

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

APRIL 1988 — "This Was Vienna, Virginia," a new book by local historians Mayo and Connie Stuntz, will be on sale after April 30. From the early times of Indians, land grants, and the 1742 Fairfax County Court House near Tysons Corner, the book chronicles the evolution of 14 Vienna area 18th and 19th century plantations/farms and notes the origins of early roads and mills. The book also contains chapters on Vienna from 1840 to 1869, the Civil War and post-war years, some of the early black families in Vienna, roads and maps after the Civil War to 1879, schools, churches and more.

APRIL 1978 — Vienna police issued over 200 speeding tickets throughout town in April. This is a substantial increase over the number of citations normally issued during a one-month period. The Town Council recently called for stepped-up radar operations to control speeding on residential streets. From March 29 through April 30, radar was operated 65 times and 223 tickets were issued. In comparison, 56 drivers were ticketed in January and 87 in February.

APRIL 1968 — Celebration of the 4th of July and entertaining of foreign visitors is a long-standing tradition in Vienna. As part of our pride in country and community, Vienna residents have opened their homes on July 4th to foreign visitors who are in this country to let them enjoy a little bit of our hospitality and heritage. If you can spare a few hours on July 4th this year to entertain a visitor or two for the afternoon, please call Ann and Dick Sales (938-7386) who are coordinating this year's effort. The visitors usually get here in the early afternoon and stay through our traditional fireworks display.

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Temporary Signs Usually Illegal

Temporary signs advertising garage sales, real estate sales, lost pets, and all sorts of business services such as yard work and home improvements pop up on telephone poles, stop signs, street signs, in yards, and along public rights-of-way.

The Planning and Zoning Department reminds citizens that this clutter of signs is an eyesore and, in most instances, against the Town Code. The next time a yard sale or other activity prompts you to post a sign, please keep the following regulations in mind:

- It is unlawful to place signs on street lights, telephone poles, or permanent signs, or to place a sign without a permit within 10 feet of the curb or edge of pavement.

- A maximum of two real estate directional signs may be displayed on Saturdays and Sundays only.

- The following yard/garage sale signs are permitted: two signs of four square feet on the property where the sale will take place; and four directional signs of two square feet.

If you have questions about the Town's temporary sign regulations, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

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Car Tag Deadline

1998 Town of Vienna motor vehicle decals must be displayed by midnight April 15. Additional hours for last-minute car tag sales have been scheduled in the Finance Department at Town Hall on Saturday, April 4, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14 and 15, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 255-6323.

Budget Schedule

Copies of the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1998-99 will be available for public review beginning April 1 in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall and at Patrick Henry Library. The Town Council will receive public comment on the proposed budget at its April 6 meeting, which begins at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Budget work sessions are scheduled for Monday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 18, at 9 a.m.; and, if needed, Saturday, April 25, at 9 a.m. and Monday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. A public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for May 18. For more information, call 255-6350.

Attention Businesses! BPOL Tax Due May 1

The deadline for filing business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) returns is May 1. All town businesses, including home occupations, should receive license tax forms in the mail this month. Forms are also available in the Finance Department at Town Hall. For more information or assistance in figuring license taxes, call 255-6321.

NEWSLETTER

April 1998

Briefing on Virginia Center Project Set for April 6 Council Meeting

At its April 6 meeting, the Town Council will hear from representatives of Hazel-Peterson on the status of that company's proposal for Virginia Center. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall, and all interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

Virginia Center is located on Vienna's southwest border near the Vienna Metro station. The Town Council expressed strong opposition to Hazel-Peterson's original proposed amendment to the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan, which would have increased the commercial space allowance at Virginia Center from 650,000 to 850,000 square feet. According to a County staff report, this expansion of Virginia Center for office use would increase overall daily traffic by 25% and peak hour traffic by 21%. The impact would be felt on Nutley Street, Marshall Road, Kingsley Road, Tapawingo Road, Courthouse Road, and throughout Vienna's southwest quadrant.




Hazel-Peterson is now offering a compromise proposal, a mix of hotel and office space that would increase the total space allowance to a maximum of 800,000 square feet and generate less traffic than offices only, especially during peak hours.

Police Dept. Reports Big Increase In Enforcement of Traffic Laws

During 1997, in response to community concerns about cut-through commuter traffic on residential streets and the aggressive driving violations associated with it, such as speeding and running red lights and stop signs, the Vienna Police Department recorded a 34% overall increase in traffic law enforcement. Over 9,000 traffic citations were issued last year compared to 6,693 in 1996.

The department's annual report, which is available for public review at police headquarters, also describes progress toward other 1997 goals and objectives: implementation of computer generated crime summaries in the "incident based reporting" format; completion of the state accreditation process; and conversion to a computer aided dispatch system that will reduce duplication of data, provide timelier and more accurate records of reported crimes and calls for service, and enhance officer safety through the encoding of information about hazards and prior calls for service.

Among the department's goals for 1998 is the establishment of a pilot "photo red light" program at three intersections to monitor red light violations. While the number of citations for this offense nearly doubled in 1977, the average number of violations still averages two to four per hour. If the Town Council grants final approval for the program, equipment could be in place by late summer.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5  Palm Sunday Daylight savings time begins	6 Town Council receipt of public comments & requests on proposed budget	7 Windover Heights Board of Review	8 Proposed FY 1999 budget available	9 Police Chief's Advisory Committee 7 p.m.	10 Good Friday	11 Passover 
12 Easter 	13 Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m.	14 Mayor's Advisory Committee	15 Car tag deadline Board of Zoning Appeals	16 Architectural Review Board	17	18 Town Council budget work session, 9 a.m.
19 All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	20 Town Council	21	22 Planning Commission	23 Beautification Commission 7:30 p.m.	24	25 Town Council budget work session 9 a.m. (if needed)
26 Trash & yard waste first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	27 Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m. (if needed)	28	29 Planning Commission	30		

Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

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- Conducted an executive session to discuss an appointment to fill a vacancy on the Transportation Safety Commission.

- Following a public hearing, authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds in the maximum amount of \$4.9 million. The bonds will be used to fund various public improvement projects, including supplemental funds for the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project and the Northside Public Works Facility Project, improvements to the Vienna Community Center, reconstruction of DeSole Street and Branch Road, sidewalk construction projects, traffic signal improvements, storm drainage projects, Wolf Trap Creek drainage design, and water and sewer system improvements.

- Reduced the public improvements bond for Carter's Glen Subdivision, Section II, from \$349,296 to \$174,648.

- Authorized the Chief of Police to sign a memorandum of understanding with other Northern Virginia jurisdictions to form a task force on gang activity.

- Reappointed Ted Thomas, Don Chumley, Laurie Cole, Ed Chase and Sydney Verinder to the Planning Commission; Jill Decker to the Board of Directors of Historic Vienna Inc.; Rebecca Hartley as the attorney member on the Board of Architectural Review; and Kaye Kause, James Carter, Ed Ossim and Robert Bingham to the Transportation Safety Commission, all for two-year terms. Appointed Mary Ellen Larkins to the Transportation Safety Commission for a two-year term.

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

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Sen. Howell's Richmond Wrap-up

Dear Friends:
As I write this, the hours wind down on the 1998 session of the General Assembly, and I am thinking about how best to describe the session to you. I came here 60 days ago intent on working on tax relief and school construction funding. At this very moment I don't know if we will finish our business by the March 14 deadline because we do not have a budget. The Senate Republicans, at the request of Gov. Gilmore, killed the compromise car tax and school construction legislation which had the support of all 100 Delegates and 18 Senators. We are still hoping the art of compromise will be demonstrated.

For the last few years I have concentrated on some long-term legislative studies, and some of these bills came to culmination this year. The most noteworthy is Senate Bill 369, Megan's Law, which will give the community access to information on convicted sex offenders who live in their neighborhoods. My Genetic Privacy Act will now be permanently in the code. This legislation ensures that health insurers cannot discriminate against policy holders because of their genetic profile and cannot disclose private genetic information to anyone without the patient's consent. From the Commission on Family Violence Prevention, which I have chaired for the last three years, we finished the legislation identified over the life of the commission to help families, law enforcement and the court system in identifying causes of and responses to family violence.

Closer to home, I was the chief patron of two bills important to your Mayor and Town Council. Both passed. One had to do with appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals, and the other allows Vienna to prohibit parking certain commercial vehicles in residentially zoned areas.

I look forward to seeing you in Vienna at Town meetings, civic gatherings and all the festivals. Solving problems through the legislative process is so exciting. I love serving the residents of the 32nd Senate District and appreciate your allowing me to serve you.

Sincerely,
Janet Howell

STREET SWEEPING CONTINUES — The Department of Public Works will continue its spring street sweeping this month. 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.

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

Beauty Spot
from Your Community
Beautification Commission

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" awards go to:

- Maple Center Limited Partnership for landscaping and renovation of the brick walkways at 107 Maple Ave., W.
- Charles and Laura Anderson, 125 Pleasant St., N.W., for the pleasing appearance their home makes on entering Windover Heights.

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: If you maintain trees, do yourself a favor and don't top them ever. Topping trees can cause rotting, sunburn, and decreased wind resistance. Topped trees require more maintenance, increase liability, and are aesthetically offensive. Topped trees are appraised at lower values than properly maintained trees. If a tree overgrows its place, it is safer and more economical to remove the tree and plant a smaller variety that will not outgrow the space.

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 p.m.

Tax Exemption Approved For Home Improvements

The Town Council has adopted an ordinance to provide a partial real estate tax exemption for the renovation, rehabilitation or replacement of certain residential and commercial structures.

For single-family homes, the following requirements must be met in order to qualify for the exemption:

- The structure must be at least 25 years old.
- The improvement must increase the assessed value of the structure by a minimum of 25%.
- The improved structure may not exceed the total square footage of the footprint of the original structure by more than 30% and may not cause lot coverage of the site to exceed 25%.
- A building permit must be obtained before any construction begins and a certificate of occupancy issued for the completed work. Property owners will apply for the tax exemption at the same time they apply for the building permit.
- Applications for tax exemptions must be made before September 2002.

The exemption will run for ten years at 100%, with the exemption percentage tapering down to zero over the next four years. The exemption is non-transferable between owners.

The ordinance also addresses tax exemptions for improvements to multifamily and commercial buildings. Copies of the ordinance are available for review in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall.

Welcome New Vienna Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in February:

The Flower Depot (landscaping) 203 Tapawingo Rd., S.E. 255-6227	Kirsten Grove, D.C. (chiropractic) 301 Maple Ave., W. #D 598-2617	Joe Barden Pickups (mail orders) 356 Maple Ave., W. 938-8638
Theodore W. Fetter, M.D. (physician) 201 Park St., S.E. 301-299-7096	Janice Ernst (ladies clothing sales) 1114 Pekay St., S.W. 281-3378	

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Support Our Hometown Merchants

WATER MAIN FLUSHING BEGINS — Residents are reminded that water mains are flushed each spring to maintain a high standard of water quality and to ensure proper and efficient operation of the fire hydrants. Some discoloration and sediment in the water may be noticed, but these conditions are not harmful and should be of short duration. For more information, call the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office at 255-6385.

Guide to Solid Waste Collection in Vienna

ITEM COLLECTED	HOW TO PREPARE IT FOR PICKUP	HOW THE TOWN COLLECTS IT
Household trash	Place at curb in plastic bags or trash cans with lids	Picked up on first collection day each week
Grass, leaves and shrub clippings	Place at curb in plastic bags separate from household trash (limit 20 bags per pickup)	Picked up on same day as household trash
Recyclables: metal food and beverage cans; aluminum foil and plates; plastic bottles and jugs of all kinds; glass bottles and jars of all colors	Place at curb together in transparent plastic bags	Picked up on second collection day each week
Newspapers	Place at curb bundled with string or placed in brown paper bags (no plastic bags)	Picked up on same day as recyclables
Brush less than 1½" in diameter and cut in 4' lengths	Place at curb bundled and tied	Picked up on same day as recyclables
Brush greater than 1½" and less than 6" in diameter cut in 8' lengths	Place at curb	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Furniture	Place at curb	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Major appliances: stoves, dishwashers, refrigerators, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, air conditioners and furnaces	Place at curb, doors removed (limit two per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Scrap metal: small auto parts such as engine blocks and transmissions; playground equipment	Place at curb (limit 300 pounds scrap metal per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Tires	Place at curb (separate from rims)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727
Building materials: wood, broken concrete, bricks or block, fences, drywall and paneling (contractor-generated materials will not be picked up)	Place at curb (limit 300 pounds masonry items per pickup)	Picked up through Special Pickup; call 255-5727

Drop-off Recycling Sites

LOCATION AND HOURS	WHAT IS ACCEPTED
Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., S.E. Daylight hours	Cardboard; metal cans; household batteries
Town Property Yard, 247 Nutley St., N.W. First Saturday in March, June and December, second Saturday in September, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	Used motor oil; antifreeze; car batteries
Fire and Rescue Training Academy 4600 West Ox Rd. in Fairfax 1-5 p.m. Thursday, 8 a.m.-12 noon Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday	Hazardous materials: fuel tanks, paints, solvents, insecticides, cleaners, etc. Call 324-5068 for information
Giant Food, 359 Maple Ave., E. 24-hours a day through April 1	Telephone directories (no plastic bags or other materials) PLEASE — Do not leave phone books outside bin! If bin is full, please return later in the day

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

Quarterly stamp and coin show April 25 and 26. 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

Chesapeake Bay Bridge Walk Sunday, May 3. Set your own pace and enjoy the view along the 4.3-mile long bridge. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 7 a.m. and return about 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$15 for transportation; no charge for the walk. Space is limited, so register early.

Day at the casinos in Atlantic City Thursday, April 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 April 16.

SPORTS & FITNESS

Adult spring tennis league begins April 14. Men's singles games will be played on Tuesdays and women's singles games on Thursdays at Glyndon Park. Each participant will play a minimum of seven matches during the season, with trophies awarded to the top finalists. The cost is \$8 for town residents. Registration deadline April 3.

Adult summer basketball league registration is underway. League play will begin June 22 through August 14. Two 10-team divisions will play a round-robin schedule, with the top teams from each division competing in a league championship tournament. The fee is \$400 per team (plus \$20 for each non-county player).

Tennis classes for both adults and children begin the week of April 13. Classes will be held twice a week for six weeks at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. The cost is \$30 for town residents.

In-line skating clinics for beginner/intermediate skaters aged seven through adult at the Alpine Ski Shop, 2964 Chain Bridge Rd. in Oakton. Sessions will be held April 9 and 16, and April 30 and May 7 from 7 to 8 p.m. The cost for each workshop is \$10 including equipment rental. Register at the Community Center.

Reservations will be accepted after April 1 for free hearing, vision and glaucoma tests at the June 13 Health and Fitness Fair. Tests will be scheduled every 15 minutes from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. This service is provided by the Lions Club of Virginia, District 24A. Open to all ages. Call Vienna Parks and Recreation to make an appointment.

Chiropractic and massage is the subject of a presentation by Elizabeth Murphree, DC, on Wednesday, April 8, from 7 to 8 p.m. Learn about the causes of back pain and treatment options. Some lucky attendees will receive a seated back massage! This program is free of charge, but reservations are requested.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

"Making Out Your Will" will be presented by attorney David Hoffman on Wednesday, April 8, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Using a "will check-list," participants will mark off (and understand) the reasons for having a will. Free of charge; registration recommended but not required.

Investment seminar April 9 and 23 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Kevin Davis of Washington Investment Corp., a frequent guest on WBZS radio's "Money Talk" program, will discuss asset allocation, mutual funds, stocks and bonds, risk investing, IRA's, and more. Free of charge; registration required.

"Be a Successful Investor" Monday, April 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. Free of charge; advance registration recommended.

FAMILY & CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Bring the whole family and enjoy a movie outdoors at Glyndon Park on Friday, April 24, beginning at 7:45 p.m. Admission is free. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Refreshments will be sold. Call for information on which "G" rated film is scheduled. Parents are required to stay with their children during the show.

Spring break roller skating for ages 3-12, Monday, April 6, from 3 to 4 p.m. Free admission. Children must provide their own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Parents encouraged to watch their children.

"Alternative Medicine for Children" will be presented by Elizabeth Murphree, DC, on Tuesday, April 28, from 7 to 8 p.m. Learn alternative approaches to everyday pediatric conditions. Free of charge but registration requested.

SENIOR CITIZENS

"Health Care Made Simple for Medicare Beneficiaries" will be presented from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 17. Paul N. Mboh, Medicare Regional Manager for Kaiser Permanente's Senior Advantage, will discuss Medigap insurance policies, Medicare HMO's, and other topics of interest to those on Medicare.

Pickleball tournament Wednesday, April 15, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This will be a doubles-only competition with partners chosen at random. Free of charge; registration required.

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.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Vienna Chapter 1116, will meet at the Vienna Community Center on Tuesday, April 7, beginning at 1:30 p.m. State Sen. Janet Howell and Del. Jeanne-marie Devolites will present a timely wrap-up report on the 1998 General Assembly. Refreshments will be served and visitors are welcome.

Vienna Health Fair Sunday, April 26, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Vienna Adventist Academy, 340 Courthouse Rd., S.W. The fair will include cholesterol screening; vision and hearing evaluations; blood pressure checks; medical advice and referral; and seminars on safety, osteoporosis, arthritis, back pain, and stress. Spanish and Korean translators will be available. For more information, call 845-8499 or 938-8383.

Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W., will hold its annual auction, "A Class Act," on Saturday, April 25. Tickets are \$30 general admission. For information, call 938-8323.

Vienna Photographic Society will feature nature photographer Frederic Siskind at its April 1 meeting. His slide presentation, "Macrophotography in the Field," will focus on photographing insects. The Society meets at the Vienna Community Center on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. and is open to everyone with an interest in photography. For more information, call Sharon Connolly at 250-9048.

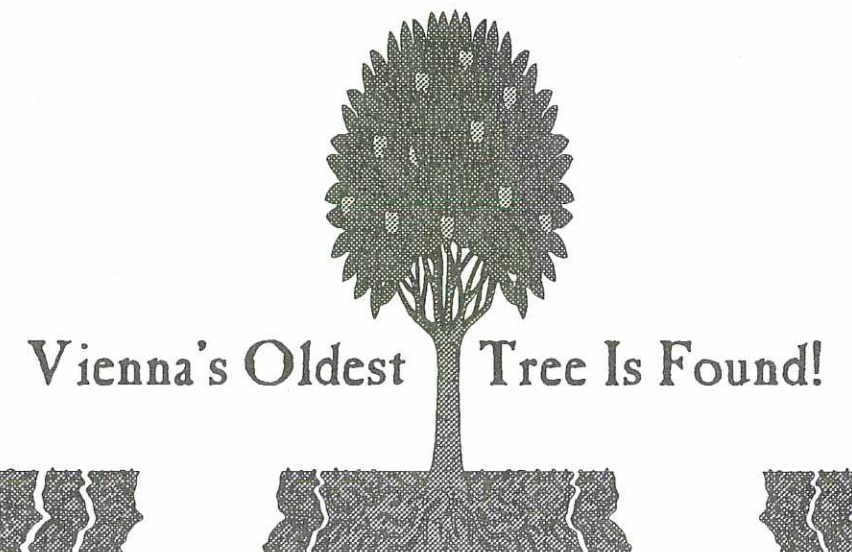
Coffee house/open mike Saturday, April 4, from 7 to 10 p.m. at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Drive, N.E. The open mike is available for adults and kids to bring their acts onto the stage. The evening also features refreshments and live music by Epiphany's Praise Band. Free admission. For more information, call the church at 938-3494.

"Who Says Health Has to Taste Bad?" is the theme of a healthy lifestyle cooking series offered to the public by ATI Career Institute, the only culinary school in the Washington, DC, area accredited by the

American Culinary Federation. Courses are scheduled April 4 and 18, and May 2 and 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will cover principles of nutrition, food selection, modification of old recipes, menu planning, and more. The fee is \$49 per session or \$150 for the whole series. ATI is located at Tysons Corner, 7777 Leesburg Pk. For more information, call 821-8570.

SVA (South Vienna Association) will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, at the Vienna Community Center. All citizens are welcome to attend. For more information or to join SVA, call Edythe Frankel at 242-7651.

YOUR TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMISSION REMINDS YOU — Fairfax County Public Schools students will be on Spring Break from Friday, April 3, through Sunday, April 12. Please exercise extra safe driving habits during this period.



Vienna's Oldest Tree Is Found!

Eighty-one town residents submitted a total of 106 nominations in the search for Vienna's oldest tree, and the Oldest Tree Committee has determined the winner. The location of this magnificent giant will remain a secret, however, until the morning of Saturday, April 25, when tree lovers of all ages are invited to gather at Wesley United Methodist Church, 711 Spring St., S.E. (corner of Spring and Moore). At precisely 10 a.m. we will all walk to the site of the oldest tree and the celebration will begin.

A plaque will be unveiled to honor the oldest tree, and the program will also include remarks by Mayor Robinson, musical selections by the Madison High School Madrigals, presentations by children from Vienna's elementary schools, and a reading of "Trees" by a direct descendant of poet Joyce Kilmer. The celebration will be held regardless of weather; since the tree will be there rain or shine, so will we.

Summer Help Wanted

The Town of Vienna has a limited number of openings in the Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Departments for temporary seasonal laborers beginning in May. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (plus occasional weekend and holiday work for parks employees). The salary is \$7 per hour.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, be able to perform heavy manual labor, and work a minimum of six weeks. Apply in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall, or call 255-6350 for more information.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

22nd annual Walk on the Hill in the Windover Heights Historic District Sunday, April 26, 2-5 p.m. (rain date May 3). Free admission. Using self-guided walking tour maps, visitors may browse through lawns and gardens of homes marked with special "welcome" signs. The tour will also include an antique car display, Vienna Community Band concert at 3 p.m., stories of early Vienna by long-time residents at the Sloan/Marcy cabin, and refreshments. Parking available at 107 Pleasant St., N.W., and at Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W. Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., and historic district residents. For more information, call 938-5187.

The Atrium at Meadowlark Gardens is now open, and reservations are available up to a year in advance. The new structure, overlooking Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park, can accommodate workshops, luncheons, mixers, receptions, banquets, and other business and social events. The public is invited to the official dedication of the facility at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 26. To schedule an event or for more information, call Atrium Events Coordinator Diann Presley at 255-3631.

Tour historical sites associated with Civil War Confederate Col. John Singleton Mosby on Saturday, May 16. The tour will be conducted by Mosby scholars Jim Moyer and Tom Evans. 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 \$25 for Historic Vienna members, \$30 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 1.

Ayr Hill Garden Club will present "Spotlighting Our Town," a standard flower show, on Saturday, April 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the assembly room of The Virginian, 9229 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. The public is invited and admission is free.

Community blood drive Thursday, April 16, 12:30-6 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.

Historic Vienna, Inc. is now collecting used books for a sale to be held in June to benefit the Moorefield House restoration project. Books may be dropped off at the Freeman House general store, 131 Church St., N.E., during store hours from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays, or left on the front porch when the store is closed. Please do not bring National Geographics or other magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, or Reader's Digest condensed books.

Parliamentary procedure will be the topic at the April 14 meeting of the Unity of Fairfax Toastmasters Club. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Hill House, Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Rd. in Oakton. The club meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month and welcomes new members and guests who are interested in improving their speaking skills. For more information, call 319-1091.

The Vienna Community Commemorative Project Committee is selling commemorative sidewalk bricks to be installed along Maple Avenue. The goal of the "Walk of History" project is to sell 10,000 paver bricks for \$100 each, with the net proceeds going to local non-profit groups. Purchasers may have up to three lines of 14 characters each imprinted on each brick. For more information about the project and to receive an order form, call project chairman Joyce Decker at 938-8597.

Vienna Choral Society will present "Voices . . . and All That Brass" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Rd., N.E. Selections will include Dirksen's *Welcome All Wonders*, Ralph Vaughan Williams' *O Clap Your Hands*, Rutter's *Te Deum* and Gabriel Faure's *Contique de Jean Racine*. A reception will follow the concert. Tickets

are \$12 general admission (\$10 in advance), \$9 for students and senior citizens (\$8 in advance), and \$20 for a family of two adults + children under 18. For more information, call 573-4018 or 938-4839.

Model railroad open house at the Vienna Railroad Station Saturday, April 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.

The old-fashioned Freeman House general store, 131 Church St., N.E., is open on Saturdays from 12 noon to 4 p.m. and on Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. New merchandise for spring includes windchimes in the shapes of local birds, birdhouse floral picks, little tin Easter eggs to fill with goodies, boy and girl stuffed toy bunnies, books for children on sign language and Indian sign language, and animal tea lites for table or garden. The store is staffed by volunteers from Historic Vienna Inc., the town's non-profit organization for restoration and preservation. Call 938-5187.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold a luncheon on Thursday, April 2, at L'Auberge Chez Francois in Great Falls, beginning with a social hour at 11:30 a.m. The program will feature a cooking demonstration by Chef Jacques Haeringer. For reservations and more information about the luncheon or the organization, call 938-9377.

The Northern Virginia Family Child Care Association, Vienna/Oakton Chapter, invites the community to its annual yard/bake sale fundraiser on Saturday, April 25, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 308 Talahi Rd., S.E. (off Park Street). Rain date May 2.

Friends of Patrick Henry Library will meet at the library on Monday, April 6, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The Friends provide volunteer workers, organize special programs, and raise funds through used book

Bocce (lawn bowling) tournament Wednesday, April 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. Free of charge. The object of the game is to roll the bocce ball closest to the palina or target ball. In case of rain, the tournament will be played inside.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, April 9, from 1 to 3 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$4. Participants carpool from the Community Center to the bowling alley. Pre-registration required.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, April 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

Ongoing free activities for seniors include fitness class on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 12 noon; crafts social on Fridays from 1 to 3 p.m.; table tennis on Tuesdays from 12:15 to 1:15 p.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 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

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 Monday, Wednesday and Friday through June 5 from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The Teen Center is always staffed by employees of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

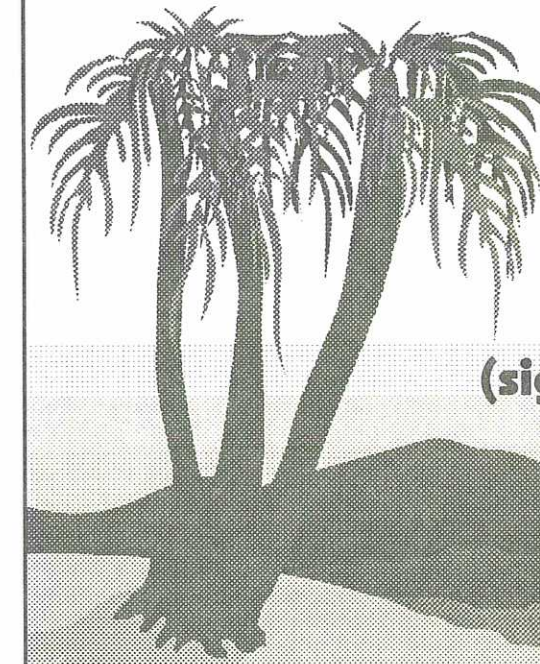
Coffeehouse/dance for grades 9-12 will be held on Friday, April 17, from 9:30 p.m. to 12 midnight. Admission is \$3 at the door and includes snacks, soda and coffee. The gym will also be open for pickup basketball games. Sponsored by Vienna Parks and Recreation and the Vienna/Madison Community Coalition.

Spring break special events will include extended open gym hours April 6-10 from 12 noon to 7 p.m. An air hockey tournament will be held April 7, a scavenger hunt April 8, and a paper airplane flying

**Vienna Theatre Company Presents
Rodgers & Hammerstein's**

South Pacific

at the Vienna Community Center



**April 24 & 25
May 1, 2, 8, 9
15 & 16
8:00 p.m.**

**May 3
(signed performance)
2:00 p.m.**

**Tickets \$9 General Admission
\$8 for Students & Senior Citizens**

contest April 9, all at 4 p.m. Other special events this month include a foosball tournament April 16 with a free candy bar for all entries and a pool tournament April 23.

POTPOURRI

Arm chair traveler series takes you to Alaska on Friday, April 10, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share

their own travel stories with the group. Free of charge but registration requested.

Group reservations are now being accepted for Glyndon and Meadow Lane Parks. Enjoy covered picnic areas, tennis and basketball courts, ball fields, playground equipment, and restrooms. The fee for up to five hours is \$15 for Town of Vienna groups.

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

Town Election Day May 5

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 5. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Town elections are non-partisan, and Town Council members are elected at large.

This year, Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr., and incumbent Council members Albert J. Boudreau, Steven D. Briglia, and Robert P. McCormick are seeking reelection to two-year terms beginning July 1. Edward F. Turkaly is a Council candidate for the first time.

For election results, call the Vienna Newslite, 255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close on May 5, or visit the Town's website at www.ci.vienna.va.us.

Voters who will be out of town on election day or who are physically unable to go to the polls may request an absentee ballot from the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office. Call 222-0776 for information.

Voter Registration Deadline April 6

Monday, April 6, is the last day to register to vote in the May 5 Town election. You may register in person at various locations around the county, or by mail. For more information, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 222-0776.

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

To be eligible to vote in the Town election, you must be a Vienna resident, at least 18 years old by election day, and a U.S. citizen.

The candidates profiled on these pages have shown their interest in the Town of Vienna by running for Town Council. Please show your interest by taking the time to vote May 5.



CHARLES A. ROBINSON, JR., has served as Mayor since 1976. He is a member of many community organizations and also represents the Town on a number of state and regional committees. A retired attorney and electrical engineer, he has lived for 47 years at 124 Courthouse Rd., S.W.

"Vienna is widely recognized as a community of traditional family values; safe and secure; with stable land use patterns, effective services, a strong tradition of volunteerism, and a vibrant business area.

"I am very proud to have helped in molding Vienna into a community where our residential neighborhoods are balanced with a wide variety of business and professional services. I remain committed to retaining the residential strength of our Town, the spirit of community activism and volunteerism that has served us so well, and the rigorous law enforcement without which no desirable community can survive.

"Vienna will enter the 21st century with gusto. Church Street revitalization and Cottage Street reconstruction are complete. We plan to complete the first phase of the Maple Avenue business corridor revitalization this year and begin remodeling of the Community Center. Plans are well along for reconstruction of the Northside Property Yard and VDOT is designing the rebuild of Branch Road and, if suitable alignment can be developed, reconstruction of Beulah Road. And, our 1998 bond issue will include substantial funding for new sidewalks and water and sewer system upgrades. Vienna bonds are rated double A, and 100% of our debt service is carried by our 3% meals and lodging tax.

"We have a great Town. Please help keep it that way by voting on May 5."

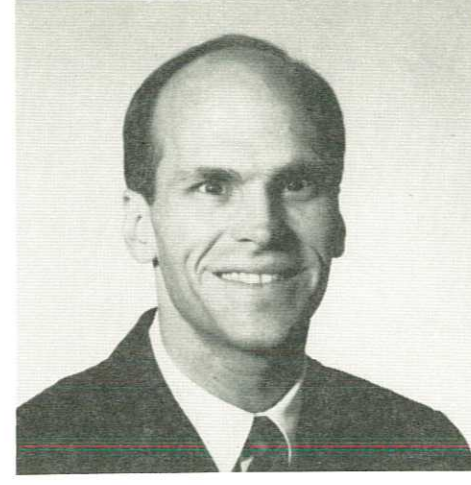


ALBERT J. BOUDREAU is a retired federal executive and part-time consultant to the U.S. Congress. He has been a Vienna resident for 41 years and lives at 616 Welles St., S.E. He served on the Town/Business Liaison Committee and other Town committees prior to his election to Council in 1992 and currently represents the Town on several state and regional committees. He also belongs to a number of community and civic organizations.

"Vienna has worked hard to retain its small-town atmosphere, and you have told me that the friendly merchants, pretty and safe neighborhoods, and good Town services are important. This town truly has a unique character and personality that comes from all of the people in it — a Town government that listens, a Town staff that supplies the many services that we all enjoy, and the hundreds of volunteers in civic organizations and youth sports programs who work together to make that sense of community that is OUR TOWN. I want Vienna to keep that character and identity, and I will continue to work to maintain and strengthen it.

"There are still many challenges ahead: continued modernization of the Town's infrastructure — streets, sidewalks, sewer/water and service facilities; revitalization of Maple Avenue to sustain a healthy and attractive business community and a strong tax base; continued efforts to mitigate the detrimental effects of commuter traffic in residential neighborhoods; and, most important, continued delivery of good, efficient Town services in a fiscally sound manner.

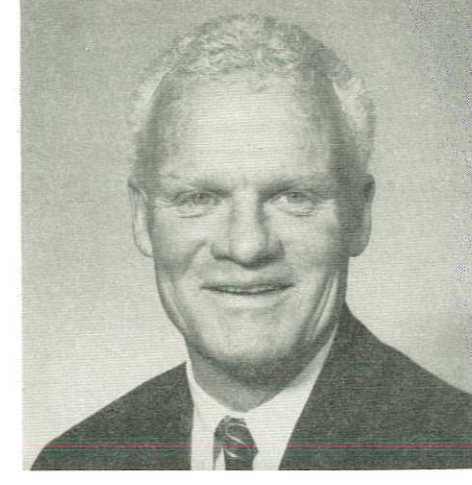
"I would like to continue to help Vienna meet these challenges and I ask for your vote on May 5th."



STEVEN D. BRIGLIA has served on Council since 1996. He was formerly the attorney member on the Board of Architectural Review and he also served on the Town/Business Liaison Committee. A former prosecutor in the Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, he is currently in private practice. A lifelong Vienna resident, he lives at 100 Niblick Dr., S.E.

"It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as a Council member. Although the town's population has remained fairly constant over the past ten years, the costs associated with providing essential services has not remained constant. I have sought to re-evaluate the manner and method of how the Town provides services to the community and have worked to ensure that the level of these services continues to meet the needs of the citizens. I supported the recent renovations and improvements to Church Street, Southside Park, water and sewer facilities, and I support future projects such as the Community Center and Maple Avenue renovations. I also supported the recent tax abatement program that provides an incentive for owners to renovate older properties. By the end of 1999 the Town will have many new or renovated facilities; however, I have worked diligently to ensure that the Town can fund its projects and provide the services that citizens expect and value without raising property taxes.

"My hope that we can preserve the 'home town' feeling that we all have worked so hard to achieve. Also, the ability to attract new families to the town is essential to the continued vitality of our community. I look forward to continuing to serve you and to seeing and talking with you on election day."



ROBERT P. McCORMICK was elected to Council last year. He is an independent insurance broker in Vienna and has lived at 428 Knoll St., N.W., for 22 years. He is past president of the Malcolm-Windover Heights Civic Association and is active in other community groups.

"After serving a year on Council, I have a deeper appreciation of why I love to call Vienna my home. It requires the combined efforts of the Mayor and Council, Town employees, board and commission members, civic and service organizations, and citizen volunteers to maintain our small town character while surrounded by suburban sprawl.

"Much of my time on Council has been spent discussing the Town budget, Northside property yard, Maple Avenue enhancement, traffic calming, and renovation of the Community Center. In reviewing these projects, I can assure you that we take quite seriously the trust that you place in us, and I have no doubt that everyone is doing what he or she thinks is best for the Town.

"As the Town representative to the Providence District Task Force, I have attended several meetings about the Virginia Center development to try and minimize the impact of the traffic from this proposed development on the town. I have also been working with a committee to locate and celebrate the oldest tree in town. As different as these two endeavors seem, both are related to keeping Vienna 'Vienna.'

"In order for the Town of Vienna to survive for another 100 years, the same dedication that our citizens have shown in the past must continue in the future. Please become involved in the Town in whatever way you can, and by all means, remember to vote on May 5. Thank you for your support."

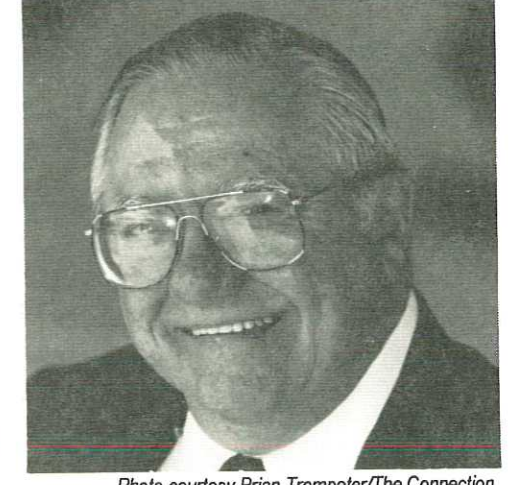


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EDWARD F. TURKALY is seeking election to the Town Council for the first time. He has lived at 426 Yeonas Dr., S.W., for 26 years. He coached youth baseball for approximately 15 years and is a member of Southwest Vienna Citizens Association, Loyal Order of Moose, AARP, and other community and service organizations.

"I recently retired with 34 years of federal government service from Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters, and since I plan to stay in Vienna I would like to contribute towards making it an affordable, safe and pleasant place in which to live. With my background in logistics, cost analysis, planning and other disciplines I feel I can help to achieve these goals.

"I will push to keep crime down by more police visibility and discourage commuter traffic from using our side streets. I would also explore the feasibility of having a patrol officer or police cadet walk the beat in commercial areas in the evening for our shoppers' safety and merchants' protection.

"I will fight to hold the line on taxes and increases in water and sewer rates. I feel that by optimizing our resources and being more cost efficient in our Town operations, along with getting some County and State resources, we can do this.

"We also need to be more 'merchant friendly.' Their businesses help generate revenue for our town, create jobs, and provide local services to meet our needs.

"I've always been a team player and I certainly will work with the Mayor, Town Council, Town Manager, and community leaders and town citizens in making the right decisions for all of Vienna.

"Let me be your Town servant by voting for me on May 5."