

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Town Christmas Program, 4 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Hanukkah.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Windover Heights Board of Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY - north side of town.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

Town/Business Liaison Committee, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY - south side of town.

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

Board of Architectural Review, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

Town Council, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY - north side of town.

Board of Zoning Appeals, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

Town Hall closed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27

Transportation Safety Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

NEWSPAPER PICKUP DAY - south side of town.

Planning Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

COMING NEXT MONTH . . .

January 1 - New Year's Day.

January 2 - Town Hall closed.

January 4 - Newspaper Pickup Day - north side of town.

Robert B. Dix, Jr.
Richard L. Fisher
George E. Lovelace

Council Members

Martha H. Pruett
Robert W. Robinson
Rodger W. Seeman

Charles A. Robinson, Jr., Mayor

Vienna Town Council

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Business Hours - Monday-Friday, 8:15 a.m.-4:45 p.m.

VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall.
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VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Season's Greetings



Happy holidays from the Vienna Town Council and Town staff. Town Hall will be closed Monday, December 26. Trash will be collected as usual for residents on the Monday/Thursday route.

Christmas Program

Sunday, December 4

4:00 p.m.

Vienna Community Center

Invocation

Rev. Tom Hamilton
Faith Baptist Church

Welcome

Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Nativity Scene

Community Center Preschoolers
Jane Seeman, Director

Music

Vienna Choral Society

Christmas Message

Rev. Hamilton

Music

Vienna Community Band

Music

Vienna Theatre Company

Santa Claus

Leaf Pickup

Leaf collection for Vienna residents will wind up this month with a final sweep through town:

South Vienna,
December 6-20

North Vienna,
December 21-30

During this time, Department of Public Works crews will vacuum up piles of leaves that residents have raked to the curbside.

Leaves packed in plastic bags will be picked up on regular trash collection days (limit 10 bags per collection).

For information on leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 255-6382.

Santa Claus Is Coming to Town



Santa has a special message just for the children of Vienna. Listen to Santa on the Vienna Newslines beginning December 15 through Christmas Day. Call 255-6333.



TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

OCTOBER 17, 1988

• Following a public hearing, adopted amendments to the "Animals and Fowl" ordinance.

• Conducted a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to create a register of historic sites.

• Donated \$500 to the Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League.

• Approved the final plat of Trail Side Subdivision, Ninovan and Talahi Roads, S.E. The developer is to provide as-built drawings signed by a state-registered surveyor or professional engineer showing all grading and drainage work, including storm, sanitary and water pipe installations and invert elevations and elevations of pipe. The Town will contribute a sum not to exceed \$9,500 toward construction of storm drainage facilities on the north side of Talahi, currently consisting of a rip-rap junction between several pipes.

• Awarded a bid of \$6,780 to Virginia Turf and Equipment Company, Inc., of Woodbridge for a lawn tractor.

• Awarded the bid for an actuarial study to Milliman and Robertson of Washington, D.C.

Funding for the study is to come from the pension funds.

• Authorized the Town Manager to negotiate with Byers Engineering for a contract for utility locating services for FY 1988-89, at a cost of approximately \$18,700 per year.

• Authorized the Town Manager to negotiate a contract for leaf collection at a cost not to exceed \$31,700.

OCTOBER 24, 1988

• Adopted an ordinance requiring developers to place a bond for the protection of trees indicated for retention on subdivision plats.

• Adopted an ordinance permitting identification signs for townhouse developments.

• Denied an appeal by Trak Auto and upheld an appeal by Maple Avenue Shopping Center of decisions by the Architectural Review Board.

• Denied a request for a traffic signal at Maple Avenue and Westbriar Drive, N.E. A "No U Turn" sign will be installed westbound on Maple at St. Andrews Drive.

• Awarded a bid for tree maintenance and

removal to R.E. Martin Tree Specialist for a climbing crew at \$100 per hour, C&D Tree Service for an aerial bucket crew at \$135 per hour, and Fairfax Tree Service for stump grinding at \$40 per hour. The total cost is not to exceed \$15,000.

• Awarded a bid for a one-ton dump truck cab and chassis to World of Ford Sales at a price of \$12,348.

• Awarded a bid for brick steps and hand-rail rehabilitation at Town Hall to B&K Concrete in the amount of \$24,000.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the Newsletter. The deadline is the 15th of each month for the following month's issue. Send written comments to the Newsletter c/o Town Hall.

Watercolor Exhibit

Vienna Arts Society member Vera Heywood will hold a one-woman show at Town Hall December 5 to January 23. Sixteen watercolors of various subjects will be displayed. The artist has been a watercolorist for many years, winning a number of awards.

**** Holiday Happenings Around Town ****

"Arsenic and Old Lace" - Presented by Ayr Hill Players, 10 a.m. December 3, 2 p.m. December 4, Vienna Presbyterian Church. Call 938-0643.

"Lessons and Carols" - 7 p.m. December 4, Wesley United Methodist Church. Call 938-8700.

Tiny Tots Concert - By Madison High School Band, 5 p.m. December 4, Madison auditorium. \$3 per person, \$12 per family.

Winter Bazaar - Sponsored by Cunningham Park Elementary PTA, 6-9 p.m. December 9 at the school. Free. Call 281-0297 or 281-5532.

Messiah Singalong - With Vienna Choral Society, 4 p.m. December 11, Vienna Presbyterian Church. Donations accepted. Call 938-5640.

Bach's Cantata 142 and Shout for Joy - Presented by Vienna Baptist Church Chancel Choir, 7 p.m. December 11 at the church. Free. Call 281-4400.

"Our Town" - Presented by Madison High School Drama Department, 7:30 p.m. December 15, 2 and 7:30 p.m. December 17 at the school. \$3 in advance, \$4 at the door. Call 938-2225.

"Madama Butterfly" - Presented by Metro Opera Project, 8 p.m. December 16 and 18, Vienna Community Center, \$6.50 in advance, \$7.50 at the door. Call 255-6360.

"Living Nativity" - 7:30 p.m. December 18, Vienna Baptist Church. Call 281-4400.

Christmas Carol Sing - Sponsored by DOVE Council, 7 p.m. December 19, Freeman House. Bring a flash-

light. Call 938-5187.

Holiday Concert - By Madison High School Choral Department, 7:30 p.m. December 20. \$2 in advance and for senior citizens, \$3 at the door.

"The Nutcracker" - Presented by Bob Brown Marionettes, 2 p.m. December 27, Vienna Community Center. \$3 in advance, \$3.50 at the door, children under three admitted free. Call 255-6360.

Parks and Recreation News

For information on the following activities, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 255-6360.

WILLIAMSBURG TRIP

December 8 is the reservation deadline for a trip back to the 18th century in Colonial Williamsburg. The trip is scheduled for December 15. A charter bus will leave the Vienna Community Center at 8:30 a.m. and return at 7 p.m.

The cost is \$28.50 per person for transportation and admission to Colonial Williamsburg.

BICYCLE COMPETITION

Vienna Parks and Recreation and Pedal

Masters Bike Shop will sponsor an Indoor Free-style Flatland Competition in the Community Center gym on Sunday, December 18. Registration will be held from 9 to 11:30 a.m., and competition begins at noon.

Trophies will be awarded for each age and event category. The cost is \$5 per rider.

SKIING AT ROUND TOP

On December 29, a charter bus will leave the Community Center at noon for twilight skiing at Round Top. The registration deadline is December 22. Children under age 12 must be accompanied by an adult. The cost for the trip varies according to the package chosen.

Historic Register Established

The Town Council has adopted an ordinance to establish a register of Vienna's historic sites. These sites will be marked with a special plaque and described in a pamphlet.

Residents may apply to have their property included on the register by sending a letter to the Town Manager describing the site, its size and location, significant dates in its history, people or events of historic interest associated with it, and other pertinent information. The Town Council will act on applications after receiving recommendations from the Town Manager and the board of directors of Historic Vienna, Inc.

In considering applications, the following will be presumed as entitled to inclusion on the register:

- Buildings and other structures erected at their present locations prior to 1900 and which retain all or a substantial portion of their original dimension and appearance.

- Businesses continuously conducted in the Town of Vienna since prior to 1900 under the same name or in the same location.

- Sites and places that have been used continuously since

prior to 1900 for the same purpose or have remained essentially unchanged since the discontinuation of such use.

The following structures, sites and places will also be considered for inclusion on the register:

- Those that are more than 50 years old and possess significance related to the founding or development of the town or to persons who have achieved local, regional or national prominence.

- Those that are over 50 years old and considered to be symbolic of the town's history by reason of their architecture or in the way they have been used.

- Those that are less than 50 years old but are considered so unusually or uniquely connected with the town's development as to qualify for inclusion on the register.

The purpose of the register is simply to encourage recognition of and interest in historic places within the town and does not constitute an "official designation" of any kind.

SHOP IN VIENNA

Support Our Local Merchants

Silhouette Artist At Freeman House

Silhouette artist Ann Woodward will be at the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Sunday, December 4, from 1 to 5 p.m. Appointments may be made by calling 938-5187 on Saturday, December 3, between noon and 4 p.m.

Woodward will cut two copies of one silhouette face for \$14; extra copies, \$5 each. Part of the proceeds will go to Historic Vienna, Inc., which operates the Freeman House store and museum.

In addition, Woodward will autograph copies of her new book, *Silhouette Cutting for Fun & Money*. The 100-page book is available at the Freeman Store for \$12.50.

Wanted: Old News

The Vienna Centennial History Committee, as part of its activities marking the Town's 100th birthday in 1990, is seeking old newspapers either published in Vienna or carrying Vienna news. The committee is particularly interested in newspapers and other public documents published between the years 1890 and 1960.

Anyone having such publications to donate or lend to the Vienna Centennial Committee may contact Marie Kiskner in the Public Information Office at Town Hall, 255-6330.

Clubs Selling Christmas Trees

The Vienna (Host) Lions Club's annual Christmas tree sale will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, December 3, in the parking lot of the Southern States Cooperative, 100 Park St., S.E.

Over 2,000 blue spruce, Norway pine and other varieties of trees will be available for \$25 per tree, regardless of size. Holiday wreaths and other decorative items will also be offered.

Lions Club members will be available to help purchasers select their trees and load them safely onto their cars between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. seven days a week until all trees have been sold.

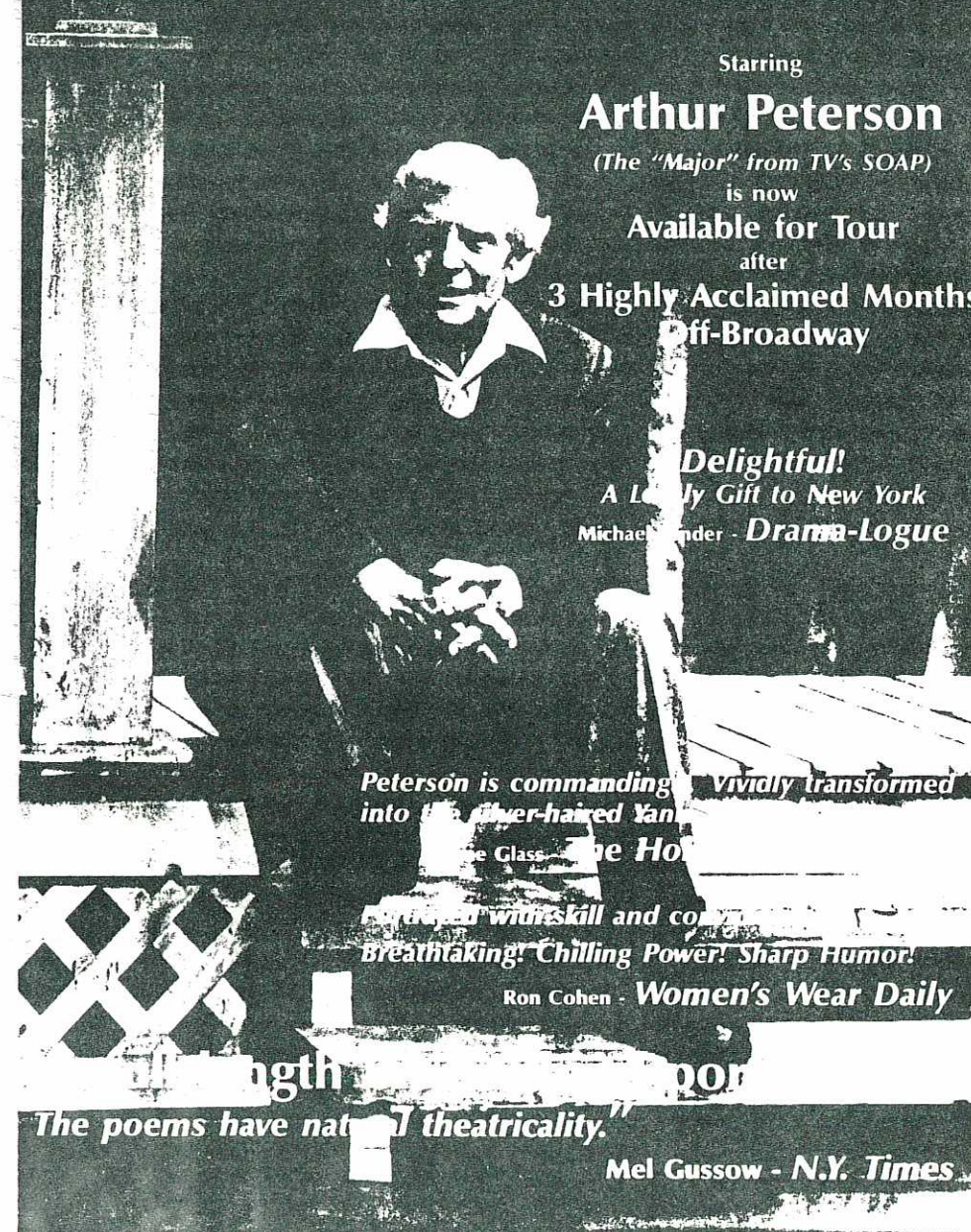
The Vienna Optimist Club is conducting its annual Christmas tree sale through December 23. The lot is located on the northeast corner of the Maple Avenue Shopping Center near Sovran Bank and is open from noon to 9 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on weekends. Prices range from \$25 to \$60 depending on the type and size of tree.

All proceeds go directly to support youth activities in the Vienna area such as a bike safety program, Vienna Youth Soccer, Babe Ruth baseball, and Youth Appreciation Week.

"Robert Frost Lives Again..."
in the *Magnificent, Witty, Heartwarming Arthur Peterson.*
Joyce Hauser - WNBC-RADIO

Coming to Vienna Community Center
December 8-10, 8 p.m.
Tickets \$10, Students & Seniors \$8

"Robert Frost: Fire and Ice"



Starring
Arthur Peterson
(The "Major" from TV's SOAP)
is now
Available for Tour
after
3 Highly Acclaimed Months
Off-Broadway

Delightful!
A Lovely Gift to New York
Michael Under - *Drama-Logue*

Peterson is commanding, vividly transformed into the silver-haired Yankee. The Glass - The HO

crafted with skill and com

Breathtaking! Chilling Power! Sharp Humor!
Ron Cohen - *Women's Wear Daily*

length *por*

The poems have natural theatricality.
Mel Gussow - *N.Y. Times*

CALL 255-6360

Here Are the Answers to the Question "When Do I Need to Obtain a Permit?"

The Town of Vienna requires homeowners, business owners and tenants to obtain a building permit whenever they wish to make significant improvements to their property. Such improvements include the installation of a new roof or siding, the erection of a storage shed or other accessory structure, and the construction of new facilities such as walls, fences, signs, hot tubs, building additions and the like.

The Department of Planning and Zoning receives about 100 building permit applications each month, and many of the questions received relate to when a building permit is required and how it is obtained. In general, any new construction, except painting, wallpapering and other minor cosmetic repairs, requires a building permit. A notable exception to this rule is the construction or placement of an accessory structure with a total area of less than 150 square feet on a single-family lot; the installation of such a structure does not require a building permit, but its location is restricted in accordance with setback requirements for each of the three residential zones.

All exterior construction, whether it is new or a modifi-

cation of an existing structure, must be reviewed and approved by the Board of Architectural Review before a building permit may be obtained. The only exception to this rule is construction of homes, building additions and accessory structures in single-family residential zones, where such approval is not required prior to submitting plans for a building permit.

INSPECTION SERVICES

The Town of Vienna does not provide building or fire inspection services. These services are provided, respectively, by the Fairfax County Department of Environmental Management and the County Fire and Rescue Department. The Town does, however, review all plans, documents and specifications along with the building permit application prior to its actual issuance by Fairfax County. The Town also performs a site and interior final inspection prior to issuing a certificate of occupancy.

Each application for residential building permits for construction of room additions, detached garages, accessory structures, decks (of any size and height), swimming pools and hot tubs must be accom-

panied by four complete sets of plans, specifications and a plot sheet, certificate of survey or house plat. The Departments of Planning and Zoning and Public Works will review this information (usually within 48 hours or less) and return three sets to the applicant to take to Fairfax County for approval.

An additional set of plans and considerably more detailed information is required for building permits involving commercial, industrial, public and semi-public land uses.

Permits must be obtained prior to installing walls and fences. Each application is reviewed and approved by the Directors of Planning and Zoning and Public Works. The applicant is provided with a copy of the permit after approval and payment of the permit fee.

SIGN PERMITS

Sign permits are required for all signs except "For Sale" and similar temporary signs less than six square feet in area and residential nameplates of less than one and a half square feet in area. Temporary political signs are, however, subject to sign permit requirements and other regulations as to location, number and size. All other signs

must be approved by the Board of Architectural Review relative to specific standards and design criteria prior to obtaining a sign permit.

Any new land use, and the construction or alteration of buildings (with some exceptions in residential zones), requires a certificate of occupancy before the facility may be occupied. The Departments of Planning and Zoning and Public Works review applications for occupancy permits within 48 hours or less, depending on the nature of the application.

Dog Tags Available by Mail-in Form

Dog owners are reminded that the deadline for obtaining 1989 Town dog tags is January 31.

If you have questions about any of the information in this article, call the Department of Planning and Zoning, 255-6341. For information about improvements within street rights-of-way, call the Department of Public Works, 255-6381. Information on building code requirements for interior and exterior construction and alterations may be obtained from the Fairfax County Department of Environmental Management, 352-0762. The Fire and Rescue Department's information number is 246-2126.

Dog tags cost \$10 each and may be purchased at Town Hall or by mail with the form below.

Police Introduce Information Line

Curious as to what criminal activity may have taken place in your neighborhood recently? Want to know more about Neighborhood Watch programs and how they can benefit you? Do you need information on bicycle and pet registration? You can find the answers starting December 1, by calling the Vienna Police Department's new Information Line.

By dialing 255-6363 you can access the taped telephone service to listen to the weekly crime report or receive information on specific topics. Community Relations Officer Debbie Nichols will update the messages weekly on the computer-driven phone service so that callers receive current information.

TEAR OFF AND MAIL OR USE TOWN HALL NIGHT DEPOSITORY--ATTN: FINANCE DEPARTMENT

OWNER'S NAME _____ DOG'S NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____ AGE _____ MALE _____ FEMALE _____
 BREED _____
 HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____ COLOR _____
 FEE ENCLOSED \$ _____ NEUTERED/SPAYED _____ YES _____ NO _____

(Please enclose a \$10.00 payment and copy of rabies certificate for each dog)