

Town Election Filing Deadline

March 4 is the deadline to file as a candidate in the May town election. In order to qualify as a candidate, you must be qualified to vote for and hold the office you seek, a resident of Virginia for at least one year immediately preceding the election, and a resident of the town at the time of filing.

Candidates must file a declaration of candidacy, receipt for the filing fee, and petitions containing the signatures of 125 qualified town voters. Forms are available in the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall.

Election Day is Tuesday, May 6. The seats held by Mayor Robinson and Council members Buckley, Olson and Pellicciotto will be up for election.

Zip Code Day . . . (continued)

office, will be open to receive your mail on 2/21/80. All mail brought in will be marked with a special Zip Code Day stamp and then delivered to the Vienna Post Office where it will be hand-canceled. Members of Historic Vienna will conduct tours of the Freeman House for visitors, and the old-fashioned general store will be open for business.

Do you have an outstanding postal carrier? If so, show you appreciate the service by nominating him or her for special recognition on Zip Code Day. Residents are also invited to design Vienna postage stamps for display at Freeman House that day. The stamp judged to represent Vienna best will receive an award.

Vienna service clubs, schools, churches and other organizations are asked to submit documents and photographs for a time capsule and to set up food and drink stands around the Freeman House. The Vienna business community is encouraged to participate in the celebration with Zip Code Day decorations, sales and other activities.

An afternoon motorcade will carry officials and special guests from the Post Office to Freeman House for ceremonies commemorating Zip Code Day.

Individuals and organizations interested in participating in Zip Code Day are asked to contact the Chamber of Commerce, 281-1333, or the Public Information Office at Town Hall, 938-8000. More information about the celebration will be carried by local news media as the day approaches.

In case of inclement weather, the celebration will go on as scheduled. Remember, neither rain nor snow nor sleet. . . .

A Reminder to Dog Owners

Town ordinance requires that dogs be confined to the owner's premises unless on a leash. Dogs found running at large, with or without a current town dog tag, will be picked up by the Animal Warden and taken to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Fines for dogs at large increase with each offense, to a maximum of \$100. For your pet's safety and consideration of your neighbors, please keep your dog on your property or on a leash.

Shop at Home -- Support Our
Vienna Merchants.
Sales-related taxes help defray
the cost of local government
in Vienna.



February Calendar

- 2 - - Little League registration at the Community Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
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- 4 - - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newslite, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for an update on agenda items.)
- 5 - - Historic Windover Board of Review meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 5-26 - - Kite-making workshop for ages 6-adult at the Community Center, Tuesdays 7-9 p.m. \$5 for town residents. Make a kite to fly in the March kite-flying contest.
- 8 - - "Monster Madness" puppet show for kindergarten-grade 4 at the Community Center, 4 p.m. Admission 50¢. Teen concert at the Community Center, 8-11 p.m. Admission \$1.25.
- 9 - - Little League, Babe Ruth and Pigtail-Ponytail registration at the Community Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 12 - - Mayor's Advisory Committee meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Lincoln's Birthday.
- 13 - - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Newspaper Pick-up Day.
- 14 - - Valentine's Day.
- 18 - - Washington's Birthday observed. Town Hall closed. No trash pickup.
- 20 - - Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Ash Wednesday.
- 21 - - Vienna Zip Code Day celebration (see story on front page for information). Architectural Review Board meeting, 8 p.m. in Town Hall.
- 23 - - Babe Ruth registration at the Community Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 24 - - Vienna Wireless Society Winterfest at the Community Center, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 25 - - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newslite, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for an update on agenda items.)
- 26 - - Transportation Safety Commission meeting, 7:45 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 27 - - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Newspaper Pick-up Day.
- 29-March 2 - - Antiques Show & Sale at the Community Center, noon-10 p.m. Friday, noon-8 p.m. Saturday, noon-6 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$2.

Town of Vienna

NEWSLETTER

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Zip Code Day Celebration

What does the number 22180 mean to you? Why, it's the Vienna zip code, of course. But written another way, 2/21/80, the number stands for February 21, 1980.

Vienna is one of a very few communities in the country having a zip code that coincides with a date in the near future. Town residents and all others living within the 22180 zip code are invited to join in a celebration on Thursday, February 21, to mark this unique event.

The Vienna Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring Vienna Zip Code Day with assistance from the Vienna Post Office, Historic Vienna, Inc., and the Town Hall staff.

The day's activities will center around Vienna's historic Freeman House at the corner of Church and Mill Streets. Freeman House, once the town post

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In observance of Washington's Birthday,
Town Hall will be closed on Monday,
February 18. There will be no trash pickup
that day.



Beautify Vienna by Recycling

You can contribute to the beautification of Vienna's commercial areas by bringing aluminum cans and other household aluminum to the Town's aluminum recycling center. The center is located on the BP Car Wash property on West Maple Avenue and is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Aluminum collected at the center will be sold to Reynolds Aluminum Recycling Company, and the money will be used in the Town's program to improve the appearance of Maple Avenue and other commercial areas.

How can you tell an all-aluminum can? The only completely reliable way is to use a magnet. If the magnet sticks to the sides of the can, it is not aluminum. All-aluminum cans also have rounded bottoms and no side-seam, plus they are lightweight and easily crushed when empty. Most steel cans have a side-seam; however, some steel cans look identical to aluminum ones. For this reason, a magnet is the best way to tell since it will not stick to the side of an aluminum can. Many aluminum cans say "Recyclable All-Aluminum."

In addition to aluminum cans, clean household aluminum may be deposited at the recycling center. This includes foil, frozen food containers, pie pans, margarine tubs, and pudding and snack containers. Since recycling centers are not intended to compete with scrap metal dealers, industrial scrap and non-household scrap aluminum will not be accepted.

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Vienna, Virginia 22180
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NEWSLETTER

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Police Set Case Closure Record

Vienna police reported a 67 percent case closure rate for 1979, the highest percentage of cases closed in the department's history. (The national average is approximately 20 percent.)

The total number of incidents reported to the police increased only slightly last year. Felonies were up by 14, misdemeanors increased by 36, and juvenile cases rose by 27. There were 25 more traffic accidents, but with fewer injuries.

The number of burglaries committed was down for the third consecutive year.

Vandalism, traffic and narcotics remained the major enforcement problems in 1979. Decreasing the number of these cases, plus a further reduction in burglaries, are the major goals of the police for 1980.

Tax Help for Senior Citizens

Vienna area senior citizens can receive free assistance on both federal and state income tax forms from the Tax-Aide program, a community service of the American Association of Retired Persons and the National Retired Teachers Association.

Tax-Aide counselors receive two days of training each year from the Internal Revenue Service to provide an update on federal tax laws, study the common types of errors made on income tax forms, and review the special tax provisions that benefit senior citizens.

To request income tax assistance, call the Vienna coordinator, Willis Gehrke, 938-0829, after February 1. Your request will be referred to one of the trained tax counselors, who will contact you to arrange a convenient time.

1979 Financial Report Published

A comprehensive report of Town finances for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1979, was published recently. Interested citizens may obtain copies of the report at Town Hall.

The Town's financial report incorporates a concept known as the "pyramid" approach, which includes four distinct financial reporting levels. It is hoped that this approach will enable readers who are not trained in financial statement interpretation to understand the basic financial statements of the individual funds.

This is the Town's first comprehensive financial report. As a result of its publication, the Town hopes to obtain a Certificate of Conformance from the Municipal Finance Officers Association. Such a certificate is awarded only to those local governments publishing a comprehensive annual financial report.

The report shows the Town to be in sound financial condition. The fiscal year ended with a total unreserved fund balance of \$671,078. By maintaining this adequate balance, the Town has prevented any cash flow problems that could have necessitated temporary borrowing. The taxpayers have benefited by avoiding interest expenses on borrowed capital. In addition, the interest income realized from investment of these funds allowed the Town to reduce taxes for FY 1979-80.

The report also lists several improvements in the Town's financial operations. One of the most important is the recent start of a conversion of computerized operations from the IBM System 3 to the new IBM System 34. Data processing capability should increase significantly. Also, the new system will provide a greatly strengthened system of automated checks and balances to guard against human error.

Wireless Society Winterfest

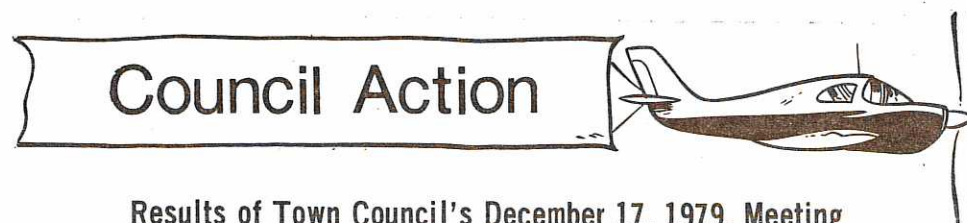
The Vienna Wireless Society, Inc., will hold its annual Winterfest at the Community Center on Sunday, February 24, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

The Winterfest will include the sale of new and used amateur and CB radio equipment, CW contests, and presentations on REACT, how to become a ham, how hams use a computer and slow scan TV.

Advance rummage table registrations are available from Mr. Carroll Quin, Jr., 7533 Oak Glen Court, Falls Church, Va. 22042 for a fee of \$5.

A two meter transceiver, SWR and power meter and MFJ Supertuner will be among the many door prizes to be raffled during the day.

CBers and potential amateur radio operators are invited to attend and enjoy the Winterfest, along with those holding "ham" radio licenses and electronic hobbyists.



Results of Town Council's December 17, 1979, Meeting

* Authorized the Town Attorney to accept a letter of credit and/or bond to cover the development of the Louk property, with the new owners subject to the approval of the Town Manager and the Town Attorney.

* Directed the Town Manager to seek one more meeting with residents on

Park Street in the area of the drainage problem and try to resolve the matter.

* Allocated \$15,000 from the General Fund Contingent Reserve to fund the engineering survey for the Malcolm Heights improvement program.

* Adopted an ordinance to include land zoned RTH as being eligible for reclassification to transitional zoning.

* Adopted an ordinance amending application procedures and license taxes on vending and slot machines.

* Approved the transfer of \$3,000 from the General Fund Contingency Reserve to the General Maintenance and Supplies account for the purchase of nine emergency lights for Town Hall.

* Authorized the Director of Public Works to purchase four traffic counting devices at a total cost of \$760 from budgeted funds.

Results of Town Council's January 7, 1980, Meeting

* Approved amendments to the sections on holiday pay and sick leave in the town employee personnel manual.

* Adopted a resolution establishing a task force to study the impact of the Vienna Metro station on the town.

* Approved the installation of a street light in the 300 block of Mashie Drive, as requested by residents on the street.

* Granted a waiver to allow pipe stem lots on the Shady Acres development on lots #2 and #5.

* Accepted the resignation of Mr. Bennett R. Moss from the Planning Commission and the Historic Windover Board of Review. Requested the Mayor to forward a certificate and letter of appreciation to Mr. Moss.

Citizens Respond to VVFD

Recently, the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department sent a letter to the citizens of Vienna asking for their support in 1980. The response has been good, and the financial support received is greatly appreciated. The many kind words are just as welcome and give VVFD members a feeling of satisfaction that is priceless. Here are some of the comments from Vienna residents:

"It is a pleasure to help, and many thanks for the speedy and efficient service rendered to us in the past. . ."

"Keep up the good work. In the past four years we've lived here, your crews have saved the lives of two of our neighbors. . ."

". . . Just in case someone doesn't contribute, here's a little extra with thanks for the opportunity to share in supporting a truly fine organization and its proud tradition. . ."

". . . Glad to contribute as much as I feel I can to your excellent Department. I am retired on a fixed income. . ."

EMERGENCY CALLS - COMPANY 2 - DECEMBER 1979

Fire - 982 Rescue - 1,118 Med Unit - 1,212 Total - 3,312

Temple Oranges, Pink Grapefruit Available

Fresh Florida temple oranges and pink grapefruit are available this month from Vienna Junior Academy. Orders placed on or before February 11 may be picked up on February 18. All fruit is guaranteed provided the VJA office is notified within two days of purchase. To place an order, call 938-6200.