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MAYOR - James C. Martinelli

COUNCILMEN - Richard B. Dingman Paul M. Lyons Henry R. Pellegrino Charles A. Robinson Joseph R. Spriggs L. Dean Wallace

TOWN MANAGER - C. Clay Harrell

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## CLEAN-UP WEEK

Clean-up week in Vienna is officially the second week in April, the 7th to the 12th. All debris from yards, attics, basements and garages will be picked up by Town crews touring the residential area during the week.

get themselves and the children interested in cleaning street areas in front of houses, as well as home grounds, and that the Town will go into Spring looking tidy and clean.

Leaf pick-up machines will also be out during the next couple of weeks to suck up any leaves residents leave at the edge of their properties.

# A COMMENDATION

The Town commends the Malcolm Heights section, which got an early start on its clean-up campaign through the efforts of two of its young men, Clyde Robinson and Leroy Brown, Jr.

Through their efforts, a neighborhood cooperative program. including the 30 families in the area was initiated. The Town supplied the sanitation trucks and a considerable amount of trash was collected.

Fellow Citizens of Vienna:

April, the first month of Spring is both a beautiful and a busy one in Vienna and the entire area. Among the many harbingers of Spring, not the least are the ladies starting their seasonal house cleaning and men tidying the yards and garages.

At the second collection of any week It is hoped that everyone will our Town crews will collect larger items you may wish to discard; but April 7-12 is officially Vienna Clean-Up Week to spruce up and throw away all of the accumulated trash of winter.

> April is also the month of paying tax purchasing auto tags and getting ready to vote in the Town elections in June. State and Vienna auto tags must be on the cars by April 15th.

Close to my heart this month is the Cancer Crusade, of which I am County Chairman. The house-to-house campaign will begin on April 18th, and I hope that all will be generous. Your contribution will not only help forward research to find a cure for this dread disease and help aid those already suffering from it, but more importantly to provide educational programs designed to prevent it.

With these and many other projects underway this month, including ball practice. it is so easy to get in a rush. I hope that we can pause to appreciate the beauties of Spring around us.

> Sincerely yours C. Martinelli Mayor



## MAYOR AND TOWN MANAGER SEEK GRANT

Mayor James C. Martinelli and Town Manager C. Clay Harrell appeared before the Board of Supervisors last month to request a County grant to compensate Vienna for services provided its citizens which the County normally supplies to other County tax payers. The session was set up at the request of Centreville District Supervisor Martha Pennino.

Mayor Martinelli stressed the fact that increases in County taxes and reassessments place pressure on Vienna to lower taxes to absorb the increases. This has been done three times in six years, said the Mayor, but cannot continue.

The Town Manager pointed out that the Town pays for its street lights, police protection, planning and zoning, and parks and recreation. It pays one-half the cost of sidewalks constructed for school safety, and all costs of storm drainage.

He also mentioned Vienna's annual contribution of \$6,000 to the Fire Department and this year's additional donation of \$7,500 toward new equipment. He spoke of the Town's snow removal and leaf pick-up as well as the fact that Town Hall provides voter information to all citizens and pays county registrars to man registration desks.

If the County decides to give the Town the grant-in-aid as provided in the State Constitution, it would mean that the Town would get back a larger share of the tax money which its residents pay to the County each year.

## PROGRESS REPORT

The plot of vacant land on Maple Avenue between Hawthorne's Drugstore and Center St. on one side and the Vienna Inn on the other is being graded and will be planted with green this Spring as a temporary park.

Although the land is privately owned, the Town has permission to make some improvements, on what has been an eyesore on the main street.

### MORE BEAUTIFICATION

Town crews have also been busy planting along the slopes and top of the banks of the creek at the corner of Maple Avenue and Beulah Road. About 300 dogwoods, both white and red and yellow-stemmed dogwoods were planted as well as various shrubs.

The Minit Man building on that corner has been sold and will be revamped to house offices for two dentists.

# CITIZEN COMPLAINT

One of our residents complains that children on the way home from school are doing some damage to mailboxes on Nutley Road, putting flags up and inserting silly pictures.

A cram course by parents seems in order, on the respect for private property, as well as the fact that the U.S. Mail is under the protection of the Federal government.

## PLANTER BOXES

The planter boxes at the shopping centers are again being used as trash receptacles, in spite of the fact that the trash baskets are never very far away.

We urge citizens to be careful of this, so that the boxes don't become unsightly messes, instead of attractive additions to the shopping centers.

## VOTER REGISTRATION



Town elections will be held June 10 when three of Vienna's six Council seats will be voted on. Joseph R. Spriggs, L. Dean Wallace and Henry R. Pellegrino are the Councilmen whose two year terms will expire this year.

Voters must register by May 10 to vote in the Town elections. Registrations will be accepted by precinct registrars in their homes by appointment.

## Registrars are:

Precinct #1 - Mrs. Teresa Dobson, 505 Nanterry Circle, SW, 932-7562 Precinct #2 - Mrs. Evelyn L. Wilson, 119 Hickory Circle, 938-8188 Precinct #3 - Mrs. Helen K. Jones, 1123 Westbriar Ct. NE, 938-9017 Precinct #4 - Mrs. Elvira DeMella, 1209 Cottage St. SW, 281-3475 Precinct #5 - Mrs. Marilyn L. Wandless, 312 Charles St. SE 938-6709 Precinct #6 - Mrs. Catherine M. Belliveau, 610 Roberts Dr. 938-6288

This year the Town Council has again requested the County to appoint two assistant County Registrars to sit in the Town Hall on two Saturdays, the 3rd and 10th of May, to accept registrations for voting in Town and County as well as State and National elections.

The requirements for voting are:

1. Residence in the State of Virginia for one year.

2. Residence in the Town of Vienna for six months for eligibility to vote in Town elections; or residence in the County of Fairfax for six months for eligibility to vote in all other elections.

3. Residence in the precinct for thirty days.



#### MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE TAGS

The 1969 Town of Vienna motor vehicle license tags went on sale at Town Hall on March 15, at \$10 per vehicle. Tags may be purchases daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the Finance Department at Town Hall, 127 Center St., S. Orders for tags by mail will be processed until Friday, April 11. After that date tags must be purchased at the counter.

For the convenience of the public, the Finance Department will be open on Monday, April 14 until 8 o'clock in the evening. The deadline for displaying 1969 Town of Vienna tags is April 15.

## HALLOWEEN PARADE

At the Mayor's request, the Vienna Chamber of Commerce decided to hold the 1969 Halloween Parade on October 30th instead of the 31st, which has been the traditional.

Many citizens had complained that due to the Parade, Vienna children celebrated Trick or Treat night the evening before Halloween, while County children came begging on Halloween itself, thus making two nights when householders had to be prepared with treats.