Dog Owners Required To Clean Up After Pets

The Town of Vienna has a "pooper scooper" ordinance that requires dog owners to clean up after their pets when out for a walk. Please be a responsible pet owner and don't allow your dog to foul the lawns of neighbors. The mess and smell are very offensive, especially in hot weather.

Also, signs are posted in several Town parks to remind pet owners that dogs are not allowed on athletic fields, tennis and basketball courts, playgrounds and picnic areas because of the nuisance and potential health hazard to park users. The Town Animal Warden is authorized to fine pet owners found in violation of these laws.

Dogs must be confined to the owner's property unless on a leash. Dogs found running at large may be picked up by the Animal Warden. Owners charged with dog-at-large violations must appear in court. Fines increase with each offense to a maximum of \$500.

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

MAY 1987 — Patrick Henry Library will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Saturday, May 2, with activities for all ages, including stories and films for children, a performance by the Oakton String Quartet, an anniversary cake cutting, and the planting on the library grounds of a silver bell tree dedicated to the library's founders.

MAY 1977 — In a letter to the Federal Aviation Administration, Mayor Robinson reaffirmed Vienna's opposition to the proposed "spreading out" of approach and departure paths at National Airport. Council passed a resolution protesting the proposed rerouting of air traffic at its May 23 meeting. The Mayor's letter stated that the decrease in noise that might be experienced close to the Potomac River would be minimal by contrast with the large and noticeable increase that would be experienced in the Town of Vienna.

MAY 1967 — At its May 3 meeting, the Town Council approved two road construction projects: Kingsley Road from Park to Cottage, and Courthouse Road from Glen Avenue to Nutley. Kingsley Road is the principal route for many youngsters who will be attending the new Cunningham Park School.

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TOWN VIENNA

★Memorial Day ★

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 26, for Memorial Day, Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday/Thursday collection

American Legion Dver Gunnell Post 180 will conduct a Memorial Day ceremony at Flint Hill Cemetery in Oakton beginning at 10:30 a.m. with a concert by the Vienna Community Band. The American Legion Auxiliary of Post 180 will conduct its annual Poppy Promotion throughout Vienna during Memorial Day weekend, with proceeds going to veterans' hospitals in Virginia.

Street Sweeping Ends

The Department of Public Works will complete its spring street sweeping this month. Section V, which includes the streets east of Center Street and east of Lullaby Lane to Glyndon Street and the W&OD Trail and south of Maple Avenue to the southern town limit, will be covered April 28-May 2; Section VI, south of Kingsley Road to Cedar Lane and the southern town limit, May 5-9; Section VII, north of Kingsley Road, west of Lullaby Lane, south of Tapawingo Road and east of the town limit, May 12-16; Section VIII, north of Tapawingo Road, west of Center Street, south of Maple Avenue and east of the town limit, May 19-23.

Residents are requested not to park on the street during the scheduled time for their section to allow the street sweeper to do a thorough job. As the time for each section approaches, signs will be placed on streets as a reminder, and residents can also call 255-6381 for information.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

☆TOWN ELECTION TUESDAY, MAY 6☆ All Voting at the Vienna Community Center Polls Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

FOR TOWN COUNCIL (vote for no more than four):

- ☐ Martha B. Garvie
- ☐ Robert P. McCormick
- □ Vincent J. Olson
- □ Michael J. Polychrones
- ☐ Jane Seeman

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

Public Hearing May 19 On FY 97-98 Town Budget

At its May 19 meeting, the Town Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1997–98. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for review at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained free of charge at Town Hall, and the entire budget document may be purchased.

The proposed general fund budget of \$11,311,139 is based on a real estate tax rate of 32¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, an increase of 2¢ over the current rate, or \$39.84 more per year for the average homeowner (property valued at \$215,437). The slow overall growth in Vienna's tax base, coupled with no growth in revenues received from the Commonwealth, have contributed to the proposed rate increase. The Town of Vienna has not increased the tax rate since 1992.

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Budget Hearing . . . (continued from front page)

The proposed water and sewer fund budget is \$3,788,309. An overall increase of 76¢ in the combined water and sewer rate has been proposed. For the average customer (usage of 25,000 gallons per quarter), the rate adjustments would add about \$19 to the quarterly bill. The major reasons for the proposed increase are an anticipated rise in sewage treatment costs and the Town's share of upgrading the Fairfax County Wastewater Treatment Facility.

The Town Council has held a number of budget work sessions since the proposed budget was presented last month, and as a result, the budget discussed at the public hearing may differ from that originally proposed by the Town Manager. If Council considers it necessary, a final budget work session to discuss comments made at the public hearing will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 31. Adoption of the budget is scheduled for the June 2 Council meeting.

July 4th Booth Space Available Now

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for booth space at this year's July 4th celebration. Food, game and activity booths must be sponsored by local non-profit organizations. The 10' x 10' spaces cost \$20 each. This is an opportunity for organizations to raise money while participating in a community tradition that is enjoyed by thousands of Vienna residents and visitors each year.

There are also approximately 100 spaces available at \$40 each for private and commercial arts and crafts vendors interested in selling items at the July 4th celebration. Handcrafted items of high quality will be given preference.

The deadline to register is June 13 or until all spaces are filled. Applications are available at the Vienna Community Center, or call 255-6360 for more information.

The celebration is scheduled for Friday, July 4, on the Community Center grounds (rain date *for fireworks only* July 5). Booths are to be open from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

ATTENTION CHILI FANS! Vienna's July 4th All-American Chili Cook-off, sponsored by the Casinova Pod of the Chili Appreciation Society, Inc., for the benefit of the Optimist Club of Vienna, will be held at the Town's July 4th celebration. By popular demand, for the first time this year there will also be an "SOS" cook-off for those who prefer that distinctive cuisine. Interested cooks should contact Bill Gratz, 2892 Melanie Lane, Oakton, VA 22124, or call 281-3135.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Albert J. Boudreau

Vincent J. Olson

Steven D. Briglia Martha Jo Garvie Michael J. Polychrones Jane Seeman

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

Deadline for June issue is Thursday, May 15.

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.)

Town Council Action

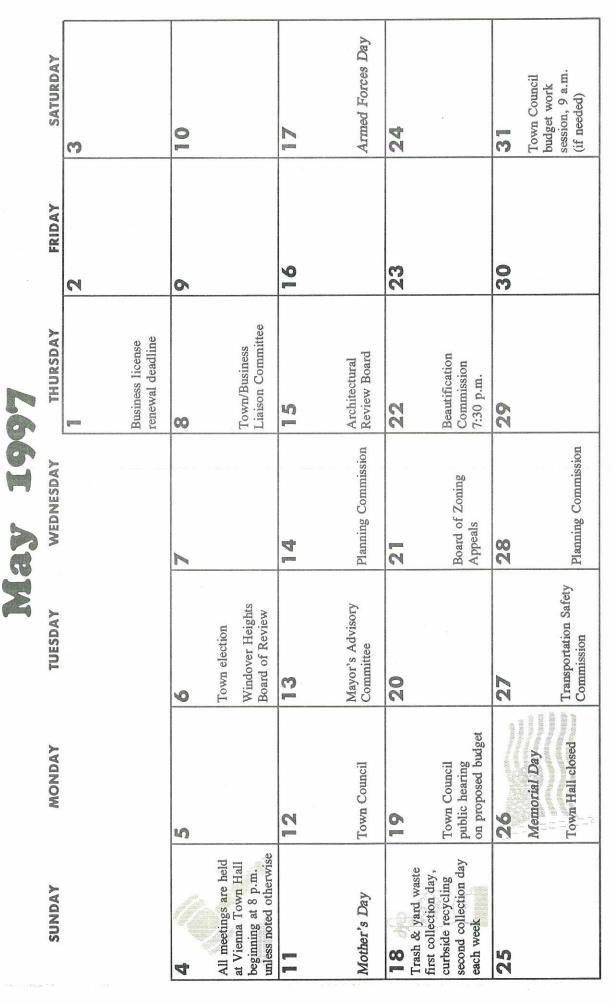
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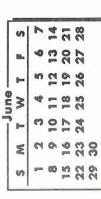
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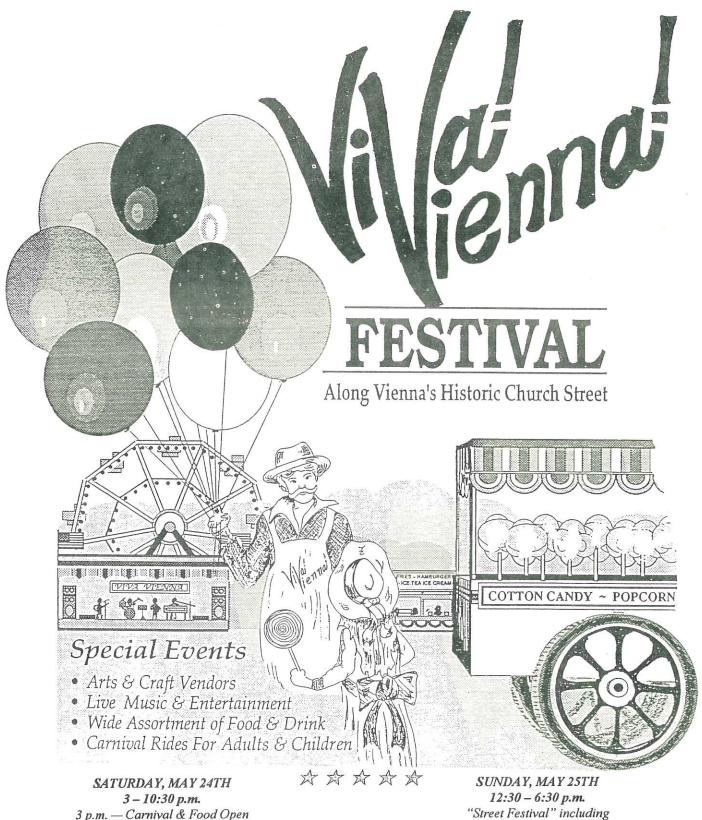
• Received a report on the Cottage Street reconstruction project from Virginia Department of Transportation officials.

MARCH 17, 1997

- Following a public hearing on the proposed vacation and sale of the Ayr Hill Avenue right-of-way, directed that viewers be appointed to determine whether any inconvenience would result from the vacation.
- Awarded a bid for a new sound system in the Town Council Chamber to American Amplifier and Television Corp. of Lanham, Md., at a total price of \$15,332.
- Awarded a bid for development and one month's hosting of the Town's web site on the Internet to IBS Interactive in the amount of \$5,483.
- Rejected all bids for Town Hall draperies due to budget constraints.
- Recommended the following citizens to the Fairfax County Electoral Board to serve as officers for the May 6 Town election: Regina Jordan, chief election officer; Arnold Perko, assistant chief; Robert Bingham, Constance Wax, Thomas R. Cook, Jr., Corinne S. Hanna, Walter Knick, Audrey Sullivan, Joanne Scott, Michael E. Clark, Perry F. Lear, Joanne Cook, Shirley Ann Gourley, Kathleen Battagalia, officers; and Margie B. Trout, Robert S. Burns, Beverly Harris, Katherine Harris, alternate officers.
- Adopted an amendment to the subdivision ordinance concerning the location of sewers and storm drains.







3 p.m. — Carnival & Food Open 5:30 p.m. — Entertainment Begins ALSO

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Annual Book Sale at Patrick Henry Library 12 noon — Annual Pet Show Vienna Elementary School Grounds SUNDAY, MAY 25TH

12:30 – 6:30 p.m.

"Street Festival" including
arts, crafts, commercial vendors,
food concessions, entertainment
& carnival rides.
NO RAIN DATE

₩Information 255-4742₩

DARE Program Inspires Young Poet



Louise Archer 5th grader Jessica Begans, shown above with Vienna Police Community Services Officer Virginia Palmore, composed a poem about what she has gained from the DARE program. DARE stands for "Drug Abuse Resistance Education," which Officer Palmore teaches at Louise Archer and Vienna Elementary Schools and at Green Hedges School. Jessica read her poem at a recent Town Council meeting, and it is reproduced here for all citizens to enjoy.

Planning an Accessory Structure?

Garages, gazebos, sheds, and other secondary buildings erected on residential property are known as accessory structures.

If you are planning to build an accessory structure greater than 150 square feet in area and/or the wall height is greater than 8½ feet, then a building permit is required. Three sets of building plans and three plats of your property showing the location of the accessory structure must be submitted along with a building permit application first to the Town of Vienna and then to Fairfax County for review and approval.

If your planned accessory structure has an area of 150 square feet or less and the wall height is not greater than 8½ feet, then a building permit is not required. However, you must adhere to the following regulations:

- \rightarrow All accessory structures must be located in the rear yard. On a corner lot, it must be located beyond the building line of any adjoining lot.
- → On an interior lot, it may not be less than 1 foot from any side or rear lot line. On a corner lot, it may not be less than 5 feet from any side lot line.
- → Where any portion is located directly behind the rear of the principal building, it may not be less than 10 feet away.
- → Where no portion is located behind the rear of the principal building, it may not be less than 15 feet away and also no less that 10 feet from the extension of the rear wall line of the principal building on the adjacent lot.
- \rightarrow Not more than 25% of the property can be covered by your house, garage, carport, driveway, patio, and accessory structure.

Residents are advised to contact the Department of Planning and Zoning, 255-6341, prior to constructing any accessory structure. If you wish, a courtesy visit to your property by department personnel can be arranged to discuss suitable locations for the structure.

D.A.R.E.

By Jessica Begans

When I think of D.A.R.E., I think of good Officers and teachers Doing what they should Telling the kids to do what's right To not do drugs, not to fight We all knew that drugs were evil and bad And we knew our parents would be very sad If we ever went near that evil stuff So they said, "That's it! We've had enough!" "The drug rate is at a super high The end of a drug free world is nigh" So officer and children joined together To talk drugs in all kinds of weather Kids learned a lot, about what they should (They did very well. We knew they would!) They talked about cocaine and marijuana How to say "NO!" and "I don't wanna." And how those drugs can take from you The life that was so dear to you. That cocaine can be snorted through the nose Gasoline (an inhalant) can be sniffed through

People who smoke marijuana are really slow To recall what they've learned, to come and to go

"The capital of France? Well, um, I don't know."

"Well you should have known a week ago."

Smoking is very bad for you

It makes your breath smell anything but new.

They cause cancer, that's a fact

And you never know when a craving will

come back.

Cocaine can be injected, snorted too It causes addiction to me or you When users can't get it, they have withdrawal

With all of the drugs it doesn't matter at all. If you drink alcohol, it's not so hot. You have to drink more and you just can't stop!

Headaches aren't the worst things you'll get,
Hangover, drunkenness, confinement to bed.
Drug Abuse Resistance Ed.
Will help you learn, but use your head.
Never use these gruesome things,
Occupy yourself with other things.
Learning from Officer Palmore was a stroke
of luck.

Without her, we'd be a sitting duck! If you've learned a lot, raise your hand. Great! That's everyone! Strike up the band! Drug-Free America is underway! Maybe it will be ours someday!

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Tour historical sites associated with Civil War Confederate Col. John Singleton Mosby on Saturday, May 31. A charter bus will leave at 9 a.m. from the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., and return at 5 p.m. The cost is \$20 for Historic Vienna members, \$25 for non-members. Send checks to Historic Vienna, Inc., P.O. Box 53, Vienna, VA 22183. For more information, call 938-9668. Reservation deadline May 23.

Vienna Baptist Church (VBC) will celebrate 40 years of service to the community on Sunday, May 18, with a special worship service, art exhibition, luncheon, and an evening reprise of VBC produced musicals, "Of Kings, Strings and Favorite Things." Daytime activities begin at 9:30 a.m. with the musical reprise at 7 p.m. The musical reprise will also be presented May 15-17 at 8 p.m. The church is located at the corner of Marshall Road and Ware Street, S.W. For more information, call 281-4400. Led by Pastor Lawrence Matthews for the last 30 years, VBC presents a "Living Nativity" each Christmas, originated the 50-90 Club for senior citizens, and actively supports the Committee for Helping Others.

Vienna Community Band will present a free outdoor concert as part of the annual ViVa! Vienna! Town Festival at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 24, at Church and Mill Streets, N.E. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. The Community Band's Saxophone Quartet will present a free Mother's Day concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, behind the Visitor Center at Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park. For more information about this concert, call the park at 255-3631.

Yard sale to benefit the James Madison High School senior class all-night graduation celebration will be held on Saturday, May 3, at Oakton Methodist Church. Donations will be accepted that morning, or you may rent a space for \$25 to sell your own items. For details, call 242-8192. Individuals, organizations and businesses who wish to make tax-deductible contributions to the all-night graduation celebration should send them to "JMHS Graduation Celebration,"

c/o James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Dr., Vienna, VA 22181.

Vienna letter carriers will be participating in the U.S. Postal Service's annual one-day food drive on Saturday, May 10. Leave non-perishable food items for your carrier to pick up that day. For more information, talk to your letter carrier or call the Post Office at 938-2125. Last year's drive produced almost 27,000 pounds of food for distribution in the Vienna-Oakton-Dunn Loring area.

Vienna Youth, Inc. Basketball is seeking qualified applicants to coach teams in the Fairfax County Youth Basketball League. If you are an experienced basketball coach who would like to coach a boys or girls team, ages 10–14, call Taylor Roberts at 255-0700 during business hours to receive an application.

Vienna Woman's Club invites the public to attend its annual scholarship awards at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 21, at the Vienna Community Center. Names of the recipients will be announced at the ceremony and the three \$1,000 scholarship checks presented by Congressman Tom Davis to rising college freshmen living in the Vienna area.

Health Fair, free of charge to all residents, will be held on Sunday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Vienna Seventh-day Adventist Church, 344 Courthouse Rd., S.W. Physicians and representatives from both public and private health and social service agencies will be available to answer questions, offer advice, and discuss resources that can help improve your health and well being. Translators will be available. For more information, call Marvin Quintero at 845-8499.

Vienna Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park opens for the season on May 8. Local vendors will sell fresh produce, plants, and homemade goodies each Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine. Two new bakers and an herbalist will join the market this year, and the Plant Clinic's Master Gardeners will provide advice on planting problems from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Do you know a handicapped child? If so, he or she may be eligible for treatment free of charge at a Shriners Hospital. Kena Shrine will hold a free screening clinic on Saturday, May 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Kena Shrine Temple, 9001 Arlington Blvd. No appointment is required. Shriners Hospitals accept children up to 18 years old who qualify medically and financially. For more information, call 204-0596.

Community blood drive Thursday, May 15, 12:15–6:15 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Sponsored by the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Town of Vienna employees and the Vienna Rotary Club. Photo ID required. To make an appointment and for more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 281-1333.

The deaf community is invited to attend worhship services every Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Vienna Seventhday Adventist Church, 344 Courthouse Rd., S.W. For more information, call Ben or Maribel Santiago at 319-4008 or TTD 319-4005.

Vienna (Host) Lions Club has announced that harpist Katherine Hazzard, a senior at James Madison High School, won the district level instrumental competition in the Lions of Virginia Bland Music Scholarship contest. She will advance to the finals at the Lions' state convention in Roanoke on May 16, where contestants will be competing for prizes and scholarships totaling \$10,000.

Kids Safety Day at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S., from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 3. Activities will include photo identification and fingerprinting, bicycle and rollerblade safety rodeo, smoke detector use and placement, home escape routes in case of fire, emergency 911 simulation, drug awareness, choking, poison control, water safety, and

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

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

Vienna Theatre Company's production of "Jesus Christ Superstar" continues May 2, 3, 9, 10, 16 and 17. All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for students and senior citizens.

BUS TRIPS

Day at the casinos in Atlantic City Thursday, May 29. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. The cost of \$30 per person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline May 22.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Vienna Tennis Tournament June 6–8 at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Categories are men's and women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, and ages 35+ and 45+ men's singles. The entry fee is \$12 for singles and \$20 per doubles team. Entry deadline May 28.

Spinal health and immunity is the topic of a free presentation on Tuesday, May 13, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dr. Elizabeth Murphree will discuss new research on the spine and ways to make the immune system work better. Advance registration recommended.

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

Investment seminar May 1, 8 and 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. Financial advisor Kevin P. Davis will discuss mutual funds, bonds,

stocks, how to set up an investment portfolio, interest rates, and more. Free of charge; advance registration required.

Learn how to meet your financial goals at a free seminar on Monday, May 12, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Merrill Lynch Assistant Vice President Keats Nicoll will discuss how to choose from among many investment opportunities and how to define and achieve your financial goals by following an investment process that has a definite beginning and ending. Advance registration recommended.

"What to Feed a Living Trust" will be presented on Monday, May 5, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David G. Hoffman will discuss Virginia trust law, funding your trust, what every banker doesn't know, trusts and mortgages, record keeping, making amendments, trusts and the IRS, and more. Free of charge; advance registration recommended.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

The Teen Center, located in the basement of the Vienna Community Center, is open on weekdays from 3 to 7 p.m. Teens can enjoy cards, ping pong, pool, air hockey, nintendo, foosball, and other games and activities free of charge. Open gym hours are scheduled on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

Special events scheduled at the Teen Center this month include a chess tournament May 7 and a scavenger hunt May 14. Each activity begins at 4 p.m. Admission is free and prizes will be awarded to the winners.

SENIOR CITIZENS

55 Alive Mature Driving Program, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be held May 17 and

24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$8 per person and advance registration is required. The course covers the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions and accident prevention measures. Graduates could receive a discount on their car insurance.

Pickleball tournament Wednesday, May 7, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This will be a doubles-only competition with partners chosen at random. There is no fee for this activity.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, May 15, from 1 to 3 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$5. Participants carpool from the Community Center to the bowling alley.

Free blood pressure check on Wednesday, May 14, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

POTPOURRI

Arm chair traveler series takes you to England May 9 and Turkey May 23 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share their own travel stories. This program is free of charge, but advance registration is requested.

Family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, May 23, at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Refreshments will be sold. Call for information on what film is scheduled. Parents are required to stay with their children during the show.

"Making Sense of Herbs" will be presented on Tuesday, May 27, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dr. Elizabeth Murphree will discuss herbal remedies and recipes. Free of charge; advance registration recommended.

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

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Welcome New Vienna Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in March:

Diabetic Supplies Midatlantic, Inc. 386 Maple Ave., E. #211

938-7301

Wettering Associates (consulting/teaching) 1100 Moorefield Creek Rd., S.W. 938-1206 242-6265

La Salumeria-Roma Deli & Market 131 Maple Ave., W. #A 319-7662

Grand Plateau (landscape) 500 Niblick Dr., S.E. 938-8372

Legends Flooring Resources 144 Maple Ave., E.

#200 281-5990

Duval Enterprise (independent distributor) 520 Kingsley Rd., S.W.

Marilyn T. Carter (childcare) 504 Echols St., S.E. 319-1468

Elizabeth A. Dusatko (research) 104 Oakmont Ct., N.E. 938-3317

Support Our Hometown Merchants

Philip P. Friedlander, Jr. (consultant) 386 Maple Ave., W. #201

242-6495 Abcon, Inc. (concrete contractor)

386 Maple Ave., E.

#208 938-7418

William E. Wuerger (handyman) 210 Cherry St., S.W. 938-7829

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Business Security Seminars

All Vienna business owners and their employees are invited to attend two security seminars sponsored by the Vienna Police Department and the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce. Community Services Officer Virginia Palmore will show you how to protect yourself and your business from the most common commercial crimes.

The seminars are free of charge and will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Vienna Town Hall. The May 6 session will cover the topics of shoplifting, return fraud and employee theft. On June 6 participants will discuss bad checks, credit card fraud and personal safety. For more information, call the Chamber of Commerce at 281-1333.



REMINDER TO BUSINESSES: The deadline for filing your business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) return is May 1. For information, call the Finance Department at Town Hall, 255-6321.

Beauty Spot

from Your Community Beautification Commission

Vienna's Community Beautification Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other worthy beautification projects. Citizen suggestions for Beauty Spot awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

Interested citizens are invited to attend the Beautification Commission's meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month. Meetings are held in the Council Chamber at Town Hall beginning at 7:30

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BEAUTYTIP: Spring is upon us. As you turn your mattress and freshen your bed inside, don't forget to do the same outside. Freshen your grass and flower beds, rake and turn the soil. Clean out old leaves and weeds so your plants can breathe better. Make spring cleaning an outside event for the whole family. Celebrate spring by giving your home and yard the fresh look of a caring family. THE LOOK OF VIENNA.

Pedestrian Lights Installed on Maple

Just in time to make getting around downtown a little easier this summer, pedestrian crossing lights, set to operate with the traffic signals, have been installed at the Maple Avenue/Lawyers Road/Courthouse Road intersection. Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds motorists to watch out for walkers, joggers, bicyclists, and skateboarders. Please remember,

PEDESTRIANS ALWAYS HAVE THE RIGHT-OF-WAY IN CROSSWALKS.

child safety seat installation. For more information, call 938-2678.

Folktales from Vienna, Austria, for the young and young at heart will be presented by Mason Talespinner on the Freeman House lawn near the "Little Library" as part of the ViVa! Vienna! festival on Sunday, May 25. There will be three half-hour sessions from 1 to 1:30 p.m., 2 to 2:30 p.m., and 3 to 3:30 p.m. This activity is free of charge and is sponsored by the Original Vienna Library Centennial Committee, celebrating 100 years of libraries in our town.

Model railroad open house at the Vienna Railroad Station will be held on Sunday, May 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Avr Hill Avenue, N.E. Donations accepted. For more information, call 938-5157.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Vienna Chapter 1116, will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the Vienna Community Center. The public is invited to attend and hear a report on the 1997 Virginia General Assembly session by State Senator Janet Howell and Delegate George Lovelace.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold an evening coffee for prospective members at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15. Call 281-3832 for reservations and meeting location. Welcome Wagon offers members monthly luncheons, shopping and theater trips, craft and sports groups, and other activities for area newcomers and oldtimers alike.

Young artists have displayed their work throughout the school year in the lobby of the Vienna Post Office. The exhibit will wind up this month featuring students from Flint Hill Elementary School, thanks to art teacher Joan Mund.

Old Dominion Chrysanthemum Society will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 17, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at Crossman United Methodist Church, 384 N. Washington St. in Falls Church. Experts will be there with information on how to care for your mums.

American Association of Retired Persons, Vienna Chapter 754, will meet at the Vienna Community Center at 12:30 p.m. Monday, May 19. Commissioner Thelma Bland of the Virginia Department of Aging will speak about issues affecting senior citizens. For more information about the meeting or the benefits of joining AARP, call Emilie Larson at 938-1379.

Greater Vienna Republican Women's Club will hold its annual membership luncheon at a member's home on Friday, May 16, at 11:30 a.m. Michael Frey, who represents Sully District on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, will be the guest speaker. Those interested in attending should call club president Emerald Giss at 560-9534 for details.

Northeast Vienna Citizens Association will hold its general election meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 14, at the Vienna Community Center. The group will also discuss traffic calming and hear guest speaker Del. George Lovelace. All interested citizens are welcome to attend

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold its final monthly luncheon meeting before the summer break on Thursday, May 8, at Marco Polo Restaurant. The program will feature the "Sixty Karats" tap dancers. The club's final bus trip of the season will be a Rappahannock River cruise and Ingleside Winery tour and tasting. For reservations and more information, call 938-3505 or 281-4811.

South Vienna Association will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, at the Vienna Community Center. Speakers will be State Senator Janet Howell and Delegate George Lovelace with an update on the 1997 General Assembly session. All citizens are welcome to attend.

Coffee house/open mike is held the first Saturday of every month from 7 to 10 p.m. at Epiphany United Methodist Church. 1014 Country Club Drive, N.E. The open mike is available for adults and kids to bring their acts onto the stage. The evening also features refreshments and live music by Epiphany's Praze Band. Free admission. For more information, call the church at

Patrick Henry Library programs include story times for pre-schoolers, book discussions for adults, and activities for school age children such as "Guiding Eyes for the Blind" on May 17, a program on how puppies become guide dogs and the volunteers who raise them. For more information, call the library at 938-0405.

"The Many Styles of Mothering" will be presented at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, May 10, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pinpoint your particular style to help maximize parenting effectiveness. The cost is \$18 per person. Sponsored by the Women's Center. To register and for more information about this and other Women's Center programs, call 281-2657.

Warm Weather Increases Your Chance of Encountering Rabies Outdoors

During the summer months, when both people and pets are outdoors more often, the threat of exposure to rabies increases. Citizens are urged to protect themselves from rabies by having current vaccinations for pets and by avoiding contact with wild or stray animals. All dogs and cats over four months old are required to be vaccinated.

A low-cost rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats will be held from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 18, at the Fairfax County Government Center. Vaccine for animals over a year old costs \$6 and provides protection from rabies for three years. For animals under a year old, vaccine costs \$4 and protects for one year. When animals are brought to the clinic, dogs must be restrained by a leash and cats confined to a cat-carrier or other container. For more information, call the County Animal Shelter at 830-1100.

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Keep Burglars at Bay When You Are Away from Home

Your Vienna Police Department has the following tips for residents who plan to be away on vacation this summer:

- Let your neighbors know you are going to be away and where you can be reached.
- Ask a neighbor to pick up your mail, packages and newspapers.
- Ask a neighbor to mow your lawn.
- Ask a neighbor to use your trash cans or set his or her refuse at the curb in front of your home on trash collection day.
- Invite a neighbor to park a car in your driveway to give your home an even more lived-in appearance.

REMEMBER TO THANK YOUR NEIGHBOR!!

- Make your home look like you are there. Lights turned off and on by timers give your home that lived-in look while you are away.
- Have good locks. A high quality, one-inch deadbolt lock on every outside door is a basic requirement.
- Never leave your home unlocked, even for a brief trip to the store or a visit to the neighbor across the street. Many homes have been burglarized in just such short periods of time.
- Do not hide a key outside your home. Leave that extra key with a trusted neighbor or friend. If you have deadbolt cylinder locks, you must use a key to lock the door and cannot possibly lock yourself out.
- Do not put a name or address tag on your house or car keys. That is an open invitation to an unwelcome visitor should you ever lose your keys.
- Plug a radio into a timer set to go on when you are away. Set the radio to an all-talk station, leave the
 volume low, and give a would-be burglar the impression you are talking to someone. Light and noise are
 burglars' worst enemies.
- Have a free home security inspection and be an active participant in Neighborhood Watch.

 REMEMBER: A thief wants to take the path of *least* resistance; your participation in Neighborhood Watch provides the *most* resistance! For more information, please call the Vienna Police Department at 255-6366.



To request a house check by the Vienna Police while you are on vacation, fill out the form on the next page and mail or bring it to police headquarters, 215 Center St., S.

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VIENNA POLICE DEPARTMENT

HOUSE CHECK REQUEST FORM



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I,, request the Town of Vienna Police Department to check my residence at
from as often as their schedule reasonably permits. I understand that house checks will depend upon manpower availability, and that there can be no assurance the house checks will stop the intentional criminal acts of other persons. I have been advised that I should take additional precautions recommended on attached sheet.
Signature: Date:
Please print the following information:
Name:
Address:Ph#:
Lights on: (where)
Pets:
Vehicles: (Include vehicles enclosed in your garage)
Alarm: YES:NO: (If yes, list company name & ph.#) Keys:
<pre>Contact(s):</pre>
Will anyone else be checking the home or have access to it? (please list names and any vehicle description):