



City Scoop

September
2018

Dates to Remember

September 3, 2018
Labor Day
City Hall Closed

September 10, 2018
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

September 24, 2018
City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m.

September 25, 2018
National Voters'
Registration Day
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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The City of Vienna Says Cheese to Celebrate #CityHallSelfie Day on August 15, 2018!



VIENNA CITY HALL



CITY HALL SELFIE DAY

Vienna Historic Preservation Commission Donates History Books

By Janet Joiner

The Vienna Historic Preservation Commission recently came into possession of four Georgia history books through Ex Officio Member Beth English who serves on the Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council.

A Journey of Faith and Community is the story of First Baptist Church of Augusta by Bruce T. Gourley, an historian, author, speaker, and award-winning photographer;
Restoring Lost Times by Anna Colquitt Hunter, a newspaper editor, noted artist, and early leader in Savannah's historic preservation movement;
The Weeping Time is a collection of memories of the largest slave auction in American history by Anne C. Bailey, a writer, historian, and professor of History and Africana Studies at the State University of New York; and,
200 Years of Snellville History by James W. Cofer, Jr. who was commissioned by the Snellville Historical Society to author this first complete history of the city.

All four of these books have been nominated for the Award for Excellence in Documenting Georgia's History. The Georgia Historical Records Advisory Council established the outstanding Archives Awards Program in 2003 to recognize outstanding efforts in archives and records work in Georgia. By publicly recognizing excellent achievements, the Board strives to inspire others. The winner of this award will be announced in October.

The Vienna Historic Preservation Commission who supports the preservation of local, state, and national history has donated these books to the Dooly County Library.



On behalf of the Vienna Historic Preservation Commission, Janet Joiner presented Georgia History books to Pixie Shingler, Clerk at Dooly County Library.

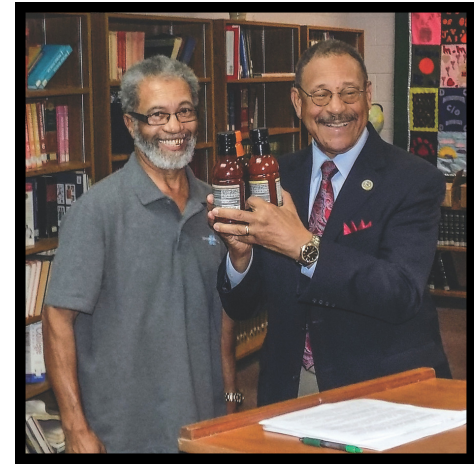
Congratulations to Congressman Sanford Bishop for being awarded the Spirit of Enterprise Award, presented by the Dooly County Chamber!



Mike Roper presents Congressman Bishop with the award. Photograph by Tim Franzen, News Observer Reporter



Vienna Mayor Hobby Stripling with Congressman Bishop. Photograph by Beth English.



Lurry Brown, Unadilla Councilman, presents Congressman Bishop with delicious BBQ sauce. Photograph by Tim Franzen, News Observer Reporter

Congratulations on the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Dooly County Family Connection Coordinator, Amnda O'Neal Neisent's new office in Vienna!

Photograph by Tim Franzen, News Observer Reporter



Phase II Downtown Sidewalk/Streetscape Project

Phase II of Vienna's Downtown Sidewalk/Streetscape Improvement Project is complete except for planting trees in the cutouts. The Georgia Department of Transportation's planting period for street trees is November through January. The City is planning to plant in November.

The sidewalk improvements enhance accessibility, make downtown more pedestrian friendly, and enrich the aesthetics of Vienna's historic downtown. Improvements made to portions of North 3rd Street and South 3rd Street consisted of new curb and gutter, new concrete walks with the stamped brick design to match other areas of downtown, 8 new pedestrian street lamps, and landscaping. The new areas also are handicap accessible and conform to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The project was funded with a Transportation Enhancement Grant awarded by the Georgia Department of Transportation. City officials wish to thank you for your patience during this time of inconvenience.



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**Dooly
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Wine**

**11:00 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
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August 30th at YouthBuild YES!Center

212 North 2nd Street, Cordele (The old Boys & Girls Club)

*Meetings will Be Held at
10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.*

You must attend ONE of these meetings to be considered for enrollment in the program.

Applicants under 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For More Information, call the number below.



Empowerment Pathways YouthBuild

Contact: Comelia Griffin, Johnathan Hobgood, or Cindy Rodgers
Office Number 229-276-1580



The Empowerment Pathways YouthBuild program is a training and educational development program. Applicants must exhibit a good attitude, and a serious desire to improve and change their lives. High work ethic standards and a willingness to learn are required qualifications for this program. Program goals include GED attainment, construction skills certification training, and placement in an institution of higher education or a permanent job. Participants are paid a stipend while enrolled in the program.

Managed by Southwest Georgia United Empowerment Zone, Inc.

Funding Provided by the US Department of Labor

EDUCATION and JOB TRAINING

THE MOVING WALL
VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL MOVING WALL



**Labor Day Weekend
Public Viewing August 31-
September 02
Georgia Veterans State Park**

Schedule of Events:

ESCORT OF WALL: Wednesday Aug 29, 2018, 4:00 pm. Military and Patriot Motorcycle Group Escort of the Vietnam Memorial Moving Wall through downtown Cordele and to GA Veterans State Park.

OPENING CEREMONY: Friday Aug 31, 2018, 10:00 am. Georgia Veterans State Park (\$5 Entry Fee) Limited seating, lawn chairs are welcomed. Flyover (weather permitting), 21 gun salute, guest speaker, dignitaries, and patriotic music.

CLOSING CEREMONY: Sunday Sep 02, 2018, 2:00 pm. Georgia Veterans State Park (\$5 Entry Fee) Limited seating, lawn chairs are welcomed.

Guest speaker, and patriotic music organized by First United Methodist Church of Cordele.

VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL: Friday Aug 31 through Sep 02, 2018 A half size replica of the Vietnam Memorial Wall will be available for viewing at Georgia Veterans State Park. There will also be static exhibits, VIP tent for those who lost love ones, Veterans support tent, vendors, and family activities.



Tim McCarthy, CSM, USA
(Ret) Guest Speaker

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Introducing New Dooly County High School Principal

By Deborah Heckwolf

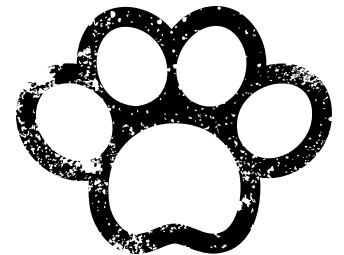
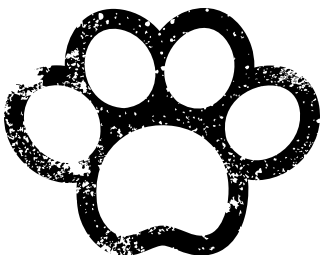
The new Dooly County High School principal is Timothy M. White, a native of Sumter County, GA. Mr. White earned his Bachelor of Business Administration-Organizational Management from Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, FL. Upon entering the education field from the retail sector, Mr. White became a classroom teacher in the Dougherty County School System. During his tenure in Dougherty County, he moved from the classroom to administration and served as an assistant basketball coach.

Mr. White later earned his Education Specialists in Educational Administration and Supervision degree. Mr. White served as assistant principal at Wayne County High School. Mr. White was given a vertical career opportunity and accepted an administrative position with Dooly County High School.

Mr. White has worked closely with the Dooly County central office staff to bring the “7 Mindsets” Program to all Dooly County students. The program embraces the idea that students, when they are emotionally self-aware, understand the meaning of team work, can develop those all-important “soft skills” employers seek upon graduation from high school.

With true support of the school’s mission, “Believe and Achieve”, Mr. White has introduced students to a motivational message each and every morning. This poem, that starts the day at the high school, has touched many of our students with a new understanding of the importance of their individual goals and dreams.

*Did you hear about the rose that grew from a crack in the concrete?
Proving nature’s law is wrong it learned to walk without feet.
Funny it seems, but by keeping its dreams
It learned to breathe fresh air.
Long live the rose that grew from the concrete
When no one else ever cared.*



First Stakeholder Exchange Meeting of New School Year

By Deborah Heckwolf

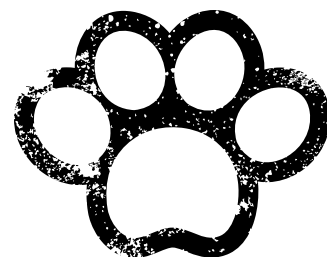
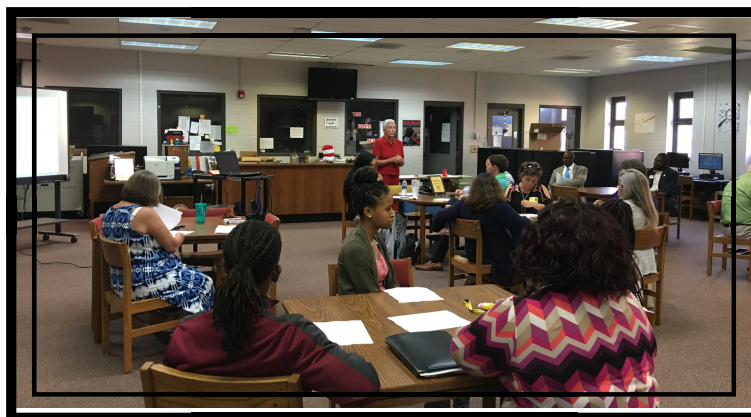
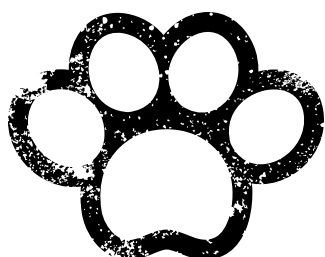
The first meeting of the Dooly County Schools Stakeholder Exchange was held August 28, 2018. The participants were welcomed by Ms. Jean Thompson, Executive Director of Curriculum and Interim Superintendent. She shared with the group the good news that the school system acquired a GG4 Literacy Grant and this year would see the beginning stages of the grant plan introduced to the Dooly County community with training and workshops.

A new supportive and positive behavior program will be implemented in all the schools, Positive Behavior Intervention. This program will hopefully support students in focusing their efforts on their school work while enjoying the benefits of the many experiences students share while attending school. To support the new behavior plans, the system adopted the 7 Mindsets Program that was developed to assist students in the process of learning how to work with others, build supportive teams around them, and help them develop skills to achieve their goals and dreams for the future. Thompson thanked all the Stakeholders for their work over the last two years and the school system appreciates all efforts on its behalf.

DCHS principal, Mr. Timothy White, shared his vision for the school that will focus on academic achievement, building school pride, supporting all College & Career Programs, and providing our young people with all the support needed to build a foundation to support their life goals. He was followed by Ms. Sharron Marcus, Dooly County K-8 Academy Principal, who explained the REACH Scholarship to the attendees.

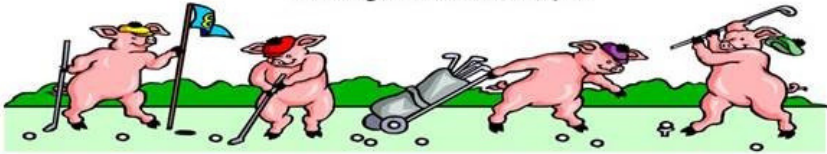
The REACH Scholarship provides Dooly County 8th graders up to \$20,000 in scholarship support to attend college. Once students meet the criteria in middle school and they travel to the high school, they receive additional support from assigned mentors who will track their progress through school until graduation. Ms. Marcus has already achieved half of her fundraising goal, but has more to do to ensure that we are able to support a maximum of five students per year. If you would like to assist in the worthy goal to support Dooly County potential, please contact Ms. Marcus at the DCS K-8 Academy. Donations as well as ideas are welcome.

The Stakeholder team members broke into their small group brainstorming sessions to share and discuss ideas and plans to assist schools in achieving their goals. A review of the work was shared via a short video highlighting the great work of the Stakeholder Exchange. We are all looking forward to a successful 2018-2019 effort with the support of our committed Stakeholders.



Dooly County Chamber Golf Tournament
Friday, September 21, 2018

Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club located at Georgia Veterans State Park
2315 U.S. 280 W. Cordele, GA



Proceeds benefit the Dooly County Chamber Scholarship Fund and Chamber Programs

Annual Scholarships Awards to Dooly County's Star Students * Educator Appreciation * Annual Red Ribbon Week Activities
* Annual Public Safety Appreciation Dinner * Annual Professional Women's Luncheon

Enter Your Team by September 7, 2018
Entry Fee is \$50.00 per golfer or \$200 per team (four-man scramble)
Registration at 8:00 a.m. - Shotgun Start at 9:00 a.m.
Prizes for: Longest Drive & Closest to Pin
Plus First, Second, & Third Team Prizes
Raffle ticket drawings & more!
Lunch at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Enter Your Team Information Below
Make Checks Payable to Dooly County Chamber
Mail To: Dooly County Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 308
Vienna, GA 31092
229-268-8275 * FAX 229-268-8200
rhonda@bigpiggiig.com



National Voters' Registration Day!!!!

The Dooly County Board of Elections will be hosting a
National Voters' Registration Drive on:

September 25, 2018

9 a.m. ~ 4 p.m.

402 Hawkinsville Road

Vienna, Georgia 31092

FYI

You do not have to be a Dooly County resident to attend or register

All residents of the State of Georgia are eligible to register through our office.

Come Out And Register To Vote!!!!



Mark Your Calendar

100 MILE PEANUT PICKIN' YARD SALE

Second Saturday in October

October 13, 2018

8 AM - 4 PM



Location	Phone
Unadilla	(478) 627-3022 or (478) 244-7157
Pinehurst	(229) 645-3400
Vienna	(229) 268-4921
Dooly Chamber	(229) 268-8275
Cordele	(229) 276-2902 or (229) 947-1064
Cordele/Crisp Chamber	(229) 273-1668 or (229) 322-7302
Sylvester	(229) 773-7716 or (229) 854-3470
Sylvester/Worth Chamber	(229) 776-7718
Moultrie	(229) 985-2131
Berlin	(229) 589-1260
Quitman	(229) 263-4841

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Thank you!

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Wednesday
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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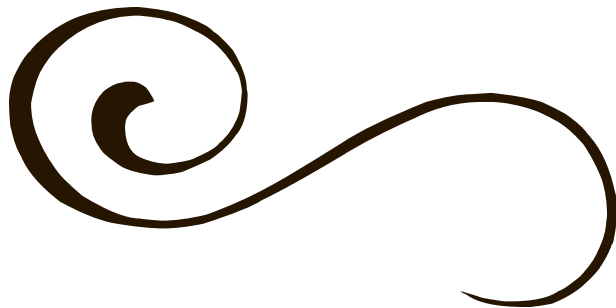
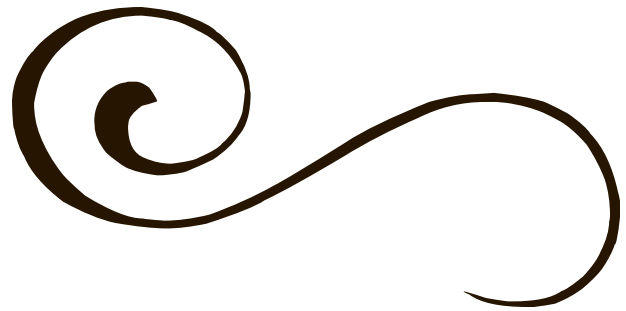
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Please call (229) 268-2045 or (229) 268-4920 to set up an appointment for a large group tour.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 911.

If you are visiting on a day that we are scheduled to be open and we are closed, we are sorry that we've missed seeing you! Sometimes circumstances beyond our control will cause us to be closed. We regret any inconvenience that this may cause our visitors.

Please come back again! Thank you!
Georgia Cotton Museum Staff



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@cityofvienna.org or (229) 268-4921

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

Recipe

Seven Layer Dip

MAKES: 12 servings

TOTAL TIME: 10 Minutes

INGREDIENTS

- 16 ounces refried beans
- 1 (1 1/4 ounce) package taco seasoning
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 cup guacamole
- 1 cup salsa
- 1 cup lettuce
- 1 cup Mexican blend cheese
- 4 ounces sliced olives
- 1 cup tomatoes



DIRECTIONS

Layer in this order:

- 16 oz refried beans mixed w/ 1 package taco seasoning
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 cup guacamole
- 1 cup salsa
- 1 cup lettuce
- 1 cup Mexican cheese
- 4oz sliced olives
- 1 cup tomatoes



A Flat Tire Memory

by Neil Joiner

Jane and I were on Highway 27 in late December of 2017, headed from Americus to our home near Vienna. We drove past an abandoned white frame house in rural Sumter County. It's been vacant for years and is long past the point of being repairable.

Jane was using her cellphone, so I didn't mention that the old house and I have a history together. It's nothing significant, just a minor event that somehow found a permanent home in my memory.

I think I was in the ninth or tenth grade, but I'm not sure. Several guys from our Future Farmers of America chapter in Unadilla were on a trip to Americus. Mr. Ottis Beard, our advisor and ag teacher, was driving his blue Ford pickup. He had the side bodies on and was hauling our purebred barrows to Americus for a district competition.

A truck tire went flat, and we pulled over near that farmhouse. Flats were rather common in those days. This flat was surrounded by some energetic farm boys, so it quickly surrendered. When Jane and I drove by that old house, I was reminded of that flat tire, and of the barrow show that day.

I don't remember the name of my barrow. I'll just call him Bocephus, because that seems like a good name for a high caliber hog. I felt that Bocephus had a good chance at winning one of the three ribbons to be awarded. He carried himself with a confidence that is not often found among swine.

To develop his muscle tone, I had taken him on daily walks of 30 minutes. Bocephus, like some of my other show hogs, enjoyed the time we spent together. It didn't cross my mind that his friendly demeanor might one day be a source of embarrassment.

There were about 20 barrows in the show ring, hailing from several middle Georgia counties. We handled our pigs like showmen at the circus, always watching the judge and trying to attract his attention, constantly seeking to obtain eye contact, just as we had been taught.

Those hogs made multiple trips trotting around that ring, all of them following some pig who had by default assumed a leadership role. They ran quickly back and forth from one end to the other, all of them packed neatly into an inseparable group, all of them except for Bocephus.

Despite my frantic pleas, Bocephus refused to act like a normal hog. I had a big walking stick that Granddaddy Hill had given me. I wanted to whack Bocephus hard enough to get his attention and make him conform, but I'd never done that at home and figured I shouldn't start now.

I knew that Bocephus would soon be leaving on a different truck than he came in on. It didn't seem right that we should part on bad terms. So, with a face as flushed as my spirit, I tapped him lightly, just like I had at home. We walked slowly around the ring, taking whatever path Bocephus chose.

The judge called out the third, second, and first place winners. I wasn't surprised that Bocephus didn't place, and I knew that my poor presentation was partly to blame. Even worse, the two of us were still not part of the group, but were instead standing conspicuously alone.

The judge announced that there was a final award he would present, the award for showmanship. He said there was only one person in the ring who maintained control of his barrow the entire time, whose hog remained separate from the group and could be clearly seen. He shook my hand and handed me a new walking stick made from white oak and polished to a high gloss finish.

I knew that Bocephus deserved the award more than me, but he never was good at grasping things with his feet. I kept that walking stick for years, but lost track of it somewhere along the line.

The late Reverend Doug Fullington shared something with me a long time ago that his grandfather had told him. He said, "If you always follow the crowd, the crowd will never follow you." I think that's the same lesson that Bocephus tried to teach me that day in Americus. Good lessons can come from unlikely sources if we're willing to learn.

I'm glad that flat tire memory and that old house still remind me of Bocephus, because Bocephus reminds me that following the crowd is often not the best road to take. Lonesome roads can lead to rich rewards. I sure wish I could find that walking stick.

RECYCLE, REUSE, REPURPOSE, OR DONATE



NOTICE!

Recycling Bins located inside the fence of HomeRun Recycling, 838 Shiloh Road, (South 7th Street), Vienna, have been temporarily removed to be cleaned out. These bins are expected to return within the gates in the near future. From this point forward, people will need to bring recycling items during normal working hours from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday.

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. For safety, glass containers should be placed in a box besides the bins, and not thrown into the 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.

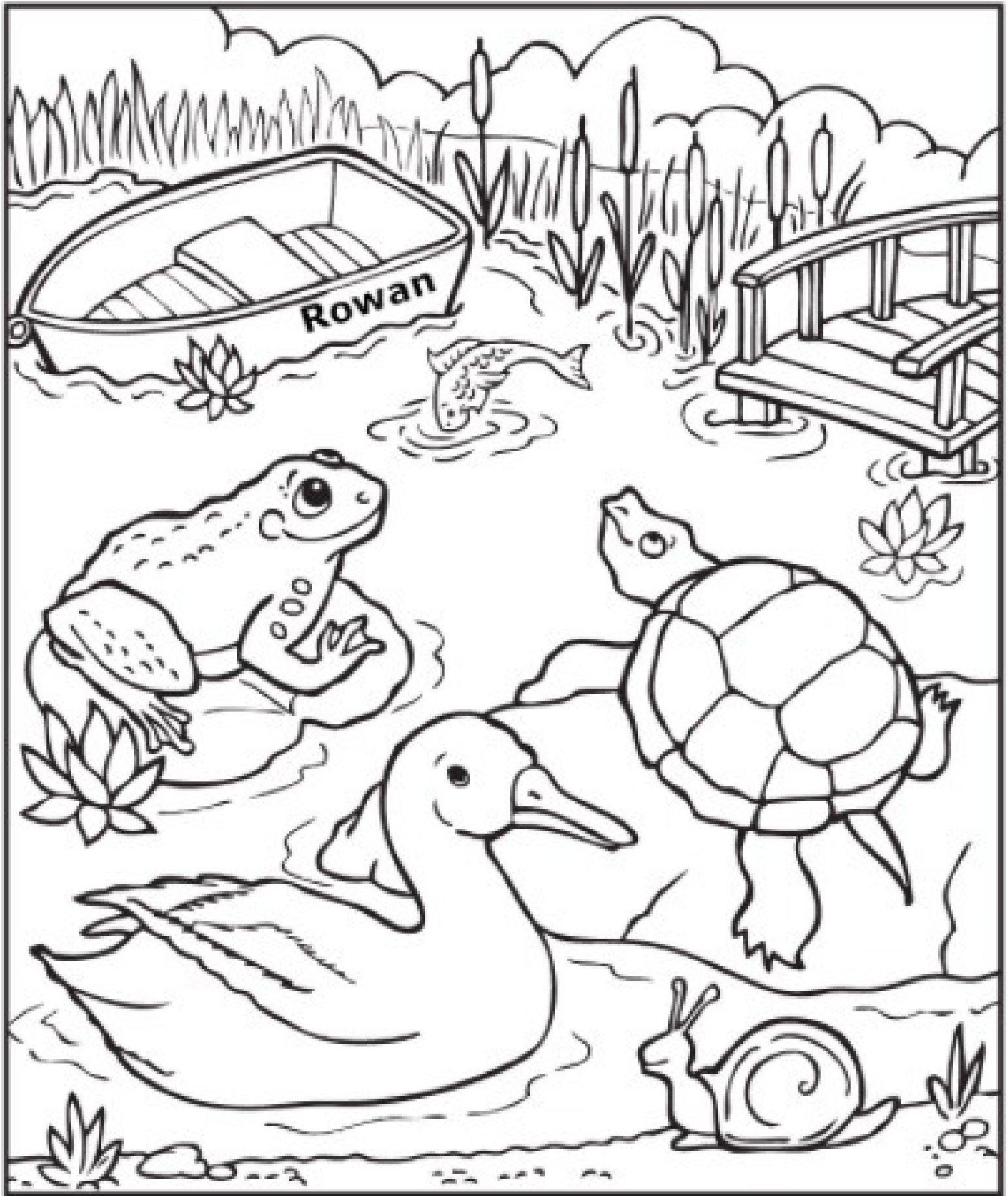
Please do not mix trash with your limbs/yard waste. Do NOT pile limbs near power lines, power poles or fences.

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

Tips for reducing, recycling, and disposing of hazardous materials: Lawn Care

- Use electric-powered lawn equipment instead of gas-powered whenever possible.
- Since it's easy to create leftovers by overestimating the gasoline necessary for a mowing season, plan to make a second purchase of a lesser amount to finish the season.
- Help fertilize your lawn by mowing 1/3 of the total grass height only and leaving the clippings on the lawn (mulching mowers and mowers with sharp blades work best).
- Use pesticides and herbicides sparingly and only when all else fails.

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.



September Birthdays

September 26 - John Mathis

September 29 - Damon Daniels

Elected Officials

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Michelle Lawson, Municipal Court Deputy Clerk

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