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Church Street Stroll

November 27, 6 to 9PM

Co-Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., the Merchants of Church Street, and the Town of Vienna Parks and Recreation Department

This annual event includes the lighting of the Town tree, Santa's arrival in Vienna, and staged and strolling performances. As he does each year, Santa Claus will arrive atop the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department's antique truck. After the lighting of the tree and caboose lights, Santa will listen to the wishes of boys and girls at the Freeman Store and Museum.

This event is free and open to the public.

Santa arrives at 6:15

Santa and Mayor light the tree and caboose lights at 6:20

Visit Santa at the Freeman Store after the tree lighting

Performing on the Big Stage

- Wolftrap Elementary Singers
- Louise Archer Elementary Singers
- Green Hedges School Jazz Band
- Thoreau Chamber Choir
- Fairfax Jubil-Aires
- Vienna Community Band

Strolling Performers

- Fairfax Jubil-Aires
- Vienna-Falls Chorus of Sweet Adelines

Historic Structures Open

- Freeman Store and Museum
- Little Library
- Caboose with the Optimists Club of Greater Vienna
- Train Station with Northern Virginia Model Railroaders
- Knights of Columbus (formerly First Baptist)
- Vienna Presbyterian's Old Chapel offering indoor activities

Petting Zoo

Supervised Bonfires with Marshmallows for roasting

The Church Street Merchants will be open.

For more information, contact the Freeman Store and Museum at 703 938 5187.

Santa visits the Freeman Store and Museum



Sunday, December 3, 12 to 2 PM
and

Sunday, December 10, 12 to 2 PM

Visits with Santa are always free of charge.

Santa's Special Chair is positioned next to the gorgeous holiday tree in the upstairs parlor. Children who may be a bit nervous are encouraged to sit and watch for a while – most end up enthusiastically telling Santa their wishes!

Celebrate Small Business Saturday

Saturday, November 25, 12-4PM

Special discounts!

Enjoy HVI's special decorations for Vienna's first decorated store window contest

☞ REMINDER

HVI Memberships are from January 1 to December 31.

Please use the form on the back to renew your membership now.

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HVI in the 71st Halloween Parade

HVI marched in costume with several members happily joining the fun



Leading HVI was Alice and Bill MacDonald's 1967 Oldsmobile 442 Convertible with HVI's Hog Wild President riding in the back



The replica Little Library was recognized and enjoyed by many, some shouting: 'I love the Little Library!'



Little Library 120th Anniversary Celebration

The Little Library had a wonderful 120th year celebration on October 14, 2017. We had wonderful music from Hickory Grove, a gorgeous and delicious cake courtesy of Silva Patisserie, and hand churned ice cream. Proclamations were presented to Historic Vienna, Inc. from the Town of Vienna Vice Mayor Linda Colbert. From the General Assembly in Richmond Delegate Mark Keam and Senator Chap Peterson presented their proclamation commemorating the first lending library building in the Town of Vienna. Some very clever people won the Count the Number of Books Contest: Sofia Rizmi and Isabella Houghton. I know Sofia says she counted to shelves and used estimating math. Isabella at 4 years old was a surprise winner. The total count as confirmed by Dr. Robert Amsler, our resident researcher is 5513.



Two More Chances to Stop by the Little Library This Year!

Monday, November 27, 6 to 9PM

Sunday, December 3, 12 Noon to 4PM

If you missed our 120th celebration on October 14 you will have a couple more opportunities to visit this year. The Little Library will be open *during the Church Street Stroll on November 27, Monday night, from 6 to 9PM*. Come visit our holiday decorated building and get a sense of what a library was like and what was happening in 1897 in Vienna.

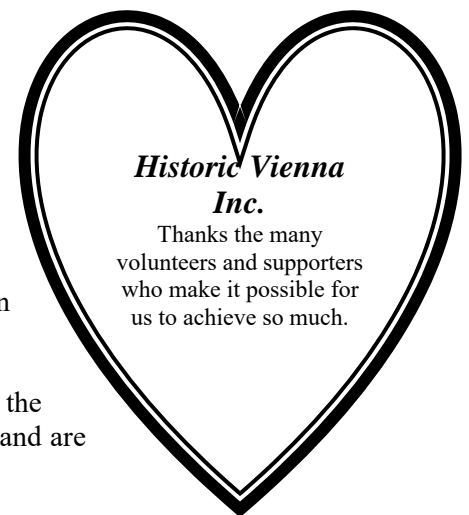
After visiting Santa in the Freeman Store parlor on *Sunday, December 3*, please stop by the Little Library which will be open *from 12 to 4PM*. Children are welcome to come in and are invited to participate in creating crafts with our docents throughout the afternoon.

In keeping with our Mission statement of preserving and promoting knowledge of Vienna's heritage we encourage town residents to visit our Little Library. The Little Library will be closed in the month of January and February but you may email Anne Stuntz at stuntzag@aol.com or call 703 994 9054 to arrange a visit to the Little Library and the Freeman Store.

British Holiday Tea & Parlor Talk

Friday, December 1, 3PM and Saturday, December 2, 3PM

Enjoy learning about English and Scottish Holiday Traditions while you enjoy some of the treats described. 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 Used Book Cellar Continues to Lure Shoppers

On behalf of the HVI Board, thank you to all who have donated books, purchased books, helped sort books, and to all who have told others about our ongoing sale. Your suggestions with additional ideas or ways to better implement sales could be the spark that places the **Freeman Store Used Book Cellar** on Vienna's best shopping destination.

Listed are some ways one may assist with our ongoing sale in the Freeman Store Used Book Cellar:

- donate and/or purchase books
- sort and rearrange books, generally on Tuesday or Saturday or whenever the Store is open
- assist with Amazon or EBay sale research and listing, and/or maintain records
- research book prices for those books we sell on the premises, although most books are priced at \$1.00 for paperback or \$2.00 for hardcover books
- assist with publicity
- volunteer to help with sales during Viva Vienna, Chillin' on Church, Oktoberfest, or other Historic Vienna events that draw larger crowds.
- ask your teenager who needs service hours to assist with sales or sorting
- assist with finding other organizations who benefit by taking some excess books, ie. DAR paperback donation to Fairfax County Correctional Institute, or dispersing children's books to hospitals or schools, and etc.
- review books for the HVInk, our newsletter
- organize a special used book sale event
- ensure that the selling area is attractive, posters are displayed and the selling area is kept clean
- assist with picking up book collections from donors who cannot bring books to the store

Interested in volunteering? Please contact me (smoats5555@aol.com) or the Freeman Store giving your name, telephone number, and email address indicating what tasks you would like to take on as an individual or as a team. For each hour one works, you may select a book as a thank you for volunteering!

Since October 2016, Historic Vienna, Inc. has operated a Used Book Cellar in the Freeman Store basement. Board members suggested and approved setting up a used book sale in the building as an alternative to holding the traditional once-a-year book sale. After the Vienna Community Center closed for renovation, one spring sale was held at the American Legion. Our April 2016 sale was quite successful, but we decided to refocus and sell used books at the Store during store hours, selling March through December, Wednesday through Sunday, 12 - 4. Many shoppers continue to support us and return often to find new inventory. Total revenue has closely matched the income we received at the annual sale.

December Used Book Cellar Special Pricing

During December, visit the **Used Book Cellar** and take advantage of our **20% off Cook Books** and also purchase **children's chapter books for 25 cents each.**

Historic Vienna is asking for book donations all year round now.

HVI Calendar of Events

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

Monday, November 27, 6-9PM
Friday, December 1, 3-5PM
Saturday, December 2, 3-5PM
Sunday, December 3, 12-2PM
Sunday, December 10, 12-2PM
January 1 to February 28
Thursday, March 1

Church Street Stroll and Santa Claus Visit
British Holiday Tea, tickets \$35
British Holiday Tea, tickets \$35
Santa visits the Freeman Store, Little Library open 12-4PM
Santa visits the Freeman Store
Freeman Store and Museum open by appointment only
Freeman Store and Museum reopens with normal store hours

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

From the Museum Committee

Items Sought for the 2018 Exhibit

The upstairs exhibit at the Freeman Store and Museum in 2018 will be devoted to telling the story of WWI (The Great War) and the 73 men from Vienna who enlisted or were drafted during that conflict. HVI asks that local friends of Historic Vienna who may have photographs, objects, uniforms or other items related to WWI that they would be willing to loan for the exhibit please contact HVI or stop by the Freeman Store and Museum and tell us what you have.

Amnesty for old Little Library Books

Vienna's Little Library is missing books from the collection. In commemoration of our 120 years if you have a borrowed library book in your possession please return it to the Freeman Store. Historic Vienna, Inc. has generously waived the fine for returned books.

Instead of paying the fine which could be in excess of \$250.00 as the library closed its doors in 1970, you will receive a Vienna's Little Library 120th anniversary button. This offer will be extend into the new year!



New Museum Acquisition



HVI is most pleased to announce the donation of a 1917 Victor Victrola Model VV-XVI and a significant number of vintage records by Sherrie and Bill Steinbach of Vienna. The VV-XVI, which is almost identical to the one pictured, became the flagship model for the Victor Talking Machine Company and is one of 270,000 of this model made.

It was purchased new in 1917 by Mrs. Steinbach's grandfather for the then princely sum of \$200 (equivalent to \$4162 today). The phonograph, a purely mechanical, non-electronic "acoustical" device, powered by a hand-cranked spring-wound motor that drives the turntable, is in perfect working order. It will, from time to time, be played for Freeman Store visitors.

New Hallway Exhibit: Cartoons of the Women's Rights Movement

The third exhibit in the 5-year series of small exhibits on the history of the movement and where it stands today, will focus on the cartoons from the 1840's through the 1970's. These cartoons ridiculed women's quest for their rights to vote, for equal pay, to control their own money, to keep their name after marriage, to keep their children after divorce, to control their health, and many other issues. If you are interested in helping us plan, prepare, and promote these exhibits or have photographs or other artifacts to loan, please contact Leigh Kitcher at 703 255 9066 or email her at LeighKitcher@aol.com.

Freeman Store News

New at the Freeman Store




A keepsake of James Madison High School, featuring art from a JMHS graduate and the Harris Miller iconic Vienna train mural, which is painted on the wall across from the Train Depot, is depicted on a mug and individual cards. Both are exclusive items to the Freeman Store's gift shop. Come browse the gift shop inside the Freeman Store & Museum for all your holiday needs. We have hand-painted ornaments of many

iconic, historic buildings in Vienna and they're all made in Virginia. **Makes a great gift!** We also feature a selection of Vienna specific items that are exclusive to our shop. We're open Wed. thru Sun. 12-4pm.



2017 Ornament – It's here!

The 2017 Ornament hand made for us by Rachael Peden honors the 75th Anniversary of Green Hedge School. It depicts Green Hedges Kilmer House where the school founder, Kenton Kilmer and his family lived.

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

