



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

May 13, 2022

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from May 6, 2022 to May 11, 2022. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS IS NOT MEANT TO BE A LISTING OF EVERY INCIDENT OR CALL HANDLED BY THE Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via <https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h>. The Vienna Police Department had started complying with this state law in July of 2020. The portal will contain all non-consensual investigatory stops made by the Vienna Police Departments and other law enforcement agencies in the commonwealth.

Car Thefts and Tamperings

The National Capital Area and specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. In some incidents, suspects entered homes through unlocked doors and open garage doors to steal property and keys to vehicles. The suspects then used the vehicle keys to gain entry into vehicles and use them to get away. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, close, and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask that you notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of an emergency 9-1-1.

INCIDENTS

Assault 22-004339

200 Block Yeonas Drive, SW

May 6 11:05 a.m.

Officers responded to a residence where two roommates were claiming they were assaulted by the other. The male roommate reported that a verbal confrontation escalated when the female roommate assaulted him. The female reported that it was the male who assaulted her. A deputy from the Fairfax County Sheriff's Department responded and served a protective order that the female had previously obtained against the male.

Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges. (*Reference Incident #22-004361*)

Assault 22-004361

200 Block Yeonas Drive, SW

May 6 11:32 p.m.

A resident reported that her roommate assaulted her in violation of a protective order. The roommate reported that it was the resident who assaulted him.

Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges. (*Reference Incident #22-4339*)

Grand Larceny 22-004375

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

May 7 3:13 p.m.

A resident reported that someone stole her wallet from her purse at Giant. The unknown person then went to CVS and other stores and used the resident's credit cards.

Grand Larceny 22-004380

Michael's

311 Maple Avenue, East

May 7 5:14 p.m.

An employee reported that her bank notified her of an unauthorized purchase on her debit card at Giant. She immediately went to her employee locker and found that someone had broken into the locker and stolen her purse. The purse was later found in the men's bathroom with the debit card missing from it.

Destruction of Property 22-004381

Petco

225 Maple Avenue, East

May 7 5:38 p.m.

An employee reported that two men entered the store, went directly to the back of the store, and unsuccessfully attempted to force entry into the employee break room. The men caused significant damage to the door.

Vehicle Tampering 22-004407

400 Block Council Drive, NE

Between May 7 at 7:00 p.m. and May 8 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

Fraud 22-004431

700 Block Hunter Court, SW

May 8 3:00 p.m.

A resident posted an item for sale through Facebook Marketplace. A man contacted the resident to purchase the item. The man deposited payment through an online transaction for more money than the purchase price and requested the resident refund the overpayment. After the resident sent the refund, she found the initial payment was never sent.

Domestic Dispute 22-004428

Kingsley Road, SW

May 8 10:49 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a verbal dispute between a husband and wife. The husband agreed to stay at a friend's home for the night.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated and Accident 22-004429

1200 Block Cottage Street, SW

May 9 1:57 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Cottage Street when it struck a parked trailer. The impact caused Vehicle-1 to overturn. Rescue personnel responded, but the driver refused treatment. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, they detected signs of impairment. The driver failed to complete a series of sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Ofc. Mayar transported the 29-year-old man from Cedar Lane, SE in Vienna to the Vienna Police Station, where he provided a sample of his breath for analysis. The man was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 22-004447

400 Block Glyndon Street, NE

May 9 Between 8:01 p.m. and 8:24 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a verbal dispute between family members. After speaking to both parties involved in the dispute, officers determined that no crime had taken place.

Animal Case 22-004453

700 Block Nutley Street, SW

May 10 1:59 a.m.

Officer Carne responded to the report of a deer that was struck by a vehicle. The deer was not able to move, stand or walk. Officer Carne euthanized the deer.

Animal Case 22-004465

Banfield Animal Hospital

414 Maple Avenue, East

May 10 12:29 p.m.

An employee reported being scratched by a cat.

Lost Property 22-004473

900 Block Glyndon Street, SE

May 10 Between 6:00 p.m. and 6:15 p.m.

A resident reported a lost cell phone.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 22-004477

Wawa

465 Maple Avenue, West

May 10 11:35 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of an emotionally disturbed person. After speaking to the emotionally disturbed person, there was no immediate need for officers to transport the person to a medical facility for treatment.

Trespassing 22-004483

Cedar Park Shopping Center

260 Cedar Lane, SE

May 11 8:20 a.m.

The shopping center property manager requested police assistance trespassing a person from the property. Officers responded to the scene, identified and officially trespassed the person from the property.

Found Property 22-004485

215 Center Street, South

May 11 8:52 a.m.

A resident found a visa card.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

538 Maple Avenue, West 22-004028

April 27 12:50 p.m.

A pedestrian was pushing his child in a stroller on the sidewalk, crossing the apron of the parking lot. A vehicle was exiting the drive-through and struck the pedestrian, knocking him to the ground. The driver stopped and attempted to communicate with the pedestrian, but the pedestrian left the scene and later went to the Vienna Police Station to report the accident. An officer contacted the driver to assist in the exchange of information.

Walker Street and Hillcrest Drive, SW 22-004337

May 6 8:13 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Walker Street. Vehicle-1 was making a left turn from southbound Hillcrest to eastbound Walker when the two vehicles collided.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

124 Park Street, SE 22-004470

May 10 5:40 p.m.

A vehicle exiting a parking lot was struck by a passing vehicle. Both drivers were uninjured..

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure To Yield Before Entering Public Highway.

Maple Avenue East and Follin Lane, SE 22-004475

May 10 8:20 p.m.

A vehicle was rear-ended by another vehicle. Both drivers were uninjured.

**Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at
Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.**

CITIZEN NOTES



HARD HAT CORNER

Week of May 16th

- Complete installing cast stone on top of perimeter wall
- Continue exterior caulking
- Continue installing SBS roof at Sallyport and main roof
- Start hanging ceilings on the Second floor level
- Complete installing tile on the second floor level
- Complete tile installation on the first floor level
- Complete installing ceiling tile in basement level
- Install folding partition in Community Center
- Start Build-out of Main IT Room
- Continue landscaping in Plaza and North green area
- Install metal lockers on the first floor

Week of May 23rd

- Continue installing cast stone on seat walls
- Start installing permanent roof on Mechanical well (pending roof manufacture response)
- Complete finishes in the basement area
- Complete hanging and finish drywall on second floor
- Continue Paint Drywall second floor level
- Continue installing glass on exterior windows/curtain wall system
- Complete installing Millwork and cabinetry First and second floor
- Continue build-out of main IT Room
- continue Fire Alarm testing Basement level
- Complete sprinkler system
- Complete installing slat fence on perimeter wall

****As we move forward with the new facility's construction, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. A link has also been established on the Town of Vienna website (<https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1>) for your information.**



**Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department
Media Information Release**

**The Rotary Club Presents the
Rotarian M. Jane Seeman "Service Above Self"
Employee of the Year Award**



(Pictured from Left to Right Deputy Chief Daniel Janickey, PFC John Sterling)

On April 20, 2022, PFC John Sterling received the 2021 Rotary Club of Vienna Rotarian M. Jane Seeman "Service Above Self" award. He was presented with the award at the Westwood Country Club at a banquet to honor public servants of the Town of Vienna.

This award is given annually to a member of the Vienna Police Department whose motivation, commitment, and service to the community exemplifies the Rotary Club's motto of "Service above Self."

PFC Sterling came to the Vienna Police Department in 2016. He brought with him over 25 years of experience with the Fairfax County Police Department, where he honed his skills as a patrol officer, undercover detective, and finally, many years as the county homicide unit supervisor.

In Vienna, PFC Sterling has become the definition of a community policing officer. He can be found all over town talking to community members and local businesses. With his booming voice and heavy Long Island accent, few people ever forget their interactions with PFC Sterling. He has been known to stop when on duty and join in games of pick hockey being played by neighborhood kids or even come in off-duty to attend a birthday party someone invited him to while working.

PFC Sterling, far and away, receives the most thank you letters from the town residents he interacts with. It is to the point where we jokingly accuse him of writing them himself and mailing them to the chief. All of these letters have a very common theme. They thank PFC Sterling for his kindness,

friendliness, calm demeanor, and understanding when dealing with the town resident, no matter what the circumstances were.

With PFC Sterling's over 33 years of law enforcement experience, he serves as an amazing example to the younger officers he works with. He not only shows them what community policing is all about but when a critical incident does occur, PFC Sterling uses his vast knowledge of policing to help resolve the matter quickly and safely.

The Vienna community is lucky PFC Sterling chose the Vienna Police Department for his "retirement" job and he is very deserving of the Rotarian M. Jane Seeman Service Above Self Award.

**Please contact MPO Juan Vazquez for further information at
Juan.vazquez@viennava.gov 703-255-7845.**



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Vienna Police Department Welcomes New Police Officer



(Pictured from Left to Right Major Daniel Janickey, Officer Parker Stroh, Colonel James Morris, Academy Instructor, MPO Michael Finelli and Captain Tu Farhan,

On April 7th, 2022, Officer Parker Stroh graduated from the 80th Session of the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy. Their graduation marks the culmination of a six-month training session in which newly hired police recruits receive training in all aspects of police procedures. The six-month basic recruit session is a non-residential training program consisting of over 920 hours of instruction. The curriculum includes but is not limited to 320 hours of academic studies, 94 hours of firearms training, 84 hours of emergency vehicle operation, 110 hours of physical training, and 130 hours of defensive tactics training.

The Criminal Justice Academy trains new and veteran officers from Vienna, Herndon, Fairfax County Police, the Sheriff's Office, and the Fairfax County Fire Marshal's office.

To attend the Academy and become a police officer, candidates must go through a rigorous application process which includes a thorough background check, medical examination, polygraph test, and various interviews. On average, only 2% of the people that apply to be a police officer make it through the hiring process and are invited to attend the basic recruit class.

Officer Parker Stroh will be assigned a Field Training Instructor (FTI) for the next twelve weeks. During the twelve weeks, the FTI will observe and guide the Officer's performance in officer safety, traffic enforcement, interaction with citizens, report writing, investigations of crimes, vehicular accidents, and many other aspects of law enforcement duties.

**For Further Information please contact
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Vienna Police Department

INFORMATION BULLETIN

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

BURGLARY

These two suspects were involved in a burglary and unlawful entry that occurred in the 200 block of Dominion Road NE on December 26, 2021.



Suspect 1



Suspect 2

If you recognize these suspects or have any information, please contact Det. Marcos Herrera, Marcos.Herrera@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7821, reference case number 2021-7988

Detective M.A. Herrera #118
215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180
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January 18, 2022



**Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department
Media Information Release
Warning: McAfee Scam Email**

Detectives with the Vienna Police Department are investigating two separate scam incidents related to a "McAfee Antivirus" email. Detectives advised that the scam usually begins with an email that purports to be from McAfee informing citizens that they are being charged \$300 for "McAfee Total Protection anti-virus software" unless they cancel the order by calling a phone number provided in the email. If you call the number provided, you will be greeted by a scammer posing as a McAfee employee who will ask for personal information, including a bank account number supposedly to verify the account. After receiving the personal information, the scammer will request a wire transfer of funds which will be nearly impossible to reverse once it is completed. The Vienna Police Department provides the following guidelines for spotting and avoiding a "phishing" email:

- 1) Always check the sender's email. Phishing emails may look like they are from a legitimate company you trust. Most of the time, you can tell it is a phishing scam if the sender's email address consists of random numbers and letters. If you are unsure, research the email of the company.
- 2) Look for spelling and grammatical errors. Phishing emails tend to have multiple spelling and grammatical errors in them.
- 3) Phishing emails will attempt to trick you through a sense of urgency in order to click on a link or open an attachment. You can inspect the link by hovering the mouse over it without clicking on it—only open attachments from trusted and verified sources.
- 4) Phishing emails may trick you by saying:
 - a. They've noticed suspicious activity or login attempts
 - b. Claim there are account problems or problems with payment information
 - c. Ask to confirm personal information
 - d. Attach fake invoices
 - e. Provide a link to allow for a payment
 - f. Threaten to arrest
 - g. Offer money or free items

If you feel you have fallen victim to a phishing scam, please call the police non-emergency number, 703-255-6366, to report it. You can also report phishing emails to your email provider or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) using their website. Useful links containing phishing email examples, how to avoid phishing emails, and FTC reporting procedures are attached below:

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/online-security>

**For further information please contact:
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