

TOWN'S OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON DULLES OPENING

(Segment from the Town of Vienna's petition to FAA Administrator McLucas, entitled, "Town of Vienna Position.")

The Town of Vienna supports the basic thesis of the President's Council on Wage and Price Stability with respect to increasing the use of the Dulles Airport Access Road. The town concurs in the Council's findings, among others, that: present use of the road is below capacity; it will be many years before airport traffic alone will result in efficient use of the existing road; and that current policy of road use is therefore inflationary. We respectfully suggest also that failure to lift restrictions on use of the DAAR by non-airport traffic could lead to either expensive, premature and duplicative construction of parallel lanes before such added capacity actually is required, a most unlikely result; or, what is more probable, continued imposition on inadequate existing roads of increasingly heavy traffic which has developed, at least in major proportion, by the decision to build Dulles International Airport.

In addition to the question of inflation itself, we feel very strongly that the FAA, as the builder and operator of Dulles International Airport, must in all equity accept some measure of responsibility for the aggravated highway congestion in the Herndon-Reston-Vienna area attributable to that facility. Simultaneously with and geographically central to these congested streets, the FAA operates the DAAR at a fraction of its capacity. The DAAR is an in-being facility which has the capability to immediately ameliorate the present traffic congestion without substantial added costs. We submit that a decision to continue the present prohibition against non-airport traffic is not justified by the level of airport traffic, and is, therefore, unreasonable. We also respectfully call attention to the fact that many of the very largest airports across the country are served by highway systems which carry non-airport as well as airport traffic. These include Dallas-Ft. Worth, Kansas City, Chicago O'Hare, San Francisco International, Los Angeles International, St. Louis (Lambert) and Denver (Stapleton), to name a few. Many of these airports handle a far heavier load of aircraft and passenger arrivals and departures than does Dulles.

The fact that FAA happens to own this particular highway facility does not, in our judgement, justify a restriction against non-airport traffic which is unsupported by traffic counts. The highway was constructed with public funds and should, we submit, be available for general public use absent some compelling reason to the contrary. We respectfully suggest that no such compelling reason exists.

We respectfully urge that the prohibition against use of the Dulles Airport Access Road by non-airport traffic be terminated, and we renew our request that, prior to any contrary decision, the matter be set down for a public hearing and a representative of the Town of Vienna be permitted to testify at said hearing.

Results of Council Meeting

Results of Town Council's meeting of January 3, 1977:

* Accepted the resignation of Samuel Sweet from the Planning Commission and expressed appreciation for his service to that commission.

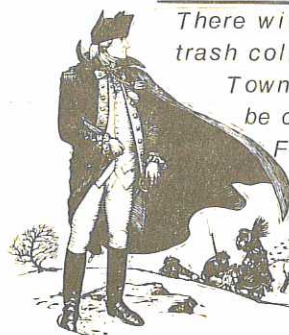
* Directed Mayor Robinson to send letters of appreciation to those citizens who served on the expired Vienna Bicentennial Commission.

* Moved to make the Vienna Newsletter available to out-of-town residents at cost.

* Introduced ordinance requiring town licensing of all dogs within the Town of Vienna. Set for

adoption at February 7 meeting.

* Introduced ordinance relative to disorderly conduct and use of abusive language in public places. Set for adoption at February 7 meeting.



There will be no trash collection and Town Hall will be closed on February 21 in observance of George Washington's birthday.

Water Conservation Measure Wins Council's Approval

A special water conservation ordinance designed to reduce the consumption of water during peak demand was passed by Town Council. The ordinance imposes a maximum penalty of \$250 fine and 30 days in jail for violators.

According to the ordinance the town can call an emergency water alert and impose restrictions on the "non-essential" uses of water. Nonessential uses include recreation uses and all uses that are not essential to the health, safety and welfare of the residents.

The ordinance lists six general nonessential uses:

1. The use of hoses, sprinklers or other means for sprinkling or watering of shrubbery, trees, lawns, grass, plants, vines, gardens, vegetables, flowers or any other vegetation.
2. The use of water for washing automobiles, trucks, trailers, trailer-houses, or any other type of mobile equipment.
3. The washing of streets, driveways, parking lots, service station aprons, office buildings, exterior of homes, sidewalks, apartments, or other outdoor surfaces.
4. The operation of any ornamental fountain, except those that recirculate water, or other structures making a similar use of water.

5. The use of water for filling swimming and wading pools.

6. The operation of any water-cooled comfort air-conditioning which does not have water conserving equipment. (These are not the same type of air conditioners commonly used in homes.)

The ordinance is a model ordinance, that is, it is hoped that all the Washington Metropolitan jurisdictions will adopt the ordinance to insure better enforcement of the ordinance.

A water use administrator (either the Town Manager or his agent) is charged with enforcing the ordinance. Any decision by the administrator may be appealed to the Vienna Town Council, who in turn appoint a temporary Board of Appeal.

Provisions provide for the Town Council to declare certain businesses exempt from conservation efforts when a water use restriction would en-

danger the health, safety and welfare of the community. However, Council may set certain restriction limits on these businesses.

The ordinance also includes a set of water conservation requirements for builders. The requirements limit the amount of water that can be used for certain plumbing functions.

Town of Vienna

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Town Petitions For Dulles Opening

In a petition to Federal Aviation Administrator John L. McLucas, Mayor Charles Robinson expressed support of the President's Council on Wage and Price Stability request to have the Dulles Access Road open to non-airport traffic.

Mayor Robinson said that the "present use of the road is below capacity; it will be many years before airport traffic alone will result in efficient use of the road; and that current policy of road use is therefore inflationary."

(A complete text of the town's position is on the inside panel.)

The Mayor petitioned McLucas after the Town Council unanimously voted to intervene in the proceeding between the President's Council on Wage and Price Stability and the Federal Aviation Administration. Mayor Robinson has also won the support of the Herndon town council.

In the Mayor's five-page statement, he cited several reasons why the road should be open to non-airport traffic. The petition, among other things, statistically pointed out why the road is needed for commuter use.

"Fairfax County is one of the most rapidly urbanizing counties in the United States," Robinson said. Much of that growth is around Vienna, Reston and Herndon.

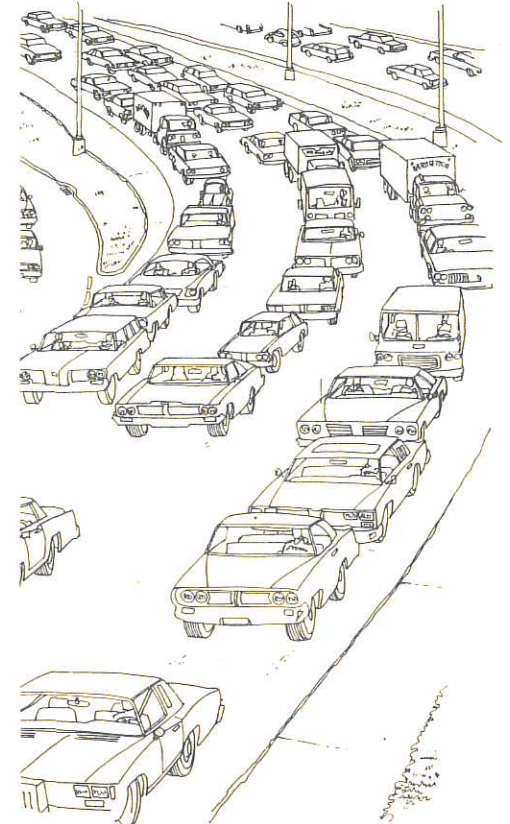
Traffic count data on three major roads in the area reflect the growth of commuter traffic, he said. "On Rte. 7, between Tysons Corner and Rte. 193, traffic increased from 19,725 total vehicles in 1970 to 28,990 in 1975 (per day). On Rte. 28, between Rte. 50 and the Dulles Highway, traffic almost doubled in the period. Route 50 traffic between Interstate-66 and Rte. 28 rose from 9,865 in 1970 to 12,630 in 1975."

The Mayor also cited increases on Vienna's Maple Avenue (Rte. 123) and Lawyers Road (Rte. 673). Daily traffic on Maple Avenue has increased from 25,160 in 1970 to over 35,000 in 1975 and Lawyers Road traffic has increased from 7,630 to 13,070 during the same period. Opening the Dulles Road would reduce traffic on Maple Avenue and Lawyers Road.

Fairfax County's PLUS Plan also says that opening the access road or building parallel lanes (which would be costly) is needed to prevent a "severe burden on all existing radial highway facilities."

"The fact that FAA happens to own this particular highway facility does not, in our judgement, justify a restriction against non-airport traffic," the Mayor said. He also said that the road was built with public funds and, as a result, should be available for general public use.

The Mayor requested that a public hearing be held prior to a contrary decision by the FAA.



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Comment from the Council Table:

Vienna, Our Town

By Vincent J. Olson
Vienna Town Councilman

This article will complete the first series of "Comments From the Council Table." In August, Mayor Robinson started the series and each month since one of your Council members has written about some aspect of town government or Council action.

I will write about our town, Vienna, and some of the activities that make people proud to call Vienna "my hometown."

This past year everyone worked together on Bicentennial events. Some of the activities that helped create a feeling of community were the state week celebrations, the Virginia Week Parade, Fourth of July activities, the Oktoberfest, and of course, the Halloween Parade. In addition to social activities such as these, different community groups such as the Vienna Light Opera and the Vienna Community Band performed from time-to-time. Most of these activities occur at the Vienna Community Center. The Community Center is also the scene

of many other activities by all age groups from the Fifty-Plus Club and the Fifty-to-Ninety Club to ballet lessons for the youngsters. There is even a paperback book swap shop at the center for your convenience. The Community Center is also the hub of organized sports activities such as Little League and Babe Ruth baseball, Pig-tail--Ponytail softball, Vienna Youth Football and Soccer. There is a listing in the Newsletter of current activities or you can call the Community Center.

These many activities are part of what makes us all proud of Our Town.

This pride in community shows in other ways such as the pride that most people show in the care of their homes. Your Town Council attempts to help in this care by arranging through the Public Works Department for Spring and Fall Pickup of trash items too large for the normal twice a week trash collections.

Your Town Council is also working with the business community in



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Vienna Town Councilman

efforts to make and keep the commercial areas attractive through cleanup campaigns. The Board of Architectural Review, an official town board, works with developers of new commercial buildings to create an attractive and harmonious business district.

The garden clubs of Vienna, also work throughout the business district and parks by landscaping and beautifying them.

I have listed a few of the things that make us all proud of Vienna, our home town, and the reason why people always return when they are moved temporarily out of the area.

There is one problem that robs us of some of this pride. The problem is vandalism. Vandalism is not as great a problem in Vienna as it is in some areas, but it is an increasing problem. This is one problem every citizen can help cure in their own household. Please talk about it in the family so that no member of your family contributes to the problem. We can then all be really proud to say, "This is Vienna, my town."

Dog Pound Agreement Reached

Town Council on January 17 approved a preliminary agreement with Fairfax County to use the county's dog pound facilities.

The only measure remaining to be decided is the adoption of a dog control ordinance under which the town, rather than Fairfax County, handles enforcement.

Dog tags are now available at Town Hall. Fee is \$5. All dogs over six months old are required

to be licensed. A warrant will be issued to the owners of any unlicensed or unvaccinated dog found on the street.

A part-time dog warden was hired to patrol the town. The town established its own dog control program in an effort to improve dog services in Vienna.

It is Council's hope that license fees will largely support our dog control program.

Council Settles Doerstler Tract

The Town Council has closed a Chapter on a tract of land that has created a considerable amount of controversy during the past couple years.

A final plat including lots for three houses was approved for the Doerstler tract on Tapawingo Road adjacent to the 7-Eleven Store in southeast Vienna. Several variances were granted to allow the three homes to be built.

At the same time, the developer, J. Lester Doerstler, withdrew his rezoning request for RM-2 (multi-family) zoning.

The tract was originally involved in a legal battle which also involved the 7-Eleven tract. The town was unsuccessful in getting the 7-Eleven tract rezoned from commercial to RS-12.5 (single-family homes). The Doerstler tract was a prime target to be developed into commercial or multi-family use had Council been unable to compromise a single-family development agreement.

The plat approval, allowing the three lots, may have prevented a costly battle for the town in its efforts to preserve the tract for single-family development.

Freeman House Tours

Free guided tours of the Freeman House may be arranged by appointment for groups by calling Mrs. Sharon Tweedie at 938-9322. The house is also open on Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. The house is located at Church and Mill Streets.

'Pat on Back' for DPW

Cold weather means higher utility bills for heating, a difficult automobile to start in the morning and extra heavy clothes on our backs, but to the road crews of the Public Works Department it means a lot of extra work outside in the harsh elements. Considering how cold it has been this winter, the crews deserve a good "pat on the back."

The Mayor has already recognized the value of their good service by writing each man a letter of appreciation.

Since Thanksgiving the town has had 14 water breaks--a figure that is phenomenal when you consider that the town usually only has a few water breaks each winter. During three breaks, the town's crews were out all day on Christmas and Christmas Eve.

Of course, the breaks are caused by the extremely cold weather. When temperatures edge to above freezing after a week or more of freezing weather the strain on the pipes causes the system to snap.

If you noticed a little brown water coming out of the spigot this winter then you were a water customer fed by a line that broke and had been repaired. The discolored water is not dirt. When a line breaks and water is pumped back into the line there is a chemical reaction that

Bond Sale Feb. 2

Town Council adopted the final resolution authorizing the sale of \$1 million in bonds for a series of public improvements to the storm drainage system, streets, water facilities and town property.

The bonds will go on sale in Richmond on February 2.

Improvements to streets and roads account for \$388,000 of the bond issue, storm drainage system improvements amount to \$420,000, acquisition of land for parks \$94,000, improvement to the north-west property yard \$40,000, and construction of two new water wells \$58,000.

The bonds will mature in installments of \$50,000 on February 1 in each of the years 1978 to 1987, and \$100,000 in each of the years 1988 to 1992. No tax increase is anticipated to retire these bonds.

colors the water. Residents are urged not to wash clothes during those few hours that the water is discolored.

Also affected by the unusual weather have been the men who plow the snow from the streets and salt and sand the roads.

They did such a good and speedy job that the town did not have to call a snow emergency or cancel any activities.

Council Action

Results of Town Council's meeting of January 17, 1977:

* Deferred a decision on a request to install a retaining wall along the Wyndell Carter property at Malcolm Road and Lawyers Road.

* Deferred until February 7, a decision on removing a part of the median on the west end of Maple Avenue.

* Took no action on vacating a storm sewer easement at 502 Maple Avenue West.

* Approved a resolution setting up the administrative committee for the new town employee retirement program.

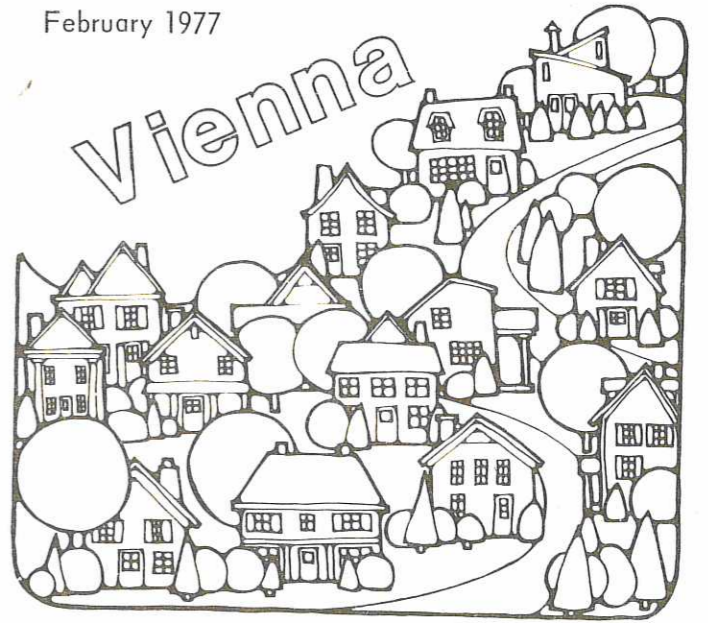
* Deferred until February 7 a decision on constructing a pedestrian bridge connecting Locust and Hines Streets at Wolftrap Run.

* Deferred until February 7 a decision on retaining a consultant in connection with the renewal of franchise to the C&P Telephone Company.

* Appointed Col. Arthur Kimberly to a three year term to the Vienna Planning Commission and reappointed Martha Pruett and Lawrence L. King to three year terms.

* Approved a resolution in support of WNVT-53 educational television's efforts to get the FCC to redesignate channel 14 as a Northern Virginia channel and to increase broadcasting power on the channel which is being temporary used by WNVT.

* Contracted with firm of Dewberry, Nealon and Davis, to submit a report offering recommendations and methods to decrease the noise that is now being emitted from the Police Pistol Range in Northside



Events and Happenings in the Town of Vienna

Crime Costs Town \$28.98 a Person

Vienna spends only \$28.98 per person for law enforcement, much lower than many jurisdictions in Northern Virginia which have higher crime rates.

As a matter-of-fact, Vienna has the lowest serious crime rate in all of Northern Virginia except for Loudoun County. There are 35.68 incidents per 1,000 people in Vienna, compared to Fairfax City at 92.4, Alexandria at 90.55, Falls Church 81.83 and Fairfax County 50.2. The average for Northern Virginia is 56.49.

The average spent per capita for law enforcement in Northern Virginia is 37.66--much higher than what

Is Your House or Business Secure?

(See Inside)

Vienna spends, yet lower than the \$80.76 Falls Church spends and \$57.10 Arlington County spends.

Despite an average crime rate that is low in the region, Vienna's serious crime rate increased in 1976 according to figures recently released by the Vienna Police Department.

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Some 798 serious crimes were committed in 1976 in Vienna compared to 675 in 1975. No homicides and only one rape was committed in 1976. In other major areas of serious crime; robbery increased from 10 to 18 incidents, assault went from 21 to 51, burglary increased from 111 to 134, larceny went from 499 to 551, and motor vehicle theft increased from 33 to 43.

Although crime increased last year there appears to be no upward trend. Crime diminished during the last six months of the year. In 1975 crime was down 13 percent from 1974--a year in which only Vienna experienced a decrease in crime in the northern Virginia area.

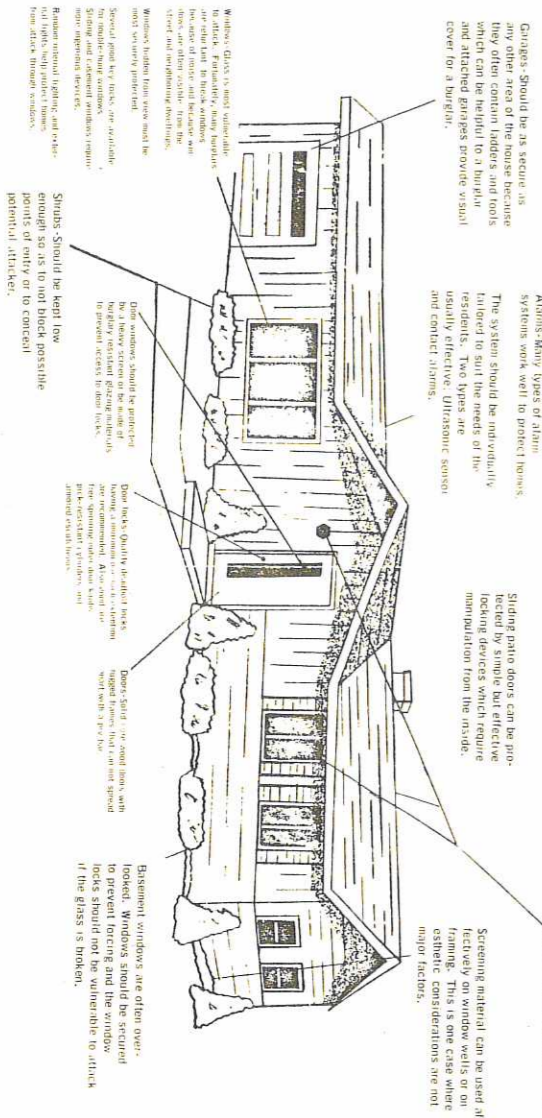
While a low crime rate (in comparison to surrounding jurisdictions) is an asset to the community, Vienna officials think the crime rate is too high. To combat crime the town's police force has outlined eight goals to prevent crime. The town's goals in crime prevention include:

1. To increase public education, awareness and involvement on local crime problems. Provide the public with needed information.
2. To motivate the public to make maximum use of existing residential and commercial security capabilities--basically, a lock-up and light-up campaign.
3. To encourage the public to improve security devices and practices, thereby "hardening" the targets of burglary and larceny.
4. To elicit citizen interest, concern, involvement and commitment to support the crime prevention program.
5. To improve techniques through citizen involvement by reporting suspicious activity.
6. To aid in the overall reduction of larceny, burglary and vandalism in the community.
7. To provide means of property identification (Operation I.D.).
8. To provide security inspections.

| Locality | Police Cost Per Capita | Serious Crime Per 1,000 People |
|----------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Alexandria | \$55.51 | 90.55 |
| Arlington | \$57.10 | 62.28 |
| Falls Church | \$80.76 | 81.83 |
| Fairfax City | \$49.32 | 81.83 |
| Fairfax County | \$32.02 | 50.20 |
| Herndon | \$48.73 | 58.80 |
| Leesburg | \$21.72 | 38.98 |
| Loudoun County | \$13.36 | 22.50 |
| Manassas | \$30.15 | 37.58 |
| Manassas Park | \$17.11 | 38.49 |
| Prince William | \$24.89 | 54.17 |
| Vienna | \$28.98 | 35.68 |

A Checklist for Home Security

A home may be a castle but it does not have to look like one to be safe



Crime prevention is a major concern of the Vienna Police Department. To reduce crime, the assistance of the entire community is needed. As part of the Police Department's crime prevention program a free home security survey is now being provided. Most burglaries are committed because the opportunity exists to commit the crime. To make this program successful strong public cooperation and support is needed. We urge you to assist the police in making your home or business safer and less attractive to a burglar. For more information contact Sgt. Joe Tavares, Community Services Officer, at the police station, 938-4900.

Ceret Mayor Writes About Vienna

Visitors from Vienna's twin city of Ceret, France, were in town during the Fourth of July celebration. Among the visitors was Ceret Mayor M. Sageloli. Mayor Sageloli wrote about his trip for Ceret's town newspaper, Cri Ceretan. The following is a translation of that newspaper article.

It has seemed (fitting) to me that the Mayor of Ceret should get to know the American city twinned with his own. I had imagined Vienna--because of its proximity to the national capitol--as less important, industrial, noisy, and bustling. Arriving during the late evening of June 30, I would only learn the truth the next morning: Vienna is a sylvan paradise.

The home of my host and hostess--like most of the houses--lies in open green space within a park laid out in a front of immense trees of various species: oaks, maples, tulip-trees, whose trunks rise as tall and as straight as the masks of a square-rigger.

At daybreak the songs of birds accompany the first rays of sunlight. The mocking bird--whose plumage resembles our jackdaw--is the first to loose his infinite repertory on the morning air. He imitates all the other birds; he is nature's Rich Little (Of course, the Mayor named a French mimic, Thierry Luron, unknown to us.--Ed.) Now and then he takes wing, in short acrobatic flights, dropping back onto his perch in a fall imitating that of a wounded bird. Robins--gray of wing with bright red breasts--pick about on the lawn close to the doors and windows of the house. The all-red cardinal alights on the trees landscaping the dwelling. A blue-jay also stops by from time to time to be admired. (Surely, Maeterlinck must have stayed in Vienna before he wrote his book on the bluebird.) As if we were in a cabin in Canada, squirrels scamper around us, on the alert because of the house-dog, whom they tease by their skittering frolics. I see a wild rabbit cross the street.

This abundance and variety of animal life around the homes of the town shows a concern for ecology which does credit to the residents of Vienna.

Not all the city is forested. Its center--around the town hall, churches and historic houses dating from the War

Between the States--is a modern ensemble which combines commercial with public buildings. Two supermarket stores, abundantly stocked, offer almost complete economic self-sufficiency. The Bank of Vienna, which we inspected down to its most secret recesses, offered us a marvelous welcome.

The fire house is equipped with ultra-modern engines on the scale of a large city. The police station--aided by its electronic equipment--is always ready to respond with the greatest effectiveness imaginable.

Vienna is a city of 17,000 residents. Its closeness to Washington opens up large vistas for its future. The avenues and streets are broad, meticulously maintained. As with everything we saw over there, all installations are on a different scale than our own. In open parkland, a national summer theatre of futuristic architecture can accommodate 6,000 spectators.

Ceret and Vienna: two cities entirely different, who have nothing in common except their citizens' sense of human brotherhood. Ceret: a town ancient by more than a thousand years, clustered around its cathedral; Vienna: a spreading modern town, satisfying today's new standards for a different quality of life.



Spring Antique Show at the Community Center

March 4: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
March 5: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.
March 6: Noon to 6 p.m.

\$2 A Person
\$1.50 With Ticket Coupon

Luncheon Available
Ample Free Parking

Are you registered to vote?

If not, you have until April 2 to register for the town's May 3 election. Voters will elect three Councilmen to two-year terms. It is unlikely that there will be any referendums on the ballot.

Persons interested in running for Town Council must file with the General Registrar prior to March 1. For additional information contact the Town Clerk's Office at 938-8000.

February 1977

- 2--Newspaper Pickup Day.
- 5--Little League registration at the Community Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 6--Little League registration at the Community Center from 1 to 5 p.m.
- 7--Town Council meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.
- 8--Mayor's Advisory meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m. The program will include the Town Manager and Dept. Heads.
- 9--Planning Commission meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.
- 12--Pigtail-Ponytail Softball registration at the Community Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Soccer Registration at the Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 14--St. Valentine's Day.
- 16--Board of Zoning Appeals meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m. Newspaper Pickup Day.
- 17--Board of Architectural Review meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.
- 19--Soccer registration at the Community Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Little League registration at Center and Pigtail-Ponytail registration also at Center. Contact Community Center for times.
- 21--Washington's Birthday. Town Hall will be closed and there will be no trash pickup.
- 23--Planning Commission meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.
- 28--Town Council meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.

March 1977

- 2--Newspaper Pickup Day.
- 4, 5 & 6--Antique Show and Sale at the Community Center.
- 7--Town Council meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.
- 8--Mayor's Advisory meeting at Town Hall at 8 p.m.



Mr. Max Facts

Each year the Parks and Recreation Department maintains 1,491,840 sq. ft. of grass. About the equivalent of 34 football fields,
and
Vienna's garbage men pick up an average 1.5 million lbs. of trash per man per year.