

Celebrating 175 Years!



City Scoop

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



Happy Thanksgiving!

from the City of Vienna



A Note from the Mayor

The ten months that I've been in office as the Mayor of the City of Vienna has gone by quickly with lots of activities. A big THANK YOU to everyone who made these activities a success.

The BIG PIG JIG®, our premier barbeque cooking championship, is almost here, November 4th and 5th. Please make plans to attend and bring your friends.

I look forward to seeing you there!



Hobby

BIG PIG JIG® PARADE

A very special **THANK YOU** to all those who participated in our BIG PIG JIG® Parade this year! We had over 50 entries in the parade.

The Veterans Grand Marshal Float won 1st place, the 2nd place winner was the City of Unadilla's entry featuring "Breast Cancer Awareness" and honorable mention was given to the City of Vienna for their 175th Anniversary Celebration float.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped line-up the parade entries as well as the City of Vienna Public Works Department and the City of Vienna Police Department for their assistance.

It was a great parade! Don't miss it next year!

Vienna City Hall will be **Closed**
Friday, November 11th

In Observance of
Veterans Day.



Vienna City Hall will be **Closed**
Thursday and Friday,

November 24th – 25th

For Thanksgiving.





Local Church News



Mt. Zion CME Church Presents their Annual Ruby C. Mayfield Memorial Friendship Tea

Submitted by Rev. Moneka Braswell, Pastor

The members of Mt. Zion C.M.E. Church will present their annual Ruby C. Mayfield Memorial Friendship Tea on Sunday, November 6, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Drop in for Tea" with the focus scripture: ". . . but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" from Romans 8:6.

Please wear the head covering (hat) of your choice. Prizes will be awarded for the Best in Show, Heritage Minded (old fashioned), Way Out There (most creative), Sportsmanship and more.

Please join us for an afternoon of fine arts and fine food but above all – fine fellowship in the name of Jesus.



Mt. Zion C.M.E. Church

118 E. Pine Street
Vienna, Georgia



Local Outreach Center to Host Thanksgiving Meal on November 12

Submitted by Bishop Arthur West

The Evangelistic Tabernacle Family Outreach Center in Vienna, Georgia will host their 3rd Annual Community Thanksgiving Meal on Saturday, November 12, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. This community project is geared toward the elderly and disabled residents of Dooly County and the surrounding counties if the resources are available to ensure that they receive a traditional Thanksgiving meal. Our projected goal is to serve at least 150 people, but with the help of our local community, we hope to increase this number as it will be an ongoing community project.

For more information on how you can be involved in this community outreach, please call Bishop Arthur West at (229) 268-1927 or (229) 947-8988.

Evangelistic Tabernacle Family Outreach Center
P O Box 15, Pimento Street, Vienna, Georgia

COMMUNITY CHOIR REHEARSALS

Tuesday, November 8th

7:00 p.m.

VIENNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FELLOWSHIP HALL
CHURCH STREET, VIENNA, GA



Tuesday, November 22nd

7:00 p.m.

NEW BIRTH TABERNACLE CHURCH
WOODWARD STREET
VIENNA, GA



Bobcat Pride Shown During Homecoming Festivities

By Ms. Deborah Heckwolf



We're so glad that the community showed their "Bobcat Pride" during Dooly County High School festivities during Homecoming, 2016 with spirit activities for students, the annual parade, and pep rally along with our tailgate at "The Grove" before the game, culminating in the announcement of Homecoming Queen, Akira Mathis, and Homecoming King, Andre Robinson. We appreciate and acknowledge all our alumni who supported their alma mater during our spirit events, and at the game.

The school continues to move forward in providing programs focused on student needs through the good work from the Counseling Department, led by Dr. Barbara Bryant, who conducted a "Move on When Ready" workshop for parents to become familiar with new opportunities to gain college credit while in high school. Dr. Bryant and students, who are now enrolled in courses through Middle Georgia Technical College, visited the main campus, and are gearing up to earn credits in College Algebra and College English on site at DCHS, beginning January, 2016. Along with these activities, a motivational program sponsored by Herff Jones, "Believe in You. Graduate" was held September 16th where all 9th graders signed a pledge to graduate on time with their class.

To finish the month of October, Red Ribbon Week, was opened on October 24th with a proclamation read to all students by Mayor Hobby Stripling that will kick off daily activities at the high school encouraging students to remember "You Only Live Once-YOLO", and to stay drug free.

We continue to focus on academic improvement maintaining high enrollment in "Every Teacher a Tutor" on Wednesdays, and are now providing Saturday School sessions from 9:00 to 11:30 am for those courses with state mandated testing along with tutoring focused on English on Tuesdays & Thursdays. Mr. Fabrian Rankine, Math Department Chair, has worked with students building a Math Team to begin preparation for Math competitions, with their first warm-up event to be held at the school focusing on the "fun" in Math.

To reward those students who choose to do the right things at school, a Student of the Month program has been implemented and students rewarded in September were: 9th Grader-Quah'ja Bullard, 10th grader - Dianna Lopez, 11th grader - Jordan White, 12th grader - ShaLandra Oates. Students of the Month for October were: 9th Grader-Chamarley King, 10th Grader-Audelia Villa-Garcia, 11th Grader-Amber Lundy, and 12th Grader-Kayla March. Students are nominated and selected by classroom teachers based on the following qualifications: character, class attendance, classroom participation, leadership/responsibility, involvement in extracurricular activities, school spirit, academics, good work ethic, and discipline.

The next Stakeholder Exchange Meeting will be held at the high school November 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm to begin a continued and positive community dialogue of ideas on how the school can continue to improve services to meet the needs of our students, parents, and stakeholders. We encourage caring and concerned citizens to participate in a positive dialogue on how we can, as a community that cares, bring improvement that matters to Dooly County schools.

Great things are happening at Dooly County High School where "We Bring our A-Game" each and every day. To the community members who have participated in our school events, we appreciate your continued support and encouragement, and look forward to seeing you as we continue to work together.



“Happiness isn't something you experience; it's something you remember.”

– Oscar Levant

~ HAPPY BIRTHDAY ~



November 8
Cessil Rogers

November 14
Velvet Layfield



FREE YARD DEBRIS PICK UP DATES ANNOUNCED

The City of Vienna will provide **free** yard debris pick up from **November 7th** to **November 18th**, 2016.

You will need to place your limbs and yard clippings at the curb for pick-up.

Thank you!

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.



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.



PLEASE DON'T LITTER

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!

Recycle Your Printer Cartridges, Etc.

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!





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**DOSQUICENTENNIAL ORNAMENTS
AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

These ornaments would make great Christmas gifts! Stop by Vienna City Hall to purchase yours today. They are \$12.00 each.



November 2016

City Calendar

(Dates & Times are Subject to Change)



November 4 & 5 – BIG PIG JIG®

BIG PIG JIG® VILLAGE

November 10 – Thursday, 11:00 a.m.

Veteran's Day Observance



November 11, Veterans Day

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED

November 14 – Monday, 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meeting

City Hall, Council Chambers



November 24 – 25 Thanksgiving Holidays

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED



November 28 – Monday, 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meeting

City Hall, Council Chambers





Dosquicentennial News

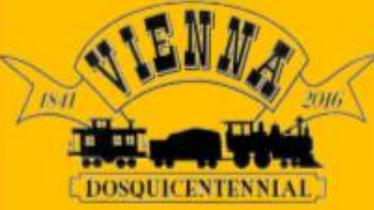
Stay Up-to-date on the City of Vienna's 175th Birthday Happenings!



Historic



175 Years
1841 - 2016




A Day in the History of the City of Vienna . . .

Dr. Napoleon Williams was born on November 24, 1919. Dr. Williams served as administrator at Vienna High School and also served on Vienna City Council. In 1976, he was named a Distinguished Citizen due in part to his willingness and commitment to Vienna.

Pig Pumpkins in the Downtown Square

Congratulations to Evelyn Ramsey
Winner of our Pig Pumpkin
Decorating Contest



Thanks to Judy Joiner & Doris Ann Scarborough for the "pig family" that has taken up residence in the downtown square.

Upcoming Dosquicentennial Events

November 2
*Wear Your BPJ T-Shirt Day
Hot Dog Lunch in the
Downtown Square*

November 4
*35th Annual BIG PIG JIG®
Opening Ceremonies
6:00 p.m. – BPJ Stage*

November 4 – 5
*35th Annual BIG PIG JIG®
"Piggin' Alive"*

November 10
*Veterans Day Observance
11:00 a.m.
Downtown Square*

THE 35TH ANNUAL
BIG PIG JIG®
NOVEMBER 4-5 - 350 PIG JIG BLVD - VIENNA, GA

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Times may vary slightly for stage entertainment.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

*Gates open at 5:00 p.m. – Admission: \$10.00
Food Vendors, Children's Activities, Arts/Crafts*

- 6:00 p.m. – Opening Ceremony – **BIG PIG JIG® Stage**
- 6:30 p.m. – Renegade
- 8:30 p.m. – Dwayne Dopsie and the Zydeco Hellraisers
- 10:30 p.m. – **CONCERT – THE KENTUCKY HEADHUNTERS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

*Gates open at 10:00 a.m.
Admission: \$5.00 - 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
\$10.00 after 3:00 p.m.
Food Vendors, Children's Activities, Arts/Crafts*

- 10:00 a.m. – BBQ Judging Begins
- 2:00 p.m. – **TASTE OF THE JIG**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - CONTINUED

On the BIG PIG JIG® Stage

- 10:30 a.m. – Empire Dance Studio
- 11:15 a.m. – Madeline
- 12:00 noon – Reese & Roland Reed
- 12:45 p.m. – Maci Lawhorne
- 1:30 p.m. – Kayla Black Ansley
- 2:15 p.m. – Donna Stripling & Chris Sercer
- 3:00 p.m. – Gracie Chadwick
- 3:30 p.m. – Carla Penney
- 4:30 p.m. – Renegade
- 6:30 p.m. – Raffle Ticket Drawings
Papa's Little Cooker, Flint Humane Society, The Reason
- 7:00 p.m. – Contest Winners Announced
- 8:00 p.m. – Brandon Wheeler
- 9:00 p.m. – **CONCERT – LUKE MARTIN**



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