

# CALENDAR

## MONDAY, JULY 2

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

## TUESDAY, JULY 3

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

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 4

Independence Day. Town Hall closed. Trash collected as usual for residents on Wednesday/Saturday route.

## THURSDAY, JULY 5

NEWSPAPER PICKUP - North side of town. (Pickup on Thursday this week only.)

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

NEWSPAPER PICKUP - South side of town.

## THURSDAY, JULY 12

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

## JUNE 14 & 28

VYI cheerleading registration at Vienna Community Center.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

NEWSPAPER PICKUP - North side of town.  
Board of Zoning Appeals, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

## THURSDAY, JULY 19

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

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

NEWSPAPER PICKUP - South side of town.

## TUESDAY, JULY 31

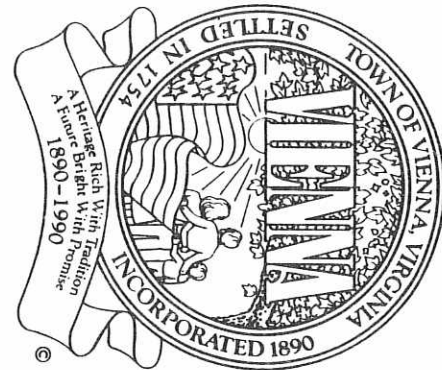
Transportation Safety Commission, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

## COMING NEXT MONTH . . .

August 1 - Newspaper pickup for north Vienna  
August 4 - VYI cheerleading registration

Call these numbers 24 hours a day:

VIENNA NEWSLINE - 255-6333  
POLICE INFO LINE - 255-6363  
TOWN JOB LINE - 255-5720  
SPECIAL PICKUP - 255-5727



Our Centennial Year

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

Vienna Town Hall  
127 Center Street, South  
Vienna, Virginia 22180  
255-6300  
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July 1990

# VIENNA NEWSLETTER

## Tax Rate Kept At 28¢ for FY91

The Town Council has adopted a budget for fiscal year 1990-91 totaling \$12,570,101.

The general fund budget of \$9,480,365 is based on a real estate tax rate of 28 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, the same rate as last year. Tax bills will be higher, however, due to increased property assessments by Fairfax County. The average increase is calculated by the County at 9.77%.

The water and sewer fund budget is \$3,089,736. Council approved an additional 29 cents in water rates and 41 cents in the sewer rate, the first increase in two years. The new water rate is \$1.81 per thousand gallons for town residents and \$2.19 for out-of-town customers. The sewer rate is \$2.27 for all customers within the Vienna sewer system. The average customer with both water and sewer service will pay \$16.25 more per quarter. The increase is required due to higher operation and maintenance costs, a decline in connection fees and overall consumption, and an anticipated increase in sew-

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TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4, FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY. TRASH WILL BE COLLECTED AS USUAL THAT DAY. NEWSPAPERS WILL BE COLLECTED ON THURSDAY, JULY 5, THIS WEEK ONLY.

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### GENERAL FUND

#### REVENUES

Property tax	\$3,755,334
Other local taxes (BPOL, utility, motor vehicle, etc.)	\$22,415,000
Permits, fees and licenses	\$23,700
Fines and forfeitures	\$264,000
Use of money	\$220,000
Use of property	\$62,000
Charges for parks and recreation	\$176,000
Miscellaneous	\$26,000
Cable TV franchise fees	\$83,600
Non-categorical aid	\$330,390
Categorical aid	\$1,967,308
Appropriated surplus	\$100,000
Penalties and interest	\$57,033
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$9,480,365</b>

#### EXPENDITURES

General government	\$348,403
Town Manager	\$772,461
Planning and Zoning	\$284,348
Finance	\$725,383
Police	\$2,555,706
Public Works	\$3,173,346
Parks and Recreation	\$1,112,696
Donations and contributions	\$18,750
Christmas decorations	\$4,500
Print shop	\$27,295
Debt service	\$299,726
Transfers	\$56,400
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$9,379,014</b>
<b>CONTINGENCY RESERVE</b>	<b>\$101,351</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,480,365</b>

### WATER AND SEWER FUND

#### REVENUES

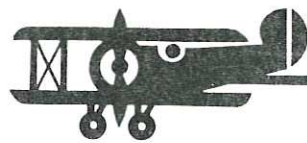
Water and sewer service charges	\$3,060,736
Miscellaneous	\$29,000
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$3,089,736</b>

#### EXPENDITURES

Water and sewer operations	\$2,435,833
Debt service	\$161,162
General Fund transfer	\$473,921
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$3,070,916</b>
<b>RENEWAL AND REPLACEMENT FUND</b>	<b>\$18,820</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,089,736</b>

**TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$12,570,101**





## TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

MAY 7, 1990

- Following a public hearing, denied a request to vacate a portion of Ninovan Road, S.W., known as Outlot A, The Glen. Directed that a barricade be installed at the end of the paved surface of the road.

- Following a public hearing, deferred to a work session a proposed ordinance to strengthen storm drainage controls.

- Set June 18 for a public hearing on a request for permit parking in the 200 and 300 blocks of Nutley Street, N.W. Following a survey to determine whether permit parking is warranted, the area is to be posted "No parking 7 - 10 a.m. Monday - Friday" for test purposes.

- Set July 9 for a public hearing on Virginia Department of Transportation plans for the reconstruction of Park Street, to be held at the Community Center, with advance information provided to the public. (This hearing has now been rescheduled for August 27.)

- Authorized the Director of Parks and Recreation to negotiate a contract for sanding and re-

finishing the gym floor at the Community Center in the amount of approximately \$6,000.

- Authorized the Town Manager to purchase a construction trailer at a cost not to exceed \$3,500 to be used by the capital improvements projects construction supervisor.

- Reappointed Emil Atanasi to the Planning Commission for a two-year term.

MAY 21, 1990

- Requested that a Certificate of Distinguished Service be prepared for Audrey Brown, who resigned from the Board of Architectural Review after 14 years of service.

- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 1990-91.

- Directed the Capital Improvements Projects Financial Advisor to arrange for a general obligation bond issue, not to exceed the debt service capacity of meals and lodging tax revenues.

- Awarded Emtrust Corp.

the contract to administer Vienna's Self-funded Health Plan. Awarded Kaiser-Permanente the contract to provide the Health Maintenance/Staff Model Plan of insurance coverage. Awarded no contract in the category of Health Maintenance/Independent Practice Plan.

- Awarded the bid for the July 4 fireworks display to Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing Co. of New Castle, Pa., in the amount of \$9,895.

### Scholarship Awards

The Vienna Woman's Club has awarded four scholarships totaling \$3,500 to area students.

Scholarships were awarded to Kristin Tyree, Tara Jean Venditti and Kathleen Kovalick, all from James Madison High School, and Catherine Fernandez from Bishop O'Connell High.

High school students with Vienna mailing addresses are eligible to apply for scholarships. School counselors are provided information in February of each year.

Scholarship awards have been one of the major projects of the Woman's Club since 1962. Funds for this purpose are raised through fashion shows, the annual Harvest Bazaar and other activities.

Women interested in joining the club are invited to call Membership Chairman Anne Bertola, 938-6887.

### REAL ESTATE TAX DUE

The first installment on Town of Vienna real estate tax bills is due on July 28. After that date, a penalty of 10% or \$4, whichever is greater, will be assessed along with interest at 10%, which will accrue until payment is made.

For information, call 255-6325.

## Comment from the Council Table

### Recycling: Our Future

By George E. Lovelace  
Town Councilman

This is an optimistic article about facing the long-term problems of solid waste recycling. Vienna has been in the forefront when it comes to recycling, and our citizens are willing to make personal sacrifices for the environment.

At the direction of the Virginia Waste Management Board, Vienna will be required to meet the minimum recycling rates of 10% by 1991, 15% by 1993 and 25% by 1995. Today we recycle 29% of our waste based on volume, and 17% by tonnage. This is accomplished by several recycling programs.

The Town has been recycling newspapers for many years. Currently, we are recycling 956 tons per year, which equates to about \$4,800 in revenue and a disposal savings of \$22,944 per year. The drop-off aluminum recycling center at the Mobil gas station on West Maple Avenue collects approximately 690 pounds of aluminum per month, which are donated to the Northern Virginia Training Center.

Appliances (white goods) picked up as a part of the Town's Special Pickup program are also recycled. Last year 61.9 tons were collected at a savings of \$1,485 on disposal fees and generated a revenue of \$1,409. Last year 1,461 gallons of used oil were collected through the waste oil program. While no revenue is generated, there is no cost to the Town to have the used oil hauled away. The Town recently started to collect glass at the drop-off center located next to the Community Center. Since the program started in April, 20,070 pounds of glass have been collected. The revenue from the glass is kept by Fairfax County to offset the cost to haul it away.

Chip brush and leaves are stockpiled and returned to our citizens as mulch during the winter. Since the chip brush program started last January, approximately 656

cubic yards have been recycled, and over 10,832 cubic yards of leaves were recycled last year.

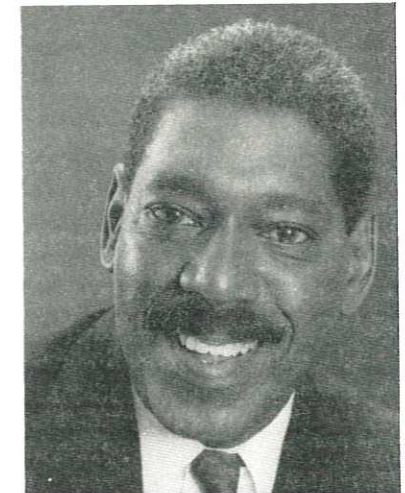
The Town Council along with the Town Manager and Director of Public Works have made recycling a major program, and the future will see that program expand. We are now investigating the feasibility of recycling tin cans, plastic and cardboard. According to published reports, paper and paperboard are the largest components of landfills, and plastics make up 20% by volume. My conversations with residents indicate a willingness to take on this new program. In some cases, residents have requested it themselves and already know how they will adjust their routines to make the program work.

In addition, we are considering a program to recycle grass clippings and other yard waste. In a community like Vienna, this category of waste contributes approximately 30% to the trash dumped at the landfill, especially during the summer.

The Town's cost to dump its trash at the County landfill increased by 56% for 1990. Such increases, couple with anticipated increases in trash volumes, make recycling a necessary choice and require a well thought-out waste management policy. The Department of Public Works is developing a Solid Waste Management Plan expected to be ready by July 1, 1991. The primary emphasis of our policy must be to recycle waste as fast as possible and to reduce the amount of waste dumped at the landfill. Such as policy has the benefit of reducing pollutants, reducing use of landfills, and reducing costs to the Town.

A good start has been made toward eliminating our long-term waste problem. We have willing and dedicated citizens in Vienna, and if the past is any indication, we will continue to lead the way in the county in our recycling efforts.

Recycling is significant to



Councilman Lovelace

our future. Through this effort we can create conditions that will result in a healthier environment for ourselves and our children and maintain the quality of life we cherish.

### COUNCIL INVITES COMMENTS

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for use in the Newsletter. Comments must be made in writing and received at Town Hall by the 15th of each month to be included in the following month's Newsletter. Please give your name, address and daytime phone number. (This information will not be published.) Send comments to Vienna Newsletter, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180.

### PARK STREET HEARING AUGUST 27

A public hearing on the Park Street reconstruction project will be held on Monday, August 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the Vienna Community Center auditorium. Representatives from the Virginia Department of Transportation will be present from 4 to 7 p.m. to review the plans with interested citizens.

Details about the hearing will appear in the August Newsletter.

### TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

Vol. C, No. 7 Vienna, Virginia July 1990

#### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr., Mayor

#### Council Members

Robert B. Dix, Jr.  
George E. Lovelace  
Vincent J. Olson

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

Send news and comments to Vienna Newsletter c/o Town Hall. Deadline for August issue is Friday, July 13.



## BUDGET ADOPTED . . .

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age treatment charges.

Some highlights of this year's budget include:

- Appropriation of \$7,500 to cover the second half of the matching funds required under a \$25,000 state grant for restoration of the Moorefield House.

- A 3% cost-of-living increase for Town employees.

- Increase in vehicle license fees to \$20 for vehicles weighing less than 4,000 pounds, \$25 for vehicles over 4,000 pounds, and \$10.50 for motorcycles. This is the first increase since 1976.

- An increase in landfill fees charged by Fairfax County of \$166,000 over last year.

- Scheduled public works projects include asphalt overlay of two streets, and roadside ditch work and silt removal from box culverts to improve storm drainage.

Complete copies of the adopted budget are available at Town Hall.

## Election Officer Call

The Fairfax County Electoral Board needs more than 300 new Officers of Election to staff the polls on election day, November 6, 1990.

The number of election officers accepting reappointment in response to an Electoral Board letter mailed last April fell more than 300 short of the 2,350 needed in the 172 precincts on election day.

All new officers will be trained in operating the voting machines. They will work from 5:15 a.m. to 8 p.m., or until all work has been completed, and receive \$85 for the day. They must be registered to vote in Fairfax County.

Anyone wishing to apply should call 246-8699.

## More Centennial Events to Come

### OKTOBERFEST PLANNED FOR FALL

As part of the Town's year-long Centennial celebration, the Vienna Jaycees and the Vienna Host Lions are co-sponsoring an Oktoberfest on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 21-23.

The event will take place on the Virginia Center property next to the Vienna Metro station. Plans at this time include two "fest halls" under tents, food and drink, live entertainment, Bavarian arts and crafts, prizes, children's rides and games, and much more. All profits from the event will be used to support community improvement projects of the Jaycees and Lions.

Vendor booth space is available at the Oktoberfest for exhibitors of Bavarian goods. A 10'x10' space is available for \$40 and may be used all three days. On Friday and Saturday nights, a small portion of the fest halls will have reserved seating. Businesses, groups and individuals who want to reserve tables may do so now on a first-come, first-served basis. Tables of 10 will cost \$25. For more information, call Judy Dembowski at 281-1397.

The Jaycees and Lions would welcome other community organizations and individuals to help plan the event or supply manpower on that weekend. Call Mike McLaughlin at 281-4492.

### HVI Antiques Fair

Dealers in handcrafted arts and crafts and antiques are invited to participate in the 10th annual Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc. The fair will be held on Saturday, September 15, on the grounds of the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. (rain date September 16).

The fee for a 15'x12' space is \$25. Dealers may request an application from Historic Vienna, P.O. Box 53, Vienna, VA 22183, or call 255-7072 or 281-6153 for information.

### IDEAS WANTED FOR TIME CAPSULE

Items to be included in the Vienna Centennial time capsule will be displayed at Centennial closing ceremonies at the Community Center on December 16. The time capsule will be opened in the year 2040, the 150th anniversary of the town.

The Centennial Time Capsule Committee is open to suggestions from town groups and citizens for items that might be included in the time capsule. Written suggestions should be sent no later than September 30 to Vienna Centennial Time Capsule Committee, c/o Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., Vienna, VA 22180.

No items will be accepted at this time.

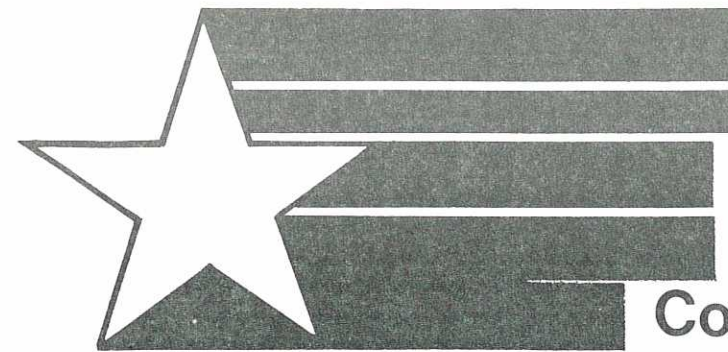
### TENNIS WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of the Vienna Centennial Tennis Tournament, held last month. Jeff Morse won the men's singles competition, Sally Philbrook women's singles, and the team of Don Minoque and Susan Kight mixed doubles.

### Choral Work Premiere

This fall, the Vienna Choral Society will present the East Coast premiere of "A Vision for All," based on the book Black Elk Speaks. This 35-minute musical interpretation of the great vision of an Ogalala medicine man is a commissioned work by Nebraska composer Ric Swanson, who will come to Vienna to conduct his composition. Yale Lewis, long-time Washington area broadcaster and a Native American, will narrate the work.

Singers are invited to join the Vienna Choral Society in this performance and others in the group's fourth year of bringing choral music to the Vienna community. For information, call 938-5640.



## Town of Vienna JULY 4th CELEBRATION Wednesday, July 4, 1990 Community Center Grounds

12 noon - 6 p.m.

\* Arts & crafts show

\* Food & drink for sale

\* July 4th All-American Chili Cookoff sponsored by the CASINOVA Pod, Chili Appreciation Society, Inc. to benefit the Vienna Optimist Club

### MAIN STAGE

12 noon - 1 p.m. Fenderbenders (rock)

1 - 3:30 p.m. Retrospect (50's & 60's)

3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Irish Breakdown

4:30 p.m. Chili cookoff awards

4:30 - 5:45 p.m. The Original Swing-A-Billy (country) & turn-of-the-century ragtime dancers

5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Square dancing & clogging with Joe Swartz

### CHILDREN'S STAGE

12 noon - 4 p.m. Face painters & balloonologists

12 noon - 1 p.m. Dave Arnold one-man band

1 - 4 p.m. Hal Diamond's costumed characters

1:15 - 2 p.m. Blue Sky Puppets "Three Not So Little Pigs"

### WATERS FIELD

12 noon Annual American Legion all-star baseball game

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GROUNDS

12 noon - 1 p.m. GT Dyno BMX freestyle trick team & 2 - 3 p.m.

### MID-FIELD

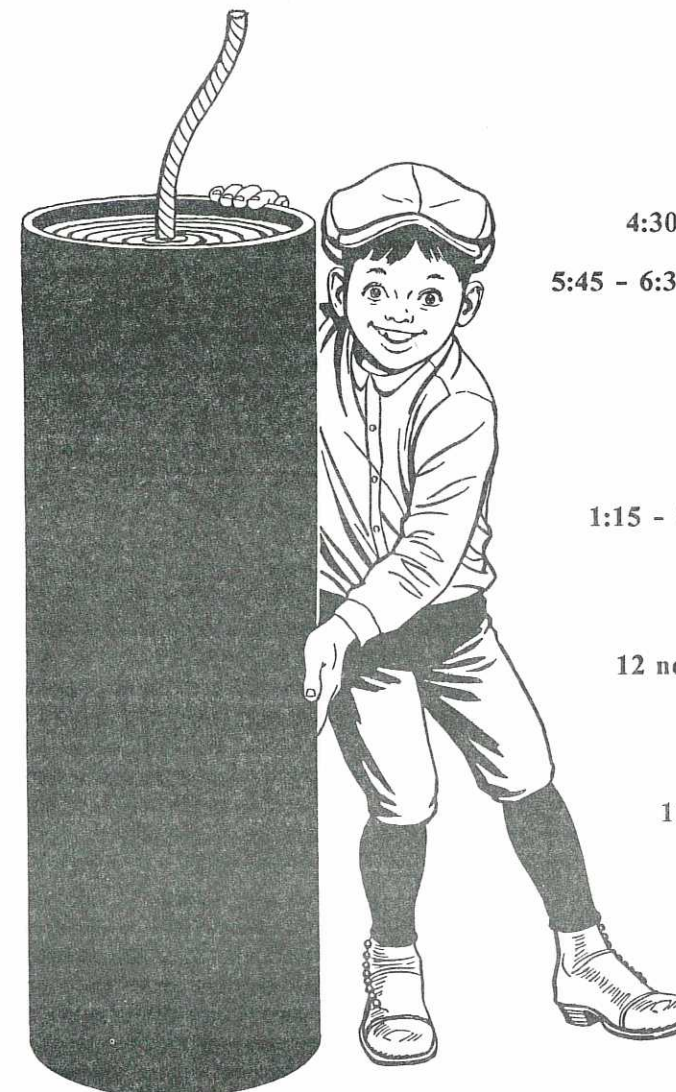
2 - 4 p.m. Family games & races

4 p.m. Greased pole climb

### EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

7 - 7:45 p.m. Vienna Choral Society

7:45 - 9:15 p.m. Vienna Community Band



**CENTENNIAL FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA AT 9:30 P.M.**

(rain date for fireworks only - Thursday evening, July 5)



# July Is Centennial Newspaper Month

The Vienna Centennial Committee will present "Tales from the Maple Tunnel," a one-act sketch showing news gathering in turn-of-the-century Vienna, at the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., on Saturday, July 7, and Saturdays and Sundays, July 14-15, 21-22 and 28-29. The 20-minute performance will be given at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. each day. Admission is free.

Vienna residents Don Henry and Jake DeArmitt will portray a Vienna newspaper editor and reporter as they comment on what made news in the early decades of the town. The script, written by Henry, is based on authentic newspaper stories of the period.

Don Henry, an award-winning former newspaper columnist, is national affairs correspondent with the Voice of America international radio service. In addition to his work with the Vienna Theatre Company, he was named best musical performer of 1988 by the Little Theater of Alexandria for his leading role in "Man of La Mancha."

Jake DeArmitt, a graduate of Madison High School and Virginia Tech, has performed a number of roles for the Vienna Theatre Company. While in college, he worked for the Town of Vienna during the summers, including work on the restoration of the Freeman House. He is the owner of Big Jake's Deli in Annandale.

A videotape of the performance is available for loan, free of charge, to schools, churches and organizations.

In 1874, a Fairfax newspaper reported that Vienna "has been surveyed (by a man with two eyes and a machine with three legs), and laid off into lots, with a view to improvement and an increase in population. Quite a number of land hunters have recently appeared at Vienna and in that vicinity in quest of land for farming purposes."

It was also noted that "Vienna is situated in the midst of a



**GATHERING THE NEWS IN VIENNA** - Don Henry, left, portrays a turn-of-the-century newspaper editor and Jake DeArmitt an eager reporter in a one-act dramatization of life in the young town as seen through the eyes of its news chroniclers. The script, written by Henry, is based on authentic newspaper accounts of the period. The 20-minute sketch will be presented at the Freeman House July 7, 14-15, 21-22 and 28-29, at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. each day. Admission is free.

spirited and enterprising population that is laudably encouraging and supporting local manufacturing industries."

And, indeed, it did. In 1895, five years after incorporation, the town's own newspaper, The Vienna Star (Robert W. Cox, editor and publisher/Fifty Cents per Year/Single Copy Two Cents) reported that the new canning company would generate about \$6,000 to be distributed among farmers for tomatoes alone and would provide employment to about a dozen men for most of the summer.

Newspaper advertisements in 1899 announced land for sale in Vienna at "only one hundred dollars per acre for 5, 10 and 15 acre woodland lots on high ground, near stream and electric cars." Vienna merchant Bassett Lee offered men's overcoats from \$3.75 up; men's all-wool suits, \$4.50 up; shoes, 49 cents up.

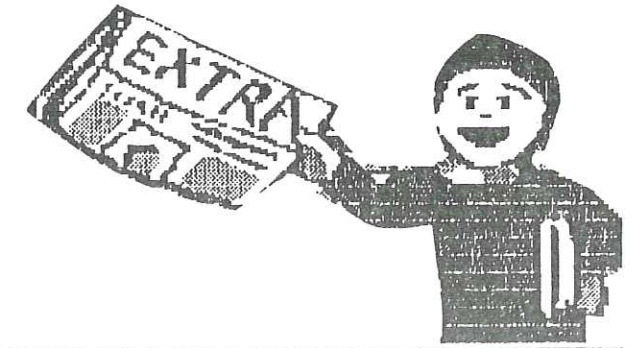
In 1902, The Star gave the

Town Council "heartiest congratulations for having pushed to completion the sidewalk from Maple Avenue to the school building," adding, "The little ones especially appreciate this act of thoughtfulness." In the same issue, the newspaper noted that "Vienna streets are much in need of some lamps during the dark and stormy nights. These could be erected at small cost and maintained by popular subscription. A cent a week from each adult citizen would carry the idea out successfully."

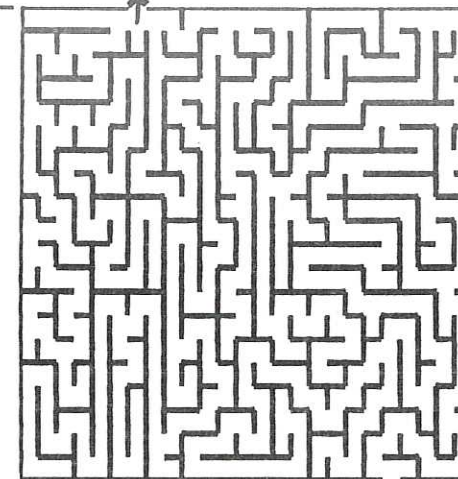
Newspapers helped people keep in touch with their neighbors, government, and social and civic organizations in a time and place of poor or nonexistent roads, where the train was the major form of transportation, and when few people had radios, automobiles or telephones. Today, these early newspapers provide us with a history of their time and a flavor of life in Vienna when it was a brand-new town.

## Vienna Centennial Children's Page

### NEWSPAPERS 1890-1990



PRINT THE PAPER



VIENNA STAR

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WHAT IS BLACK AND WHITE AND RED ALL OVER?

That Joke may be as old as Vienna's first NEWSPAPER, the Vienna STAR, started in 1895. Papers such as the Washington POST had a lot of national news. The Vienna STAR had more COMMUNITY NEWS. You could read about your town government, organizations, even about your neighbors.

In the 1890's, there were no VCR's, no TV, not even radios. The main way that people found out what was going on was by READING the newspaper. This was an exciting time for newspapers. There were many new inventions that made it faster to get the facts, and easier to print the paper.

REPORTERS could use the TELEPHONE to call in their stories. Then they could type it on the TYPEWRITER. The TYPESETTER could use the new machines to set up the paper. Then there was a rotary PRESS to PRINT the paper. All of this INFORMATION was DELIVERed to the SUBSCRIBERS for only two cents an issue!

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| READ       | WEEKLY         | NEWS          |
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| REPORTER   | INTERVIEW      | OPINION       |
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| NEWSPAPER  | INFORMATION    | COMMUNICATION |
|            | SENSATIONALISM |               |

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