at fifteen bucks, or for ten more dollars you can get the extra strength version. Shipping and handling is only another \$7.50.

If you don't want to wait by the mailbox, you can call one of the reverends, psychics, or spiritual advisors. One lady is available to help change your bad luck to good, plus provide you with some lucky numbers. The ad shows a picture of Jesus, but it's possible that picture was used without His approval. There's Snake Oil to destroy all sorts of evil and Holy Water for money blessings. Some of the products are guaranteed to be the most powerful available.

For those of you who prefer to shop locally, here's something I'm sharing but asking that you keep in strict confidence. I have access to a limited supply of lucky chinaberries. It's a pick your own orchard that is available only by invitation. I can point you right to it during berry season or give you directions by phone. If I'm not home just put ten dollars in our mailbox and help yourself to the berries. If you'll leave that ten dollars with me, I can just about guarantee that someone is going to get a blessing.



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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Vienna City Councilman, Randall Almond January 7th



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 needs of citizens. the recognizing the trust and confidence that our citizens place in us as caretakers of governmental services.



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