Police Dept. Open House To Celebrate 50 Years

As part of its 50th anniversary celebration, the Vienna Police Department invites all citizens to an open house at police headquarters, 215 Center St., S., on Saturday, October 18, from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Take a tour of the building and enjoy light refreshments.

Golden anniversary commemorative items are on sale at police headquarters 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.

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

OCTOBER 1987 — A dedication ceremony was held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, October 24, on the W&OD Regional Trail adjacent to the Vienna Community Center to celebrate the trail's designation as a National Recreation Trail. The National Capital Area Federation of Garden Clubs and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority were joint sponsors of the application to add the W&OD to the national trails system. Vienna's Ayr Hill Garden Club, a member of the Federation of Garden Clubs, has for many years planted and tended annuals that blossom in profusion along the Vienna section of the trail.

OCTOBER 1977 — The Town has received its long-awaited city status study, which concludes that, although there would be certain advantages in becoming a city, it is unlikely that any significant decrease in the present combined town/county tax rate could be achieved, and that, under adverse conditions, the tax rate for city status could well be higher. The unfavorable fiscal impact would largely be attributable to the cost of establishing and operating an independent city school system.

OCTOBER 1967 — Tickets are now on sale for the Vienna-Oakton Hamsters' fall production of William Saroyan's "The Beautiful People." Directed by Florence Mishkin and produced by Mary Jones, the play will be presented November 2-4 at the Community Center "in the round." Ticket prices are \$1.50 for adults and 75¢ for students.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333 POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363 SPECIAL PICKUP 255-5727

Visit the Town's web site at www.ci.vienna.va.us

This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 255-6330, TDD 255-5735.

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TOWN **VIENNA**

Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, October 13, for Columbus Day, Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday/Thursday collection route.

Penalty for Delinquent Water/Sewer Accounts

Effective this month, delinquent water and sewer accounts will be assessed interest at the rate of 1% per month. Delinquent amounts will also constitute a lien on the property. For more information, call the Customer Service Office at 255-6385.

County Personal Property Tax Due

For most Fairfax County residents, personal property tax on motor vehicles must be paid by October 6 to avoid penalties. (If you moved into the county or purchased a vehicle after July 1, your taxes will not be due until February 15.)

Citizens can pay their taxes in person at the County Government Center or by mail, telephone, or modem-equipped computer Fairfax County is one of a handful of local governments nationwide providing for electronic tax payment, and soon payment service will be offered via the Internet. For more information, call the County Tax Office at 222-8234.



Leaf Collection Begins Oct. 14

Fall leaf collection will begin on October 14 in north Vienna and October 24 on the south side of town. Department of Public Works crews using leaf vacuum machines will collect leaves that residents have raked to the curbside.

Please rake leaves just to the curbside, not into the street. Cars parked on leaf piles may catch on fire, and children playing in the leaves may be struck by a passing vehicle. In addition, leaves may prevent rainwater from reaching storm water inlets.

For more information about leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 255-6381

No Special Pickups During Leaf Collection

Because of fall leaf collection, no Special Trash Pickups will be made in November and December. The last day to order a Special Pickup this year is Wednesday, October 1. Call 255-5727.

1997 FALL LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

NORTH VIENNA — OCTOBER 14-23 NOVEMBER 1-12 DECEMBER 2-12

SOUTH VIENNA - OCTOBER 24-30 NOVEMBER 13-30 DECEMBER 13-31

51st annual Vienna Halloween Parade 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 29 on Maple Avenue Please see page 5 for parade information

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TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

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- · Conducted an executive session for the annual Council organizational meeting and appointments to local committees for the new fiscal year, and to discuss new requirements for nominations and appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- Following a public hearing, adopted amendments to the cable TV ordinance concerning establishment of rates.
- · Approved a site plan modification, reduction in the required number of loading spaces, waiver of on-site storm water management, and waiver of the required masonry wall in connection with the proposed construction of a one-story shop/music/ gymnasium addition at Cedar Lane Center school, 101 Cedar Ln., S.W. All of these approvals are conditioned on the erection of

a six-foot black chain link fence extending the length of the parking area and the planting and maintenance of a hedge along the entire length on school property.

- · Approved a three-year extension of the agreement with James H. Hays Lodge 529 for Town employee parking at an annual rental of \$10,000.
- Retained E. L. Tennyson as traffic consultant at the rate of \$50 an hour. Approved payment of \$1,900 for additional work performed under his contract for the traffic calming study.
- Reduced the public improvements bond for Ayr Hill Subdivision, Lot 57.
- Reduced the public improvements bond for Westwood Knoll.

· Awarded a bid for concrete repair and installation to Granja Contracting at a price of \$93,575.

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.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Albert J. Boudreau

Vincent J. Olson Michael J. Polychrones Jane Seeman

Steven D. Briglia Robert P. McCormick

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall. Deadline for November issue is Wednesday, October 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.)

- · Awarded a bid for asphalt milling, overlay and traffic marking to Newton Asphalt Co. of Alexandria at a price of \$88,993.32. The contract may be amended for a 25% increase, making the price for the entire contract not to exceed \$111,242,32. Milling and overlay work is to occur during the same construction season.
- · Made the following appointments of Council members to local committees for fiscal year 1997-98: Councilman Albert Boudreau to the Northern Virginia Planning District Commission; Councilman Vince Olson to the Administrative Committee of the Town Employee's Retirement Plan; Councilwoman Jane Seeman to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors; Councilman Bob McCormick to the Hunter Mill and Providence District Advisory Councils; and Councilman Mike Polychrones to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority. Appointed Mayor Robinson, all Council members, the Town Manager, and the Town Attorney to the Town Charter Review Committee. Appointed Councilman Steve Briglia Mayor pro tem.

AUGUST 18, 1997

- · Following a public hearing, remanded to the Board of Architectural Review for reconsideration an application to approve the free-standing sign at Marco Polo Res-
- · Accepted the public improvements for Townes of Vienna Sections III and IV contingent on receipt of a two-year maintenance bond for each development.
- · Directed publication of the delinquent real estate tax list and transmission of the list to Fairfax County for posting and recording. Liens will be recorded against those properties that have been delinquent for three years.
- · Adopted amendments to the motor vehicle code to bring it into conformance with new State laws.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Historic Vienna Inc.'s membership meeting on Thursday, October 16, will feature dances popular in America in 1810 performed by The Old Dominion Dancers in period dress. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Concord/Bouton's Hall, 146 Church St., N.E. (above the Pennywise Shop). The public is invited and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 938-5187. Historic Vienna Inc. is the town's non-profit organization for restoration and preservation.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, will hold a morning coffee at 10 a.m. Friday, October 3, featuring a program on the history of Lanesville Heritage Area. Call 352-0857 for meeting location and more information.

Five Hills Garden Club invites the public to a flower show on Tuesday, October 7, from 1 to 5 p.m. at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E. Free of charge.

Vienna Photographic Society will meet at 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, October 1, at the Vienna Community Center. Audrey Goolrick, teacher with the Smithsonian Institution, will give a slide presentation on architectural photography and discuss how to photograph Washington landmarks artistically as well as techniques for maximizing visual effects. Everyone with an interest in photography is welcome to attend. For more information, call Sharon Connolly at 250-

Annual toy show will be held at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, November 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3 per person (free for kids 10 years old and under accompanied by an adult). Sales spaces are available for \$20 each: vendors contact Scotty Allensworth at 938-7132 for information.

Friends of Patrick Henry Library will meet at the library on Monday, October 13, at 7:30 p.m. The Friends provide volunteer workers, organize special programs, and raise funds through used book

sales and other activities. If you would like to become a Friend, pick up an application at the library, or apply over the Internet at www.co.fairfax.va.us/library.

1998 Entertainment Books, full of discount coupons, are now available and can be used immediately. The books cost \$35 each and make great gifts. Save on restaurants, hotel accomodations across the country, car rentals, florists, sporting events. theater tickets, cleaners, car washes, and much more. There is even a special section for Ocean City coupons.

Entertainment Books are available from two local organizations: The Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna/Oakton uses sales proceeds for its community service projects; call Carole Cole at 448-8772. The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Vienna Chapter, will donate all profits to Alzheimer's research; call Wes Martin at

Encore Players community dinner theater will present "Twigs" upstairs at Marco Polo Restaurant, 245 Maple Ave., W., October 31, November 1, 7-9, 14-16, 22, and 23. The setting for this "feel good" story is the suburbs of New York where three sisters and their mother are preparing for the family Thanksgiving. For ticket information and showtimes, call 866-5333.

Vienna Arts Society invites town residents to view a show of paintings by Lilly K. Manning entitled "In the Bubbles" October 6-31 at its new gallery, 133 Maple Ave., E. (between Fresh Fields and Patrick Henry Library). Admission is free. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. A reception is scheduled on Saturday, October 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information, call the gallery at 319-3971. The current show, "Recent Works: People, Places and Things," by Annabel Winston and Barbara Steinacker, runs through Octo-

American Association of Retired Persons, Vienna Chapter 754, will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Monday. October 20, at 12:30 p.m. Alan Mayer of

the Lifetime Learning Institute of Northern Virginia will speak about politics, travel and learning. For more information about the meeting or the benefits of joining AARP, call Emilie Larson at 938-1379.

Garage and bake sale sponsored by the Welcome Club of Vienna/Oakton will be held on Saturday, October 18, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lakevale Estates Community Center, 2554 Oak Valley Dr. From Route 123 going toward Oakton, Oak Valley Drive is about half a mile past Nutley Street. Turn right and go to the community center about one mile on the left.

SVA (South Vienna Association) will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, October 1, at the Vienna Community Center. All citizens are welcome to attend. Urban foresters Tom Ford and Kristin Dameron will discuss landscaping and tree care. For more information, call Edythe Frankel at 242-7651.

Crafters sought for the Vienna Woman's Club Harvest Bazaar on Saturday, November 8, at the Vienna Community Center. Call Sharon Fratis at 255-2571 to receive an application. Proceeds from the bazaar go to scholarships and community service pro-

La Leche League of Vienna meets at Patrick Henry Library the third Friday of the month at 10:30 a.m. The topic for October 17 will be "The Art of Breastfeeding and Overcoming Difficulties." For more information, call Celeste, 573-2832, or Jennifer,

Golden Girls, the Vienna-based senior women's softball association, sent a team to the Senior Softball World Series in Texas last month, and finished first in the International Senior Softball Association World Championship held in Manassas in August. Women aged 40 and over are invited to call Donna Packard at 938-0387 for information about the Golden Girls' winter program, league play, and team tryouts.

Model railroad open house at the Vienna Railroad Station will be held on Satur-



"Walk of History" Commemorative Bricks for Sale

Vienna Non-profit Organizations Join in Fund-raising Project

The Vienna Community Commemorative Project Committee, composed of representatives from Vienna area non-profit organizations, is selling commemorative sidewalk bricks as part of the Maple Avenue Improvement Project. The Town Council has endorsed the project, and many local schools, churches, civic associations, sports teams, service clubs, and other non-profit organizations are joining together to raise funds for their community programs through the sale of the commemorative bricks.

The Maple Avenue Improvement Project is scheduled to begin in the summer of 1998 and will include the installation of brick sidewalks along Maple Avenue from Park Street to Lawyers Road. The goal of the "Walk of History" project is to sell 10,000 paver bricks for \$100 each, with the net proceeds going to the non-profit organizations that sell the bricks. This will be an all-volunteer effort; no paid fundraisers will be used.

Purchasers may have up to three lines of 14 characters each imprinted on each brick. Also included in the \$100 purchase price will be an authenticity certificate and map showing the location of the brick, and the opportunity to purchase replicas of the original brick installed on Maple Avenue and additional authenticity certificates and maps. At the conclusion of the project, a complete book showing the location and inscription of each brick will be displayed at Town Hall and at Patrick Henry Library.

For more information about the project and to receive an order form for your commemorative brick, call Joyce Decker, chairman of the Vienna Community Commemorative Project Committee, at 938-8597. Non-profit organizations are also invited to call for information about taking part in the project.

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Sewer Backups Are Costly! Backup Insurance Is Not!

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.

To help prevent sewer backups, the Public Works Department cleans the main sewer lines whenever residents notify the department that their service laterals have been rodded by a commercial sewer cleaning service. Pressure cleaning to remove material washed into the main sewer line from the service lateral may help prevent future blockage of the main line. If you have your sewer service lateral cleaned, please call the Public Works Department at 255-6381.

Town Homeowners, Businesses Eligible For Discounts On Flood Insurance

Home and business owners in the Town of Vienna can qualify for reduced flood insurance premiums as a result of the Town's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System, which rewards communities that voluntarily undertake flood mitigation activities.

As a public service, flood elevations are available from the Public Works Department at Town Hall. These elevations are required when purchasing flood insurance and affect the insurance rate. For more information, call 255-6381.

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 if you have questions regarding home improvement projects going on in your neighborhood, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Voter Registration Deadline Oct. 6

October 6 is the last day to register to vote in next month's general election. Registration applications are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, all Fairfax County libraries, all County schools, offices of members of the County Board of Supervisors, and at the General Registrar's Office. Completed applications may be mailed to the Registrar's Office, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Suite 323, Fairfax, VA 22035-0081 and must be postmarked by October 6.

In addition, last-minute voter registration will be held at Tysons Corner Center, JCPenney at Fair Oaks Mall, and JCPenney at Springfield Mall on Saturday and Sunday, October 4 and 5, from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

To be eligible to vote, you must be a U.S. citizen, a Virginia resident, and at least 18 years old on or before election day.

If you are already a registered voter, no additional registration is required for this election; however, you should check your voter registration card to be sure it lists your current address, and update it if necessary.

On the ballot in the November 4 general election are Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General of Virginia; all members of the Virginia House of Delegates; and a school bond referendum.

Candidate Debates Scheduled

The Vienna Chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will hold a candidates forum for the Virginia House of Delegates 35th District at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 7, at the Vienna Community Center. The Malcolm-Windover Heights Civic Association will sponsor a 35th District candidates night at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 28, at Louise Archer Elementary School. All interested citizens are invited to attend these meetings.

VIENNA POLICE DEPARTMENT
JOTH ANNIVERSARY
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18,
7 p.m. to 12 midnight
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215 CENTER St., S.
VIENNA, VA 22180

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL BEV SIMMONS, 255-6391 OR CAROLE COLE, 255-6394

day, October 18, 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 Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Donations accepted. For more information, call 938-5157.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold a luncheon at the International Town and Country Club in Fairfax on Thursday, October 2, beginning with a social hour at 11:30 a.m. Motivational speaker Dave Yoho will discuss "How to Thrive, Not Just Survive, in an Era of Change." For reservations and more information, call 281-3017.

"Fall Photo Frolic" Scrapbook Retreat will be held at the McLean American Legion Hall, 1355 Balls Hill Rd., on Friday, October 17, from 6 p.m. to 12 midnight. Instruction will be provided by consultants from Creative Memories, a company spe-

cializing in acid-free albums and supplies. The fee of \$20 per person includes salad/dessert bar, all activities, table favor, and prize drawings. Space is limited and early registration is recommended. For information, call Paula Kellogg at 281-5532.

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 938-3494.

The Northern Virginia Family Child Care Association, Vienna/Oakton Chapter, will host an open house at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, October 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Activities for kids will be available while parents receive child care information. Providers interested in joining the association are also invited to attend. For more information, call 938-8669.

Job hunter's drop-in will be held at the Women's Center, 133 Park St., N.E., on October 8 and 22 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Career counselor Donna Brand will give advice on resumes, interview preparation, and more. The cost for the program is \$5 per person. No registration required. For more information about this and other Women's Center programs, call 281-2657.

CHO (Committee for Helping Others) will be collecting food donations from customers at the Giant Food store on Maple Avenue the weekends of October 17–19 and 24–26. CHO is always in need of volunteers, including drivers for Meals on Wheels. Schedules can be tailored to the amount of time you are able to commit. If you can help, call Faye Adkins, 560-6765, or Sue Gilbert, 938-3202 or 938-1700.

Vienna Woman's Club will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Wednesday, October 15, at 7:30 p.m. Beverly Sharrard of the Cabbage Rose decorating shop will demonstrate decorative techniques for old and new furniture. For more information, call Beth Stone at 978-3425.

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Welcome New Vienna Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in August:

C.T. Nails (nail service) 338 Maple Ave., W. 255-4992 Cakes by Ruth (cake decorating)
710 Meadow Ln., S.W.
938-1963

Mark Babbitt, P.E. (engineering support) 120 Moore Ave., S.E.

No Thank You, Inc. (mail order)
305 Old Courthouse Rd., N.E.

938-5728

305 Old Courth 242-0672

The Mauren Company (real estate) 450 Maple Ave., E. #202 255-5451 DSC 2002 (general contractor) 510 Highland St., N.W. 242-1234

A1 Computedic Consulting 137 Carter Ct., S.W. 242-8403

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Please Trim Plantings and Grass

Although not required by the Town Code, citizens are asked to help control grass and weeds growing up through cracks in the sidewalk and between the sidewalk and street. This unwanted growth detracts from Vienna's beauty and can lead to costly concrete and asphalt repairs. The Town government recognizes the problem of upkeep in rights-of-way, but it simply does not have the personnel required to maintain these areas as it would like and must rely on citizens to help in controlling grass and weeds around their property.

Citizens are reminded to make sure that bushes and other plantings on their property are trimmed so that they do not obstruct the vision of motorists or impede pedestrians and bicyclists. The Town Code restricts the height of plantings, fences and shrubbery to three feet above the curb level within 25 feet of an intersection. Keeping foliage trimmed makes it easier to see approaching vehicles. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of vision at intersections, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

The Town Code also prohibits vegetation from encroaching on any sidewalk or right-of-way. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of sidewalks or rights-of-way, please call the Public Works Department at 255-6382.

PLEASE NOTE: Before cutting any tree, shrub or other plant near your home, first make sure it is on your property and not a neighbor's. Also, cutting trees in parks or on other public property is prohibited. If you are unsure whether a tree is on your property or in the public right-of-way (within 10 feet of the curb or edge of pavement), check with the Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.

"Beauty Spot"

Civic Pride Cleanup Day October 18

The Vienna Beautification Commission has designated Saturday, October 18, as "Civic Pride Cleanup Day" and invites everyone to participate. All citizens are encouraged to make a special effort to clean up their own part of town. You can help by cleaning around your home and picking up litter at a local park, school, vacant lot, stream valley, or neighborhood street. All efforts — great or small — contribute to beautifying Vienna.

The Beautification Commission will be contacting civic associations to encourage neighborhood participation and will also recruit volunteers to pick up litter in the commercial areas of town. For more information, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360.



Vienna's Beautification Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other worthy beautification projects. The latest "Beauty Spot" award goes to:

 Mrs. Eric Frolia, 1013 Cottage St., S.W., for her welcoming flower beds and landscaping.

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.



BEAUTY TIP: A resident of Delano Drive, S.E., would like to remind citizens that the land along Wolftrap Creek upstream from the bridge on Echols Street is privately owned and trespassing is discouraged. Delano Drive is not a busy street and should be used in lieu of people's back yards to gain entry to the stream valley park running through the woods along the creek.

Comment from the Council Table

The Importance of a Vision

By Mike Polychrones Vienna Town Councilman

One of the most important thing for anyone to have in life is a goal or goals, even if some of those goals seem unattainable. The same is true for an organization, whether it be a business, civic or community club, or in this case the Town of Vienna. Without goals or a vision there will be no direction, and without direction a business, a club, a government, or ourselves are destined to just flounder around aimlessly through existence. I truly believe that our Town is in need of a vision that goes well into the next century, and it is one of my goals that we as a community come together and develop this vision for our future.

Some years ago, I took a planning class at the local satellite campus of the University of Virginia. The first evening the instructor told us that all organizations must work on the five P's principle: PRIOR PLANNING PREVENTS POOR PERFORMANCE! Using this principle will aid in reaching the goal of a vision for the next century. This planning process will need to encompass all of the facets of our community if we are to be successful, and the only

way to accomplish this is to have dedicated volunteers willing to serve in this capacity.

We as a Town have a tremendous starting point, and some of the groundwork has already been laid. Our five-year Comprehensive Plan is a good place to start. Many hours of work by many people went into the makeup of this plan, which has placed our community in a prime position to move forward. Also, the Church Street Vision Committee has been looking at that particular section of the Town and is formulating great plans for the future of that area which will improve not only the appearance, but the economic viability as well.

Our plan should be to expand upon the work that has already been done. Later this year and into 1998, the Council will be working on the Maple Avenue corridor and I, for one, am looking forward to this project. To quote our wise and esteemed Mayor, "Many business and property owners have made substantial investments to improve their appearance; now it is the Town's turn to make the investment." I wholeheartedly agree and fully support this



Councilman Polychrones

idea, and will work diligently to see that the whole process of the Maple Avenue improvement project goes as smoothly as possible

These projects are a good beginning to what I am talking about. However, we need to go further. Business and industry are changing with the new technologies as they are progressing. Whole new industries and businesses are being formed because of these changes. Even we as consumers are changing the way we purchase goods and services. We as a government must also be looking for ways to improve the way we serve our community if we want to be in a position to meet the challenges the new technology and the new century bring. Only through proper planning and implementation will we avoid the lack of direction or aimless wandering of a people without vi-

Seeman Memorial Auditorium To Be Dedicated November 1

The Mayor and Town Council invite all citizens to attend a ceremony dedicating the Vienna Community Center auditorium to the memory of the late Councilman Rodger W. Seeman on Saturday, November 1, beginning at 11 a.m. inside the auditorium.

Councilman Seeman was serving his seventh term when he died in November 1996. He had previously served on the Planning Commission and Transportation Safety Commission.

Councilman Seeman moved to Vienna in 1968, where he and his wife Jane raised their three children and became involved in much of the town's life, especially its youth. He coached Little League baseball and Pigtail-Ponytail softball; worked with Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts; and served on the Louise Archer Elementary School PTA, the Madison High School Booster Club, and the Vienna Youth Inc. Board of Directors.

Councilman Seeman was also a member of the Optimist Club of Vienna, the Vienna Wireless Society, Historic Vienna Inc. Board of Directors, and Vienna Woods Swim Club Long-range Planning Committee, and served as president of the Vienna Hills Civic Association.

Streets Are Not Playgrounds

Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds you: Parents are cautioned against allowing small children to go out into the street unsupervised and should impress upon them that streets are not safe places for play. Vienna is a family town that welcomes children and we don't want any of them injured!

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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 Theatre Company will present Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs" October 24, 25, 30, 31, and November 1 at 8 p.m. and October 26 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets are \$8 general admission and \$7 for students and senior citizens aged 65 and older.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Celebrate Senior Week October 20–24. During the week, tournaments will be held in pickleball, cribbage, tennis, table tennis, bocce, pool, croquet, and bowling. The week will end with a walk and an awards cook-out, with certificates for all participants and special recognition for individual tournament winners. The cost is \$4 per tournament or \$10 for the entire week, including the cook-out. Open to everyone aged 50 and older; registration required by October 16.

Pickleball tournament Wednesday, October 15, beginning at 11 a.m. This will be a doubles-only competition with partners chosen at random and prizes will be awarded to the top place finishers. Free of charge; registration required by October 13.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, October 16, at 1 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$4. Participants carpool from the Community Center to the bowling alley.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, October 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure. Please register in advance if possible.

Ongoing free activities for seniors include fitness class on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon; crafts

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social on Fridays at 1 p.m.; table tennis on Tuesdays from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. and Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; bocce on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m.; pickleball on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; mah-jongg Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m.; and walking club along the W&OD Trail on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays beginning at 11 a.m.

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

Investment seminar October 9, 16 and 23 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Financial advisor Kevin P. Davis, a frequent guest on WBZS radio's "Money Talk" program, will discuss mutual funds, bonds, stocks, long-

term and short-term investing, how to set up an investment portfolio, and more. Free of charge; advance registration recommended.

"Be a Successful Investor" is the title of a free presentation on Monday, October 20, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Merrill Lynch Assistant Vice President Keats Nicoll will discuss how to use information to your advantage, how to recognize and avoid the destructive behavior that harms investors, and how to develop the habits shared by the most successful investor. Advance registration recommended.

"What to Feed a Living Trust" will be presented on Monday, October 6, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David G. Hoffman will discuss Virginia trust law, funding

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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.

BUS TRIPS

Day at the casinos in Atlantic City Thursday, October 23. 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 October 16.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Odd Job Bank matches teens with residents who have jobs to offer such as mowing lawns, raking leaves, shoveling snow, clerical work, baby sitting, house sitting, and dog walking. Job application forms are available at the front desk at the Community Center.

Friday night "3 on 3" basketball league information packets will be available after October 1 and registration begins in early November. The new league will have divisions for boys and girls in middle school and high school. League play begins January 30.

The Teen Center, located in the basement of the Vienna Community Center, is open during the school year 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. The Teen Center is always staffed by employees of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

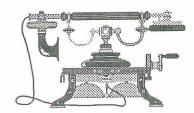
SPORTS & FITNESS

"Who Are You Lifting?" is the title of a free presentation on Wednesday, October 15, from 7 to 7:45 p.m. Dr. Murphee from the Oakton Chiropractic Center will demonstrate the proper techniques for lifting senior citizens and toddlers.

Drop-in basketball for adults is held on Mondays and Wednesdays, and drop-in volleyball on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8:45 to 10:30 p.m. These activities are free



Fall Antiques Show and Sale October 10-11-12



12 noon-9 p.m. Friday 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday 12 noon-5 p.m. Sunday

Admission \$4 per person

Enjoy browsing through one of the largest antique shows in the Washington, D.C., area, where dealers from all over the East Coast display and sell a variety of furniture and collectibles.



of charge for Town of Vienna residents and \$3 per session for out-of-town participants. Drop-in table tennis is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 10 p.m. No charge for table tennis.

POTPOURRI

"Country Strutting" family dance party will be held from 7:30 to 9.30 p.m. Saturday, October 25. Beginners are welcome; host Pinky O'Neil will teach the twostep and all the popular line dances on the spot. Tickets are \$5 in advance (\$2 for children aged 8–16) and \$6 at the door (\$3 for children). Bring a large bottle of soda and snacks to share.

Arm chair traveler series takes you to Mexico on Friday, October 17, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Share your own travel stories with the group. Free of charge.

Our fall recreation brochure is available on-line at the Town's web site, www.ci.vienna.va.us.

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