

SUMMER RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES IN "MY KIND OF TOWN - VIENNA"

The new Community Center and the improved park facilities offer a wide variety of leisure activities to all interested residents this summer. The SUMMER PROGRAM SCHEDULE is being prepared for distribution in the schools by the end of this month. Plans are summarized below:

**PARKS** - Beginning June 19th for 7 weeks, there will be daily supervised programs from 9 AM to 4 PM for school-age children at Glyndon and Meadow Lane Parks; while there is no summer pre-school program planned, pre-schoolers may come if accompanied by older brothers or sisters who will be responsible for them...A Rifle Safety Program will be conducted at the Northside Park for youngsters 10 years old and above...scheduling for group use of the Town's three picnic areas is handled by the Recreation Department; because of demand, it is advisable to make arrangements at least three weeks in advance, or as soon as possible.

**COMMUNITY CENTER** - During the summer there will be a twice-weekly skating schedule...teen dances every Tuesday and Thursday evening regularly, with many Saturday night schedules; fees ranging from 50¢ to \$1.00...open for teen group activities 3-7 PM (including ping-pong, basketball, and other supervised activities); also open to teenagers any evening when no other specific use is scheduled...requests for group use of the Center are handled by the Recreation Director, and people are encouraged to work out arrangements with him as far in advance as possible in order to obtain preferred schedules.

**INSTRUCTION PROGRAMS** - The Town Recreation Department is setting up instruction courses (on a fee basis) for golf, tennis, archery, art, guitar, baton twirling, and square dancing--primarily for children, although it is hoped that if enough interest is shown, adult classes in tennis and square dancing can be offered. The Recreation Director will be happy to receive suggestions from residents for additional classes and programs, and will handle the necessary arrangements for offering them through the Town Recreation Department, provided a sufficient number of people sign up to make a specific program feasible.

**COMMUNITY CENTER OFFICE HOURS:** 9 AM to 5 PM on weekdays; telephone: 938-8000, extension 277. Evening hours, varying with scheduled activities; telephone after 5 PM: 938-2280.

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NEWS CHECKLIST . . .

TOWN ELECTION, to elect three Councilmen to 2-year terms, will take place June 13...the deadline for registering in time to vote is May 13... Application for absentee ballot must be made by June 8 (call the Fairfax County Registrar at CR 3-2000 for details).

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SUMMER WATER RATES, repeating last summer's schedule, will go into effect in June, providing a 4-month reduction for every water/sewer user.

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COMMUNITY RECREATION - Summer park programs at Meadow Lane and Glyndon will begin on June 19th. Summer class program schedules at both parks and Community Center will be distributed at the schools. (see page 4).

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BICYCLE SALE - Public sale of lost, stolen or abandoned bicycles picked up by the Police Dept. will be held on May 24th. Sealed bid forms may be obtained from the Police Dept.

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TOWN TOPICS ON WHEEL RADIO EVERY TUES. & THURS. AT 11:00 A.M. - Questions from Vienna residents about their Town government are invited.

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TOWN HALL - 938-8000

Fellow Citizens of Vienna:

As a part of Vienna's "My Kind of Town" Campaign, safe and courteous driving habits should be considered attributes every bit as important to an ideal community as cleanliness and beauty. I feel that it is second nature to most of our Town's residents to drive both safely and courteously. It is a good idea, however, for all of us to take stock periodically of our daily driving habits and those of our teenage children.

On the "plus" side, Vienna already has an excellent record for pedestrian safety--our Town has received the "Pedestrian Safety Award" every year since 1960. We have an outstanding police force patrolling our streets 24 hours a day, and periodic radar speed checks have had a marked effect on speeding violations. But, in 1966, we still ran up a record of 381 speeding convictions alone, an average of 32 per month. Often an accident is sudden and unavoidable, but exceeding the speed limit can almost always be avoided. Thus, this would be a good place to start in a driving safety program. By reducing our speed we can increase the safety factor and also take the time to be courteous drivers.

I would like to stress one additional item: commuter traffic. Too often, in our haste to reach our destinations, we lost sight of the rights of others on the road to enter, exit, or cross the lane of traffic. Let us all determine in our driving to make Vienna "our kind of Town" for everyone.

Sincerely,

*James C. Martinelli*  
James C. Martinelli  
MAYOR

PROGRESS REPORT ON "MY KIND OF TOWN" CAMPAIGN

The Town's beautification and community improvement campaign, whose slogan, "My Kind of Town - Vienna", was chosen last February in a community-wide contest, has been gaining steadily in community support and participation. Individuals, as well as businessmen, civic organizations, garden clubs, girl and boy scout troops, and similar groups, have been recognized for their contributions at the past two Council meetings by presentations of Certificates of Appreciation. Groups of citizens who would like to take on community improvement projects, or help with those already under way, are urged to do so, and encouraged to let Town officials know about their work so that they may express public appreciation at the Town Council meetings.

A current project now well under way, a joint effort of the Town forces, the garden clubs, and the merchants, is to provide attractive planters throughout the shopping centers and business district. The Town's Public Works Department is building the planter boxes of redwood-stained cedar, and the garden clubs are planting the shrubs furnished by the local merchants. The first two of these planters are on display in front of the Community Center, and residents will be noticing more and more of them in the shopping centers in the next few weeks. Burfordi hollies and threespine barberries are the main planting material being used.

Tree planting projects this year (this phase of the improvement program has been an active project for the past three years) include:

- Planting of Washington hawthorns, hollies, and junipers along the Nutley Road median; and
- Planting of 26 Indian cedars as a screen at the Nutley Road property yard.

The school children in Grades 1 through 3 became acquainted with EGBERT the ELF several weeks ago (Egbert has gained area-wide attention as the "guiding spirit" of the "My Kind of Town" Campaign) when he made a tour of the schools. He carried with him on his tour a large supply of "color me" pictures of himself to distribute, and the children have shown amazing variety and imagination in coloring the Egbert drawings. It is hoped that the school children will want to help Egbert the Elf in promoting and carrying out some of the growing number of projects in the "My Kind of Town" Campaign.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS -

An exhibit of prize paintings, jointly sponsored by the American-Austrian Society and the Austrian Embassy, will be on display in the Council Chamber of the Town Hall from May 15th through June 2nd. The 40 paintings exhibited were selected from a larger group recently on display at the State Department Exhibition Hall, and will be shown later in cities throughout this country and in Austria. Daily hours for viewing the paintings are 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

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Community Center and Town parks - summer program summarized on page 4.

WHAT EVERY LICENSED DRIVER SHOULD KNOW:

Local jurisdictions are required by State law to send a record of every traffic violation to the Division of Motor Vehicles in Richmond. Since automobile transportation is such a vital part of modern-day living, it is almost a necessity for every adult member of a family to have a valid driver's license. Thus, it is worthwhile, not only from a safety standpoint, to strive to keep driving infractions to a minimum--even a temporary revocation of a driver's license can work an extreme hardship on family routine.

The Division of Motor Vehicles in Richmond automatically revokes your driver's license upon conviction of the following:

- (1) Two offenses of speeding within a 12-month period--license taken for 60 days.
- (2) One conviction of speeding and one conviction of reckless driving within a 12-month period--license taken for 60 days.
- (3) Two convictions of reckless driving within a 12-month period--license taken for one year.
- (4) Out-of-state convictions received by a Virginia resident are also reported to the Div. of Motor Vehicles in Richmond and are counted on taking your license.
- (5) Any driving by a motorist with a suspended or revoked license is a separate offense and results in a mandatory jail sentence of at least 10 days and confiscation of the vehicle.

The Traffic Court automatically revokes your driver's license upon the first offense upon conviction of the following:

- (1) Drunk driving--license taken for one year.
- (2) Speed in excess of 75 miles per hour--license taken for at least 60 days.
- (3) Racing, or "drag racing"--license taken for 6 months minimum and up to 2 years maximum.
- (4) Fleeing from the police--mandatory jail sentence of 60 days and license taken up to one year.

Upon conviction of any two moving traffic violations of any kind (even minor ones) within a 12-month period, or within the period for which the license is issued, you can be required by the Division of Motor Vehicles to take the driver's road test over again.

COMMUNITY EVENTS (cont'd)

The Arlington Symphony will perform in a special concert at James Madison High School on Sunday, May 21st, at 3:30 P.M. This concert is sponsored by the Vienna Business and Professional Women's Club for the purpose of providing a music scholarship for a James Madison High School student who plans to continue music studies after high school graduation. Tickets are \$2.00 each and are available from members of the Club and at the Town Hall.

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