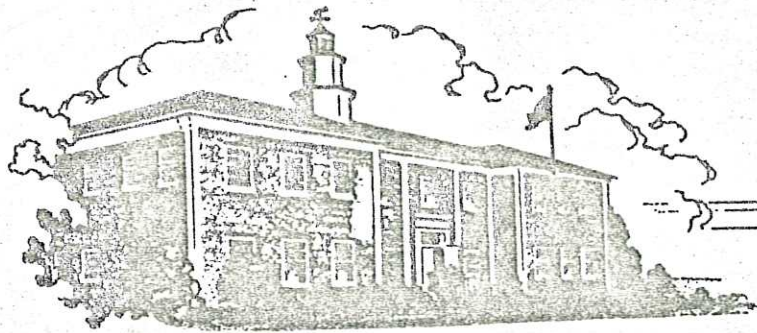


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STREET SAFETY: EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY

It is a shocking statistic, but there were 155,257 automobile accidents in Virginia last year. Of those accidents 52,517 people were injured and 1,256 killed.

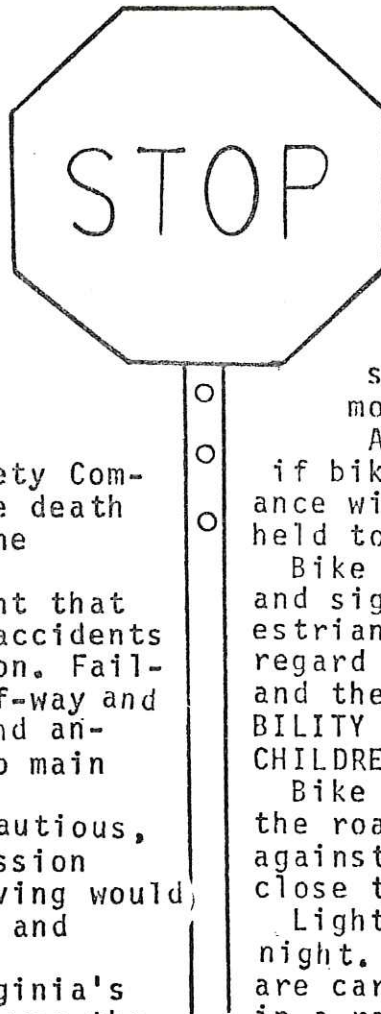
In Vienna there were 466 traffic accidents last year--67 more than the previous year. There were 75 injuries and one death.

The Vienna Highway Safety Commission believes that one death on Vienna's streets is one death too many.

The single human element that causes the most traffic accidents in Town is lack of caution. Failing to yield the right-of-way and following too close behind another vehicle are the two main causes of accidents.

In addition to being cautious, the Highway Safety Commission feels more courteous driving would reduce traffic accidents and traffic jams in Town.

One bright spot in Virginia's traffic record last year was the reduction of alcohol related fatalities. Fatalities fell 24 per cent--much to the credit of the new program ASAP (Alcohol Safety Action Project.) Over 5,000 drivers were cited for driving while intoxicated in Northern Virginia.



One of the keys to a safe Vienna, is safe bicycle riding practices.

With the arrival of the bicycle boom and the schools back in full operation, bikes are on the streets in large numbers. To protect bike riders from being hurt, the Vienna Police Department reminds bike riders of one simple law:

"When you are riding a bicycle on a roadway you are subject to the same regulations as drivers of automobiles and other vehicles.

According to the Police Department, if bikes are used properly and in accordance with the law, then accidents will be held to a minimum.

Bike riders must obey all traffic signs and signals, yield right-of-way to pedestrians, signal for turns and ride with regard for the safety of other persons and their property. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENTS TO SEE THAT THEIR CHILDREN KNOW AND OBEY TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.**

Bike riders are to use the right side of the roadway. Ride with traffic and not against it. It is a good idea to ride as close to the curb as possible.

Lights and reflectors should be used at night. Never carry passengers and if you are carrying large parcels, place them in a rack or carrier.

Stop completely at stop signs, look both ways, then go ahead when the way is clear.

Do not weave in and out of traffic. When turning left, approach the intersection in the right side of the road and make the turn. Do not ride between stopped cars.

MORE TRAFFIC NOTES NEXT PAGE

RESIDENTIAL ACCESS
VOTED DOWN BY COUNCIL

Town Council voted down an amendment to the Transitional zone ordinance that would permit access to transitional zoned land through residential property.

Mayor & Council
Town of Vienna,
Virginia

HOMEOWNERS EXEMPT FROM
TREE MORATORIUM

Homeowners are exempt from the 90-day tree moratorium established by Council Oct. 1. Council will work on a tree protection ordinance while the moratorium is in effect.

NATIONAL DIABETES WEEK

November 11 to 17 is National Diabetes Detection Week. Go for your check-up today.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Town Council.....Nov. 5
- Election Day.....Nov. 6
- Planning Commission...Nov. 14
- Architectural Review..Nov. 15
- Town Council.....Nov. 19
- Bd. Zoning Appeals....Nov. 21
- Thanksgiving.....Nov. 22
- Planning Commission...Nov. 28
- Town Council.....Dec. 3

PATROLMAN JAMES DECKER NAMED
"POLICEMAN OF THE YEAR"

Patrolman James E. Decker was named "Policeman of the Year" by the Vienna Women's Club last month.

Decker, 24, came to the Vienna Police Department in June 1972, from the Fairfax County Police Department.

Decker distinguished himself last spring in the detection and apprehension of an armed suspect following a \$6,000 burglary in Vienna. The suspect was using a stolen car.

Born in Keyser, W. Va., Decker has lived most of his life in Fairfax County.

He is a 1967 graduate of Fairfax High School and a graduate of Northern Virginia Community College. He lettered in football two years at Fairfax High.

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BULK RATE
PAID
Permit No. 36
Vienna, Va.

PARKS AND RECREATION: CRAFTS CLASSES SET

The Vienna Parks and Recreation Department is offering a series of various Christmas crafts classes during the week of Nov. 5-10. All the crafts will be original Christmas gifts. A brief description of the different classes and times follow.

*Dried flowers, acorns, pine cones and berries found in the immediate vicinity will be used to arrange Christmas wreaths and wall decorations. Classes will be Monday, Nov. 5, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m., and Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 4 p.m. Fee is \$3.

*Gifts made from beads or crocheted and jewelry items will be the topic for two classes. Classes will be Monday, Nov. 5, at 7:30 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 8, at 1 p.m. Fee is \$3.

*A class in gold leafing will be offered only once, on Monday, Nov. 5, at 7:30 p.m. Fee is \$3.

*The Fairfax County Extension Service will present two classes on gift ideas which are economical and simple to make on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. No fee.

*A class in Christmas ceramics will be offered Wednesday, Nov. 7, at 10 a.m. Fee is \$3.50.

*A class in making gifts from quilting material will be offered Thursday and Saturday. On Thursday, Nov. 8, at 10 a.m., students will learn to make stuffed dolls and animals from quilting material. On Saturday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m., quilting material will be used to make decoupage plaques with a quilting design. Fee is \$3.

All classes will be at the Community Center. The cost of supplies is included in the session fees. Evening classes will be geared to the youth. Register at the Community Center.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT COMMUNITY CENTER

The Town will have its annual Christmas Program at the Community Center, Dec. 2, starting at 4 p.m.

Among the activities planned for the day are performances of local choral groups, the turning on of the Town's Christmas tree lights and other activities celebrating the Christmas season.

NO TRASH PICKUP THANKSGIVING DAY TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED

There will be no trash pickup on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22. Trash pickup will resume Friday, Nov. 23.

Town Hall will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but will be open during regular hours Friday, Nov. 23.



METRO STATION HEARING

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors will be holding a public hearing Nov. 5, Monday, at the County Board Room in the Massey Building at Fairfax City for the adoption of the location of the Dunn Loring and Vienna Metro stations to the County Comprehensive Plan.

Last May a Vienna Corridor Committee was activated with subcommittees for the individual Metro stations. Members of the Vienna Station Subcommittee are Arne J. Bang (938-7543), Mrs. Maud Robinson (938-7375), Thomas R. Atkins (272-5527), and W. Ridgeway Fortune (938-9175.)

The committee is urging those citizens interested in planning for the Metro station areas to contact them. "Committee members will be happy to meet with civic groups or organizations and encourage individual comments and recommendations for consideration and presentation to the Board of Supervisors," Bang said.

NEW ENTRANCE AND EXIT LANES FOR VIENNA THEATRE

Changes have been made to the entrance and exit to the Vienna Theatre parking lot on Maple Avenue.

The driveway closest to the theatre building will be used for the entrance to the parking lot while exit will be made from the furthest driveway from the building, however no left turn will be permitted onto Maple Avenue.

Automobiles are to be driven into the parking lot before discharging passengers to prevent traffic tie-ups on Maple. Those stopping on Maple Avenue to discharge or pick up passengers will be cited stopping the flow of traffic on a State road.

Those people wishing to turn left from the theatre parking lot must use the Park Street exit.

All entrances and exits will be clearly marked.

The changes were made by the Town Council, upon recommendation of the Vienna Highway Safety Commission in an effort to ease the traffic problems on Maple Avenue. The changes will be enforced. Police officers have jurisdiction in all major parking lots.

STOP FOR BUSES

Residents are reminded that State law requires traffic to stop for the loading and unloading of children on school buses.

This includes traffic on Maple Avenue except where the street contains a raised median.

Residents have reported numerous violations on Maple Avenue.

RADAR OPERATIONS BY MONTH

In an effort to make Vienna safer and to slow traffic down, especially in residential areas where children play, the Vienna Police Department has been cracking down on speeders.

Speeding is a serious offense and has brought high fines to offenders in Fairfax County District Court in the Vienna court room.

A breakdown on speeding citations issued by month follows.

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January.....	138
February.....	65
March.....	71
April.....	41
May.....	74
June.....	10
July.....	25
August.....	71
September.....	63

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Following are traffic accident statistics in Vienna as of September 1973, compared to statistics of September 1972.

Total Accidents:	
Sept., 1973.....	238
Last Year This Time...	232

Damage:	
Sept., 1973.....	\$140,245
Last Year This Time...	\$156,883

Injuries:	
Sept., 1973.....	51
Last Year This Time...	56

Deaths:	
Sept., 1973.....	1
Last Year This Time...	1