

Fire Dept. Needs Volunteers

Dear Friends,

We need your help again! No, we are not asking for money. We need what money cannot buy – volunteers!

For over 78 years, the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department has served the needs of this community. During this time, there have been many appeals for help and you have always been generous and faithful in your response. Generally, the appeal has been for financial support. Your response to our 1980 fund drive has been especially generous and we thank you.

Now, we are asking for something more – volunteers. It takes the combined efforts of both career personnel and volunteers to provide the full range of fire and rescue services needed by this community. While the career personnel ensure a basic level of response for emergency situations, we depend upon volunteers to supplement this response and enhance our total response capability, particularly on evenings and weekends. Our Mobile Intensive Care Unit and the wagon (initial attack pumper) are staffed around the clock by career personnel, but we depend upon volunteers to staff the ambulance, engine and jeep and to supplement the staffing on the wagon. It takes a lot of active volunteers to meet all of these needs.

Are you looking for a challenge? For the satisfaction of doing something that helps your community? Your neighbor? Or even a relative? Can you contribute a few hours in the evenings or on weekends? Then consider joining the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. Any man or woman, age 18 or over, in good health, is welcome to apply. You do not have to be experienced – we will provide you with training. All you need is interest and commitment.

We will be starting another class for new members in a few weeks. Why not join us? If interested, please call any one of the following persons:

- Sam Savia, President – 938-7300
- Frank Gibson, Membership – 281-4909
- Glenn Haney, Rescue Lt. – 378-4165

OR, fill out the information card below and mail it to Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 1115, Vienna, Va. 22180. We will then contact you.

Sincerely,
Sam Savia, President

I am interested in joining the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Have you had fire or rescue experience? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, where? _____

Signature _____

June Calendar



- 1 – Registration begins for summer classes at the Community Center, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newsline, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for update on agenda items.)
- 2 – Historic Windover Board of Review meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 3 – Newspaper pickup day.
- 6-7 – Northern Virginia Ceramic Association Show at the Community Center, 1-6 p.m. Saturday, noon-6 p.m. Sunday.
- 10 – Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 14 – Flag Day. Vienna Community Band concert at the Minipark, 7 p.m.
- 15 – Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Meeting will include a public hearing on a proposed ordinance concerning the establishment of businesses dealing in pornographic video tapes, discs and cassettes. (Call the Vienna Newsline, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for update on agenda items.)
- 17 – Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Newspaper pickup day.
- 18 – Architectural Review Board meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 19 – Teen concert at the Community Center, 8-11 p.m. Admission \$1.50.
- 19-21 & 26-28 – Junior Tennis Tournament at Glyndon Park.
- 20 – Friends of the Animal Bazaar at the Community Center.
- 21 – Father's Day.
- 22 – Town Council will hold public hearings on the following subjects, beginning at 8 p.m. at Town Hall: transitional parking; parking facilities for the handicapped; definitions of commercial vehicle, amusement enterprise, mechanical amusement device; parking commercial vehicles in residential zones; inclusion of RM-2 zoned land among property qualifying for transitional zoning.
- 24 – Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 27 – VVI football registration at the Community Center, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- 30 – Transportation Safety Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

Town of Vienna

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Budget Adoption Scheduled For June 1 Council Meeting

Final review and adoption of the Town budget for fiscal year 1981-82 is scheduled for the June 1 Town Council meeting. At that time, Council will also set the tax rates.

Town Manager B.H. Bentley has proposed a budget totaling \$6,397,893, a 6.2% increase over the current year's budget. There are no provisions for additional personnel or equipment, and some cutbacks in programs are recommended, including elimination of the Fall Cleanup, scaling down of several Parks and Recreation activities, and reduction of street resurfacing and repair work. These and other belt-tightening measures would help the Town offset the effects of inflation while still maintaining a quality level of essential services for residents.

The Town Manager has advised Council that recent property reassessments alone will not generate enough revenue to offset the effects of double-digit inflation. Therefore, several measures are under consideration to increase Town revenues without placing the total burden on property owners. These include increases in business taxes and fees charged for various Town licenses and permits.

An 8% cost-of-living raise for Town employees has been recommended, an amount equal to or lower than that requested by most surrounding jurisdictions.

Adopt a Site for Beautification

The Vienna Beautification Committee invites all town organizations to participate in the newest phase of its ongoing program of beautification and litter control. The Committee, in cooperation with the Department of Parks and Recreation, has developed a list of sites around town that could be greatly improved by regular cleanups and planting of flowers and shrubs.

The Town simply does not have the manpower to take on and maintain a large number of such projects, so organizations are being asked to "adopt" sites as a community service project. Groups will work with the Town Gardener to develop plans and timetables for planting, and then they will be responsible for ongoing maintenance such as watering and weeding.

Several organizations have already adopted sites – Ayr Hill Garden Club, National Association of Retired Federal Employees, American Association of Retired Persons, Rotary Club, Malcolm-Windover Civic Association, Welcome Wagon, American Legion Post 180, Townes of Moorefield Community Association, Friends of the Library and Girl Scouts.

Other organizations wishing to participate may choose a site from among those pictured in a display at Patrick Henry Library, or suggest a site not pictured. Recognition for the contribution of Vienna organizations to the beautification program will be acknowledged by small signs near their sites.

For more information about the beautification program, call the Department of Parks and Recreation, 938-8000, ext. 277.

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Optimists Give Deaf Hot Line

The Vienna Optimist Club has presented a new Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) to the Christian Fellowship Church for use as a Fairfax County Deaf "Hot Line" available to anyone needing its service. This unit is part of the Optimist International "Help Them Hear" program.

A TDD allows deaf persons to make phone calls by typing messages back and forth. The unit has a TV screen that displays 24 lines of print at a time and allows messages to be pretyped to speed up long-distance calls.

The Hot Line is available to assist the deaf in emergencies. In addition, if a deaf person just has the need to talk to someone, the Hot Line may be called. The TDD Hot Line number is 759-2122.

The Vienna Optimist Club has been involved in the Help Them Hear program for almost two years. Anyone knowing of needs among the deaf community in Vienna, particularly among the youth, may write to the Optimist Club of Vienna, P.O. Box 472, Vienna, Va. 22180.

The Town of Vienna thanks the Vienna Optimist Club for donating \$600 to purchase furniture for the patio in the rear of Town Hall. The donation was made as part of the town beautification program.



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



Summer Fun from Parks & Rec

Registration for summer classes at the Community Center will be conducted June 1-12. Class brochures containing registration forms have been mailed to all Town residences, and brochures are also available at Town Hall, Patrick Henry Library and the Community Center.

Vienna residents aged 60 and over may register for classes free of charge. Only persons with Vienna addresses will be accepted in the tennis classes due to the great demand.

Junior Tennis Tournament

June 5 is the entry deadline for the 12th annual Junior Tennis Tournament sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation. All matches will be played at Glyndon Park June 19-21 and 26-28.

The tournament is limited to Northern Virginia residents 18 and under. Entry fees are \$3.50 per person per division and \$6 per doubles team per division. Registration forms are available at the Community Center.

Summer Playground Program

The summer playground program for children aged 6 through 12 begins Monday, June 29, at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. The seven-week program features games, field trips, arts and crafts, and other activities Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The registration fee is \$1 per participant per week paid at the playground.

July 4th Booth Space Available

Organizations wishing to participate in the Town's annual July 4 activities should contact the Department of Parks and Recreation now. Booth space is available for the sale of food and drink, crafts, or flea market items. call 938-8000, ext. 277 for information.

Comment from the Council Table:

Law Enforcement Post No. 1890 Attracts Dynamic Young People

By Charles A. Robinson, Jr.
Mayor of Vienna

The young men and women wearing police-type uniforms whose presence has become increasingly frequent at Vienna community special events are members of Law Enforcement Explorer Post No. 1890, sponsored by officers of the Vienna Police Department and affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America. Founded in November 1980, with nine original members, the Post now boasts a membership of 23 and a waiting list of applicants unable to join because of space and facility limitations.

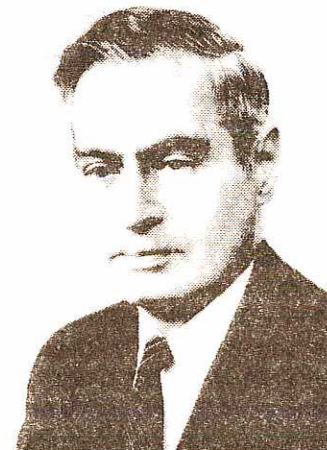
The BSA Explorer program is designed to interest young people in evaluating potential careers by offering them a close working relationship with experienced professionals in different fields and an opportunity to gain "hands on" experience themselves.

Last August, Vienna Police Officer Johnny Price attended a youth conference at the invitation of Tidewater area police departments and came home with the concept of a Law Enforcement Post for Vienna. His idea won the quick endorsement of our Community Relations Officer, Sgt. Joe Tavares, and Police Chief Vernon Jones. Sgt. Tavares became Post Chairman, with Officer Price serving as its Advisor.

Each year, the Boy Scouts of America conduct a career interest survey in local high schools. BSA Explorer Coordinator John Weise provided Tavares and Price with the names of local young men and women who had expressed interest in law enforcement. Letters were written inviting them to participate in the organization of a Law Enforcement Explorer Post for Vienna, and the first meeting was held at Town Hall on November 19, 1980.

In addition to specialized professional training, the Explorer program aims to develop the traditional attributes of good character and physical fitness, as well as a sense of responsibility for active community citizenship. Because Post 1890 is concerned with law enforcement, its members wear police-type uniforms and are required to live up to the principles of the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics. They are expected to conduct themselves in an exemplary manner at all times, and to set a good example for other young people in the community.

The Police Officer Advisors work with the Explorers on off-duty time. The Post meets every Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at police headquarters. Meetings are conducted as training sessions designed to provide the Explorer with an insight into law enforcement as a career. The 23 members of Post 1890 are committed to public service in the Vienna community. They receive instruction in self-defense, accident investigation, law, crime prevention, communications, crisis intervention, and other law-enforcement related subjects and will be assisting our regular policemen with duties connected with public safety, crime prevention, and traffic control.



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Mayor of Vienna

Post officers are elected by the members. They include Captain Sean T. O'Mara, Lieutenant Renee A. Leffew, and Sergeant John O. McKenna. In addition to Tavares and Price, other Vienna police officers working with the Explorers include Sergeants Bennie N. Shaver and Robert M. Bowler; Detectives John W. Cheyne, Robert H. Clouser, and William T. Hartsoe; Corporal James K. Habern; and Officer Daniel A. Marcey.

One of the Post's goals is that every member be trained in CPR and first aid by the end of this year. In my judgment, the Explorers are a real asset to the community, and we will utilize their talent wherever possible. This summer, the group will be involved in crimewatch patrol to help reduce vandalism, burglary and other crimes. The Post is planning several fund-raising projects so that portable radio equipment can be purchased for use by its members. Contributions toward the cost of its work have already been received from a number of public-spirited citizens and service organizations.

A group of our Law Enforcement Explorers expect to attend the National Explorer Conference to be held during August in Ohio. The conference is held every two years in a different part of the U.S. Over 2,000 Explorers are expected this year, and Post members will be raising funds for this purpose also.

Explorers purchase their own uniforms, like a police department, and function under a policy manual. They have their own organizational structure and disciplinary procedures. The group is strict on the conduct of its members, and any member who does not comply with orders can be removed from the Post by the membership. The Explorers are fully aware that their conduct both on and off duty is a reflection on the other members of the Post, and violations of rules of conduct are not easily tolerated by the group.

Since the Post was formed, there has developed a very strong bond of respect and friendship between our police officers and our Explorers. To me, it is most heartening and encouraging that so many young men and young women in our Town recognize law enforcement for the rewarding profession which it is, and are interested in working in cooperation with the members of our Police Department to make Vienna just a bit safer and a little more secure. For the most part, laws are really not much more than a collection of those standards of personal behavior which history has indicated as necessary to the orderly and comfortable functioning of organized society. Disrespect for law and disrespect toward police officers charged with its enforcement is really a manifestation of contempt for the rights of others and contempt for civilization, itself. It is really great to know that these bright young folks of Explorer Post 1890 so thoroughly understand what so many others, young and old alike, have forgotten – or never knew in the first place.



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