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FEBRUARY IS . . .



BLACK HISTORY MONTH IS AN ANNUAL CELEBRATION

Black History Month, or National African American History Month, is an annual celebration of achievements by black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. The event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating black history.

The story of Black History Month begins in 1915, half a century after the Thirteenth Amendment abolished slavery in the United States. That September, the Harvard-trained historian Carter G. Woodson and the prominent minister Jesse E. Moorland founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH), an organization dedicated to researching and promoting achievements by black Americans and other peoples of African descent. Known today as the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), the group sponsored a national Negro History week in 1926, choosing the second week of February to coincide with the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. The event inspired schools and communities nationwide to organize local celebrations, establish history clubs and host performances and lectures.

DID YOU KNOW?

The NAACP was founded on February 12, 1909, the centennial anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

In the decades that followed, mayors of cities across the country began issuing yearly proclamations recognizing Negro History Week. By the late 1960s, thanks in part to the Civil Rights Movement and a growing awareness of black identity, Negro History Week had evolved into Black History Month on many college campuses. President Gerald R. Ford officially recognized Black History Month in 1976, calling upon the public to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history."

Since then, every American president has designated February as Black History Month and endorsed a specific theme. The 2013 theme, At the Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington, marks the 150th and 50th anniversaries of two pivotal events in African-American history.

Article is from: <http://www.history.com/topics/black-history/black-history-month>

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

Vienna Main Street is compiling a local artist database. If you are a local or area artist or craftsman, please fill out the form below and return to City Hall or email the information to larista.thompson@cityofvienna.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____

Please select from the list below which best describes your art practice. *You may select more than one.*



Painter/Visual Artist (type of Medium _____)

Ceramic/Potter

Crafts Person (type of craft)

Photographer

Sculptor

Graphic Designer

Theater

Storyteller

Other: (Please specify _____)

Singer

Dancer

Musician

Fashion/Costume Design

Floral Design

Sewing/Quilting/Weaving

Poet

Writer



Please share this request with any area artist you may know. Thanks!

Stanley Gambrell Utility Assistance Fund Guidelines

The Stanley Gambrell Utility Assistance Fund has been established to assist the citizens of Vienna with their City of Vienna Utility Payments. Donations to this fund are always greatly appreciated. A payment will be paid directly on the approved account. Qualifying households may receive a maximum of two (2) payments not to exceed \$350.00 in a 12-month period. To qualify: the person must be a resident of the City of Vienna; must be 62 years old or older or have a special hardship explanation. They must meet the household income as follows:

One-person household \$21,940	Two-person household \$28,691	Three-person household \$35,442
Four-person household \$42,193	Five-person household \$48,944	Six-person household \$55,695
Seven-person household \$56,961	Eight-person household \$58,226	

For each additional person, add \$1,266 in household income.

Applicant **MUST** provide:

- Completed application (available at City Hall).
- Copy of Identification of everyone in the household to include ages.
- Proof of income for everyone in the household.
- If less than 62, a brief explanation of your crisis and as much information you can provide to prove crisis.

Please continue to keep your utility bill payments in good standing. You will be notified in writing of the results of your application after it has been reviewed. Please call City Hall for more information, 229.268.4744.

In the end, you'll know which people really love you. They're the ones who see you for who you are and no matter what, always find a way to be at Your side!

-- Unknown

Plan to Attend This Community Planning Session

By Janet Joiner, Community Development Director

Updates to the Greater Dooly Comprehensive Plan are due by October 2017. In order to make this plan a true community planning document, a series of hearings and work sessions will be held to gather input from the public. The first Vienna work session is scheduled for Monday, February 27, 2017 at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Vienna City Hall immediately following the Vienna City Council Meeting. Community business leaders, residents and property owners are invited to attend this session. We need your input.



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.

City of Vienna Joins Tornado Relief Efforts

The City of Vienna is joining in the relief efforts after severe storms swept through neighboring areas last Saturday and Sunday. Vienna knows what the wrath of a tornado can do – looking back to 1999 when we were hit; the City wants to assist our neighbors like so many of them came to our rescue.

Needed items include but are not limited to:

- Food (canned and boxed items only)
- Toiletries, first aid items, feminine products
- Baby items (formulas, bottles, diapers, etc.)
- Blankets, jackets, caps
- Inflatable mattresses and sleeping bags
- Bottled Water
- Batteries and Flashlights
- Books, games and puzzles
- Small toys
- Cleaning supplies, paper towels
- Walmart Gift Cards
- Monetary Donations
- NO Clothing at this time, please.

Tornado
RELIEF
EFFORTS

Items may be dropped off at Vienna City Hall, 203 W. Cotton Street, Vienna, GA; Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Thank you!

Dooly County BOE Members Take Oath of Office



L – R: Ms. Katrese Taylor, Ms. Wanda Parker-Jackson, Mr. Michael Bowens, Mr. Cory Jones, Mr. Tommy Mason are charged with the Oath of Office for the Dooly County Board of Education by Judge Rooney Bowen, III. The event was held on Friday, January 13, 2017 in the Courtroom of the Dooly County Courthouse.
Photo by Tim Franzen



Vienna Mayor Hobby Stripling, Sr. introducing the Dooly County Board of Education Members.

Photo by Tim Franzen



L – R: Superintendent Ms. Celeta Thomas, Mr. Michael Bowens, Mr. Tommy Mason, Ms. Wanda Parker-Jackson, Mr. Cory Jones, Ms. Katrese Taylor, Representative Patty J. Bentley at the reception given in honor of the Dooly County Board of Education Members at the Dooly County High School on Friday, January 13, 2017.

Photo by Tim Franzen

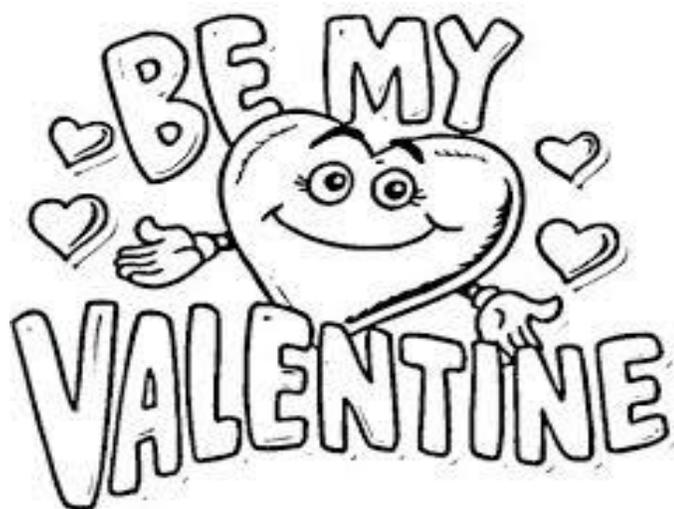
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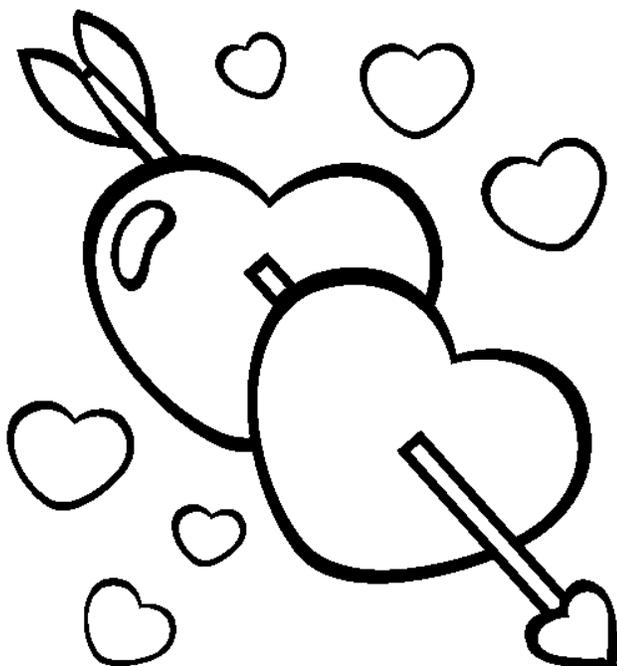
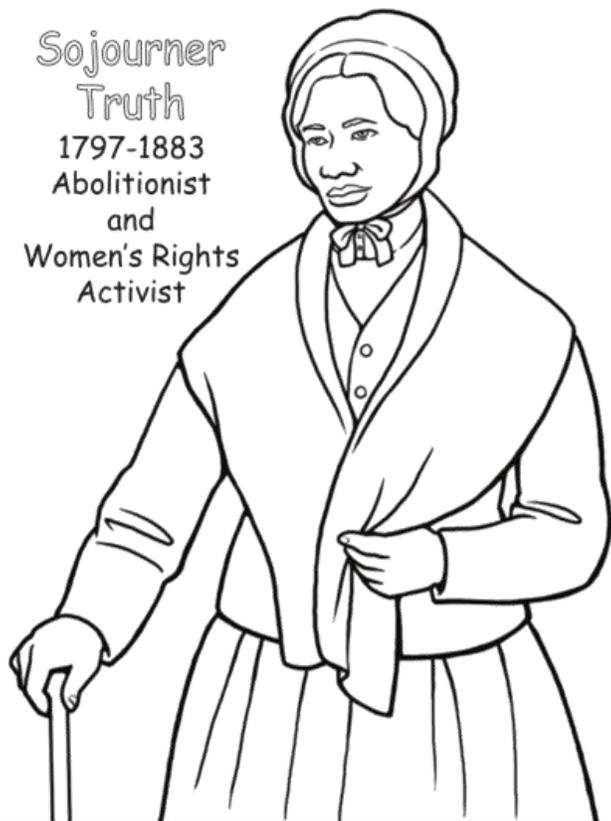
celebrate
BLACK
history **MONTH**

Booker T.
Washington
1856-1915

Educator
and
Founder of
Tuskegee
Institute



Sojourner
Truth
1797-1883
Abolitionist
and
Women's Rights
Activist





Dooly County High School News

New Semester Begins!

By Ms. Deborah Heckwolf



A new semester begins in Dooly County Schools! When a school system adopts the Block Schedule (four courses per semester for a total of eight course credits can be earned), the January to May semester can be compared to the first days of school in July as all personnel and students have new beginnings. Teachers returned in January to professional learning sessions before the return of students to be made aware of new and important educational trends affecting our students. These new beginnings provide the school system an opportunity to adjust programs and services for our students, and to continue our steady pace toward school improvement.

The school shared its “State of the School” progress report with parents, students, and stakeholders at a Spaghetti Supper held on January 12, 2017 in the school cafeteria. Mr. McCray, DCHS principal shared the mission and vision of the school, our test score results, EOC Georgia Milestones score report increases, along with our CTAE End of Course Pathway Assessments, the areas for improvement for our school, and how analysis of our data helps teachers and administrators make change to improve our student’s performance on tests and in courses.

Ms. Betty Jones, Assistant Principal, shared the progress on school environment factors and all were happy to celebrate the significant decreases in discipline events and referrals at the high school. Dr. Barbara Bryant happily informed the attendees that student participation in the school’s “Move on When Ready Program” is steadily increasing with positive results for students in achieving college credit while in high school.

FBLA REGION LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

The Dooly County High School Future Business Leaders of America competed at the FBLA Region Leadership Conference held at Southern Region Technical College, Moultrie, Georgia on Friday, January 13, 2017. Jaylin Davidson placed 5th in Impromptu Speaking; Allaysia Oliver placed 3rd in Sales Presentation; Quah'Ja Bullard placed in the top ten in Introduction to Business Communications. Quah'Ja Bullard will go on to compete at the state level in March. The DCHS FBLA is under the guidance of CTAE Director, Ms. Carolyn Brooks.



FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP HELD

Dr. Barbara Bryant hosted a Financial Aid Workshop and “How to Guide” for students and parents in preparing those all important financial applications for Federal Aid for postsecondary colleges. This service is just one other way that the faculty, staff, and administration of the school provides additional support for all students to become college and career ready before graduation.

Our Mission of Dooly County High School, in partnership with parents and the community, is to provide students with a rigorous, standards-based curriculum that will promote college and career readiness and foster productive citizenship. **Our Motto:** We Bring Our "A" Game!

~ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ~

February 7

Beth English, Mayor Pro-Tem



February 16
Raul Monreal

February 26
Michael Hardy



Limbs & Household Goods Pick Up Schedule

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

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



Vienna Main Street and Keep Vienna Beautiful want you to take an active role in your community. We are always in need for Citizens' to serve on our various committees.

We want the best for Vienna and could not do it without our Volunteers. Thank you to all of our present Volunteers for your continued dedication and participation. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, we would like to hear from you!

If you would like to serve, please contact Larista Thompson, (229) 268-4921.

NOTICE!

Recycling Bins are located in the parking lot of Home Run Recycling, 838 Shiloh Rd., (south 7th Street) Vienna, Georgia. Cardboard, Aluminum and Glass are accepted at this location.

Please do **NOT** put normal household garbage in our recycling bins!

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

Save the Date!



February 25, 2017

GBA BBQ Cook-off!

FAMILY FUN EVENT!

Call the Dooly County Chamber
of Commerce for more
information: (229) 268-8275



Don't Be A Litter Bug



Help Keep Your
Community Clean



203 West Cotton Street
 P O Box 436
 Vienna, Georgia 31092
www.cityofvienna.org

(229) 268-4744 City Hall

(229) 268-6172 Fax

Elected Officials

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covanimalcontrol@gmail.com Phone: (229) 805-3652

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Nathan Jordan – Superintendent nathan.jordan@cityofvienna.org
Jeffrey Priest – Assistant Superintendent vienna.gas@cityofvienna.org

Vienna Police Department Phone: (229) 268-7033

In an emergency, please call 911.

Cozie Ray – Police Chief
Jeri Williams – Admin. Assistant / Municipal Court Clerk
vienna.police@cityofviennapd.org
Michelle Lawson – Municipal Court Deputy Clerk
michelle.lawson@cityofvienna.org
Velvet S. Layfield – Animal Control Officer
covanimalcontrol@gmail.com Phone: (229) 805-3652

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department

In case of fire, please call 911.

Michael Causey – Fire Chief
Phillip Warren – Assistant Fire Chief
viennafire1902@gmail.com

**February 2017
 Calendar of City Meetings**

(Dates & Times are Subject to Change)

February 2

6:00 p.m. ~ Vienna Event Planning Committee Meeting
 Vienna City Hall – Council Chambers

February 9

6:00 p.m.
 Dooly County Chamber Annual Dinner
 Unadilla City Hall Annex
 Call (229) 268-8275 for reservations.



February 13

6:00 p.m. ~ City Council Meeting
 Vienna City Hall – Council Chambers

February 14

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!



February 22

Keep Vienna Beautiful Commission Meeting
 12:00 Noon ~ Location to be determined.



February 24

Keith Mumphrey Day
 Dooly Co. Schools

February 25



DILLY DALLY IN DOOLY
 GBA BBQ Competition
 Big Pig Jig Site



February 27

6:00 p.m. - City Council Meeting
 6:30 p.m. - Community Planning Session
 Vienna City Hall – Council Chambers

You're Invited to a FREE Seminar on
HYPERTENSION

Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

S. Trussell Medical Center

1212 E. Union Street, Vienna, GA

Presenter: Monica Lancaster-Moon, PA

Facts and
Myths!

This seminar is free but space is limited!
Call (229) 268-8865 to register
by 12 noon on February 14th!

Tips for
managing your
blood pressure!

S. Trussell Medical Center is an
entity of Albany Area Primary Health Care, Inc.



**Black History
Month Trivia
Quiz**

1. What year did President Ronald Reagan sign the bill that established January 20 as a federal holiday in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.?
2. What is Mae C. Jemison's claim to fame?
3. Which U. S. President signed the Civil Rights Act of 1964?
4. Who was the first African-American to win a Pulitzer Prize?
5. In what city did Jesse Owens win four Olympic gold medals?



1. 1983
2. She was the 1st African-American woman in space.
3. Lyndon B. Johnson
4. Gwendolyn Brooks
5. Berlin, Germany

Trivia Answers:



Recycle Your Printer Cartridges

Keep Vienna Beautiful is sponsoring a recycling drive for laser jet and inkjet cartridges; old cell phones and small electronics. Please drop off your items at the Keep Vienna Beautiful office at Vienna City Hall. There is a box provided for your convenience. Thank You!



Crisp Area Habitat for Humanity Launches its "Sheriff Van Peavy Memorial Home Build"

Crisp Area Habitat for Humanity has launched its "Sheriff Van Peavy Memorial Home Build" capital fundraising campaign. The goal is to raise \$50,000 to offset the costs for building a handicapped accessible home for William and Laura Grace and their disabled son, Nicholas. Nicholas, who is wheelchair bound, has limited use of his arms and legs. Everyday activities for him are limited to a small area. Taking a bath, washing his hands, and going in and out of the house is a major task. Help us build a new, handicapped accessible home for the Grace family. To help build the Grace Family home and renovate the Grant Family home, \$50,000 must be raised by March 31, 2017.

You may mail your tax deductible contribution to Crisp Area Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 1191, Cordele, GA 31010. If any additional information is needed, please contact Bambie Hayes, Executive Director at (229) 271-8000 or email her at crispareaahabitat@bellsouth.net. You may also make a contribution to Crisp Area Habitat for Humanity via PayPal to crispareaahabitat@bellsouth.net.



Housing partners in God's love

**be active
be empowered**

Join us...

Wednesday, March 1
6 - 7 p.m.
Bethel Baptist Church
110 East Pine St. • Vienna, Ga.



Our family-oriented classes
can empower you to manage
your health **better.**

1-hour Adult Wellness Management Class

6 - 6:30 p.m. **Wellness/Prevention Topics**
Our registered dietitians will teach you how to:

- Manage your weight
- Choose the best foods and meal plans for:
 - Diabetes
 - High Blood Pressure
 - High Cholesterol
 - High Triglycerides
- Count carbohydrates/read food labels
- Access additional resources available at Phoebe Sumter to help manage your health

6:30 - 7 p.m. **Low Impact Exercise for beginners**
Learn exercises you can continue to use at home.

1-hour Pediatric Weight Management Class

Designed for kids 8 – 14 years of age, this program offers fun-filled physical activity and education to help prevent/combat obesity and encourage healthy lifestyle habits:

- Eat right - make half your plate fruits & veggies
- Be active - enjoy fun physical activity daily
- Drink more water & less sugary drinks
- Limit screen time (TV and hand-held devices)

Please wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes – and don't forget to bring a water bottle.

A bad attitude
is like a flat tire.
You can't go
anywhere
until you change it.

Plan a Day-Trip along the Georgia Grown Trail 41



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Sign Up Today!

Classes are free and open to the public.
To register, email khicks@phoebesumter.org or call:

229-931-1226



City of Vienna's Veterans Memorial Brick Program

Sponsored by Vienna Main Street

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We as a community want to say thank you to all who serve and have served our community and nation. This memorial honors all veterans of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy, and POW/MIA's.

This Veterans Memorial will be located in the northwest section of the Vienna City Cemetery. A granite monument will be erected with etchings of all branches of service as well as the United States Flag.

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Please support our service members by ordering a personalized brick that will be installed around the memorial or you may simply make a donation.

Brick Options

- ★ **4x8 Bricks**
- 3 lines of 18 character personalization
 - Graphic available on the Left or Right side with a 3 line, 10 character/line limit (includes spaces and punctuation)



Replica Bricks
 Want to own a piece of the project and display it in your home or office? These replica bricks have rubber feet on the bottom for safe display on a desk or table!



Ordering Process

For your convenience, attached to this brochure is an order form. Fill out the attached portion and drop off at or mail to:

Vienna Main Street, Inc.
 P.O. Box 436
 203 W. Cotton Street
 Vienna, GA 31092
 OR

To order online, please visit:
thatsmybrick.com/VIENNAGA

For questions, please contact
 Larista Thompson,
 Vienna Main Street
 (229) 268-4921
larista.thompson@cityofvienna.org

Order Form

- 4x8 (\$50)
 4x8 Replica (\$50)

*NOTE Replica Pricing includes direct delivery to your home or office

CHARACTER LIMITS	Without Graphic	With Graphic
4x8	3 lines of 18	3 lines of 10

Name: _____
 Company: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____

Graphic: _____ Location: (L or R) _____

- Payment type:** Cash, Check, Money Order
- Make checks out to: Vienna Main Street, Inc.
 - Order online to pay by credit card.

Return this form to:
Vienna Main Street, Inc.
 P.O. Box 436
 203 W. Cotton Street
 Vienna, GA 31092

DONATION TOTAL



Would you like to share your favorite recipe with us? If so, please submit your recipe, either printed legibly or typed to:

Vienna Main Street Attn: Recipes
P O Box 436
Vienna, GA 31092

Your recipe may be chosen to be featured in our City Scoop Newsletter!



Quiche Lorraine

Submitted by: Larista Thompson

Ingredients:

- 1/2 (14.1-ounce) package refrigerated piecrusts
- 1-pound bacon, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 1/4 cup green onions, chopped
- 8 ounces Sharp Cheddar cheese, grated and divided
- 6 large eggs, beaten
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 teaspoon table salt
- Dash of ground red pepper
- Dash of white pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Preparation:

Preheat oven to 425°. Fit piecrust into a 9-inch pie plate; fold edges under, and crimp. Prick bottom and sides of crust with a fork; bake 6 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Reduce oven temperature to 350°. Cool piecrust on a wire rack with preparing filling.

Cook bacon in a large skillet over medium heat, stirring often, 7 to 8 minutes or until crispy; drain on paper towels. Sprinkle bacon over bottom of pie shell. Sprinkle green onions over bacon; sprinkle half of Swiss cheese over onions.

Whisk together beaten eggs and next 5 ingredients. Carefully pour egg mixture over cheese. Sprinkle remaining cheese over egg mixture.

Bake at 350° for 35 to 40 minutes or until lightly browned and set in middle. Cool 15 minutes before serving.



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