This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

NOVEMBER 1991 – At its November 4 meeting, the Town Council awarded the contract for the new police station to 722 Construction Corp. of Sterling at a price of \$1,169,722, to come from Capital Improvements Program bond funds. The award is contingent on the construction contract including language concerning the testing and warranty of the firing range.

NOVEMBER 1981 - A public hearing is set for November 23 on an application to rezone the property behind the Marco Polo Restaurant from residential to C-1A commercial. The applicant has stated his intention is to develop a professional office building on the site.

NOVEMBER 1971 – By means of an Election Day advisory referendum, Vienna residents will be asked whether or not they wish the Town to construct a year-round swimming pool at an approximate cost of \$250,000, or whether the funds could be better spent on other recreational and community needs.

NOVEMBER 1961 – Maple Avenue will be widened and curb, gutter and sidewalk installed in front of Southern States Cooperative thanks to the company's dedication of the necessary right-of-way. In a meeting with the Town Manager, Director of Public Works and Mr. C.A. Robinson on November 30, company representatives readily saw the benefit of the improvements to customers of Southern States and to the traveling public.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:
VIENNA NEWSLINE – 703-255-6333
POLICE INFO LINE – 703-255-6363
TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP – 703-255-5727

Storm Drains Aren't Trash Cans!

When it rains, the water that runs down your street "disappears" down the storm drains. Have you ever stopped to wonder where the water goes? Storm drains do not lead to wastewater treatment facilities. Any substance that goes into the storm drain goes directly into a local stream and eventually makes its way into the Chesapeake Bay.

Items typically placed in storm drains nelude:

- Motor oil, antifreeze, paint These substances can damage and kill underwater vegetation and aquatic life as well as the birds and animals that feed on them.
- Animal waste Dumped into a storm drain or left on the ground to run off with the next rain, animal waste contains bacteria that are harmful to the environment.
- Yard waste Once in the water, leaves and other yard waste decompose rapidly, adding excessive nutrients.
- Plastic and foam containers These items do not decompose and can kill wildlife that eat or become entangled in them.

Help save the Chesapeake Bay. Never dump anything down a storm drain.

FIRE & RESCUE 911

(Voice & TDD)

VIENNA POLICE EMERGENCY 703-938-4900 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD) Non-Emergency

Non-Emergency 703-255-6366 (Voice) 703-255-5730 (TDD)

VIENNA TOWN HALL 703-255-6300 (Voice) 703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER 703-255-6360 (Voice) 703-255-5739 (TDD)

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Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23, for the Thanksgiving holidays. NO CURB-SIDE RECYCLING ON THANKS-GIVING DAY.

Leaf Collection

Fall leaf collection continues this month, November 5-9 and November 26-December 4 in north Vienna, and November 12-21 on the south side of town. TO ENSURE PICKUP, ALL LEAVES MUST BE AT THE CURB-SIDE PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY FOR YOUR AREA. ONCE YOUR STREET HAS BEEN COVERED. CREWS WILL NOT DOUBLE BACK. Because of the leaf collection operations, no Special Pickups are made during November and December. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6381.

Meet Your Supervisor

Fairfax County Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins invites Hunter Mill District citizens to meet with her from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, November 17, in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. For more information, call the Supervisor's office at 703-478-0283.

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

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Public Hearing On Branch Rd. Reconstruction Project

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will hold a public hearing on the proposed reconstruction of Branch Road, S.E., on Wednesday, November 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. VDOT representatives will be at the hearing to explain the project in detail and answer questions.

The project, scheduled to begin in 2003, would entail rebuilding and asphalt overlay along the entire length of the street (Maple Avenue to Valley Drive) at its current width plus new curb, gutter, sidewalk and driveway entrances. The Town has budgeted \$32,000 in Capital Improvement Program bond funds for the required 2% local match of state funding.

For more information, citizens may contact R.H. "Reggie" Beasley, Jr., VDOT Urban Program Engineer, at 804-786-0335.

Council to Vote on Meals Tax

The Town Council has scheduled a vote at its November 19 meeting on the proposed increase in the meals and lodging tax rate from 3% to 4%. The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. A public hearing on the proposal was held September 24.

The purpose of the proposed increase is to acquire property at the corner of Maple Avenue and Mill Street for the development and preservation of green space in the center of town and to fund the next phase of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project along Vienna's main business corridor. The increase would become effective January 1, 2002, through June 30, 2008, at which time the rate would revert to 3%.

Real Estate Tax Due Next Month

The second installment on 2001 Town of Vienna real estate tax bills is due on December 5. Mailed payments must be postmarked on or before that date to avoid penalties and interest.

If you pay your real estate taxes directly to the Town rather than through a mort-gage company and you do not receive your bill by November 15, please call the Real Estate Office in the Finance Department at Town Hall, 703-255-6325, and make arrangements to pay your bill by December 5 to avoid penalty and interest charges.

If your Vienna taxes are paid through your mortgage company and you receive the tax bill, please notify your mortgage company immediately so it can make payment by the due date.

If you have sold the property and are not responsible for the tax bill you receive, please notify the real estate office immediately.

YOUR VOTE **COUNTS!!**

ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 Polls Open 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

ON THE BALLOT:

- **★**Governor
- **★Lieutenant Governor**
- **★**Attorney General
- **★**House of Delegates
- **★County school bond issue**

Voters will be asked to furnish identification at the polls.

For the location of your polling place and other election information, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For 24-hour recorded information, call 703-324-4700 or visit www.co.fairfax.va.us/eb.

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Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise

SEPTEMBER 10, 2001

- Conducted a closed executive session to interview candidates for appointment to Town boards and commissions.
- Recommended Frank Lillis to the Fairfax County Circuit Court for reappointment to the Town's Board of Zoning Appeals for a five-year term. Appointed Abby Bellows as the student representative on the Community Enhancement Commission for a one-year term.
- Waived Community Center rental fees for use by James Madison High School on November 27.
- Approved a change order to the traffic signal and pole replacement at Maple Avenue and Nutley Street to allow for three green fluted pedestrian crossing pedestal poles at a cost of \$8,486.88. (Approved 5-2, McCormick and Seeman voting no.) Approved a second change order to furnish and install new signal heads on both sides of Nutley Street at a cost of \$8,027. Approved a transfer of funds to cover the change orders, and directed that the contractor, Dynatran, increase its bond

to cover the increase in the contract amount. (Approved 6-1, McCormick voting no.) Approved nighttime work by Dynatran on roadway conduit crossings on Maple and Nutley.

- Approved a contract with AEC Engineering for water tank consulting services. This item will be reviewed when the fees have been determined.
- Denied the use of the blanket purchase order process for amounts exceeding \$5,000 and directed that standard procurement policies be followed.
- Retained the firm of Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates to review the gross receipts tax refund request filed on behalf of C.M.S. Information Services at a price estimated not to exceed \$10,000 plus expenses and to submit a report of its findings.
- Awarded a three-year rental contract for two Sharp copiers at Town Hall to TML Copiers & Digital Solutions.
- Accepted the resignation of Mindy Facenda from the Community Enhancement Commission.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

M. Jane Seeman, Mayor

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Director of Finance	Philip R. Grant	703-255-6320
Director of Parks & Recreation	Richard S. Black	703-255-6356
Director of Planning & Zoning	Gregory M. Hembree	703-255-6341

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall. Deadline for December issue is Thursday, November 15.

Follin Lane Traffic Light Made Safer

Have you noticed the additional traffic signal on Maple Avenue at Follin Lane headed toward Tysons Corner? The regular signal is difficult to see as you round the curve, and the accident rate at this intersection was the highest in town. The photo red light system at this intersection also showed the highest level of red light running.

The problem was recognized by the Transportation Safety Commission, which recommended the extra light to the Town Council. Since its installation, the number of accidents and red light running violations have dropped dramatically - by more than half - further improving traffic safety in the Town of Vienna.

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Saturday 30 6 Town Hall closed Friday 00 Town/Business Liaison Committee 6:30 p.m. Board of Architectural Review Town Hall closed NO CURBSIDE RECYCLING Thanksgiving Thursday 2002 dog tags go on sale Planning Commission 21 Wednesday Board of Zoning Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m. Election Day Tuesday 5 Council work session Leaf collection north side of town Nov. 26-Dec. 4 ber Leaf collection north side of town November 5-9 Leaf collection south side of town November 12-21 Fown Council Town Council Monday ovem Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise Sunday

Welcome New **Businesses**

The following business licenses were issued in September:

Rebecca L. deAzevedo massage therapy 301 Maple Ave., W. #D 571-331-1121

Bear Creations stained glass/jewelry 1205 Cottage St., S.W. 703-242-0640

Sweet Wraps candy bar wrappers 317 Moorefield Rd., S.W. 703-242-8478

Body Grace Fitness fitness instructor 124 Park St., N.E. 703-255-2370

JNR Landscaping landscape & lawn 926 Cottage St., S.W. 703-919-4456

Body Massage of Vienna massage therapy 131 Church St., N.W. 2nd Floor 703-938-0227

Chris Kahn massage therapy 407 Church St., N.E. #G 703-855-8360

Convenient Location & Friendly Service SHOP IN VIENNA

MNO CHIEF'S ADVISORY MEETING IN NOVEMBER - Members of the Police Chief's Advisory Committee are reminded that the date for the next meeting will be December 6. The November meeting date shown in this year's Town Calendar has been canceled.

Dog Tags Go on Sale November 1

2002 dog tags will be available beginning Tuesday, November 1, in the Finance Department at Town Hall. Dog tags are also available by mail; use the form below. For more information, call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323.

TOWN OF VIENNA DOG LICENSE APPLICATION

Town of Vienna licenses are required for all dogs four months of age or older and must be renewed each year between November 1 and January 31. The cost of a license for a spayed/neutered dog is \$5.00. The cost of a license for a fertile dog (male or female) is \$10.00. Certification must be provided that the animal has been vaccinated against rabies and, for a \$5.00 license, neutered by a veterinarian or is infertile. Your certificate(s) will be returned with the tag.

Director of Finance, Town of Vienna, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180 for which please send me Attached hereto is \$ Attached also is a current rabies inoculation certificate and certification of neutering, if applicable, for each dog covered by this application. Name & address of owner (please print or type)

Rabies Vaccination Clinic Scheduled

A low-cost rabies vaccination clinic for dogs and cats, sponsored by the Fairfax County Department of Animal Control, will be held from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, November 11, at the County Government Center. The clinic is located in the loading dock area. Use the lefthand parking lot closest to the building. The cost is \$10 per animal. When pets are brought to the clinic, dogs must be on a leash and cats confined to a cat-carrier or other container. For more information, call 703-830-1100.

Vienna License Plates Available

A special state license plate has been designed for Vienna featuring a full-color rendering of Town Hall in the center of the plate and the words "Town of Vienna" at the bottom. The Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will issue the special plate once 350 prepaid orders have been received.

Application forms are available in the Finance Department at Town Hall, where a sample plate is on display, at DMV customer service centers, and online at the DMV web site www.dmv.state.va.us. The annual fee for the special plates is \$25, plus \$10 extra for personalized plates, in addition to the regular DMV registration.

The special Vienna license plate is not limited to town residents; any vehicle registered in Virginia may display the plate to show your Vienna community spirit, whether traveling across town or across the country.

For more information about purchasing a special license plate, call the Finance Department at 703-255-6323

to share in a special three-day workshop designed to consider the plans for our Town!



VIENNA TOWN

November 1-3, 2001

Thursday, November 1, 2001

Town Council Chambers

The Information Phase

Reaistration and Informal Introductions 8:30 AM Coffee and Donuts

Introductions and Description of Workshop Goals

Mayor: Jane Seeman ■ Planning Commission Chair: Kevin McNiff

■ Town/Business Liaison Committee Chair: Carole Wolfand

■ Northern Virginia Regional Commission Executive Director: G. Mark Gibb

■ Workshop Facilitator: David Wilcox

10:00 AM Orientation

9:00 AM

- Existing Businesses
- Major Intersections
- Vacant Properties/Opportunities
- Historic Sites
- Open Space/Amenities

12:00 Noon Working Lunch

- Discussion of technical issues
- Review of previous planning studies

Goals for the Vienna Business Community 1:30 PM (Discussion leaders to be determined)

- Transportation
- Development/Design
- Economics/Business
- Meaning and Area
- Uses

Panel Discussion of the Technical Issues

- Consultant Team
- Town Council Members
- Planning Commission Members

• 7:30 PM

Public Input Forum (Advertised) - Town Hall

- Open discussion as required
- Round table discussions

Friday, November 2, 2001

Town Council Chambers

The Analytical Phase

● 8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

8:30 AM

Identification of Issues to Study ■ Land Uses and Densities

- Urban Design
- Transportation and Traffic
- Public Transportation
- Amenities
- Heritage Preservation
- Business Development
- Parking
- Financing



Over please...

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VIENNA town workshop

10:00 AM Proposal Components - Specific Areas for

Commission.

	Resolution	Notes
12:00 Noon	Working Lunch	1 40163
1:00 PM	Sub-Team Assignments ■ Summary Reports as Necessary ■ Text, Flip Charts, and Overheads	
5:00 PM	Full Team Report	
6:00 PM	Recess Until Saturday	
	Town Council Chambers	
The	Recommendation Phase	
8:30 AM	Continental Breakfast	
9:00 AM	Alternative Land Use Scenarios Maps, Charts, Graphics Text Support	
11:00 AM	Selection of Preferred Concepts ■ Final Review of the Plan and Recommendations	
12:00 noon	Working Lunch	
1:00 PM	Presentation and Public Input Session Town Council Chamber (video taped)	
2:00 PM	Adjourn	
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cheese dip, hummus, and more in a party setting with flowers, candlelight, and Middle Eastern music. \$20 per person; advance registration required.

Caring for Your Newborn, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, November 13, is for expectant parents. Participants will receive information on choosing a pediatrician, preparing the nursery, what to expect the first few days, nutrition, bonding with your infant, changing and clothing, carrying, bathing, umbilical cord care, car seat use, and when to call your doctor. Free of charge.

Babysitting Fundamentals for boys and girls age 12 and older 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, November 3. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. The fee of \$25 per person includes a manual and certificate upon completion. Bring a bag lunch and a doll.

SENIOR CITIZENS

55 Alive Mature Driving Program, sponsored by AARP, will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 13 and 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The course covers the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions, and accident prevention measures. Graduates of the course could receive a discount on their car insurance. The fee is \$10 per person and advance registration is required.

Free blood pressure check for senior citizens 10-11 a.m. Wednesday, November 14, by members of The Medical Team.

POTPOURRI

Auditions for the Vienna Theatre Company's production of "The Lion in Winter" will be held November 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. and November 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. The cast includes five men and two women. Bring a prepared monologue of two to three minutes. There may also be cold readings from the script.

Improving Relationships with Deeper Perception 7:30-9:30 p.m. November 12 and 19. Rose Rosetree will offer training in the techniques of face reading and aura reading to help you learn about your significant other's "inner person." The cost for both sessions is \$25 per person and advance registration is required.

The Book Club, a collaboration between the Patrick Henry Library and the Vienna Community Center, will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, November 29, to discuss *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. The evening group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, November 19, to discuss *The Good Earth* by Pearl S. Buck. Books are provided with advance reservations through the Patrick Henry Library. For more information, call Karen O'Meara at 703-938-0405.

Monthly Tea Dance, a collaboration between the Reston Community Center

and the Vienna Community Center, 2-4:30 p.m. Sunday, November 18, in Reston. Dancers of all skill levels are welcome to foxtrot, swing, cha-cha, and waltz to the music of DJ Dale Ernest. Partners are not required. The cost of \$3 per person includes door prizes and light refreshments. Reservation deadline November 11.

Coming next month ... "Warm Winter Wishes," a program of dance and music in celebration of diverse December traditions, will be presented by the Erika Thimey Dance and Theatre Company on Tuesday, December 11, from 1 to 2:15 p.m. The performance will include traditional folk tunes and familiar popular songs, ending with an audience singalong. Admission is \$7 person and reservations are required.

STUDENT/TEACHER POTTERY AND ART SHOW AND SALE



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 10 A.M.- 3:30 P.M. AT THE BOWMAN HOUSE 211 CENTER ST., S.

HANDBUILT & WHEEL THROWN ITEMS

— BOWLS, VASES, MUGS, CASSEROLES —
PLUS PAINTINGS & DRAWINGS

GREAT FOR HOLIDAY GIVING!

Thanks to Mural Supporters

The Vienna Mural Project Committee expresses its thanks to the following for their contributions to creating the mural near the Vienna Railroad Station: Carol Wolfand, Vienna Paint & Decorating; Harris Miller; Art Zasada; Teri Christensen; Vincent Paulucci; Janet Gelb; Bob Johnson; John Lane; Jody Toser; Kathy Stryker; Carol Waite Brennan, president, Optimist Club of Vienna; Lauren Moeller, Navy Federal Credit Union; Hugh and Sue McGee and staff, Top Hat & D'tails; Joanna Duma, Fresh Fields; Jim Preston; Sissy Alstadter; Jerry and Marty Klaimon; Carolyn Koslow, president, Vienna Arts Society; Daphne Sloan.

The mural, painted on the rear wall of the building on Mill Street, N.E., that houses Judd Tile and Vienna Glass, is 25 feet tall and 108 feet long. It faces the W&OD Regional Trail in the heart of Vienna, near the old train station and the red caboose, and highlights the role of the railroad in Vienna's history.

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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 703-255-6360.

All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Beautification Day, the annual town cleanup sponsored by the Community Enhancement Commission, will be held on Saturday, November 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Civic associations, service organizations, scout troops, businesses, and individual citizens are invited to participate in making Vienna a more beautiful community. Clean up your own neighborhood, or any other area of town that needs attention, and drop off litter at the Town of Vienna trash truck in Glyndon Park

Final performances of the Vienna Theatre Company production, "The Deadly Game," November 2 and 3 at 8 p.m. General admission \$8; students and senior citizens (65 and older) \$7.

Quarterly coin and stamp show November 3 and 4. 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.

Roller skating for children ages 3-10 Monday, November 5, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free of charge. Participants must furnish their own skates or rollerblades and safety equipment. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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

Homebuyer's Strategies for a Competitive Marketplace 7-9 p.m. Monday, November 12. Mortgage consultant Edwin Peacock and realtor Matthew Cockerham will explain the eight steps to a stress-free real estate transaction, how owning will translate to tax savings, strategies to locate homes quickly, and successful negotiating strategies. Free of charge; advance registration requested.

Mortal Thoughts: Everything You Need to Know Before You Go 10-11:30 a.m. Monday, November 5. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss medical directives (living wills), gift planning, Medicaid, funeral and burial options, probate in other states, the new tax law, and wills and trusts. Free of charge; advance registration requested.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

A high school concert at Club Phoenix on September 29 benefited the victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks. Four student bands representing high schools throughout Fairfax County donated the evening's profits to the American Red Cross. Thanks to the members of Japanese Technology, Screencage, 2 Cents Short, and The Lightly Toasted Crackers.

Comedy Night at Club Phoenix 7:30-11 p.m. Saturday, November 17. Comedy night will include not only professional comedians but aspiring teen comedians as well. Teens interested in performing must contact the Teen Center staff by November 3. Admission to the show is \$3 per person.

"GIRLSgroup," for students in grades 9 through 12, November 12 and 26 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. The GIRLSgroup provides a setting where girls can talk about their feelings, make new friends, learn about important issues and, most important, have fun. The group is facilitated by licensed clinical social worker Mimi Weisberg. Free of charge; advance registration requested.

Coalition Kids, hosted by Vienna Parks and Recreation and the Vienna-Madison Community Coalition, 2-3:30 p.m. Monday, November 19. Coalition Kids is an after school drop-in program for 5th and 6th graders focusing on making new friends, learning team building, performing community service, and being involved with anti-drug and violence prevention programs. The group is facilitated by a Fairfax County Safe and Drug Free Youth Section staff member, school counselors, and volunteers from the community. A one-time fee of \$10 pays for supplies and refreshments. Registration required.

Rap session, designed to give high school students an opportunity to address issues selected by and focusing on themselves, 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, November 14. Coordinated by teen center staff and local high school counselors. Free of charge; refreshments will be served.

S.P.A.R.C. (Student Program of Arts and Recreation Combined), designed with the 6th grader in mind, 6-8 p.m. Friday, November 16. S.P.A.R.C. combines recreational activities, arts, and athletics as a way to build friendships, learn about teamwork, have fun, and engage students in positive supervised activities. Participants take an active role in determining and selecting program ideas. Free of charge; advance registration required.

FITNESS & HEALTH

"Lunch Bunch Aerobics" group meets each Wednesday and Friday from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Both men and women are welcome to this low-impact, high-intensity workout designed to meet the needs of all levels of fitness. The fee is \$4 per session. Bring a bottle of water and a towel or mat.

Take Control of Your Health for the Holidays 1-2 p.m. Thursday, November 15. Wellness consultant Judy Caddell will show you how to get motivated and stay disciplined with healthy eating habits through the holidays and into the new year. \$2 per person; advance registration required.

Nutritious Mediterranean appetizers will be on the menu 7-9 p.m. Thursday, November 8. Learn how to make feta

Comment from the Council Table

Last Word from the Council Table

By Robert P. McCormick Vienna Town Councilman

I once heard the D.C. Commissioner of Insurance answer the question, what was his job like? "Well, it is like having one foot on a block of ice and one on a hot stone, on average you're OK." Being a Council member is similar. I need to get both feet back on the ground and, therefore, I will not be seeking re-election. It has been a privilege to serve the Town of Vienna as a Council member.

In addition to my colleagues on the Council I have had many opportunities to work with some wonderful people, including several Town employees, on many projects that I feel (Be wary of selfassessment.) benefited the Town. Working with the Council, a group of volunteers

and Town employees, we found the oldest tree in Vienna, successfully defeated the developer's plans to expand the Virginia Center project near the Vienna Metro Station (now residential), opened a Teen Center and a Farmers' Market, and painted a mural.

The Town Council has taken on several tasks and continues to look to the future. Soon the Town's maintenance facility (long overdue) will be completed, sidewalks are being installed, Maple Avenue is getting a facelift, Church Street is being retrofitted, and our residential area remains a safe and wonderful place in which to raise a family. (Thank you Vienna Police Department.)

<u>Citizen Comments</u> Protect Children from the Sun

A Nelson Drive resident writes: I am concerned when I see young children's eyes exposed to the sun. When walking on the W&OD Trail, I have often noticed strollers with babies facing the sun. Their eyes are unprotected.

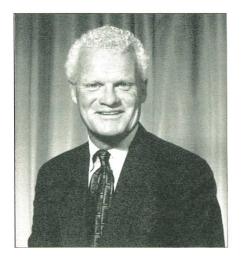
I believe it would be useful to remind parents of the dangers in such cases. Would a sign, particularly along heavily used sections of the trail, be possible?

Beware of Dangerous Intersection

From a Glyndon Street resident: Drivers who use the Park Street corridor to get to work or to the major shopping area between Park and Branch Road and exit onto Locust Street as easy access will find a dangerous intersection when returning the same way. To enter Park Street from Locust Street, drivers face unimpeded traffic flow and all the risks of an uncontrolled intersection. They must pull far out to see past a stone planter and two utility poles on the corner. When making a right turn, vehicles such as SUV's and vans in the left lane all too often hide the view of traffic until it flashes across in front of you.

The need for a traffic signal there is long overdue, and the elected Town officials should consider it not only for traffic control but primarily for the safety of its citizens. If you feel anxiety or apprehension each time you exit Locust Street and would like to see an improvement such as a traffic light, then we, as individuals, must inform the Mayor and Council members, who consider acting upon your needs and wishes if you make them known.

(Editor's note: There have been several responses to the citizen comment in the September newsletter concerning a leash law for cats. These will be published in next month's newsletter.)



Councilman McCormick

The Town is doing well, but only 10% of the Town's citizens vote. By my guess about 200 volunteers provide the things that really make Vienna Vienna. Many of them are getting older and deserve time off. Several of our civic associations are being run by one or two dedicated individuals. They need help. If you are new to Town or have lived here for a while, try to set aside some time as community time. You'll meet some wonderful people.

I'll end this article by mentioning three areas that I believe need our attention. That's not to say there are not other areas deserving of attention, but this is my article and it is my last. First, we need to put together an ad hoc committee with the stated task of finding out what our true economic relationship is with Fairfax County. Second, we need to work with the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority to restore the old Vienna train station. (Plans are underway but we need to follow through.) Third, the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department needs \$2 million to renovate their facilities. They need and deserve our help.

Obviously, if you have considered running for the Town Council now is the time, for there will be an opening. In closing I would like to thank my colleagues on the Town Council and the Town staff for their support. I want to express my sincere appreciation to the individuals that I have met and worked with on several Town projects. Thank you one and all.

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Holiday stroll on historic Church Street, sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., and the Town of Vienna, will be held on Monday, November 26, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Church Street will be closed to vehicular traffic between Lawyers Road and Mill Street, and visitors are invited to stroll along the street amid the sights and sounds of the holiday season. Santa Claus will be at the Freeman Store at the corner of Church and Mill Streets to greet the children attending this event, and Mayor Jane Seeman will lead a tree-lighting ceremony at 7 p.m. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

"Treasury of Art," annual juried show and sale sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society, is scheduled for November 16, 17 and 18 at the Vienna Community Center. Free admission. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Frank Wright, professor of drawing and graphics at George Washington University, will serve as judge of the show. The public is invited to the opening reception and award of prizes from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday. All area artists are eligible to enter. For more information, call show co-chairs Maureen Kammerer, 703-281-0253, or Dore Skidmore, 703-281-1921.

19th annual Christmas Craft Show, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters' Guild, will be held Thanksgiving weekend, November 23, 24 and 25, at the Vienna Community Center. Admission is free and refreshments will be sold. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. all three days. Seventy-five juried crafters will sell handmade jewelry, paintings, toys, stained glass, porcelain and pottery, and many more collectibles, decorative accessories, and gift items. Guild members award scholarships and make donations to local non-profit organizations.

41st annual Harvest Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club, will be held at the Vienna Community Center on Saturday, November 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission. Dozens of crafters will participate, and refreshments and

baked goods will also be sold. Proceeds from the bazaar go to support the club's scholarship fund. The Vienna Host Lions Club will offer free hearing and glaucoma tests at the bazaar.

Annual Fall Bazaar, sponsored by the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, November 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the fire station, 400 Center St., S. Free admission. The bazaar will feature a wide variety of gift items and decorations for the home. Lunch will be available as well as treats from the baked goods table. Proceeds benefit the Fire Department. For more information, call 703-818-0555.

Silhouette artist Ann Woodward will be at the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Saturday, November 17, from noon to 4 p.m. Two silhouettes are cut from black paper and mounted on white paper for \$20, one extra for \$5, with a maximum of three per sitting. Part of the proceeds benefit Historic Vienna, Inc. Reservations required; call 703-938-9668.

A rising star in concert, featuring young Chicago area pianist David Henley, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 3, at Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Dr., N.E. The program will include selections by Bach, Mozart, Rachmaninoff, Chopin, and Ravel. For

more information, call the church office at 703-938-3494 weekday mornings.

Welcome Club of Northern Virginia invites new residents to its luncheon meeting and auction on Thursday, November 1, at Westwood Country Club. Viewing of auction items and registration begins at 10 a.m. For reservations and more information, call Sue, 703-281-9729, or Shelley, 703-476-8895. The Welcome Club will host a coffee for prospective new members at 10 a.m. Monday, November 5. For location and more information, call 703-433-9801.

Northern Virginia Model Railroaders will hold an open house at the Vienna Railroad Station on Saturday, November 17, from noon to 5 p.m. The public is invited to see an operating HO scale model railroad. Admission is free; donations accepted. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 703-938-5157 or visit www.geocities.com/Heart land/Plains/6120.

Food drive for CHO (Committee for Helping Others), sponsored by the Northeast Vienna Citizens Association, will continue through November 30. Especially needed are canned meats, canned fruits, powdered milk, macaroni and cheese mix, laundry detergents, and Giant and Safeway



Veterans Day Observance

Vienna American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180 will hold a Veterans Day ceremony rain or shine at 11 a.m. Sunday, November 11, at the post home, 330 Center St., N. The public is invited, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 703-938-9535.

Post 180 is proud and honored to have put our country's flag out along Maple Avenue, Nutley Street and part of Center Street. Unfortunately, several of the flags have been taken from the streets, where they were placed for all to enjoy. Flags can be purchased at Post 180.

gift certificates. Drop off donations at Town Hall, Vienna Community Center, Patrick Henry Library, bikes@vienna, Connell's Valet, Parcel Plus, Sun Trust, Uniquities, and Virginia Commerce Bank.

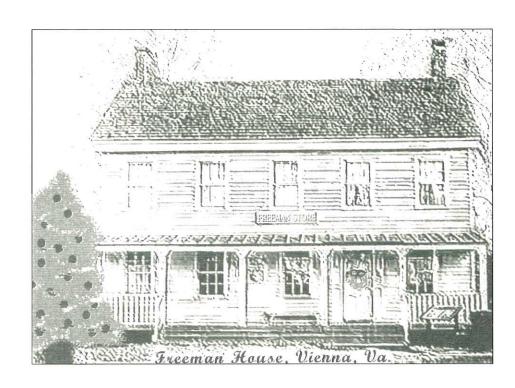
Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, will meet at 10 a.m. Friday, November 2. The program will be "D.A.R. Schools." For meeting location and more information, call Rachel Wills at 703-281-3708.

Newcomers Club of Vienna and Friends will hold their regular luncheon meeting at noon Thursday, November 8, at Marco Polo Restaurant. The program will feature an auction. For reservations, call 703-938-1077. The club will sponsor a bus trip to Wayside Inn and Theatre on November 29 to see "Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus." The cost is \$48 per person. For reservations and more information, call 703-938-3505.

Vienna Chapter 1116, National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), will meet at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 6, at the Vienna Community Center. Guest speaker will be Mike Causey. Visitors are welcome and refreshments will be served. For more information, call 703-938-8180. NARFE is now selling 2002 Entertainment Books for \$35 each, with all profits going to Alzheimer's research. To place an order, call Shirley Martin at 703-938-6580.

Vienna Host Lions Club meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. in the Flame Room at the Vienna fire station, with dinner followed by a guest speaker. Congressman Tom Davis will speak at the November 13 meeting, and the November 27 meeting will feature a program on the upcoming club membership drive. The Lions' annual Christmas tree stand in the Southern States parking lot will open on December 1.

Vienna Woman's Club will meet on Wednesday, November 21, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Arts and Crafts Committee members will display the handcrafted and needlework articles they have created this year. Guests and prospective members are invited, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Stefania Neilson at 703-573-3926.



Historic Vienna Inc. has selected the art work of Madison High School senior Suzanne Marie Thomas for the 2001 Vienna Christmas card. Working from black and white photographs she took of the Freeman House, she used computer technology to add a wreath and Christmas tree in color. The cards are sold exclusively at the Freeman House General Store, 131 Church St., N.E., in packages of eight for \$5. Also available at the Freeman Store is an ornament with a handpainting of the Vienna Inn, the fifth in a series of Christmas ornaments depicting historic sites in town. Special holiday shopping hours at the old-fashioned Freeman Store are scheduled each Friday in November and December from noon to 4 p.m. and Monday-Thursday, December 17-20, from noon to 4 p.m. in addition to the regular hours of operation, Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. The store is operated by volunteers of Historic Vienna Inc., the town's non-profit organization for restoration and preservation. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

Northern Virginia Alliance on Smoking OR Health (NOVASH) has published a Smoke-free Dining Guide for Fairfax, Oakton and Vienna. The guide lists restaurants that are 100% smoke free. Copies of the guide are available around town, including Town Hall and the American Cancer Society office at 124 Park St., S.E. For more information, call the Cancer Society at 703-938-5550.

Financing your child's education will be the topic of a seminar at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, November 15, at Cunningham Park Elementary School, 1001 Park St., S.E. Featured speakers from Salomon Smith Barney will discuss the options for

education plan investments and the tax advantages they provide. This program is free of charge, but reservations are required. Call Susanna Fint at 703-255-5721. Sponsored by the Cunningham Park and Marshall Road Elementary PTA's and the Vienna-Madison Community Coalition.

Job Hunter's Forum 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, November 14, at the Women's Center of Northern Virginia, 127 Park St., N.E. Meet with career counselors for job-hunting tips and general guidance in a supportive group atmosphere. \$10 for members; \$25 non-members. For more information, call 703-281-2657.

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