CALENDAR

MONDAY, APRIL 3

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

Windover Heights Board of Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Police Chief's Advisory Committee, 7:30 p.m. at Police Headquarters.

MONDAY, APRIL 10

Town Council work session, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Mayor's Advisory Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Town/Business Liaison Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

MONDAY, APRIL 17

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

Beautification Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

Board of Zoning Appeals, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Board of Architectural Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Town Council budget work session, 9 a.m. at Town Hall. (See complete budget schedule on front page.)

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

Transportation Safety Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

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Study Shows Air Quality Safe Around Vienna Metro Station

The Fairfax County Health Department's Air Quality and Chemical Hazards Section recently reported to the Town results of its six-year study of air quality around the Vienna Metrorail Station, which indicate that "air quality in the Vienna Metro area has not been adversely impacted."

The opening of the Vienna Metrorail Station in 1986 prompted citizen concerns about air quality due to projected increases in traffic volume. At the Town's request, an air quality monitoring site was established at Marshall Road Elementary School in 1988.

Four pollutants associated with vehicular emissions — ozone, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide, and particulate matter — were selected for monitoring because of their potential to harm the health of nearby residents. Throughout the six-year monitoring period, levels of these pollutants were found to be within federal and state safety standards.

New Neighborhood Watch Group

A start-up meeting for a new neighborhood watch group in the area of the Cedar Park apartment complex will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, at Cunningham Park Elementary School, 1001 Park St., S.E.

A citizen who was raised in Vienna and now lives in the apartments has volunteered to serve as coordinator for the neighborhood watch activities. Residents of both the apartments and the surrounding single-family homes are encouraged to get involved in establishing this new group.

The watch area will include the neighborhood bounded by Cottage Street on the west, Park Street on the east, Kingsley Road on the north, and Cedar Lane on the south, plus George Street and Patrick Circle.

For more information, call Officer Virginia Palmore in the Vienna Police Department's Community Services Office, 255-6396. Neighborhood watch groups are active in other sections of town and have been successful in reducing crime.

Signs posted on neighborhood streets and citizen patrols provide highly visible warnings to lawbreakers. In addition, all citizens in these areas become more aware of and more willing to report suspicious activities.

Neighborhood watch members do not attempt to conduct investigations or confront suspicious persons. Their purpose is solely to supplement regular police patrols by spotting and reporting possible criminal activity.

Police statistics show that in areas where neighborhood watches have been instituted crime has, indeed, been reduced. The active involvement of citizens in safeguarding their homes "hardens" an area against crime and causes burglars and other criminals to seek easier targets elsewhere.

Car Tag Deadline

1995 Town of Vienna motor vehicle decals are available by mail and in the Finance Department at Town Hall week-days from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Because the April 15 deadline falls on Saturday this year, the deadline has been extended to Monday, April 17.

Additional hours for last-minute car tag sales have been scheduled on Friday, April 14, from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Saturday, April 15, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Monday, April 17, from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The registration fee is \$20 for passenger cars and trucks weighing under 4,000 pounds, \$25 for cars and trucks 4,000 pounds and over, and \$10.50 for motorcycles. For more information, call 255-6323

Budget Schedule

Copies of the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1995-96 will be available for public review beginning Thursday, April 13, in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall and at the Vienna Community Center. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge, and the entire budget document may be purchased. For more information, call 255-6350.

The Town Council will receive public comments and requests concerning the budget at its April 17 meeting, which begins at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Council budget work sessions are scheduled for Saturday, April 22, at 9 a.m.; Monday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m.; and, if needed, Saturday, April 29, and Saturday, May 6, at 9 a.m.

A public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for May 22.

Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

FEBRUARY 6, 1995

- Authorized certificates of appreciation for Charles Sloan, former member of the Board of Architectural Review, and Nancy Laubis, former member of the Beautification Commission.
- Approved change orders for the Bowman House renovation project in the amount of \$7,300.
- Awarded a contract for new athletic field lighting at Southside Park to EMF Associates of Chantilly in the amount of \$8,750.

FEBRUARY 21, 1995

 Conducted an executive session to interview candidates for appointment and reappointment to Town boards and commissions.

FEBRUARY 27, 1995

• Conducted a public hearing on proposed amendments to the transitional zone regulations to include medical and dental professionals, and administrative offices with certain restrictions.

- Approved a change order for the Bowman House renovation project in the amount of \$2,286.
- Awarded a bid for reconstruction of the Freeman House entrance and patio to Avon Corp. of Springfield in the amount of \$13,765, and approved an additional \$450, if necessary, for additional bricks.
- Awarded a bid for Bear Branch channel improvements to R.L. Rider of Warrenton in the amount of \$119,370.
- Adopted amendments to the regulations governing bingo games and raffles to bring them into conformance with new State law.
- Reappointed Jim MacIntosh,
 Jerome Covel and Maud Robinson to the
 Town/Business Liaison Committee for
 two-year terms. Appointed Molly Oremland as the Beautification Commission's
 student representative for a one-year term.
 Appointed Stephen Briglia as the Board of
 Architectural Review's representative to
 the Windover Heights Board of Review for
 a two-year term.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.

Deadline for May issue is Friday, April 14.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the Newsletter. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number. (This information will not be published.)

Carter's Glen Rezoning Hearing

At its April 3 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on a request to rezone the "Carter's Glen" property, located on the northwest corner of Nutley Street and Courthouse Road, S.W., from RS-16 to RS-12.5 single-family residential.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and express their views.

Carter's Glen is a 5.477-acre tract that was brought into the town as a result of the 1993 town/county boundary adjustment. If approved, the new RS-12.5 zone would permit the construction of 14 new single-family homes along an extension of Moorefield Road, S.W., and a new cul-desac.

The Planning Commission staff report on the rezoning request is available for review in the Planning and Zoning Department at Town Hall.

Water Monitored For Taste, Odor

From time to time, the Town's Water and Sewer Division receives complaints from customers that their water has an unusual taste or odor. This occurs most often during the winter, when tons of salt and other de-icing materials enter the source water, giving it a "chemical" taste.

Vienna's water supply is closely monitored to guard against health risks. Treatment plant operators constantly examine the source water for taste- and odor-causing constituents, and flush water from the system in affected areas.

If you have questions, or to report problems, call the Water & Sewer Customer Service Office at 255-6385.

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NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS AND RECREATION

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Stamp and coin show Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday, April 30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Coin Club.

BUS TRIPS

Chesapeake Bay Bridge Walk Sunday, May 7. Charter bus will leave the Community Center at 7 a.m. and return about 3 p.m. There is no charge to participate in the walk, but a \$15 fee for transportation is due by April 21.

Enjoy a day at the casinos in Atlantic City on Thursday, April 20. Charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. The cost of \$27.50 per person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline April 13.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Adult Spring Tennis League begins the last week of April and continues through June. Men's singles games will be played on Tuesdays and women's singles games on Thursdays at Meadow Lane Park. Each participant will play a maximum of seven matches during the season, with trophies awarded to the top finalists. The fee is \$8 for town residents. Registration deadline April 14.

In-line skating (rollerblade) workshops. To register, call In-Line Adventure, Inc. at 378-7586:

- Beginners and intermediates aged 7–15, Monday, April 10, 1:15–2:45 p.m. \$15 plus \$5 equipment rental.
- Tots aged 4–6 and beginners aged 7–15, Saturday, April 15, 10:45 a.m.–12 noon. \$15 plus \$5 equipment rental.
- Adult beginners aged 16 and up,
 Saturday, April 15, 9:15–10:30 a.m. \$15

plus \$5 equipment rental.

- Braking clinic for all ages, Saturday, April 15, 8:30–9 a.m. \$10 plus \$5 equipment rental.
- Adult power skating for ages 16 and up, Sunday, April 23, 12:30–1:45 p.m. \$15 plus \$5 equipment rental.
- Rollerhockey camp for ages 8–12 at Meadow Lane Park, April 10–14, 9 a.m.–12 noon. \$65 plus \$25 equipment rental.

<u>MANAGING YOUR MONEY</u> & YOUR ESTATE

"Why Good Wills Go Bad," presented by attorney David G. Hoffman, 10–11:30 a.m. Monday, April 3. Topics will include Virginia law on wills, organizing your assets, when to change your will, talking to your executor, reducing probate, will copies, and do-it-yourself tax plans. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

Investment seminar Tuesday, April 4, 11:30 a.m.—1 p.m. Kevin P. Davis, member of N.A.S.D. and S.I.P.C., will give an overview of retirement planning and insights on safe investing. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

JUST FOR TEENS

Vienna area youth aged 13–15 are invited to join the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department's Teen Council. The Council meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of each month to help plan recreation programs and special events for their age group.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Bike Rodeo Saturday, April 1. Hours are 9–10 a.m. for ages 5 and 6, 10–11 a.m. for ages 7 and 8, and 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m. for ages 9 through 12. Kids will learn the rules of the road, have a bike inspection, ride on two bike safety courses, and register their bikes with the Vienna Police Department.

The bike rodeo is sponsored by Boy Scout Troop #987, NOVA Cycling and Fitness, Vienna Police, and Vienna Parks and Recreation. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

Spring break roller skating for ages 3–12, Monday, April 10, 3–4:30 p.m. Free admission. Children must provide their own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Parents welcome to participate.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Patrick Henry Library children's programs are held at the Vienna Community Center while the library is closed for renovation. No advance sign-up is required for these free programs.

• "April Showers" — Stories for ages 3–5. Thursday, April 20, at 2 p.m. or Wednesday, April 26, at 10:15 a.m.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Week April 24–28. Participate in pickleball, cribbage, tennis, table tennis, bocce, and bowling tournaments, topped off by an awards cook-out. Cost for the entire week, including cook-out, is \$9 (\$13 if you bowl).

"Walking Wonders" club walks along the W&OD Trail each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11 a.m. Set your own pace and enjoy the exercise, fresh air and companionship. This spring, seniors who sign up for the Walking Wonders will be automatically entered in the "Walk to the Beach" contest. Walkers win prizes at certain mileage markers, and the first person to reach Virginia Beach on the map will win a special grand prize.

Lee O'Rear has been recognized as "Senior of the Month" by the Community Center staff. She is active in many senior programs, and can be found most Wednesdays playing cards with the 50+ Club. Congratulations!

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Bicycle maintenance seminar Saturday, April 1, 10–10:45 a.m. Learn how to change a flat tire, adjust brakes, maintain chains, clean the bike, and more. The fee is \$6 per person; advance registration is required.

Adopt a Site for Beautification

Vienna's Community Beautification Commission invites residents and civic organizations to enhance the appearance of our town. If you would like to take on one of the projects listed below, or if you have ideas for other activities, please write to the Beautification Commission in care of

- · Pick up litter at schools, vacant buildings and lots, caboose area, W&OD Trail, Community Center, recycling center.
- Repair the bench (add another bench?) at Salsbury Spring. Plant ground cover such as ivy around the area.
- Plant flowers or low-growing shrubs in the traffic island at Orchard Street and Windover Avenue, and in the triangle at Nutley Street, West Street and Malcolm Road, N.W.
- · Plant flowers in the bed at the intersection of Park Street and the W&OD Trail near the Community Center.
- · Donate money for historical markers to commemorate important events in Vienna's past.

The Beautification Commission invites citizens to attend an Arbor Day ceremony at 2 p.m. Friday, April 21, on the grounds of Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W.

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Vienna's Community Beautification Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other worthy beautification projects. This month's "Beauty Spot" awards go to:

- Former Commission member Nancy Laubis for her dedicated service.
- Southern States for their year-round decorations and attractive renovations.

Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. For more information about the Beautification Commission, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

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BEAUTY TIP: Trash around the recycling bins near the Community Center is anything but beautiful! Please take a moment to review the guidelines for what materials are recyclable before you make your next

Traffic Report Speeding Complaints Multiply in Spring

The Vienna Police Department is always receiving complaints of speeding vehicles. These complaints come from every part of town, and as the warmer weather approaches, the number of complaints increases. The Police Department's Traffic Division will be out in the neighborhoods this spring working radar. Look for officers on Park Street, S.E., Old Courthouse Road, N.E., Lawyers Road, N.W., Tapawingo Road, S.W., and other locations.

During the month of February, the Vienna Police Department issued 190 traffic citations, 53 for speeding and 137 for other violations such as running red lights and stop signs, and blocking intersections.

Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds you - It's time for April showers. Make sure you can see and be seen when driving in the rain. Turn on your headlights whenever you turn on your windshield wipers.

NEW IN TOWN? The Public Information Office has an information packet especially for new Vienna residents. If you have moved into town recently, stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

Personal Safety Class for Women

Personal Safety, the popular crime prevention seminar for women, will be offered twice this month at the Vienna Community Center. The first session is scheduled for Saturday, April 8, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, and the second session will be held on Monday and Wednesday. April 24 and 26, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Your instructor will be Officer Virginia Palmore of the Vienna Police Department. She is a Defensive Tactics Instructor who trains police officers how to defend themselves against criminals.

The seminar will include a discussion of prevention methods followed by practice in acting out possible violent situations. Loose-fitting, comfortable clothing is suggested.

The seminar is free of charge, but space is limited and advance registration is required. Call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

Free Back Yard Composting Info

The Fairfax County Department of Public Works and the Fairfax Branch of the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service will cosponsor a free "YIMBY" (Yes, In My Back Yard!) back yard composting seminar on Saturday, April 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the County Government Center, conference rooms 4 and 5.

The seminar will focus on the five basics of yard debris management: landscape alteration, grasscycling, aerating, composting and mulching. To register for the seminar and for more information or directions to the Government Center, call the Extension Service at 324-5370.

The YIMBY program is seeking avid gardeners to help spread the word about mulching, composting and grasscycling. To volunteer, call 324-5052.

For information about the general process of composting, call the County's Waste Reduction and Recycling Branch at 324-5436 (TDD: 1-800-828-1120) and request a free "how-to" packet.

Around Our Town — Community Happenings of Interest

Vienna Choral Society and the London-based Gaudeamus chorus will present "The British Are Coming!" at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15, at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. A reception will follow the concert. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$7 for students and senior citizens, and a special family discount rate of \$15. For tickets and more information, call 938-7517 or 573-4018.

The Vienna Choral Society is recruiting new members. All voices are welcome, and no auditions are required.

Vienna (Host) Lions Club has announced the winners of its 1995 Bland Music Scholarship Contest. The top winners were soprano Brooke Evers, a 10thgrade student at James Madison High School, and pianist Maria R. Sonevytsky of Arlington. These musicians now advance to regional competition at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 1, at Christ United Methodist Church in Arlington.

This contest is part of a state-wide scholarship program conducted by the Lions Clubs of Virginia, named for composer James A. Bland, who wrote "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny."

Golden Girls Senior Women's Softball Association annual breakfast meeting will be held on Saturday, April 8, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Vienna Community Center, with the outdoor program scheduled to begin April 12 at Meadow Lane Park and Vienna Junior Academy. For membership information, call Donna Packard at 938-0387. Good luck to the two Golden Girls teams that will play in the national Senior Olympics next month in San Antonio, Texas.

Concord Lodge, No. 307 A.F. & A.M., will celebrate its 85th anniversary with a public reception at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the lodge meeting hall at 146 Church St., N.E. Refreshments will be served.

ViVa! Vienna!, the annual Town Festival, is scheduled for Sunday, May 28, from 12:30 to 6 p.m. on historic Church Street. For information or to apply for a booth space, call 255-4742 or write to P.O. Box 822, Vienna, VA 22183.

South Vienna Association will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, at the Vienna Community Center. All Vienna residents are welcome to attend the group's monthly discussions of community issues.

Spring yard sale and bake sale, sponsored by Wesley United Methodist Preschool, will be held rain or shine on Saturday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the church, 711 Spring St., S.E. Sales spaces are available for \$10 each; call 938-3970.

Madison High School band students continue to reap honors! Congratulations to all those selected to participate in the All-District Band and the All-State Orchestra and Band, and to the Symphonic Band, which was awarded superior ratings at last month's District Festival of Bands. In addition, oboist Kelly Berge earned a

scholarship prize at the March 11 Arlington Symphony Concerto Competition.

Gospel Barbershop Chorus concert at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., 7:15 p.m. Saturday, April 1. Dessert will be served prior to the concert. Donations accepted for summer youth workcamp.

The public is invited to "Christ in the Passover," a presentation by Jews for Jesus, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13. A covered dish supper will precede the program at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at 938-3494.

Vienna Theatre Company will be selling costumes from previous productions at the Nottoway Park Flea Market on Saturday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call 430-7136.



21st annual Walk on the Hill Sunday, April 30, 2–5 p.m. (rain date May 7) in the Windover Heights Historic District Free Admission



Using self-guided walking tour maps, visitors may browse through lawns and gardens of homes marked with special "welcome" signs.

The tour will also include:

Silhouettes cut by Ann Woodward on the porch at 295 Windover Ave. \$18 for two cut and matted silhouettes, with a portion of the proceeds going to Historic Vienna's preservation projects. Call 938-9668 for an appointment. Antique car display.

● Vienna Community Band concert from 3 to 4 p.m. Stories of early Vienna by long-time residents at the Sloan/ Marcy cabin. Refreshments.

> Parking available at 107 Pleasant St., N.W., and at Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W.

> > Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., and historic district residents. For more information, call 938-5187.



Your Vote Counts! Election Day May 2

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 2. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Town elections are non-partisan, and Town Council members are elected at large.

This year, candidates include incumbent Council members Martha Jo Garvie, Vincent J. Olson and Rodger W. Seeman, and challenger Emilie E. Larson. The three candidates receiving the most votes will begin new two-year terms on July 1.

All registered voters in the Town of Vienna are eligible to vote in the Town election. The last day to register is Saturday, April 1. For registration locations and hours, and for absentee voting information, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 222-0776.

For election results, call the Vienna Newsline, 255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close on May 2.

Meet the Candidates

The Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce will host a candidates' night on Wednesday, April 19, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Dr. Candidates will have the opportunity to state their platforms, followed by questions from the audience. Light refreshments will be served.

Other community organizations are also planning candidates' programs this month. Watch local newspapers for information.

The candidates profiled on these pages have shown their interest in the Town of Vienna by running for Town Council. Please show your interest by taking the time to vote on May 2.



MARTHA B. GARVIE is completing her first term on the Town Council. She is a homemaker and former elementary school teacher specializing in children with emotional handicaps, and is active in school, church and youth sports organizations. A Vienna resident for 17 years, she lives at 102 Windover Ave., N.W.



EMILIE E. LARSON was a Council candidate last year. She is a member and former president of the South Vienna Association, and has been active with school, scouting and youth sports organizations during her 25 years as a Vienna resident. She lives at 910 Timber Ln., S.W., and works as a highway safety research analyst.

"Looking for just the right place to raise a family brings many people to the Town of Vienna. It still offers a small-town feeling in the surrounding high-density, high-tech atmosphere. Walking to the library, shops, schools, and sports fields is still popular, and our citizens are considered unique throughout the county.

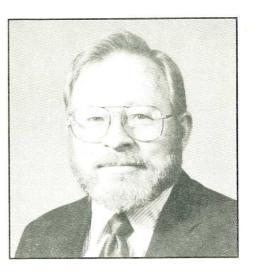
"The concerns of our residential as well as our business community remain the same — safety of our citizens, escalating traffic, upgrading our infrastructure, and continuing to improve services without raising taxes. At the same time, the redevelopment of Maple Avenue and Church Street will offer an economic stimulus to the business community and an atmosphere of returning to a pedestrian-friendly town.

"The most important feeling that I have experienced while serving on Council is the close personal contact offered by the local government. Vienna citizens have the opportunity to come forward and be heard on any issue at any time. Cherish, protect, and preserve that unique opportunity by showing up at the polls and casting your vote on May 2. This will guarantee what I call Vienna's Tradition — with a focus on tomorrow."

"I want to help maintain Vienna as a safe, attractive and financially sound community. During the past 25 years, I have lived in Vienna, raised two children, and been active in PTA, youth programs and civic activities. For the past 17 years, I have been a highway safety consultant. My background as a working parent has given me an appreciation of the benefits of living in a friendly, cooperative and financially sound environment.

"As the areas around Vienna develop, we face the challenges of urbanization, such as increasing traffic congestion and crime. This year we also saw a threat to our ability to diversify our tax base when Richmond considered abolishing rather than reforming the BPOL tax. We must meet these challenges sensibly and efficiently.

"My community, professional and personal background will enable me to provide a fresh point of view and make a positive contribution to the future of Vienna."



VINCENT J. OLSON was first elected to Council in 1976. He also served on the Planning Commission. A 38-year Vienna resident, he lives at 603 Valley Dr., S.E. He works as a distributor for *The Washington Post* and is a member of the Ayr Hill Lions Club.

"Nowadays, it seems vision is the buzz word. No more goals. So I thought I should discuss my vision for Vienna. First, I must say that it hasn't changed much over the 19 years since I was first elected to the Town Council.

"Then as now my goal (vision) was to maintain Vienna as the kind of place where people wanted to raise their families and stay. In other words, 'Vienna, My Home Town.'

"I have worked to provide first-class government at the lowest possible cost. I promise to continue that effort. I have opposed development that would damage the residential character of our town. I shall continue that opposition. At the same time, I will work to improve our existing commercial areas and business climate. Businesses need to feel comfortable in Vienna.

"If you share my vision for Vienna, please come out on May 2 and give me your support."



RODGER W. SEEMAN has been a Council member since 1983 and previously served on the Transportation Safety Commission and Planning Commission. He is a registered professional engineer employed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and lives at 600 Blackstone Terr., N.W.

"My wife Jane and I have lived in Vienna since 1968, and our three children and a granddaughter also reside in Fairfax County. Over the years, I have involved myself in much of our town's life. I coached Little League baseball and Pigtail-Ponytail softball, worked with Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, served on the Louise Archer Elementary School PTA, the Madison High School Booster Club, and Vienna Youth Inc. Board of Directors. I was also a member of the Vienna Woods Swim Club Long-range Planning Committee and the Patrick Henry Library Ad Hoc Committee.

"Currently, I am president of the Vienna Hills Civic Association, a member of the Optimist Club of Vienna and the Vienna Wireless Society Inc., and serve on the Board of Directors of Historic Vienna, Inc.

"The many activities I have been a part of attest to my affection for Vienna and have given me insight into the needs and desires of our citizens. Help me with your vote on May 2 to continue to work for our town."

Home Projects Require Permit

Your Planning and Zoning Department reminds you:

It is no secret that home improvement projects usually take longer and cost more than anticipated. However, some contractors and even a few homeowners try to expedite the process and save money by cutting corners and taking shortcuts. To many contractors and homeowners this may be tempting, but it usually generates more problems and costs more money than if the proper procedures had been followed.

The most common example is beginning a home improvement project without obtaining the proper permits beforehand. Building codes and specifications vary from one jurisdiction to another. Although the Town of Vienna is located in Fairfax County and uses County structural plan review and inspection services, Vienna has its own code regulating home improvements. Instead of guessing whether you need a permit, or relying on a contractor to find out, simply check with the Planning and Zoning Department at Town Hall.

Unfortunately, some contractors and homeowners proceed with home improvements and avoid obtaining permits to try and save money and time, and to make changes that are not code approved. When a valid building permit is obtained for home improvements, a red card with the words "BUILDING PERMIT" on it should be displayed so that it is visible from the street. If there is no red card visible, then chances are a permit was not obtained.

If you are unsure whether the home improvements you are planning require a permit, or have questions regarding home improvements in your neighborhood, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Do-it-yourselfers are reminded that the Town's Special Trash Pickup regulations limit each residence to 300 pounds (approximately two wheelbarrow loads) of masonry items such as concrete, brick, etc. per pickup.