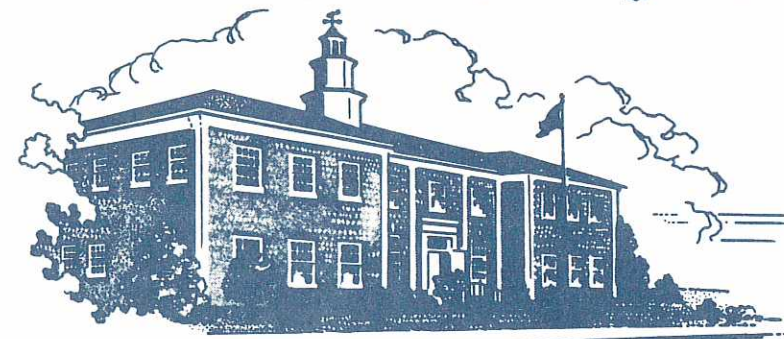


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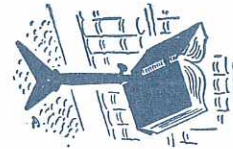
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LIBRARY OPEN ON SUNDAY
 The Patrick Henry
 Branch Library in
 Vienna is now open on
 Sundays from 2-6 p.m.



This should be a real boon
 to parents of children who
 forget all about that research
 paper being due until Sunday
 afternoon.

TEEN EMPLOYMENT

Spring is just around the
 corner and housewives are feeling
 the beginnings of the urge for
 Spring cleaning.

Remember your Teen Employ-
 ment Agency for help with the
 seasonal chores of taking down
 curtains, window washing,
 woodwork, floor polishing and the
 like.

You'll be doing your back
 a favor and providing money for
 an ambitious youngster. If you
 can't bear to have anyone else
 do your cleaning, let them mind
 the little ones, and get them
 out of the way while you plunge
 in. Call 938-8000 Ext. 277.

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Fellow Citizens of Vienna:

In this last month of winter we look forward joyfully to Spring, the miracle of earth's renewal and of the spirit of our citizens, tired of the long winter. We were lucky this year to escape most of the great snows that plagued the areas all around us. Although March came in like a lion, at least the streets stayed clear, and we can look forward to it going out like a lamb.

This is the time of year when many homeowners take a look around them and decide that the time has come for improving the appearance, or livability of their homes. Some very helpful ideas will be available at the Home Show and Sale which will be held at the Vienna Community Center on March 13, 14, 15 and 16.

This is the first time that the Home Show will be held in Northern Virginia. We are honored to have it in Vienna. It will give the people in the area an opportunity to discover many new ideas and techniques available to them in the way of furniture trends; new items in flooring; air conditioning and heating; home improvement products, and many other new and interesting innovations.

The Vienna Chamber of Commerce wholeheartedly endorses the concept of a Home Show and feels that it will be of real value to the community. I urge all citizens to take advantage of the opportunity to keep up with present and future trends, and to help Vienna prosper by attracting such worthwhile events.

Sincerely yours,

 James C. Martinelli
 Mayor



PUBLIC FORUM SCHEDULED

The proposed new ordinance restricting on-the-street parking in residential areas, which caused such a stir at the first public hearing, will be up for public discussion again on Tuesday, March 25.

The Highway Safety Commission was instructed by Council to hold the hearing and to submit a recommendation.

Representatives of both State and National Campers Associations are expected to be present at the meeting as well as owners of trucks, boats and other interested citizens.

The Commission will hear all suggestions from group representatives as well as individuals at the Forum. No final decision will be made that evening.

As advertised, the ordinance would prohibit the parking of any but passenger cars on the streets of residential areas, and would allow only vehicles up to one-half ton capacity to be parked in driveways.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed., March 11 - 8 P.M.
 Planning Commission

Mon., March 17 - 8 P.M.
 Council Meeting

Wed., March 19 - 8 P.M.
 Board of Zoning Appeals

Thurs., March 20 - 8 P.M.
 Architectural Review Board

Mon., March 24 - 8 P.M.
 Council Meeting

Tues., March 25 - 8 P.M.
 Highway Safety Commission
 Public Forum to hear citizens
 views on residential street
 parking.

Wed., March 26 - 8 P.M.
 Planning Commission

Tues., April 1 - 8 P.M.
 Commission on Human Rights and
 Community Relations

Mon., April 7 - 8 P.M.
 Council Meeting

Mon., April 7 - 8 P.M.
 Recreation Advisory Committee

Wed., April 9 - 8 P.M.
 Planning Commission

March 13-16
 HOME SHOW
 Community Center
 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

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WHAT ARE POLICEMEN MADE OF?

In a column, Paul Harvey, commentator and journalist gave the following definition:

A policeman is a composite of what all men are, a mingling of saint and sinner, dust and deity.

What is a policeman made of? He is at once the most needed and the most unwanted of all men. He's a strangely nameless creature who is "sir" to his face and "fuzz" behind his back.

He must be such a diplomat that he can settle differences between individuals so that each will think he won.

But...

If the policeman is neat, he's conceited; if he's careless, he's a bum.

If he's pleasant, he's a flirt; if he's not, he's a grouch.

He must make in an instant decisions which would require months for a lawyer.

But...

If he hurries, he's careless; if he's deliberate he's lazy.

He must be first to an accident and infallible with a diagnosis.

He must be able to start breathing, stop bleeding, tie splints and, above all, be sure the victim goes home without a limp.

Or expect to be sued.

The police officer must know every gun, draw on the run, and hit where it doesn't hurt.

He must be able to whip two men twice his size and half his age without damaging his uniform and without being "brutal."

If you hit him, he's a coward; if he hits you he's a bully.

A policeman must know everything -- and not tell.

He must know where all the sin is -- and not partake.

The policeman must, from a single human hair, be able to describe the crime, the weapon and the criminal -- and tell you where the criminal is hiding.

But...

If he catches the criminal, he's lucky; if he doesn't, he's a dunce.

If he gets promoted, he has political pull; if he doesn't, he's a dullard.

He runs files and writes reports until his eyes ache to build a case against some felon who'll get dealt out by a shameless shamus or an "honorable" who isn't.

The policeman must be a minister, a social worker, a diplomat, a tough guy, and a gentleman.

And of course he'll have to be a genius...

For he'll have to feed a family on a policeman's salary.

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TOWN ELECTIONS

On June 10, the Town will hold an election to elect three Council members. Any qualified Vienna voter is eligible to run for office. To be a qualified voter in Vienna, you must be duly registered in Fairfax County and live within the corporate limits of the Town.

Information on filing may be obtained from the office of the Vienna Town Clerk.



SOLICITORS & CANVASSERS

House to house salesmen taking orders for future delivery, must be licensed by the Town. This includes cosmetic, magazine and home improvement salesmen.

Since this ordinance is for the protection of its citizens, the Town Clerk would appreciate being notified of any salesman coming to your home who does not have a license.



VIENNA OPPOSES PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION

The Mayor and Town Council have voted to oppose the proposed revision to the State Constitution which would require Towns to have a population of 25,000 in order to qualify to apply for city status. The previous requirement was a population of 5,000, which the Town has already passed.

Although there are no plans to change Vienna from a Town to a City at the present time, in view of constantly rising County taxes, which the townspeople must pay, it may become necessary at some time in the future. Not only do residents of a city have a greater voice in their own affairs, but they are assured that their local taxes will benefit their own area.

The latest proposed County tax increase of 45¢ per \$100 on real estate, combined with new assessments which are from 10 to 25% higher than the old, will place an added burden on our residents, with no assurance that the additional money will be used for their benefit. There are still \$600,000 in bonds, approved but not yet sold, which will require tax money to pay. The outlook is for constantly rising taxes in the County.

Mayor Martinelli, Chairman of the Virginia Municipal League's Town Committee, and Town Manager C. Clay Harrell, Vice-chairman for towns on the League's Legislative Committee will be spending time in Richmond while the General Assembly is in session, presenting Vienna's views on the revision.

It is felt that this piece of legislature is particularly hard on Vienna, since it is the largest Town in the State. There is also no assurance that once we approach the required 25,000, the limit may not be raised, making city status impossible of ever achieving.

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PLEASE, GIVE THEM BACK



Efforts of the Town to save a few of our old buildings as a memento of what Vienna once was, received a set-back when the old "Vienna, Va." signs were taken from each end of the train station. The Town has been negotiating with the present owner VEPCO, to obtain the station for historical preservation and it is important to retain as much as possible of the building as it was.

Town Manager, C. Clay Harrell requests that anyone knowing the present whereabouts of these signs please notify Town Hall at 938-8000. The matter of their return will be handled with the utmost discretion. We just want to have them back.

While the signs may look great in someone's recreation room, it is felt that they should remain on the building for the enjoyment of all of the residents and their visitors.

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, plans are underway to establish a center for historical preservation on the property of the Lydecker-Freeman house on Church Street. The station and the old library will be moved to this site. Unfortunately the Town's arrangements are not moving ahead as fast as the vandals, as the damage to the Freeman house proves, and we can only hope that there will be enough left to preserve.