### **Attention Vienna Organizations!** 1998 Calendar Deadline Sept. 2

Non-profit Vienna organizations are invited to submit information about their 1998 community events for next year's Town Calendar. Items should be addressed to the Public Information Office, Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, September 2. For more information, call the Public Information Office at 255-6330.

# This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

AUGUST 1987 — The Town budget for fiscal year 1987-88 includes funds for a new department combining the functions of the Planning and Zoning Offices. The director will coordinate operations and lend expertise to both functions. Two planning employees will analyze submissions for development and provide recommendations on strengthening development policies. Two zoning inspectors will be assigned solely to the enforcement of Town Code regulations, and an additional clerical position will speed assistance to citizens requesting information.

AUGUST 1977 — The Town of Vienna has won the 1977 Virginia Municipal League's "I Wish I Had Thought of That" Award for its Metrobus shelter program. The original prototype for the shelters, actually modeled after a redwood birdhouse, was redesigned as a public service by the local architectural firm of Kohler-Daniels, incorporating citizen suggestions. The shelters were built by the James Madison High School Maintenance and Repair Shop with materials supplied by the Town. Vienna's shelters cost \$325 each compared with those of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, which cost about \$3,000 to purchase and install.

JULY 1967 - Mayor Jim Martinelli says that as a part of Vienna's "My Kind of Town" campaign, safe and courteous driving habits should be considered attributes every bit as important to an ideal community as cleanliness and beauty, especially regarding speeding and commuter traffic. "Too often, in our haste to reach our destinations, we lose sight of the rights of others on the road to enter, exit, or cross the lane of traffic. Let us all determine in our driving to make Vienna 'our kind of town' for everyone."

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### Sewer Backup Insurance Available

All insurance companies writing homeowner policies in Virginia offer special coverage for damage resulting from backups of drains and sewers, and this additional protection is available at very reasonable rates. For information on obtaining sewer backup coverage, contact your insurance company.

The Town's insurance carrier rarely approves claims resulting from sewer backups unless negligence in maintaining the system can be shown. Therefore, residents are encouraged to protect their property by obtaining sewer backup insurance.

### Fireworks Display **Cut Short by Wind**

For those who've been wondering about the rather disjointed July 4th fireworks display last month at the Vienna Community Center, gusty winds played havoc with the Town's annual show, causing delays and interruptions, and finally forcing cancellation of a portion of the grand finale.

A representative from the Fairfax County Fire Marshal's Office, who was present at the Community Center grounds during the display, ruled that embers carried by the wind were threatening the safety of spectators and nearby property, and ordered that the fireworks be

County ordinance prohibits fireworks when winds exceed 15 mph.

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# Free Health & Fitness Fair **At Community Center**

A Health and Fitness Fair, open to citizens of all ages free of charge, will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Thursday, August 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fair will feature the following activities:

- O Glaucoma, vision and hearing tests, provided by the Lion's Club of Virginia District 24A, will be scheduled every 15 minutes. Call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360 for an appointment.
  - O Blood sugar level testing.
  - Blood pressure checks.
  - Neck and shoulder massage from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- © Community blood drive, sponsored by the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce, from 12:15 to 6 p.m. Call the Chamber office at 281-1333 for an appointment.
  - Health information booths.
  - Senior citizen information.
  - Senior citizen fitness class from 11-a.m. to 12 noon.

Participating organizations include Vienna Parks and Recreation, Lions Club of Virginia District 24A, Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce, The Medical Team, Health Kneads, AARP, First Priority Medical Center, NARFE, The Women's Center, Sunrise Assisted Living, Columbia Hospital, and many more.

# **Vienna Police Celebrating** 50th with Gala Dinner Dance

1997 marks the Vienna Police Department's 50th anniversary of service to the community, and the community is invited to a golden anniversary celebration on Saturday, October 18, from 7 p.m. to 12 midnight at Westwood Country Club. The cost of \$40 per person includes dinner and dancing to the sounds of the band "Patuxent." Send checks payable to "Vienna Police Association" c/o Police Headquarters, 215 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180. For more information, call Bev Simmons, 255-6391, or Carole

Golden anniversary commemorative items are on sale at police headquarters. Items are on display in the lobby and include T-shirts, \$12; sweatshirts, \$30; mugs, \$8; pens, \$5; baseball caps, \$10; and lapel pins, \$5. Proceeds will go to the Vienna Police Association.

# TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

#### MAY 31, 1997

 Held an executive session to conduct the annual review of the Town Manager and to interview candidates for appointment and reappointment to Town boards and commissions.

### **JUNE 2, 1997**

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- Following a public hearing, set the water and sewer rates for fiscal year 1997-98.
- Adopted a resolution supporting the Regional Partnership of Northern Virginia, created under the Virginia Regional Competitiveness Act to enhance the economic competitiveness of all regions within the Commonwealth.
- Adopted the Town budget and set the tax rates for fiscal year 1997-98. Directed the Town Manager to reduce FY98 personnel costs by \$125,000 and to find ways to reduce costs further in future years. Rescinded the prohibition on hiring of new Town employees.

• Made the following appointments and reappointments to Town boards and commissions, all for two-year terms: Maud Robinson and Jerome Covel as resident members, Jim McIntosh as Council-appointed business member, and Carole Wolfand as Chamber of Commerce representative on the Town/ Business Liaison Committee; Jill Decker as citizen-at-large member and Thomas Kamstra as the architect member and chairman of the Windover Heights Board of Review; and Linda Powell as the southeast quadrant representative on the Beautification Commission.

#### JUNE 9, 1997

 Held an executive session to continue the annual review of the Town Manager; to interview candidates for appointment and reappointment to Town boards and commissions; to conduct its performance review with the Town Attorney; and to discuss the sale of the Ayr Hill right-of-way.

#### JUNE 16, 1997

• Approved site plan modifications from minimum setback, parking space size and location, and lot coverage requirements, and waivers from storm water management and onsite dumpster requirements to construct an addition to the property at 120 Beulah Rd., N.E.

- Approved the landscape plan and site plan modifications from minimum building and parking setback requirements, and parking space dimensions to construct a new facility for Ray's Auto Body, 324 Dominion Rd., N.E.
- Approved a transfer of funds from the general contingency to offset a shortfall in a Finance Department salary account caused by a data entry error.
- Awarded a bid for the Plum Street darinage project to Avon Corp. in the amount of \$23,991.
- Approved a change order to the Maple Avenue enhancement project, in an amount not to exceed \$23,545, to include maintenance of traffic plans and specifications in the contract documents.
- Awarded a bid for backhoe rental to Hertz Rental Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$14,000.
- Referred the traffic calming study to the Transportation Safety Commission for review and recommendations.
- Reappointed the following officials for fiscal year 1997-98: Town Attorney John Gionfriddo; Town Treasurer Philip Grant; Town Clerk Carol Orndorff; and Town Manager John Schoeberlein.
- Appointed Tomas Esterrich as a citizen representative to the Town/Business Liaison Committee for a two-year term.

#### JUNE 23, 1997

 Held an executive session to conclude the annual review of the Town Manager and to interview candidates for appointment and reappointment to Town boards and commissions.

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

Deadline for September issue is Friday, August 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.)

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Comment from the Council Table

# "Traffic Calming" — Keep an Open Mind

By Steven D. Briglia Vienna Town Councilman

Many Town of Vienna residents and our neighbors just outside the Town limits have heard about the recent steps that the Town is taking to address the ever growing concern regarding traffic in, through and around the Town. In an effort to identify and focus on specific problems and solutions, the Town Council engaged the services of Ed Tennyson. Mr. Tennyson has extensive experience in traffic and transportation issues and has held five public hearings at the Town Hall, all of which were very well at-

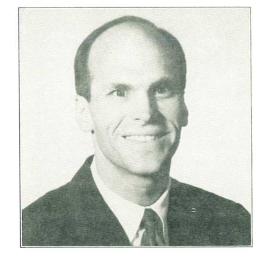
A comprehensive report has been submitted by Mr. Tennyson that many have now either read or heard about. Mr. Tennyson's report is based upon a compilation of an extraordinary amount of raw information provided by residents, businesses, the police, past Town investigations and discussions, as well as information gathered by him personally. Some residents have become concerned about some of the report's recommendations.

The Town Council recognizes the scope and seriousness of the traffic problems in and around the Town and wants the issue addressed locically and comprehensively. The next step in the process is to allow the Transportation Safety Commission to review Mr. Tennyson's report and then recommend implementation of corrective measures. The Town Council will most likely hold a joint work session with the Transportation Safety Commission and hopefully we will then be able to begin taking steps to alleviate some of the problems created by the enormous amount of traffic coursing through Vienna.

It may seem to some that it would be simple just to dead-end certain streets, make some streets one way, put up (or take down) stop signs, install speed bumps/humps, etc. However, the traffic patterns of Vienna, as well as the people driving the vehicles, are a bit more sophisticated than most realize. The Town will not implement any recommendations without first attempting to ascertain the impact on other neighborhoods. It simply defeats the purpose and intention of this effort to push traffic from one neighborhood to another. The goal is to provide a

comprehensive approach.

In the coming months, the Town Council looks forward to implementing traffic calming measures that will allow people to get to work, drop their children off at school and do their shopping without sitting in gridlock. Some traffic calming measures may be experimental and some may be permanent. Regardless, it is important that Town residents, businesses and our surrounding neighbors keep an open mind to the proposed traffic calming measures.



Councilman Briglia

# **Avoid Health Problems by Heeding** Color-coded Air Pollution Alerts

Are summer's sweltering days getting you down? It may be more than the heat; it may be the physical effects of ground-level ozone pollution. Daily ground-level ozone forecasts are issued through the local news media by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG). The forecasts, which are prepared by a team of meteorologists and technical staff from Virginia, Maryland and COG, rank air quality according to colors: Code Green = Good; Code Yellow = Moderate; Code Orange = Approaching Unhealthful; and Code Red = Unhealthful.

When a Code Red alert is issued, the following actions are recommended: Children and the elderly should reduce outdoor activities. Healthy individuals should limit strenuous outdoor work or exercise. Individuals with heart or respiratory ailments, emphysema, asthma, or chronic bronchitis should limit their outdoor activities and if breathing becomes difficult, move indoors.

In addition to the local news media, citizens may obtain the daily forecasts by calling the COG Air Quality Hotline at (202) 962-3299, or by accessing COG's Homepage at www.mwcog.org on the World Wide Web.

Ground-level ozone can cause health problems such as lung damage, eye irritation, breathing difficulties, coughing and chest pain. On a typical summer day, about 60 to 70 percent of the pollutants that cause ozone are created by cars, lawnmowers and other gasoline-powered garden equipment, oil-based paints, and common household products.

During ozone alerts, individuals can help keep ozone levels to a minimum by these actions: drive less but if you must drive, combine errands; keep car tuned and tires properly inflated, refuel cars after dusk to limit daytime pollution releases, and limit engine idling as much as possible; take mass transit or carpool; avoid using aerosols and use environmentally safe paints and cleaning products; don't mow your lawn with a gaspowered mower; conserve electricity and set air conditioner thermostats at 78°.

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# 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 Youth Players will present the hit broadway musical "Annie" August 8, 9 and 15 at 7:30 p.m. and August 10 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$7 general admission and \$6 for students and senior citizens.

Quarterly stamp and coin show August 2 and 3. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. About 15 stamp dealers and 45 coin dealers will participate. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Coin Club.

### **BUS TRIPS**

Enjoy the excitement of thoroughbred racing and play the slot machines at Delaware Park on Sunday, August 24. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 10:30 a.m. and return about 9:30 p.m. The cost for transportation is \$20 per person. Registration deadline August 15.

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

"Tax Slashing Trusts" is the title of a free seminar scheduled for Monday, August 11, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. (Please note this date is different from that listed in the summer recreation brochure.) Attorney David G. Hoffman will discuss marital trusts and other specialized living trusts that can dramatically reduce your real estate, gift, and even income taxes.

### CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Pickleball lesson for ages 8–14 on Monday, August 11, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Free of charge. Pickleball, a cross between tennis and badminton, is easy to learn and can be played by anyone regardless of athletic ability.

"Monday Movie Madness" for ages 10–14 will be held August 4 and 11 beginning at 4 p.m. Free admission. Call the Thursday before each movie to find out what will be showing. Movies will be rated PG or G. Kids must sign in before the movie begins.

Family movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, August 15, at dusk (around 8:45 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.

### SPORTS CAMPS FOR KIDS

Rollerhockey camp for beginning and intermediate players aged 7–14 will be held August 11–15 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Meadow Lane Park. The fee is \$89 per person plus equipment rental. For registration information, call American In-line Skating at 277-2628. Registrations must be postmarked by August 6.

Beginning fencing camp for ages 8 and up helps develop coordination, balance and agility, and sharpens mental and physical reactions. Camps will be held August 4–8 and August 11–15 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The cost for town residents is \$63 for five classes plus equipment rental.

**Basketball camps** for ages 7–12 will be held August 4–8 and August 11–15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Campers will work with high school varsity basketball players and coaches. The cost is \$100 per session.

2nd annual Alumni Vienna Little League camp for ages 5–12 will be held at Yeonas Park August 4–7 and August 11–14 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. James Madison High School head coach Mark Gjormand is camp director with current and former high school players as counselors. The cost is \$100 per session. Players furnish their own gloves.

Tennis camps for youth, ages 8-13, and for "tots," ages 5-7, at Glyndon Park

August 4–8. The cost per camp for Town of Vienna residents is \$25 for older kids and \$20 for younger kids. Players furnish their own rackets or provide a can of tennis balls.

Soccer camp especially for "keepers" aged 8–15 will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. August 4–7 at Meadow Lane Park. Work with world championship team member and coach Kim Maslin-Kammerdein. The cost is \$100, and campers should bring a lunch each day.

Dean Marsden "fourth down" camp especially for kickers aged 7–high school will be held at a local park August 11–14 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. All aspects of kicking and punting will be covered by camp director Dean Marsden, former standout punter at West Virginia Wesleyan. The cost is \$100, and campers should bring their own cleats and footballs and a lunch each day.

### SENIOR CITIZENS

Let's go bowling on Thursday, August 14, at 1 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 August 13 and 21 from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure. Blood sugar level testing will also be available free of charge on August 21.

#### **POTPOURRI**

Open auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's fall production of Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs" will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 2 and 3, from 7 to 10 p.m. Actors should come prepared to do a cold reading.

Arm chair traveler series takes you to Turkey on Friday, August 15, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share their own travel stories. Free of charge; advance registration requested.

### Welcome New Vienna Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in June:

Public Interest Breakthroughs, Inc. (education & research) 144 Maple Ave., E. #201 242-6300

Art & Antiques (art gallery & antique shop) 137 Church St., N.W. 242-4520

One Hour True Color Photo (photo processing & studio) 304 Maple Ave., W. 242-3668

Design Technologies & Applications (techincal consulting & software development) 401 Orchard St., N.W. 938-7578

Excel Temporary Services (temporary staffing service) 329 Maple Ave., E. 255-3472

Global Learning (training/consulting) 607 Truman Cir., S.W. 255-3149

Samuel D. Lowenstein (computer consulting) 118 Melody Ln., S.W. 255-1392

Bocknek Chiropractic 320 Maple Ave., E. #C 242-3533

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## Yard Sale Reminder

Each household in town may hold two garage/yard sales per year. Two advertising signs, no larger than four square feet each, may be displayed on the property where the sale takes place, and two directional signs, no larger than two square feet each, may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission. Signs are not permitted on public property, in the public right-of-way (10 feet from the curb or edge of pavement), or on utility poles. Illegally placed signs will be removed. For more information, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

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.

### **Around Town**

Host families still needed for a group of Austrian teenagers September 6–20. The group will be traveling daily to Alexandria for English language and American culture classes. Families are needed to provide them with housing, meals, and assistance in getting to and from Oakton High School or the Vienna Metro station. For more information, call Francesca Contento at 237-0916.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold a morning coffee for prospective members at 10 a.m. Tuesday, August 19. Call 319-9350 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 old-timers alike.

Patrick Henry Library offers activities for pre-schoolers, school age children, and adults. Kids aged 3–10 are invited to attend the KayDee Puppets' production of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" and "Little Red Riding Hood" at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 9. Free of charge. For reservations and more information, call 938-0405.

**Daylily sale** at Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park Saturday, August 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free and prices will range from \$2 to \$4 per plant division. Daylily expert Tony Welsbacher will offer plant care tips to purchasers. For more information, call 255-3631.

**South Vienna Association** will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, August 6, at the Vienna Community Center. All citizens are welcome to attend. For more information, call Edythe Frankel at 242-7651.

Bereavement support group for adults meets every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Hospice of Northern Virginia Loudoun Regional Office, 885 Harrison St., S.E., Leesburg. Free of charge; no registration is required. For more information, call 777-7866.

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