

February 1984



# VIENNA NEWSLETTER

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

- 1 - NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY for north side of town.
- 4 - Babe Ruth and Little League registration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Pigtail-Ponytail registration, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Community Center.
- 5 - Little League registration, 1-4 p.m. at the Community Center.
- 6 - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newsline, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for agenda items.)
- 7 - Historic Windover Board of Review meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 8 - NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY for south side of town.
- 11 - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Babe Ruth registration, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Pigtail-Ponytail registration, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Community Center.
- 14 - Mayor's Advisory Committee meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Valentine's Day.
- 15 - NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY for north side of town. Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 16 - Architectural Review Board meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 18 - Pigtail-Ponytail registration, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Community Center.
- 20 - Washington's Birthday. Town Hall closed. NO TRASH PICKUP.
- 22 - NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY for south side of town. Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 25 - "The Shoemaker and the Elves," 2:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Tickets \$1.50 in advance, \$2 at the door.
- 26 - Vienna Wireless Society Winterfest at the Community Center. Doors open at 8 a.m. Admission \$4.
- 27 - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newsline, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for agenda items.)
- 28 - Transportation Safety Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 29 - NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY for north side of town.

## Pigtail-Ponytail

The Vienna Pigtail-Ponytail Softball League will hold registration at the Vienna Community Center February 4, 11 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For over 20 years, the Pigtail-Ponytail organization has taught Vienna girls the ideals of good sportsmanship and provided a recreational outlet through supervised competitive softball games.

The league consists of four age levels. T-Ball is for seven and eight year olds. The Pigtail League is for ages 9 through 12, Ponytail League for ages 13 through 15, and Senior League for ages 16 and over. No previous softball experience is required.

For more information about the program, call League Games President Mike Egan at 938-0567 after 4:30 p.m.

Theatre IV's musical production of "The Shoemaker and the Elves," originally scheduled for last month, will be presented on Saturday, February 25, at 2:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center.

## Town Council Asks Citizens To Comment on Stop Signs

At the February 27 Town Council meeting, Council will consider the three-way stop at Lawyers and Malcolm Roads, N.W. The 60-day trial installation period for the stop signs on Lawyers Road expires this month, and Council is requesting citizen comment to help determine whether the trial period should be extended, the matter returned to the Transportation Safety Commission for review or some other action.

All aspects of the matter will be considered, including the impact of the stop signs on Lawyers Road traffic between Maple Avenue and Malcolm Road, the effectiveness of "Do Not Block Intersection" signs, problems of residents whose driveways open onto Lawyers Road and other concerns.

As part of its regular meeting on Monday, March 5, Council will hold a special public meeting to receive citizen comments on the four-way stop at the intersection of Cottage Street and Ross Drive, S.W.

Since the four-way stop was installed in November at the request of many residents in that area, Council has received a number of complaints from motorists who feel the stop signs on Cottage Street are unnecessary and present a hazard when the street is slick.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting and comment on this issue.

Council meetings are held at Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, February 20, in observance of Washington's Birthday. There will be no trash pickup that day.

## Business Note

All persons operating a business in the Town of Vienna must obtain a business license and renew that license by March 1 each year. The annual license tax is based on gross receipts, and the rate varies according to the type of business.

If you do not have a 1984 business license, please obtain one immediately. Forms are available in the Finance Department at Town Hall. For more information or assistance in figuring license taxes, call 938-8000 ext. 238.

## Recreation Bus Trips

Make reservations this month for two spring trips sponsored by the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

### Bullets Game at Cap Centre

Basketball fans can see the Washington Bullets play the Philadelphia 76ers at the Capital Centre on Thursday, March 22. Buses will leave the Vienna Community Center at 5:45 p.m. and return at approximately 11:45 p.m.

The cost of \$13 per person pays for transportation and ticket to the game. A \$5 deposit is due by February 22 and the remainder by March 8.

### Caesar's Palace in Atlantic City

Spend a day in Atlantic City on Saturday, April 7. The Superbus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. for Caesar's Palace and return at midnight.

\$40 per person includes transportation, continental breakfast and lunch aboard the bus, drinks and dinner at Caesar's Palace. A \$20 deposit is due by February 20, the balance by March 1.

For reservations and more information, call Vienna Parks and Recreation at 938-8000 ext. 277.

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## Task Force Completes Review

A task force of Vienna residents has completed its review of the Route 123/Old Courthouse Road/Heads Hill Farm area.

The task force was appointed by Centreville District Supervisor Martha Pennino to help develop a position on this area for the annual plan review by the County Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors.

An amendment to the current plan has been proposed that would allow commercial development of low-rise office buildings on the west side of Old Courthouse Road. The current plan provides for townhouses in that

area.

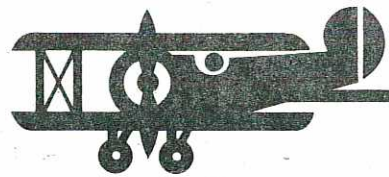
In its final report, the task force recommends unanimously against any change in the current plan, not only to buffer the town's residential areas near Old Courthouse Road but also to avoid setting any precedent for extending commercial development on the opposite side of Route 123.

This recommendation is consistent with the long-standing position of the Vienna Town Council that commercial development in the Tysons Corner area should not be permitted beyond the Old Courthouse Road boundary.

## New Police K-9

On December 23, Vienna's newest K-9 member, "Champ," completed his training at the District of Columbia police K-9 training center along with his partner, Officer Stephen Keeney. Champ and Officer Keeney have joined "Kris" and Officer Richard Finelli, Vienna's original K-9 team. The police K-9's assist in building searches, tracking of suspects and other duties.

Sgt. Herbert McWilliams is retiring from the Police Department after 20 years of service. Many town residents know him through his long-time involvement with Vienna youth sports.



## TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

November 7, 1983

\* Approved the installation of a 4-way stop at Cottage Street and Ross Drive, S.W.

\* Accepted the recommendation of the Transportation Safety Commission that a 3-way stop not be installed at Center and Locust Streets, S.W.

\* Approved the expenditure of up to \$10,000 from FY 1984-85 budgeted funds as the Town's share of constructing a bike path along Lawyers Road between Blair Road and Upham Place.

\* Adopted a position paper containing the Town's recommendations on the Nutley/I-66 interchange to be forwarded to state and local officials.

\* Took no action on a request for relief from a water and sewer bill. Offered the opportunity to arrange payment over an extended period.

\* Appointed Emil Attanasi to the Planning Commission to fill the unexpired term of Rodger Seeman.

\* Accepted the bid of \$10,337 by Function Enterprises, Inc., to replace the roof at the Community Center, costs to come from bond funds.

\* Accepted with regret the resignation of Phyllis Lewis from the Transportation Safety Commission.

\* Requested the Virginia Department of Highways and Transportation to study the Cedar Lane/Cottage Street intersection for possible traffic improvements.

\* Authorized a retirement annuity contract for a Town employee ineligible to participate in the regular retirement program because of age.

ciates and Historic Vienna, Inc., on the possible uses and feasibility of restoring the Moorefield house.

\* Accepted a bid of \$9,274 by RDR Contracting Co. for extension of the storage area at the Community Center, to come from bond funds.

\* Approved the final plat of Madison Oaks Subdivision, provided a notice is printed on the recorded plat that certain lots are located partly in town and partly in Fairfax County.

\* Approved the installation of a 3-way stop at Lawyers and Malcolm Roads for a trial period of 60 days, "Do Not Block Intersection" signs at Colin Lane (inbound) and Blackstone Terrace (outbound) between Upham Place and Holmes Drive, and a "Do Not Block Driveway" sign at 357 Lawyers Rd.

\* Waived the sewer availability fee for the Pigtail-Ponytail League to connect their concession stand to the Town sewer system.

\* Requested Fairfax County to take the necessary steps to have street lights installed at the following locations: between 324 and 326 Sherwood Dr., in front of 332 Sherwood Dr., between 505 and 509 Creek Crossing Rd. and between 511 and 513 Creek Crossing Rd.

\* Authorized the Town Manager to enter into an agreement with Hartford Life Insurance Co. for a short-term disability program once it is established that the minimum participation level of 75% of Town employees can be met.

\* Approved the purchase of planter boxes for the town's business areas from Carolina Container Corp. at a cost of \$1,650, to come from aluminum recycling center funds.

December 5, 1983

\* Approved the purchase of a G.E. base station through the State contract for a price of \$2,251 to replace the present unit in the Department of Public Works.

\* Adopted an amendment to the Town Code setting January 31 annually as the due date for purchase of Town dog licenses.

## Council Filing Deadline

The filing deadline for candidates in the 1984 Town election is 7 p.m. March 6. Citizens interested in running for Mayor or Town Council may pick up filing forms in the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall. Call 938-8000 ext. 235 for more information.

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## Tax Service for Seniors

Vienna senior citizens may obtain free assistance with their federal and state income tax forms beginning February 4. This program is sponsored by the Vienna chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) in cooperation with the Internal Revenue Service.

A team of volunteer AARP tax consultants will be available Tuesdays and Saturdays in the Senior Citizens Lounge at the Vienna Community Center from 9 a.m. until noon. No appointment is necessary. (On March 3 and April 7, the service will be provided

at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Rd., rather than the Community Center.) In addition, tax assistance will be available on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon at the Tysons Tower library, 8500 Tyspring Dr.

Senior citizens will be able to get answers to questions, obtain additional forms, have their filled-in returns checked or have their returns prepared by one of the AARP tax consultants. Please bring along all tax data and pertinent information, including last year's state and federal returns and current Social Security data. (Social Security is not taxable this year, but information is needed for certain credits.)

Those senior citizens who cannot come to one of the service locations may arrange for tax consultation in their homes by calling Harry Thompson at 560-4293.

## Care at Home

Home health care assistance is available through the Fairfax County Health Department. Home care offers many health services in the home to shorten a hospital stay or even prevent going to a hospital at all.

For a person with a chronic ailment, home care can help him stay at home and give respite to those who care for him. A nurse, speech therapist or physical therapist may be needed, or perhaps a home health aide to assist in bathing and personal care. Home care also means home-delivered meals, friendly visiting and telephone reassurance.

The Health Department can assist in making contact with these resources so that the client can stay at home as long as possible. To learn more about home care services, call the Health Department's North County Office at 534-0705.

## Music Contest

The Bland Music Scholarship contest, sponsored locally by the Vienna (Host) Lions Club, will be held at 8 p.m. February 14 at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

Competition for this scholarship is open to both instrumental and vocal musicians.

For an application and more information, call Harry Roberts at 299-9303.

## Did You Forget?

Did you forget to purchase your dog's 1984 Town dog tag? If so, please obtain one as soon as possible. There is no penalty for late purchase, but you may be fined if your dog is found without a current tag.

Dog tags cost \$5 each and will be sold only upon presentation of a valid rabies vaccination certificate. You may purchase tags in person at Town Hall or by mail. For more information, call the Finance Department at 938-8000 ext. 221.

Your Town Animal Warden has this tip for residents with fireplaces. Raccoons love to build nests for their young in chimneys. With rabies still occurring among wild animals in Northern Virginia, chimney screens are recommended to keep raccoons out. Also, be sure your pets are protected by a rabies vaccination. Both dogs and cats are required to be vaccinated.

## Energy Conservation Loans Offered To Lower Income Homeowners

The Virginia Housing Development Authority has a program to make low-interest loans to lower income homeowners for energy conservation improvements.

The program is funded by Virginia Housing and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and operated in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Emergency and Energy Services. Loans range from \$500 to \$3,500, offered at interest rates ranging from 0 to 8% depending on income, amount borrowed and the term of the loan.

Homeowners may use the loans to make energy-saving improvements that have a simple payback of six years or less. ("Payback" means your savings in energy costs will equal the cost of the improvements within six years.) Typical improvements are storm windows, insulation, caulking, replacement of the heating system and water heater insulation.

To qualify for a loan, homeowners

must have an annual household income below the median income for their area. For more information, call Virginia Housing's toll-free number, 1-800-572-3206.

## Town Trash Bags

Because of all the Monday holidays during the year, residents on the Monday/Thursday trash collection schedule miss quite a few pickups. To help compensate for this situation, these residents are eligible to receive a dozen free plastic trash bags from the Town. Bags are available in the Public Works Department at Town Hall weekdays from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Residents may also purchase trash bags from the Town at a cost of \$4.50 for a box of 50 lightweight bags or \$12 for a box of 100 heavyweight bags. Sales will be made to town residents only.

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