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HVI Fall Membership Meeting

“Finding Treasures on your Bookshelves”

Speaker: Cameron Rittenhouse-Smith

Thursday, October 4 at 7:30 PM

*Council Chamber, Vienna Town Hall
127 Center St. South*

The Fall Membership meeting of Historic Vienna, Inc. will be held on *Thursday, October 4 at 7:30PM in the Town Council Chamber of Vienna’s Town Hall, 127 Center Street, South.* There will be a brief business meeting, during which we will present the 2018 Volunteer Award, and renew board member terms.

The program, *“Finding Treasures on your Bookshelves”*, will be presented by Cameron Rittenhouse-Smith, an academic and antiquarian book dealer of Sequitur Books. Cameron will discuss the business of rare books, his view on the evolving market, and talk about what makes books valuable. Cameron has been a rare book dealer for over 15 years, and specializes in early printings, the history of science and medicine, American history and exploration.

Attendees may bring a special book from their own bookshelves for Cameron to take a look at and comment on.

The HVI Membership meeting is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Celebrate Virginia’s Best Small-Town Summer Event

Vintage Market

Our Freeman Store Vintage Market and Appraisal Day

Saturday, September 8, 2018 – 10AM to 4PM

on the Lawn of the Freeman Store and Museum

A Family Friendly and FREE event presented by Historic Vienna, Inc.

- Featuring the Freeman Store *vintage and antique market*
- Freeman Store *vintage used book* sale
- ‘*Abram Lydecker*,’ 1859 Lydecker Store builder, offering stories and songs of early Vienna days
- *Vienna local merchants* will offer food and beverages, vintage items, jewelry, local produce, and chocolates
- Foot stomping bluegrass *music provided by Hickory Grove*, bring your chair and stay awhile
- *Demonstrations and local crafts* available for purchase
- *Photography opportunity* with props and costumes
- *Games for kids of all ages*, sack race, hoops, corn hole, milk can toss, lasso the cow, relays
- Roll up your sleeves, the *Great War Garden fence needs whitewashing*
- A visit from our *local chickens*
- *American Legion Post 180 and Pure Pasty Co.* offering delicious lunch fare
- *Hand-cranked ice cream* served from 2 – 3 pm

Come out and enjoy being a Vienna citizen of yesteryear.

For more information visit www.historicviennainc.org, email historicviennava@gmail.com or call 703-938-5187.

Upstairs Museum Exhibit

“Home Front and the Great War”

Hallway Museum Exhibit

“The Women’s Rights Movement through Cartoons”

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USED BOOK CELLAR

Used Book Cellar Turns 2!

Your used book donation is always welcome and greatly helps to stock our USED BOOK CELLAR. Books may be brought to the Freeman Store and Museum, bagged or boxed and left on our porch benches anytime or brought inside during Store hours, Wednesday through Sunday, Noon to 4PM. ***During September art books will be half price.*** Encyclopedias, magazines, textbooks, and romance novels are not accepted.

If you enjoy vintage, antiquarian books, look for the HVI used book sale at our September 8 Vintage Market Day.

A new feature is the addition of extra sturdy bookshelves displaying the biography/memoirs, government, politics, and history sections.

Volunteers are always welcome and a book review or two would be a perfect contribution from one of our HVI members. Extra hands and help are always needed during our Town Chillin' events, third Fridays in August and September, Oktoberfest, and the Vienna Church Street Stroll. Contact the Store to volunteer today. Thanks to all who make HVI's fundraiser so successful.

From the Museum Committee

Historic Vienna Great War Exhibit

Have you been to the Freeman Store and Museum to see the Great War (WW1) exhibit? If not, perhaps it is time to stop by. The Great War began in 1918 and ended on November 11, 1918, almost exactly 100 years ago. The War included participation of twelve nations on the Inter-Allied side including the United Kingdom, the United States, Italy, Belgium, Canada, Japan, Rumania, Russian Empire, Greece, Brazil, Cuba and Siam. The Central Powers were Germany, Bulgaria, Austria-Hungary and the Ottoman Empire.

The total number of casualties in the War was around 40 million, including 20 million deaths and 21 million wounded. Of the deaths, just over half were civilians. Among the allied nations the U.K. suffered over 885,000 military killed, France nearly 1.4 million, and Russia just over 1.8 million. The U.S. military deaths totaled just over 116,000. Of the Central Powers, Germany suffered over 2 million killed, Austria-Hungary 1.1 million, and the Ottoman Empire nearly 772,000.

Women played a significant role in the War, particularly as nurses. The U.K. provided 80,000, the U.S. 21,000, and Australia and Canada about 3,000 each. Hundreds of thousands of women took up factory and farming jobs left vacant by men going off to the War, and many took over traditional male jobs such as police and fire fighters. In the

military, women filled a wide range of auxiliary military roles acting as clerks, cooks, telephone operators, translators and stenographers. They were not without danger. More than 400 U.S. military nurses died in the line of duty, the vast majority during the highly contagious influenza pandemic of 1918-19.

The pandemic, deadliest in modern history, infected an estimated 500 million people worldwide (about one-third of the planet's population at the time) and killed an estimated 20-50 million people. More than 15% of the U.S. population (then about 103.2 million) became sick, and about 675,000 Americans died.

Want to learn more including the names of the people from Vienna who served? Come by the Freeman Store and Museum Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 4PM.

“The ‘50s and ‘60s – Life in Vienna” Call for Your Help on the new exhibit!

The 1950s and '60s were an exciting and fast-paced time of contrast in this country, with rock and roll, the blues, drive-in's, hula-hoops and love-in's. But they were also decades of turbulence, riots, impeachments, and wars.

The Second World War had drawn to a close and its soldiers had returned home, the Pentagon had been built and opened, and the Cold War had just begun to “warm

up.” The formerly agrarian landscape in Northern Virginia was beginning to change, in some ways quite dramatically, with cars, tract houses, and Interstate highways replacing farm animals, tractors, and dirt country roads. Produce stands were being quickly replaced by strip malls and chain grocery stores.

Wars played a significant role during these two decades with the Korean Conflict of the ‘50s and the Viet Nam War of the 60’s. Local families again stepped forward to serve in the armed forces and on the home front.

Historic Vienna’s next exhibit, opening on March 1, 2019 and running through December, will highlight this very tumultuous time of change, of happiness and of fear from many perspectives - race, gender, ethnicity, neighborhoods, and community. These themes and others will be explored through a multimedia of music, photographs, videos, and artifacts. Personal stories of the times and the local area will be shared.

We are reaching out to all of you in the Vienna area to contribute to the exhibit with your stories and experiences, as well as artifacts and collectables of the period that you would be willing to loan HVI for the exhibit.

Want more information and how to loan artifacts, share stories, or help with the exhibit? Please stop by the store or call 703-938-5187.

Visit the Little Library

If you have never been in the Little Library in Vienna, you have more opportunities this year to view this historic structure. The Little Library has been open during this summer during the Chillin’ in Church evenings. Our volunteers enjoy keeping it open to meet Vienna residents who step into another era when visiting. Go back in time to 1897 when the Library was built for a primarily agricultural community of 400 residents! This little building served the community as a lending library until the 1960’s when it became evident that the needs of the Town of Vienna could not be met in this little building.

The Little Library museum will be open for the Chillin’ on Church Friday events. The last two dates for enjoying Chillin’ on Church are August 17 and September 21 from 6:30 to 9:30PM. Opening on the First Sundays of the month are a little quieter. Come visit on Sunday, September 1 from 1 to 4PM. On Saturday September 8 during the Vintage Market and Appraisals Day the Little Library will be open from 10AM to 4PM! During the Town Octoberfest visit on October 6 from 11AM to 4 PM. The First Sunday in October 7 from 1 to 4PM. The first Sunday, November 4 from 1 to 4 PM. and the Church Street Stroll November 26 From 6 to 9PM. Mark your calendars for a historic visit.

Thanks to all our volunteers that help keep the Little Library open for all to enjoy.

Special Events

Antiques Appraisals Return to the Freeman Store After A Long Absence

Mark your calendars for *Saturday, September 8, 10AM to 1PM* to bring your family treasure, curiosity, or your favorite jewelry for an antiques evaluation. Three expert appraisers will offer an oral evaluation at the Freeman Store. Jamie Grasso is a GIA accredited expert on fine jewelry, gold silver, and coins; Lori James, owner of Atlas Services, is a well-known expert in the field of organizing and downsizing and will be our generalist, and Stephen Poppe is an expert on stamps.

Appraisal experts will provide overview of:

- What you have
- Where to sell
- How to repair or restore it
- Insurance questions
- Estate planning suggestions
- Tax issues and donation questions

Reservations and Pre-payment if a MUST, cost per item is \$10, max two items per person, HVI members cost is \$8. Take advantage and reserve your evaluation today by calling the store at 703 938 5187.

Suffrage Tea & Parlor Talk September 29, 3PM

Have tea and learn about the women's rights movement during World War I and how women helped with the war effort. After a short presentation there will be plenty of time for relaxing and visiting with your friends in the beautiful parlor and dining room of the Freeman Store and Museum. The traditional English tea will include sandwiches, assorted sweets, scones and a bottomless cup of tea. The \$30 fee includes a tour of the new exhibit at the Freeman Store, The Women's Rights Movement through Cartoons.

Oktoberfest, October 6 ***Fun for the Whole Family***

The Freeman Store and Little Library will be open from 11:00AM until 7:00PM for Vienna's 11th Annual Oktoberfest celebration sponsored by the Vienna Business Association, on Church Street, Saturday, October 6. Enjoy beer and wine, great food, live music and lots of children's activities and games. More information can be found on the official Oktoberfest website: www.viennaoktoberfest.org.

Walk With Us in the Halloween Parade

For the 72nd Annual Halloween Parade, "*Celebrating Great Cities of the World*," Historic Vienna, Inc. is celebrating the 21 places named Vienna in the world. Please contact Mike Berger, 703 861 0726 or smberg@erols.com, if you would like to march with us in the parade. The parade will take place on Wednesday, October 24, at 7PM, or the next day in case of severe weather. Costumes are welcome but not necessary to march as part of our group.

Tea & Parlor Talks

If your group of 10 to 18 would like to have tea in the Freeman Store and Museum, please contact ***Patti Bentley or Susan Fay at the store 703-938-5187*** to arrange a date. Historical speakers can be included in the tea if desired.

British Holiday Tea & Parlor Talk ***Friday, December 7, 3PM and*** ***Saturday, December 8, 3PM***

Enjoy the beautiful holiday decorations created by Ayr Hill Garden Club for the Freeman Store and Museum. Learn about English and Scottish Holiday Traditions while you enjoy some of the treats described in the talk. After the short presentation there will be plenty of time for relaxing and visiting with your friends in the beautiful parlor and dining room of the Freeman Store and Museum. The traditional English Holiday tea will include scones, sausage rolls, sandwiches, assorted sweets – including mince pies, and a bottomless cup of tea. The tea costs \$35; space is very limited so make your reservation by contacting ***Patti Bentley or Susan Fay at the store 703-938-5187***.

HVI Calendar of Events

All events take place at the Freeman Store unless otherwise noted.

Sundays, September 2, October 7, November 4, December 2, 1-4PM	Little Library open
Saturday, September 8, 10-4PM	Antiques Appraisals (advance reservations required) and Vintage Sale
Tuesday, September 11, 9AM	9/11 Remembrance Ceremony on the Town Green
Saturday, September 15, 1-5PM	Open House at Vienna Train Station & Caboose
Friday, September 21, 6:30 -9:30PM	Chillin' on Church, Freeman Store open
Saturday, September 29, 3-5PM	Suffrage Tea (\$30 per person, advance reservations required)
Saturday, October 6, 11-7:00PM	Oktoberfest!, Freeman Store and Little Library open
Saturday, October 13, 10:30-12:30PM	Halloween on The Green and at the Freeman Store
Saturday, October 13, 1-5PM	Open House at Vienna Train Station & Caboose
Wednesday, October 24, 7PM	Halloween Parade
Thursday, October 4, 7:30PM	HVI Fall Membership meeting, open to the public, Town Hall
Saturday, November 17, 1-5PM	Open House at Vienna Train Station & Caboose
Monday, November 26, 6-9PM	Church Street Stroll and Santa Claus Visit
Sunday, December 2, 12-2PM	Santa visits the Freeman Store
Friday, December 7, 3-5PM	British Holiday Tea, tickets \$35
Saturday, December 8, 3-5PM	British Holiday Tea, tickets \$35
Sunday, December 9, 12-2PM	Santa visits the Freeman Store
Saturday, December 15, 1-5PM	Open House at Vienna Train Station & Caboose

Please visit our website at www.historicviennainc.org for up to date information on the organization, Freeman Store hours, special events and museum exhibits.

Freeman Store News

Introducing new Vienna themed coasters coming in September. This 4-piece coaster set features the colorful art of local artist Harris Miller.



familiar with the building as the **Posh!** store. Add to your ornament collection of iconic Vienna buildings with this beautiful brick building which dates back to the early 20th century.

Arriving this Fall – the 2018 Ornament!

The 2018 Ornament, hand made for us by Rachael Peden, honors Vienna's 1st Bank which sits on the corner of Church Street & Dominion Road, NE. You might be more

The Freeman Store will be participating in **Our Lady of Good Counsel's Fall Harvest Market on November 10 at 9AM to 4PM**, selling a collection of the Store's best gifts, books and toys. Come support OLGC at their new event and see all the great things they'll have to offer. What a nice way to start the Fall season!

☞ **Remember:** HVI Members receive a 10% discount on items purchased at the Freeman Store.

HVI Board News

Members of Historic Vienna, Inc. will vote at the Fall Membership Meeting on October 4, 2018, to elect Board of Directors members whose 3 year terms expire at the end of 2018. The Nominating Committee has proposed that the current incumbents be re-elected. The Board Members up for re-election are: Mike Berger, Leigh Kitcher, Nancy Moats, and Jon Vrana.

Mike Berger has been a member of the HVI Board since 2013. He has been an active volunteer serving as a Storekeeper and on various committees including Special Events, the Store and Book Sale Committees and is currently the Museum Committee Co-Chair. He has conducted research on many of the objects in our collection and has coordinated the restoration of several items. Mike is retired after a long career in the military and public sector and has a long association with the Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180 and is a published author in the field of military history.

Leigh Kitcher has been a member of the HVI Board; serving as Treasurer since 2011. She has been an active volunteer serving on various committees including the Store and the Museum Committees, she edits the Newsletter and leads the Planning Committee. She is a member of Ayr Hill Garden Club and participates in decorating the Freeman Store and Museum and the Caboose for the holidays.

Nancy Moats has been a member of the HVI Board since 2009 and has served as Vice President since 2013. She has been an active volunteer for many years, working as a Storekeeper, Chair of the Store Committee, Chair of the Book Sale – now the Used Book Cellar, Chair of the Little Library Committee and Chair of the Church Street Stroll Committee; served on various committees including the Museum, Walk on the Hill, and has coordinated many Special Events. She is a member of Ayr Hill Garden Club and participates in decorating the Freeman Store and Museum and the Caboose for the holidays. Her long-time involvement with Girl Scouting has provided her with a great amount of contacts and experience.

Jon Vrana has been a member of the HVI Board since he was appointed in August 2013. He has been an active volunteer serving as Abram Lydecker at various events and is currently the Museum Committee Co-Chair. He has conducted research on the history of various residents of Vienna and its environs.

In August, the Board appointed **Catherine Hardman** to an open position on the Board (2017 to 2019). Cathy, as she likes to be called, has been an active volunteer, helping with special events, the Museum Committee and Research. She currently works at the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of American History creating an inventory management system. Cathy's father was a History professor and he wrote over 50 biographies and textbooks for children; her mother was an Art History professor. Cathy plans to publish her mother's works posthumously and is building a family archive to cover several generations. Cathy is also developing an archives collection for Louise Archer Elementary School.

