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IF YOUR NEWSLETTER WAS LATE...

WE REGRET ... the delay experienced by many residents in receiving the NEWSLETTER. Unfortunately last month's NEWSLETTER telling about the Saturday ceremonies of the "Burning of the Greens" was not received by some residents until Monday, although it had been mailed the previous Tuesday.

According to the Vienna Postmaster, the postmen are allowed to postpone delivery of third class mail for a certain period, until they have a lighter load.

Because of the time required for printing and addressing, the Newsletter is composed the third week of the previous month, following the last Council meeting of that month. Thus residents are kept as up to date as possible regarding events in the Town.

BE SURE IT ISN'T YOU ...

If each resident in the Town would make sure that he and his children threw no trash into the streets or parking lots, we could eliminate the litter problem in no time at all. Let's all make a special effort during the 1970 Clean-Up Campaign to keep our trash to ourselves.

Fellow Citizens of Vienna:

With the start of our 1970 Clean-Up Campaign, answers received from the questionnaires printed in the January Newsletter are beginning to come in. Although many have filled out the survey sheet, we could wish that more would participate. If you have not vet done so, copies of the January Newsletter are still available at Town Hall, or you may write to the Public Information Office expressing what you feel we could do to make the Town a cleaner, more attractive place to live.

We have received many constructive suggestions and criticism. These are being studied and tabulated. Where direct action can be taken by the Town it will be done. Future Newsletters will include some of the suggestions.

To date, Maple Avenue has received most of the criticism. With the cooperation of the merchants, and the owners of shopping centers and gas stations, much of the effort will be concentrated here.

We were gratified at the compliments given to the Police and Fire Departments and to the Community Center as well as to the residential areas in the Town.

Our thanks to those who answered. With the cooperation of all our citizens this vear's clean-up campaign may serve to inspirt the pride and effort necessary to keep Vienna, "Mv Kind of Town."

Sincerely yours,

James C. Martinelli

Mayor

PROGRESS REPORT

UNDERGROUND WIRING

Everyone agrees that masses of overhead wiring are unattractive. Unfortunately, it is a long and above all, expensive project to get all existing wires underground.

The Vienna Town Council last year passed an ordinance requiring developers to put wiring below around in new developments. It voted this month that the new street lights which will be installed on Maple Avenue from Follin Lane to the corporate limits of Town would have underground wiring.

Council will also study the feasibility of installing all wiring underground when Park Street is widened. Thus we will be steadily moving toward the time when overhead wires will be completely eliminated.

HIKING AND BIKING TRAILS

At their Jan. 5 meeting, the Town Council gave the go-ahead to proceed with hiking and biking trails in Vienna's Northside Park which is located at the end of Glyndon Street.

This 40 acre park is the largest in Vienna and is scheduled for extensive development in the next few years. Picnic areas, camping facilities, a pond and a small zoo are included in the plans.

PLASTIC TRASH BAGS

Even if you still use metal trash cans, the plastic bags available at the Town Hall are useful for those times when you need extra canacity. Besides garbage and trash, the bags have endless uses for storage as well.

50 heavy weight bags are \$4.00 (8¢/bag) 50 light weight bags are \$2.00 (4¢/bag)

AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER



HOME SHOW POSTPONED

The Home Show and Sale which was scheduled for February, and appears then in the Annual Report Calendar, The show, which had a great success last year, is a joint project of the Recreation Department and the Avr Hill Lions Club.

LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION

held at the Town Hall on Friday, Feb. 6 from 6:30 until 9 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. 11:30. For further information call Also on Saturday, Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. the Community Center at 938-8000, until 1 n.m.

CLASSES BEGINNING

Registrations are being accepted for Fly and Bait Casting which begins Feb. 21. Fee is \$15 for 10 one hour has been postponed until March 19-22. sessions on Saturdays at 1 n.m. Also for Craft Workshop which begins Feb. 20. Fee for this is \$10 for six two hour sessions. Classes meet on Fridays at 10.

A new pre school class for 4 and 5 year olds begins Feb. 16, and registrations are being taken now. Fee is Little League Registration will be \$10 for four weeks. Classes meet on Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 or Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to Ext. 277.

NEW HOURS OF WORK AT TOWN HALL

ARE 8:15 A.M. TO 4:45 P.M.



RAILROAD SIGNS RECOVERED



After nearly a year's absence, the signs from the old railroad station have been located. The signs reading, "Vienna, Va." and "Railway Express Agency" disappeared from the building one Sunday last year, and desnite newspaper and radio pleas nothing was heard of them.

Recently the Town Manager received a call from a gentleman in Maryland who had the signs in his collection of railroad memorabilia. He had just heard that Vienna was preserving the station and had been searching for the signs. He will be more than willing to return them to the Town, and they will soon be restored to their original location.

Our thanks to the railroad enthusiasts who gave such wide publicity to the loss of the signs, thereby aiding in their return.

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SNOW PROGRAM

Several problems have been encountered this year, due to the snow, and the cold weather which prevented its melting.

Residents have been urged to park their cars off the street during periods of snow to facilitate snow removal operations. Plows cannot operate efficiently in clearing and widening the roadways in residential areas, when cars are parked on the street. During the biggest storm, the plows were unable to get into some cul-de-sacs at all, due to the number of cars which were parked, facing the curb.

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Complaints were received that plows blocked entrances to driveways after they had been cleared. While much of this is unavoidable, the accumulation into driveways would be less if vehicles were not parked in the street. After the cars move away there is invariably a large mound of snow in the street which adds to the amount thrown up by the plows. After the initial opening of two lanes to clear the right-of-wav, the plows must go back over the roads to open catch basins, clear mail RFD routes and remove as much snow as possible to prepare for additional accumulation.

HELP!

Residents and operators of businesses in Vienna are reminded that it is their duty to keep the sidewalks in front of their homes or offices cleared of ice and snow. The Town is not equipped to do this, moreover most Towns and cities make this the duty of residents and business operators.

DANGER:

Parents are urged to warn children not to use their sleds on well travelled roads, particularly in the early house of darkness. Several children have already been injured.