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**Town Is Recognized As Bicentennial Community**

The Town of Vienna was officially recognized as a Bicentennial Community, Wednesday, May 21, by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration (ARBA.)

Vienna was recognized because of its "meaningful Bicentennial activities." In order to receive the honor the Town had to have an active Bicentennial Commission with useful, sound and active programs.

According to Vienna Bicentennial Commission chairman Paul M. Lyons, the honor was "recognition of the commission's many active programs over the past three years. Our Fourth of July celebration is by far the best in the Washington area."

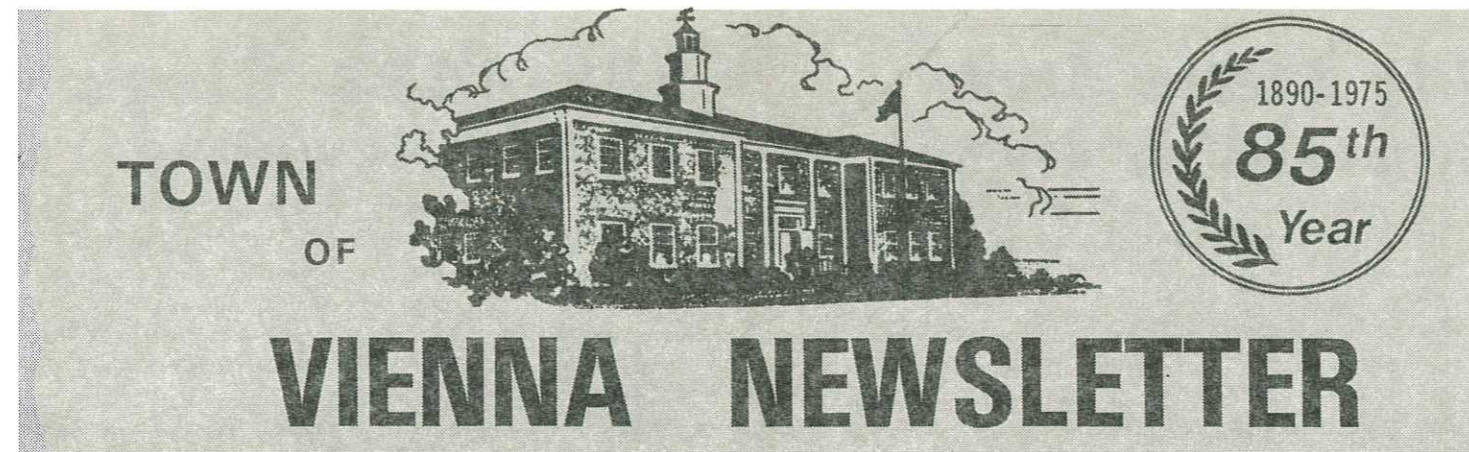
He said the honor will "build strength to the Town's program and will enable the Town to apply for certain federal grants for the commission's programs."

**Vandalism Reported for March 1975**

1	500 Blk MacArthur	\$20	Auto window broken
	700 Blk Center St	10	Auto rear view mirror bent
2	300 Blk Old Courthouse	50	Auto window broken
	500 Blk Old Courthouse	150	Motorhome window broken
	400 Blk Old Courthouse	40	Auto window broken
	Vienna Aquatic Club	110	Electric Meter damaged and large hole cut in six inch fence.
3	800 Blk Ninovan Road	120	Auto windshield broken
4	300 Blk Broadleaf Dr	250	Fifty windows and unknown number of frames broken
5	400 Blk Orleans Circle	7	Auto headlamp broken
6	900 Blk Fairway Drive	Unk	Name and address plate broken and removed
	600 Blk Yeonas	5	Auto antenna broken
	600 Blk Yeonas	6	Auto antenna broken
14	200 Blk Hilltop Road	150	Auto windshield and back window broken
15	1000 Blk Westwood	25	Lamp post ornament and name plate damaged
	500 Blk Tapawingo	7	Auto headlamp broken
20	300 Blk East Street	Unk	Two autos sprayed with paint
	300 Blk Westview Ct	Unk	Auto sprayed with paint
	300 Blk Westview Ct	50	Auto sprayed with paint
	300 Blk East Street	150	Auto sprayed with paint
22	600 Blk Yeonas	10	Auto antenna broken
23	900 Blk Fairway	25	Home window broken
	1000 Blk Avery Court	8	Auto antenna broken and sugar put in gas tank of another auto
26	100 Blk Melody Lane	20	Auto's model identification emblem removed
28	1000 Blk Ware St	6	Auto lock on mag wheels damaged in attempt to remove
29	600 Blk Yeonas	Unk	Lamp post damaged
	100 Blk E. Maple	6	Restaurant window broken
31	200 Blk Pleasant	50	Two home windows and shutter broken
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,275</b>	

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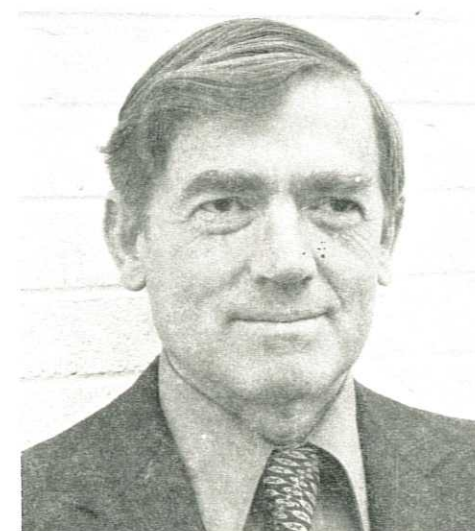


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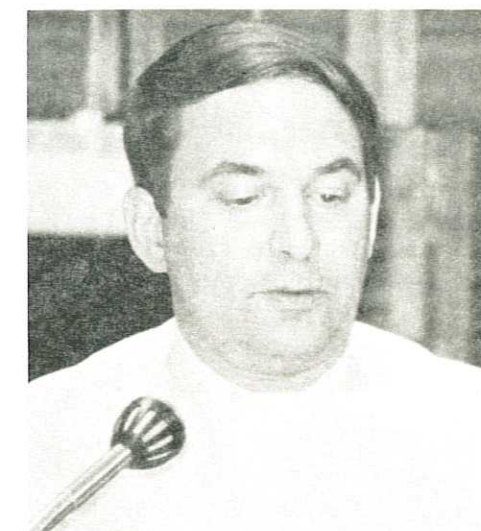
Mid-June 1975



**RAYMOND E. HICKS**  
Elected to Second Term



**DONALD E. UPCHURCH**  
Council Newcomer



**NEIL M. WALP**  
Elected to Fourth Term

**Hicks, Upchurch, Walp Are Elected**

Donald E. Upchurch, 50, chairman of the Vienna Economic Policy Advisory Commission, was elected to Town Council along with incumbents Raymond E. Hicks and Neil M. Walp in the Town's 1975 General Election held in May.

Walp will be starting his fourth term on Council, Hicks will be starting his second term. All three will begin two-year terms July 1. The terms expire June 30, 1977.

Some 1,806 voters went to the polls at the Vienna Community Center. Walp was the top vote getter with 1,240 votes, Upchurch had 1,209 and Hicks received 1,148. Unsuccessful were incumbent Robert J. Skahan and E. Ross Buckley. Skahan polled 744 votes while Buckley received 691.

The three elected Councilmen will join Mayor Joseph R. Spriggs and Councilmen Paul M. Lyons, Stephen G. McConahay and Charles A. Robinson Jr., all of whom have one year remaining on their Council terms.

Newcomer Upchurch resides at 505 Roberts Dr. He holds a master's degree in government and politics and has experience in management systems in government and private enterprise.

Walp lives at 208 Yeonas Dr. SW, and Hicks resides at 209 Glyndon St. NE.

**Budget Adopted**

Town Council adopted a record \$4.33 million operating budget for fiscal year 1975-76.

Included in the adopted budget, which is slightly higher than the Town Manager's proposed document, are \$25,000 for expert legal services for two pending rezoning cases involving properties along Church Street, \$30,000 for a city status study, \$75,000 to be deposited in an interest-bearing account for the future reconstruction of Park Street and \$65,000 for a new employee retirement program.

The proposed budget includes a surplus of \$386,366.

## City Status Study Requested by Council

Threatened with the loss of its option to ever become a city in the future, the Town Council met in a special meeting on Saturday, May 10, to plot the Town's future in this very important question.

Council decided to have a study made over the next nine months on the implications of transition to city status. There will be no attempt to petition the Fairfax County Court Circuit at this time.

The Council has never expressed its desire to become a city, nor has the Council ever committed itself to becoming a city. Council's major concern is preserving the Town's option of becoming a city if it ever becomes necessary to preserve Vienna's autonomy. Although Fairfax County has not taken any action to become a 406 square mile city, there has been speculation that such a move is possible in the future. Fairfax County has tried to incorporate as a city in the past. Vienna's future would be uncertain should Fairfax County become a city. Where other counties in Virginia became cities the towns were simply absorbed into the new city.

Council's main concern with not becoming a city now was because any such action would be like "leaping into the dark." The Town needs much more information before such a move could be done wisely. By becoming a city the Town would have to take over several of the services now provided by the county, namely operation of the schools, health and welfare programs and fire protection services.

Presently the Virginia General Assembly is considering new legislation governing the transition of Virginia towns to city status. It has imposed a 13 month moratorium on towns changing to city status while new legislation is being planned. Council and the Town Manager have committed themselves to take appropriate actions with state officials to preserve the right of the Town of Vienna to transition to city should the people of the Town so desire.

Making any move to become a city is a serious and difficult decision for each Town Councilman to make. The implications could be very drastic on Town taxpayers. There is no guarantee that any transition to city status would result in lower taxes for Vienna residents.

Any final decision by Council would probably not come until the General Assembly reconvenes. There would probably be no transition attempt unless the proposed study proved that city status was feasible and that the General Assembly seriously threatened the Town's most important option of ever being able to become a city in the future.

Vienna residents will be kept abreast of events concerning any question concerning city status. Should the issue reach the point that Council thought transition to city status would be a benefit to the community, a special advisory referendum would be conducted.

## 938-4499 Rings Town's Newslines

Vienna residents and the local news media may dial the phone number 938-4499 and receive the latest Town of Vienna news from the new Vienna Newslines Program.

Vienna Newslines includes results of Town Council meetings and other meetings of various boards and commissions in Town. Prior to the meeting dates the Newslines includes agenda items.

Parks and Recreation news, public service announcements and notification of special meetings are also included on the Newslines.

The program is part of an expanded public information service planned for the upcoming fiscal year. The Town changes the program every one or two days. If anything "breaks" during the day it is recorded on the Newslines as soon as possible.

Vienna officials have already contracted Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny to make messages on the recorded Newslines during the holiday seasons.

## Changes Slated This Fall In Pre-School Hours

Four- and five-year-old classes in Vienna's Fall pre-school program at the Community Center will be extended an additional three weeks each week. The schedule will also change for the three- and four-year-old classes but they will meet for the same amount of hours each week as before.

The older class, starting this fall will meet three days a week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The younger class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Registration for pre-school begins Tuesday, Sept. 4. For additional information on the pre-school program offered by the Parks and Recreation Department, contact the Community Center at 938-8000.

## Resignations Accepted

The Town Council accepted with regret the resignations of two Vienna civic leaders from the Town's commissions.

James O. Harris resigned his post with the Planning Commission and Jerry Barnett resigned from his dual duties with the Community Relations Commission and the Vienna Economic Policy Advisory Commission.

## Police Pistol Range Contract Awarded

Council awarded a \$46,860 contract to C&D Construction and Builders of Vienna for the construction of the Vienna police pistol range improvements. The range will be improved with Federal Revenue Sharing Funds.

## Flag Day Ceremony Set for Mini-Park

The Town of Vienna will share in a national Bicentennial event on Flag Day, June 14, starting at 11:30 a.m.

"In a brief ceremony at the Mini-Park (corner of Maple Avenue and Center Street), we will hoist the United States Flag and the official banner of the nation's Bicentennial," according to Councilman Paul M. Lyons, chairman of the Vienna Bicentennial Commission. Similar ceremonies are scheduled to take place in thousands of communities across the country at the same time.

This event will designate several points of commemoration at one ceremony. It will honor the 198th anniversary of the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the national emblem. The American flag to be used in Vienna was flown over the U.S. Capitol building on Feb. 28, 1975--the 85th anniversary of Vienna's incorporation as a Town.

The raising of the Bicentennial flag will be the first public view of Vienna's official recognition as a Bicentennial Community by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

It is hopeful that Federal and State officials will be on hand to make the presentation of the Bicentennial flag.

A color guard of the American Legion, Dyer-Gunnell Post 180, will participate.

A newly installed flag staff will also be dedicated at the ceremony which will display the Bicentennial banner daily to December 1976.

Identical Bicentennial flags will be presented to the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, the American Legion Post, the Town Hall, the Patrick Henry Library and the Community Center for display on their respective flag staffs.

"We urge all Vienna citizens to participate in the ceremony," Lyons said. "This is an opportunity for the entire family to share in a bit of history as well as a timely patriotic celebration."

The Vienna Bicentennial Commission also urges all residents and businesses in Vienna to display Old Glory on Flag Day to really show our true colors.

## Don't Feed the Pigeons

Residents are requested to not throw bread crumbs out for pigeons. The practice may create a problem in which the Town would become overpopulated with pigeons and cause a health hazard.

## Newspaper Pickup Dates

Cut out and put near telephone:

June 25

July 9

July 23

## Calendar

June 15

Father's Day. Two hundred years ago today the Army was founded, Rhode Island established a naval force and George Washington was elected Commander-In-Chief of the Continental Army.

June 16

Town Council meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m. School recesses for the summer.

June 17

Movie, "Bride of Frankenstein," at Patrick Henry Library, 7 p.m. Two hundred years ago today was the Battle of Bunker Hill.

June 18

Board of Zoning Appeals at Town Hall, 8 p.m.

June 19

Architectural Review Board meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m.

June 23

Playground Program begins at Meadow Lane, Glyndon and Southside Parks. Summer recreation program classes begin this week.

June 24

Community Relations Commission meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m. Movie, "Hush, Hush, Sweet Charlotte," at Patrick Henry Library, 7 p.m.

June 25

Newspaper pickup date. Planning Commission meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m. Two hundred years ago today the Pennsylvania Rifle Battalion was organized.

July 1

Movie, "King Kong," at Patrick Henry Library, 7 p.m.

July 3

Two hundred years ago today Washington took command of the Continental Army at Cambridge Common.

July 4

Town of Vienna celebration of the Fourth of July at the Community Center grounds. Watch for special Newsletter

July 7

Town Council meeting at Town Hall, 8 p.m.

July 8

Two hundred years ago today the Olive Branch Petition, a last appeal to the King for a redress of grievance, and for a repeal of the most restrictive statutes, was drafted by John Dickinson, while hostilities were suspended.

July 9

Newspaper pickup date.

## Dance Recital Planned

The dance program sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department will present a dance recital June 6 at the Madison High School auditorium. The recital will begin at 8 p.m.

Dolores Rivkind, the director of the ballet, tap and jazz dance classes has been preparing her students, ages four to young adults, for the special program.