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Dates to Remember

March 8, 2018
Montravius Adams Day

March 10, 2018
Montravius Adams
Kickball & Softball Play Date

March 11, 2018
Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 12, 2018
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

March 16-31, 2018
City Wide Clean-up

March 17, 2018
St. Patrick's Day

March 20, 2018
First Day of Spring

March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday

March 26, 2018
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

March 30, 2018
Good Friday

Montravius Adams Day Community Program & Reception

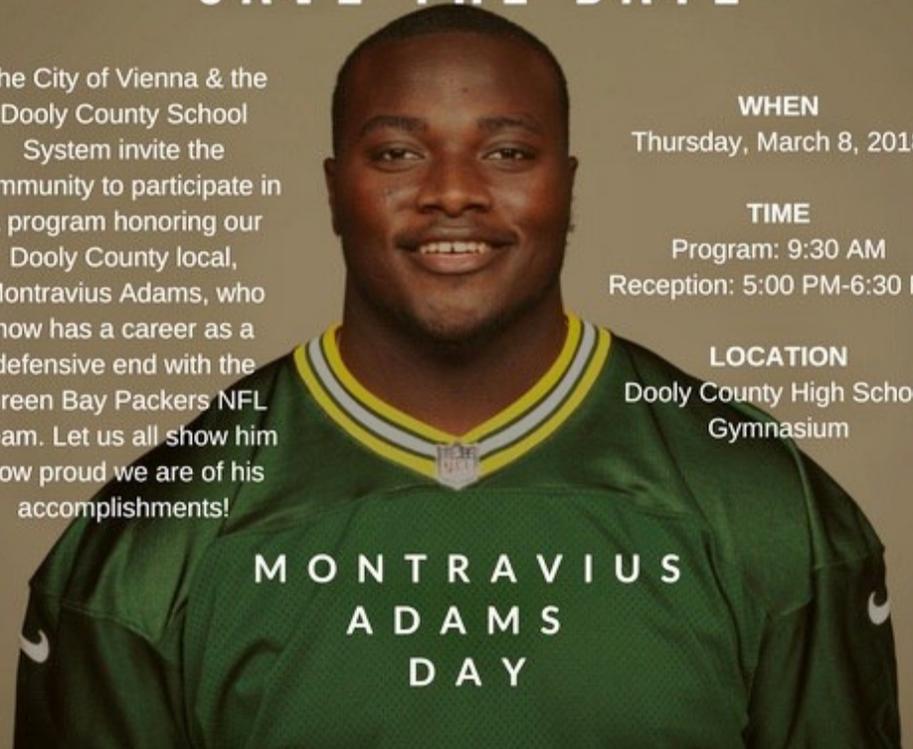
SAVE THE DATE

The City of Vienna & the Dooly County School System invite the community to participate in a program honoring our Dooly County local, Montravius Adams, who now has a career as a defensive end with the Green Bay Packers NFL Team. Let us all show him how proud we are of his accomplishments!

WHEN
Thursday, March 8, 2018

TIME
Program: 9:30 AM
Reception: 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

LOCATION
Dooly County High School
Gymnasium



AND

MONTRAVIUS ADAMS

Kickball & Softball Day
Saturday, March 10

More details
on Page 2!



MONTRAVIUS ADAMS

Kickball & Softball
Play Date

**Montravius Adams invites you to join him for
a Kickball & Softball Play Date on March 10,
2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Dooly County
Recreation Baseball Field.**

For all ages, and 10 people per team!

Food to refuel participants is priced at \$1.00



**Each winning
team receives a
\$1,000.00 prize!**

State Redesignates the City of Vienna as PlanFirst Community



The Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) recently announced the City of Vienna has received statewide distinction in a program recognizing excellence in community planning. The City was originally designated as a PlanFirst Community in 2015 and was eligible for redesignation this year. Vienna is one of only four communities in the State of Georgia to receive redesignation as a PlanFirst Community. The other 3 redesignated communities are Braselton, Woodstock, and Jones County. Vienna, along with the other three redesignated communities and the nine new designees were recognized at a ceremony at the State Capitol on February 6, 2018.

The distinction acknowledges communities that have a proven track record of implementing their plan and a history of good plan development. These communities are representative of the variety of local governments across the state – urban and rural, large and small, cities, counties.

“We are honored to recognize these communities for their comprehensive planning and consistent use of their planning strategies,” said DCA Director of the Office of Planning & Environmental Management Brian Johnson. “It is fundamental for sound economic development and enhanced quality of life for residents. DCA values their commitment to planning at the local level.”

The PlanFirst communities are required to address four primary program criteria focused on having a proven record of plan implementation success: goals, leadership, community participation, and implementation. The designation will last for three years, beginning January 1, 2018, and enables these communities to take advantage of various incentives that include public visibility, eligibility for funding, and reduced interest rates on certain DCA and Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) programs.

“It is becoming increasingly apparent that more governments than ever are using their plans to move their communities forward. A fully thought-out plan, with ambitious yet achievable goals, is extremely important in steering a community into a prosperous future,” added DCA Planning Outreach Coordinator Adriane Wood. “The PlanFirst program recognizes those communities and rewards them for shaping their own futures together.”





Keep Vienna Beautiful
CITY-WIDE CLEANUP
March 16 - 31, 2018

City-Wide **2018** Clean-Up

ALL ABOARD 

LET'S MAKE VIENNA
"CLEAN AS A WHISTLE"

JOIN THE GREAT VIENNA CLEAN-UP,
MARCH 16-31, AND HAVE VIENNA
"CLEAN AS A WHISTLE" BY EASTER
SUNDAY ON APRIL 1!

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT VIENNA
CITY HALL: 229-268-4744



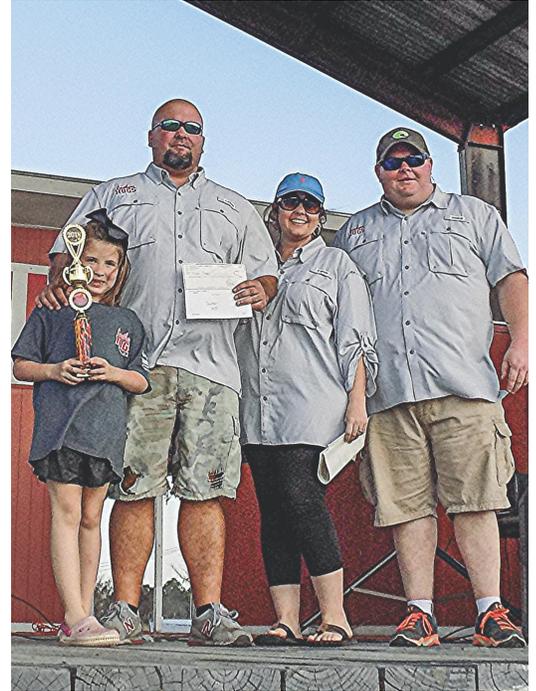
Keep
our community
Vienna
Beautiful
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

Please have all pickup items ready by March 30.
Items for pickup include yard debris, furniture, etc.
Does NOT include tires

Dilly Dally in Dooly



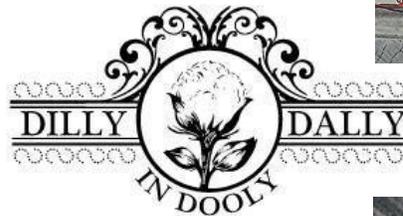
Grand Champion - Weekend Warriors Cooking Team



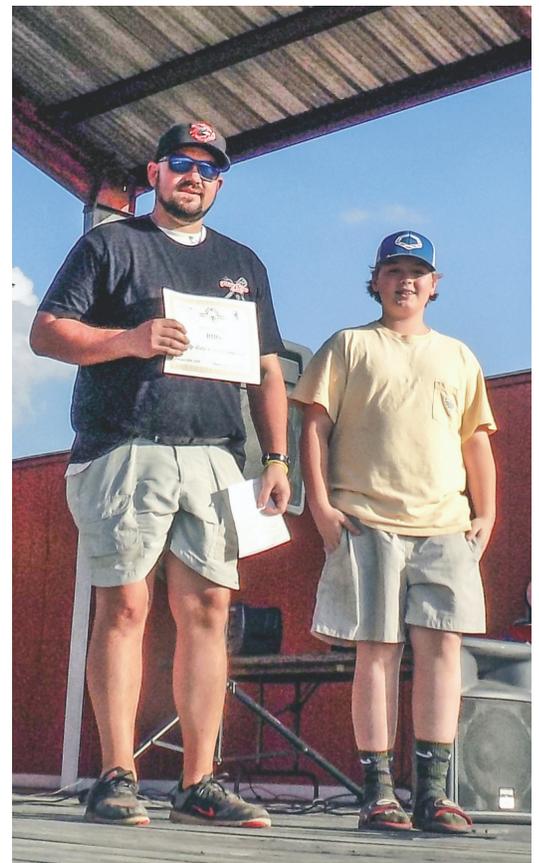
Reserve Grand Champion-
Southern Hogs



Local cooking team - EZ Que



National Barbecue Association Representatives



Flint River Cookers

EASTER BOSTON BUTT SALE

TICKET COST
\$30

PREPARED BY
8 BMB Grill Team

PICKUP LOCATION
Vienna City Park

PICKUP DATE
Saturday, March 31
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Deadline to purchase tickets is Monday, March 26

The City of Vienna is hosting an Easter Boston Butt Sale Fundraiser to raise funds for StreetSounds wireless sound system for the Vienna City Park. This sound system will be used to play music in the park to uplift the community and potentially enhance the economic development of Vienna, Georgia.

To purchase tickets, please come see Staley Bell or Janet Joiner at Vienna City Hall at 203 West Cotton Street, Vienna, Georgia.

Vienna Garden Club Plants Trees for Georgia Arbor Day

Garden club members Beverly Dail, Carol Bradley, Charlotte Vestal, Elaine Johnson, Marsha Mulderig, and Murray Stephens are shown below planting trees around Vienna. This year is the 90th anniversary of the Garden Clubs of Georgia.



Busbee Park

Anthony Bowens Park



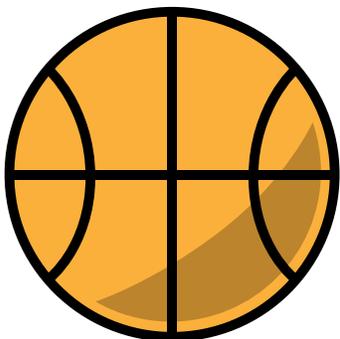
Library

Read Across America Dr. Seuss Week Dooly County Elementary



Members of the community, including City of Vienna employees, enjoyed reading to students at Dooly County Elementary School for Read Across America Week 2018. The program was coordinated by Amanda Oneal-Neisent with Dooly County Family Connections.

Congratulations to the Fullington Academy Lady Trojans on winning the Girls Basketball State Championship!





Days & Hours of Operation:



**Wednesday - Friday: 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p. m.
and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.**

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

**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

Fruits of Vienna Bed & Breakfast Upcoming Dining



Spring Dinner Thursday, March 22

Menu

- Devil eggs as appetizer
- Vegetable soup
- Salad with shallot, feta and dill
- Mediterranean chicken
- Almond parfait

Easter Brunch Sunday, April 1 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

- Eggs, cheeses, meats and bacon, fresh made bread, chocolate, different pies and tortes, chicken dishes, Easter salad, glazed ham, rolls, fruits,

Recipe

Lemon-Garlic Shrimp and Grits

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 15 minutes Servings: 4

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup instant grits
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 1/4 pounds medium shrimp, peeled and deveined, tails intact
- 2 large cloves garlic, minced
- Pinch of cayenne pepper (optional)
- Juice of 1/2 lemon, plus wedges for serving
- 2 tablespoons roughly chopped fresh parsley



Directions:

Bring 3 cups of water to a boil in a medium saucepan over high heat, covered. Uncover and slowly whisk in the grits, 1 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Reduce the heat to medium low and cook, stirring occasionally, until thickened, about 5 minutes. Stir in the parmesan and 1 tablespoon butter. Remove from the heat and season with salt and pepper. Cover to keep warm.

Meanwhile, season the shrimp with salt and pepper. Melt the remaining 2 tablespoons butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the shrimp, garlic and cayenne, if using, and cook, tossing, until the shrimp are pink, 3 to 4 minutes. Remove from the heat and add 2 tablespoons water, the lemon juice and parsley; stir to coat the shrimp with the sauce and season with salt and pepper.

Divide the grits among shallow bowls and top with the shrimp and sauce. Serve with lemon wedges.

Joiner's Corner



Causey's Service Station – A Tank Full of Memories by Neil Joiner



John Randolph Causey opened a Gulf station in Vienna, Georgia, in 1918. It was on State Route 7, a busy highway that later became part of U.S. 41. He also became a distributor for Gulf Oil Company, his territory covering the southern half of Dooly County.

His grandson, John Causey, has a round metal Gulf sign from that first year in business. His grandfather had put it up in the nearby town of Lilly at Mr. Clay Ingram's store. When the store closed the sign came back to Causey's Service Station. On November 30, 2017, John sold the station, but he didn't sell the sign. He took it on a short ride north to his home.

John grew up working at the station for his father, George Causey. Longtime employee Willard Satterfield taught him how to drive. John would often go with Willard to deliver fuel to stores and farms. Outside of town they would swap places. He learned to drive behind the steering wheel of a tanker truck, a highly unusual but apparently successful approach.

John's wife, Lady, has also spent most of her work life at the station. They could have stayed on a little longer and made it an even 100 years for the location, but with a buyer in hand they decided 99 was close enough. John was a baby when he first went there. That was 79 years ago.

The Vienna of John's youth was bustling with people and businesses. Right next door to Causey's Service Station was the Vienna Hotel, a three-story inn with a restaurant and gift shop. The hotel burned in 1953 and wasn't rebuilt. Maybe they had heard some crazy talk of plans for a four-lane highway, a road without traffic lights that would bypass the downtowns of rural Georgia.

John's father, George Causey, opened his own station on Cotton Street in 1924. He was 17 years old and not long out of high school, after which he had taken a six-month business course. In 1958 he closed that station and built a new one on the original U.S 41 site. That's the one that was recently sold. Vienna had numerous stations and stores in 1958, plus banks, gins, and assorted businesses. There wasn't much reason to shop out of town. The streets were often packed, especially on Saturdays.

In John's childhood there was a grist mill in town and a livery stable. Mule drawn wagons were still common. Folks would park at the stable, then go by one of the general stores and leave a list of supplies. They would visit on the streets, take in a show at the movie theatre, then go back and pick up their groceries. Their simple routine makes me think that progress may be a bit overrated.

John made fuel deliveries to country places like Calhoun's Store. Mr. Bivins Calhoun sold groceries, hardware, hand tools, and fuel, plus had a dealership for Oliver tractors. His cotton gin was just across the road. One-stop shopping has been around for a long time. The superstores have just wrapped it in fancier packaging.

In 1958 John and Lady got married. I'm guessing that brand-new Gulf station helped clinch the deal. John was paid \$37.50 per week by his father. That was the exact amount of their monthly rent for a small apartment. Lady soon began working at Citizens Bank as secretary to the president, Mr. Grady Williamson. With a two-income household, they began thinking about becoming home owners.

In 1960 they bought a house on Sixth Street. They paid \$6000 and financed it for 12 years with payments of \$45. John wasn't sure where they would get an extra \$7.50 per month, but they found enough money for the house plus two small additions named Michael and Wynn.

Four generations of Causeys have worked at the station, the last one being John and Lady's son, Michael. But the station isn't the only common thread that runs deep in their family. Their continuous history with the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department preceded the station and is still going.

John's grandfather served as fire chief from 1908 to 1925. Their family has been pulling those big hoses ever since. Michael is the current chief and has been since 2008. I doubt there's been a fire in Vienna in the last 110 years that hasn't had at least one Causey helping put it out.

Someone said, "The more things change, the more they remain the same." I'm not sure I know what that means, but I'm thinking it's probably true. There's one thing that I do know. John Causey's years at the family station left him with a tank full of memories. I see now why he kept that big orange Gulf sign. It came home when he did. There's no doubt that's where it belongs.

RECYCLE, REUSE, REPURPOSE, OR DONATE



Spring is in the Air -
Let's Keep it Green

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".

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!

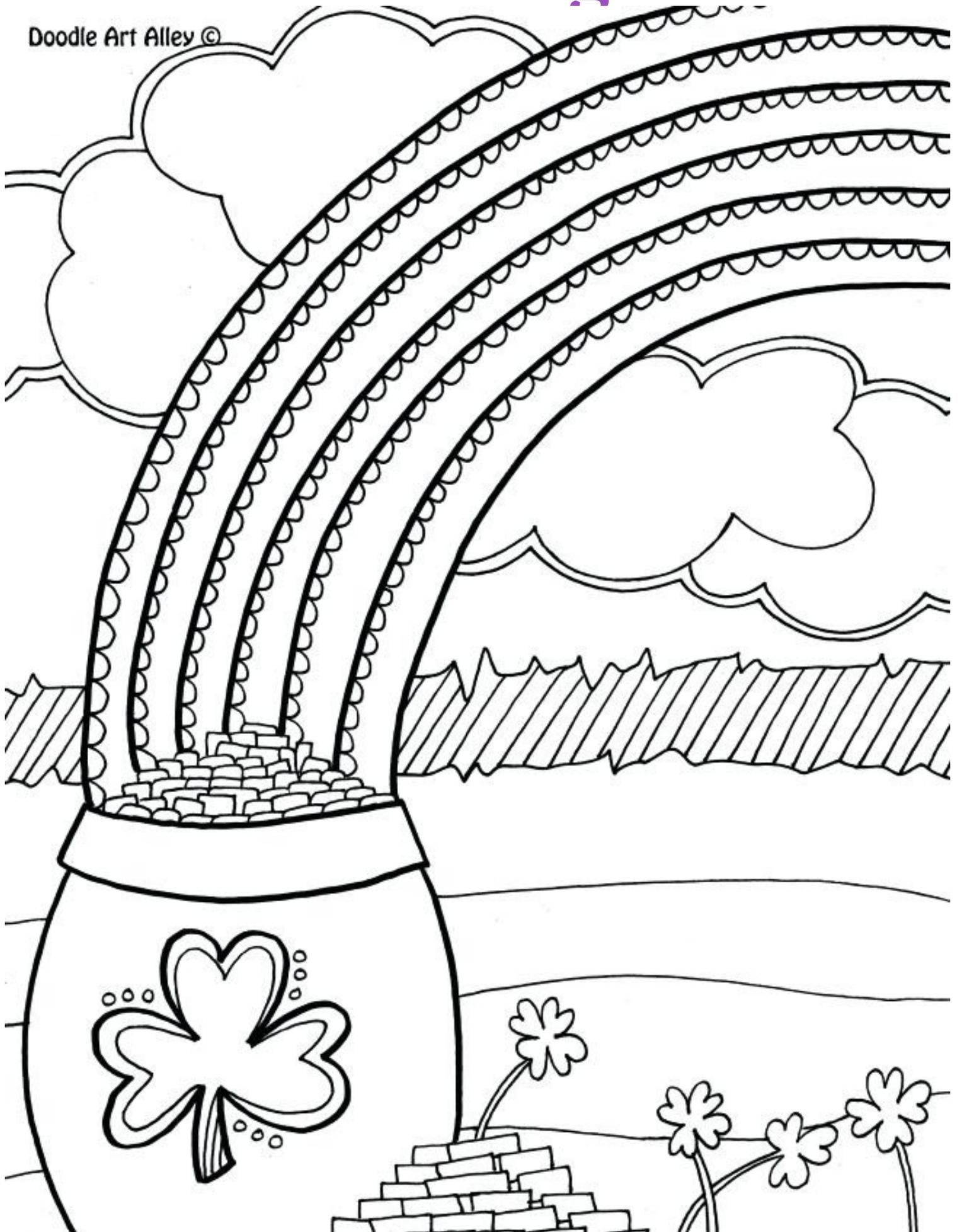


City Wide
Cleanup

March 16 - 31

Kid's Page

Doodle Art Alley ©





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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.



March Birthdays

- March 3 - Hansell Vonier IV
- March 15 - Cozie Ray
- March 19 - Michael Bowens
- March 25 - Margaret Shelley

Elected Officials

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Michael Causey, Fire Chief

Phillip Warren, Assistant Fire Chief



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