

# CALENDAR

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 1**

Police Chief's Advisory Committee, 7:30 p.m. at Vienna Police Department.

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 3**

Recycle used motor oil/antifreeze/car batteries at the Town property yard, 247 Nutley St., N.W., 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

## **MONDAY, JUNE 5**

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

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 6**

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

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

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

## **MONDAY, JUNE 12**

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

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14**

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

## **THURSDAY, JUNE 15**

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

## **MONDAY, JUNE 19**

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

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 20**

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

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21**

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

## **TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

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

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28**

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

**TRASH AND YARD WASTE FIRST COLLECTION DAY,  
CURBSIDE RECYCLING SECOND COLLECTION DAY  
EACH WEEK.**

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**Police Info Line 255-6363**

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255-5730 (TDD)  
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# VIENNA NEWSLETTER

## **Adoption Scheduled June 5**

### **Budget Trimmed to Avoid Tax Increase**

Adoption of Vienna's budget for fiscal year 1995-96 is scheduled for the June 5 Town Council meeting, which will begin at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

The Town real estate tax rate will remain unchanged at 30¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation. During three budget work sessions, Council succeeded in reducing expenditures to a level that made a proposed 1¢ tax increase unnecessary. In addition, a proposed 5¢ increase in the combined water and sewer rates was trimmed to 3¢.

Savings were accomplished primarily by cutting back across the board on expenditures proposed by Town departments. No major cuts were made in any one area, and the level of services provided to Vienna residents will not be reduced.

The adopted budget will take effect July 1.

### **Is Your Business On the Bidders List?**

The Vienna Purchasing Office is updating its bidders list for the new fiscal year beginning July 1. If there have been changes in your business organization, or if you would like to be placed on the Town's bidders list, please call 255-6359 to receive an application form and return it by June 30. The Town of Vienna wants to do business with you!

### **Recycling Day**

The next quarterly recycling day for used motor oil, car batteries and anti-freeze will be Saturday, June 3, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Town property yard, 247 Nutley St., N.W. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 255-6381.

During the last recycling day in March, citizens brought in 220 gallons of waste oil, 40 gallons of antifreeze and 22 batteries.

### **Having a Yard Sale?**

Each household in town may hold two garage/yard sales per year. Two advertising signs, no larger than four square feet each, may be displayed on the property where the sale takes place, and two directional signs, no larger than two square feet each, may be placed on other private property with the owner's permission. Signs are not permitted on public property, in the public right-of-way (10 feet from the curb or edge of pavement), or utility poles. Illegally placed signs will be removed.

### **Real Estate Taxes Due Next Month**

The first installment of 1995 Vienna real estate taxes is due by July 28. A penalty of 10% or \$5, whichever is greater, and interest at the annual rate of 10% on the tax and penalty will be assessed for late payment as required by state law.

If you pay your real estate tax bill directly to the Town rather than through a mortgage company and you have not received your bill by July 15, please contact the Town's real estate office in the Finance Department at Town Hall, 255-6325, and make arrangements to pay your bill by July 28 to avoid penalty and interest charges.

If your Vienna taxes are paid through your mortgage company and you receive the tax bill, please notify your mortgage company immediately so it can make payment by the due date.

If you have sold the property and are not responsible for the tax bill you receive, please notify the real estate office immediately.

### **Patrick Henry Library to Reopen June 24**

The grand re-opening of Patrick Henry Library is scheduled for Saturday, June 24. A dedication ceremony will be held at 10 a.m., and refreshments, entertainment and activities for all ages will be offered throughout the day. For more information, call 222-3155.

The library expansion includes space for over 100,000 items, quiet reading room, children's room with its own information desk, 65-seat meeting room and eight-seat conference room, eight terminals for the online catalog, lounge seating for homework and research, periodicals display, and improved access for people with disabilities.

# Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

## APRIL 3, 1995

- Following an interview in executive session, reappointed Ty Brooke to the Town/Business Liaison Committee for a two-year term.

- Following a public hearing, rezoned the property on the northwest corner of Courthouse Road and Nutley Street, S.W., from RS-16 to RS-12.5, single-family residential.

- Rejected all bids received for police computer equipment and authorized the project to be re-bid.

- Awarded a bid for two police motorcycles, Kawasaki KZ1000, to Burcham Cycles of Colonial Heights at a price of \$16,160.

- Awarded a bid for silt removal from Wolftrap Creek at Echols Street, East Street and Follin Lane to Brooks Lawn Service at a price of \$15,700.

- Reappointed David Jensen and Suzanne Mull for two-year terms as the Vi-

enna Regional Chamber of Commerce representatives on the Town/Business Liaison Committee.

- Adopted amendments to the motor vehicle code concerning display of vehicle licenses.

- Declared a 90-day moratorium on the acceptance of applications for all commercial drive-through facilities for the purpose of evaluating the impact of these facilities on adjacent residential areas and the impact on traffic. During this period, the Planning Commission is to consider converting drive-through facilities to a conditional use in zones where they are now permitted as a use by right and make a recommendation to Council.

## APRIL 17, 1995

- Following a public hearing, approved a resolution requesting the Virginia Department of Transportation to reconstruct Branch Road, S.E., from Maple Avenue to Valley Drive.

- Conducted a pre-budget hearing to receive public comment and requests concerning the proposed Town budget for FY 1995-96.

- Awarded a bid for four-year financing of a knuckleboom truck, refuse truck and street sweeper to First Union National Bank of Virginia, and authorized investment of an amount not to exceed \$303,000 in U.S. Treasury notes for a period not to exceed four years.

- Approved a three-year contract for the purchase of electricity service from Virginia Electric and Power Company as negotiated by the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties.

- Awarded a bid for sidewalk improvements to Santos Construction Company of Hyattsville, Md., in the amount of \$145,097. The project will include installation of sidewalks on Church Street from Glyndon Street to Beulah Road, Creek Crossing Road from Beulah Road to East Street, Moore Avenue from DeSale Street to Marjorie Lane, Lawyers Road in front of the Knights of Columbus building, and Center Street from Wilmar Place to Ayrhill Avenue.

- Rejected the bids received for water and sewer supplies. Authorized the Water and Sewer Division to purchase materials under \$5,000 without formal bids. Any transfer of funds for additional purchases must be approved by Council.

- Adopted amendments to the motor vehicle code to bring it into conformance with new state law on drunk driving.

## APRIL 24, 1995

- Conducted an executive session to review the status of the civil litigation case, *Ferree v. Town of Vienna Board of Zoning Appeals*, and to discuss the resignation of Kevin Kessler as prosecuting attorney for the Town and the process for filling that vacancy.

For recorded meeting agendas, Parks & Recreation activities, and other Town news, call the Vienna Newline, 255-6333 24 hours a day.

# NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS AND RECREATION

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center unless stated otherwise.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**Father's Day Concert** presented by the Vienna Community Band Sunday, June 18, at 7 p.m. outside the Vienna Community Center. Free admission. Bring a picnic supper and a lawn chair or blanket, and enjoy a variety of classical and popular selections. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the Community Center auditorium.

## SPORTS & FITNESS

**Adult summer basketball league** begins June 19 through the second week in August. Two 10-team divisions will play a round-robin schedule, with the top teams from each division competing in a league championship tournament. Team fee \$400.

**Vienna Tennis Tournament** June 9-11 and 16-18 at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. Categories are open men's and women's singles, doubles and mixed doubles, and ages 35+ and 45+ men's singles. Entry is limited to two categories per person. The entry fee is \$12 for singles and \$20 per doubles team. Entry deadline June 2.

**Youth sports camps** — Greater Vienna Baseball Camp for boys and girls aged 7-14 at Southside Park, June 19-22 or July 10-13, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost \$85 per person.

Keith Lyle Non-contact Football Camp at Caffi Field, June 26-29, featuring current and former NFL players. Grades 7 and 8 meet 8-10 a.m., cost \$59 per person. High school students meet 10 a.m.-1 p.m., cost \$79 per person.

## BUS TRIPS

Enjoy Kings Dominion Wednesday, July 12. Charter bus will leave the Community Center at 8 a.m. and return about 6

p.m. The cost of \$39.95 per person includes transportation and admission to the park. Children under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Reservation deadline June 30.

**Day at the casinos** in Atlantic City Thursday, June 22. Charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. Cost of \$27.50 per person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline June 15.

## SENIOR CITIZENS

**55 Alive Mature Driving Program**, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, Monday and Tuesday, June 19 and 20, 9:45 a.m.-3 p.m. \$8 per person; advance registration required. The course covers the effects of aging and medications on driving, basic driving rules, license renewal, local traffic hazards, adverse road conditions and accident prevention measures. Graduates of the course could receive a discount on their car insurance.

**Martha Tidwell** has been recognized as Senior of the Month by the Community Center staff. She can be found at the Community Center every week playing her favorite sport, pickleball, and she also enjoys the bowling program and bus trips. Congratulations!

## MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

**Learn about mutual funds**, stocks, and bonds in a three-evening workshop June 1, 8 and 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. Financial advisor Kevin P. Davis will discuss how to set up an investment portfolio, when to buy and sell, how interest rates affect bonds, and more. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

**Free workshop on wills**, "Having the Last Word," presented by attorney David G. Hoffman at 10 a.m. Monday, June 12. Learn how wills affect everything from real estate to taxes and trusts to trinkets in this straightforward, plain English review

of the most misunderstood of legal documents.

## LIBRARY PROGRAMS

**Patrick Henry Library** children's programs are held at the Vienna Community Center while the library is closed for renovation. No advance sign-up is required for these free programs.

- "June Bugs" — Insect stories for ages 3-5. Wednesday, June 7, 10:15 a.m. or Thursday, June 8, 2 p.m.

## POTPOURRI

**July 4th celebration** booth spaces still available for non-profit organizations and for private and commercial arts and crafts vendors. Registration forms available at the Community Center.

**Discount tickets** to Kings Dominion are available at the Community Center Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. The cost is \$17.95 each for admission during Virginia Recreation and Park Society Days, July 1-16.

**Natural healing remedies** is the topic of a free lecture at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 6. Leah C. Griswold, D.C., will discuss how to use plants from the garden to heal common ailments such as arthritis, insomnia, stomach ache and more. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

**Experience China** through a free slide lecture on Tuesday, June 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. George Mason University professor Dr. Robert Ruhling will talk about his travels to Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou (formerly Canton), from millions of black bicycles to the one-child family policy.

**Country strutting** family dance party Saturday, June 17, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Beginners welcome; host Pinky O'Neil will teach all dances on the spot. Tickets \$5 in advance (\$2 for children aged 8-16) and \$6 at the door (\$3 for children). Bring your own sodas and snacks.

## TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

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Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.  
Deadline for July issue is Thursday, June 15.

The Town Council invites citizens to submit comments for publication in the *Newsletter*. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number. (This information will not be published.)

## Traffic Report

### New Traffic Signal at Follin & Echols

Follin Lane, S.E., has a new traffic signal at its intersection with Echols Street. Please remember, turns off of Follin Lane will still be restricted from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Local residents are not exempt.

During the month of April, the police issued 289 traffic citations, 65 for speeding and 224 for other violations such as running stop signs and blocking intersections.

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**Your Transportation Safety Commission reminds you — Children are out of school for the summer. Please drive carefully.**

## Photo Contest Winners Announced

Congratulations to the winners of Vienna Parks and Recreation's annual amateur photography contest. Sabina Brandt received the Best in Show award, and the People's Choice award went to Carla Steckley. Other winners are listed below. Thanks to T.R. Cook and Betty Swartz of Cook's Photo-Art Studio and Steve O'Toole for judging this year's contest.

First Place — Barbara Reinwald, Jeff Fleisher, Deborah McKeown, Vukosava Hodzic, Jeanine Christie Scott, Carol Kirsten Satterlee, Franklin Coleman, Michael McCullion, Christine Martin, Jane Hatch, Sandra D. Nash

Second Place — Arthur Sellers, Kathleen May, Jan Bender, Geary Younce, Sandra Manual, Amy Drewry, Tom Cocke III, William Graybeal, David Younce

Third Place — Seymour Kaitlin, Charles F. Rawdon, Brian Rawdon, William Toregas, Bruce Becker, Carlisle Small, Greg Volrath

Honorable Mention — Wayne Tatken, Paul Cocuzza, Frank Mertes, Maj. Francis N. Satterlee, John M. Guzi, Jr.

## "Beauty Spot"

### Celebrate National Trails Day June 3

Vienna's Community Beautification Commission will participate in the annual National Trails Day celebration on Saturday, June 3, by landscaping the small triangle of land along the W&OD Trail near the Vienna Community Center on Park Street. At 9 a.m., Commission members will be planting a patriotic arrangement of red salvia, white alyssum and blue ageratum. National Trails Day was initiated three years ago by the American Hiking Society, which has its national headquarters here in Vienna. Citizens are encouraged to enjoy the many benefits of our trails and to keep them clean and beautiful. For more information about National Trails Day, call 255-9304.

This month's "Beauty Spot" awards go to Arthur and Susan McKay of 205 East St., N.E., Amir and Rouhi Motlagh of 205 Berry St., S.E., Everette and Jan Callaway of 631 Marshall Rd., S.W., and Alice Galbraith of 1018 Cottage St., S.W., whose love of gardening is apparent in their beautiful yards.

**BEAUTY TIP:** The Beautification Commission passes on these "Mowing Tips" provided by the Virginia Cooperative Extension, Fairfax County:

- Mow with sharp blades.
- Raise the cutting height of your mower during the summer.
- Mow your lawn regularly.
- Remove no more than 1/3 of the grass blade at any one mowing, and leave grass clippings on the lawn. The clippings will return nutrients to the lawn as they decay.

## Choral Society Concert

The Vienna Choral Society will be joined by members of the Vienna Baptist and Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church choirs and a full orchestra in presenting Brahms' *Requiem* at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at Vienna Baptist Church, 541 Marshall Rd., S.W. A reception will follow the performance. Tickets are \$10 general admission, \$7 for students and senior citizens, and a special family discount rate of \$15. For tickets and more information, call 938-4839 or 938-7517.

## Farewell to "Mac"

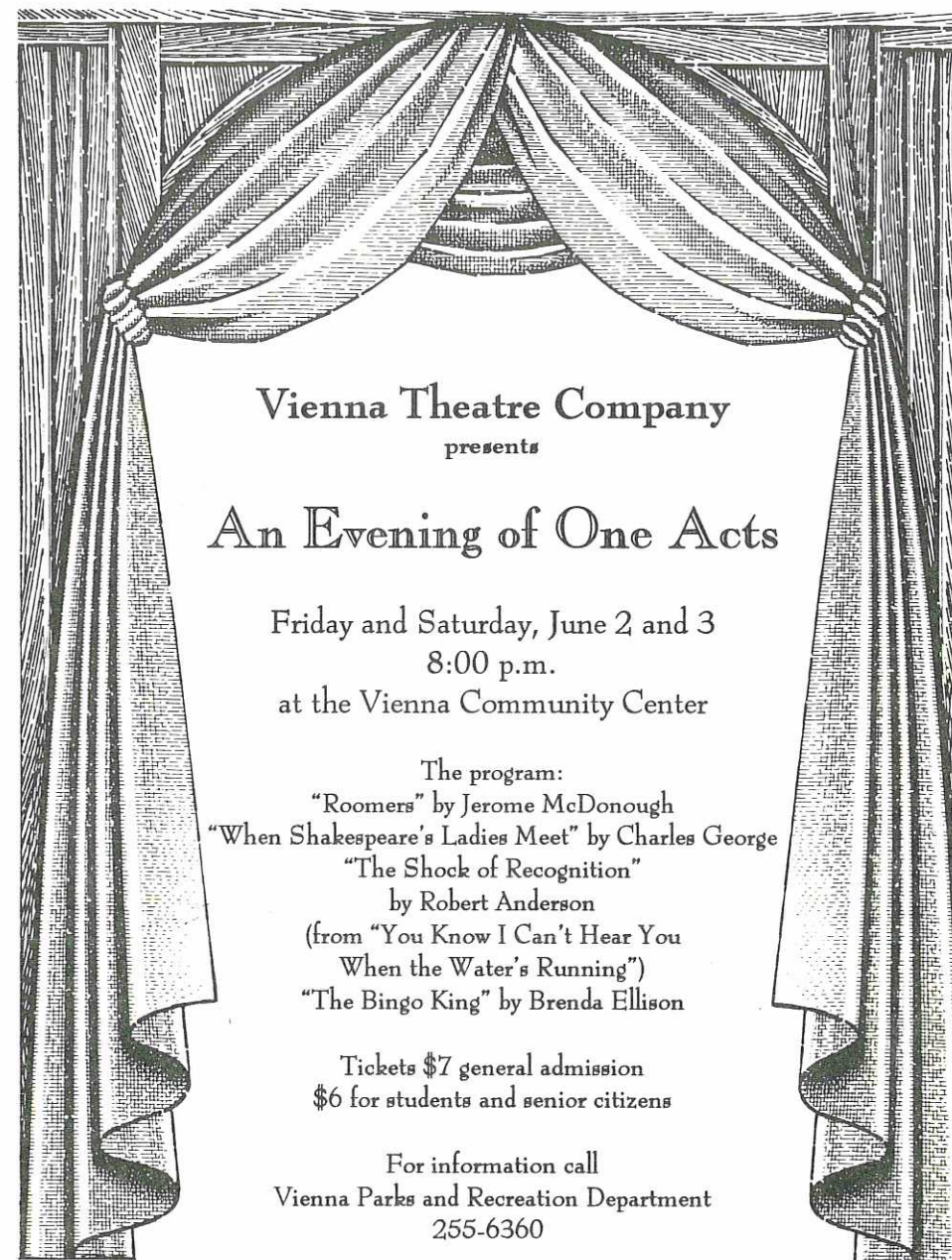
After 26 years, Vienna Elementary School is saying goodbye to Building Supervisor "Mac" McDaniel. All current and former students are invited to attend a cookout in Mac's honor at the school on Friday, June 9, at 7 p.m. To make a donation to Mac's celebration, call Rhonda Roberts at 938-4687.

## Call for Crafters

Space for handcrafters is available at the 35th annual Harvest Bazaar, scheduled for November 11 at the Vienna Community Center. To receive an application, call Sharon Fratis at 255-2571. The bazaar is sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club to raise funds for scholarships for high school students in the Vienna area. The 1995 scholarships of \$1,000 each have been presented to Carrie Lilly of James Madison High School, John McCarthy of O'Connell, and Jennifer Swensson of Paul VI.

## All-night Grad Party

The 8th annual drug and alcohol-free all-night graduation party for the James Madison High School senior class will be held at the Vienna Community Center on June 14. Door prize donations, gift certificates, and cash to fund the event are welcome. Send checks payable to "JMHS All Night Grad Party" to James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Dr., Vienna, VA 22181. ATTN: Donations. Thanks to all who have already responded to earlier requests for contributions.



**Vienna Theatre Company**  
presents  
**An Evening of One Acts**

Friday and Saturday, June 2 and 3  
8:00 p.m.  
at the Vienna Community Center

The program:  
"Roomers" by Jerome McDonough  
"When Shakespeare's Ladies Meet" by Charles George  
"The Shock of Recognition"  
by Robert Anderson  
(from "You Know I Can't Hear You  
When the Water's Running")  
"The Bingo King" by Brenda Ellison

Tickets \$7 general admission  
\$6 for students and senior citizens

For information call  
Vienna Parks and Recreation Department  
255-6360

## Tour of Mosby Civil War Sites

June 10 is the reservation deadline for a tour of historical sites associated with Civil War Confederate Col. John Singleton Mosby, sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc. The trip is scheduled for Saturday, June 17. A charter bus will leave at 9 a.m. from the Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., and return at 5 p.m.

The tour will include stops at Truro Church in Fairfax, Mt. Zion Church in Aldie, the Hathaway House, Belle Grove, Front Royal, Warrenton and Falkland Farm. Tour leaders Jim Moyer and Tom Evans, as well as Virgil Carrington Jones and Dr. Kenneth McAtee, will sell and autograph copies of their books on Mosby before the bus leaves.

The cost of the tour is \$20 for Historic Vienna members and \$25 for non-members. Bring a bag lunch or have lunch in a restaurant in Front Royal. Send your check to Historic Vienna, Inc., P.O. Box 53, Vienna, VA 22183. For more information, call 938-5187.

## Call for Books

Historic Vienna is now collecting used books for a sale to be held next month to benefit the Moorefield restoration project. Books may be dropped off at the Freeman House general store, 131 Church St., N.E., during store hours from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays, or left on the front porch when the store is closed.

## Reminder: Keep Plantings Trimmed for Safety this Summer

The Public Works and Planning and Zoning Departments remind residents to make sure that bushes and other plantings are trimmed so that they do not obstruct the vision of motorists or impede pedestrians and bicyclists on a sidewalk or right-of-way.

The Town Code restricts the height of plantings, fences and shrubbery to three feet above the curb level within 25 feet of an intersection. Keeping foliage trimmed makes it easier to see approaching vehicles. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of vision at intersections,

please call the Public Works Department at 255-6382.

The Town Code also prohibits vegetation from encroaching on any sidewalk or right-of-way. If you have questions or complaints about obstruction of sidewalks or rights-of-way, please call the Planning and Zoning Department at 255-6341.

Every resident's effort to keep plantings trimmed will help make Vienna a safer and more attractive community this summer, and all the walkers and bicyclists in your neighborhood will appreciate it!

Although not required by the Town

Code, citizens are asked to help control grass and weeds growing up through cracks in the sidewalk and between the sidewalk and street. This unwanted growth detracts from Vienna's beauty and can lead to costly concrete and asphalt repairs.

The Town government recognizes the problem of upkeep in rights-of-way, but it simply does not have the personnel required to maintain these areas as it would like and must rely on citizens to help in controlling grass and weeds around their property.

## Town Employees Honored for Outstanding Service

Twenty Town of Vienna employees have been honored with "1994 Outstanding Performance Awards." These annual awards recognize employees not only for exemplary job performance, but also for their extra efforts in service to the public that go beyond the scope of their normal duties.

Nominations from each department were reviewed by an impartial panel of judges, who made the final selection of award winners. The contributions of this year's winners are summarized below.

**Denise Rose Adams** — Administrative Secretary, Planning & Zoning Department. Devised a tracking system for plats, rezoning applications, and other items requiring inter-departmental review, and compiled a comprehensive inventory of all of the Town's variance files. Has taken it upon herself to become the Town's "day care liaison" with Fairfax County, following up on licenses, permits and inspections for day care facilities in Vienna.

**Nancy Ciatti** — Personnel Assistant, Administrative Services Department. Has assumed unofficial responsibilities as decorator and events coordinator. Organizes employee award ceremonies, retirement luncheons and other activities, decorates the Town Hall at Christmas, and assists departments with office layouts, furniture selection and color schemes. Her professional-quality service and personal contacts have saved money for the Town in these areas.

**Douglas Comfort** — Sergeant, Police Department. While working undercover, succeeded in placing many drug dealers behind bars. As a member of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency's regional task force, was responsible for the seizure of approximately \$250,000 in drug assets. The Town's share of this money will be used to update and replace the Police Department's computer equipment. Based on his federal experience, has also been able to streamline procedures in the department's Investigations Section.

**Paul Dagley** — Meter Service Worker II, Meter Reading. On his own time and without compensation, amassed the 1,400 hours of study and experience required to become a state-certified Waterworks Oper-

ator. As a member of the Meter Section team, participated in the development of an in-house meter testing and repair program that has the potential to save the Town a substantial amount of money by greatly improving the accuracy of meters.

**John DeLaVergne** — Maintenance Worker III, Water & Sewer. Completed on his own some 18 weeks of training in the BOCA Code to qualify as a journeyman plumber, and will eventually sit for his master's license. The advantage of this asset to the Water & Sewer Division is immeasurable. His suggestion that sewer mains be checked in order to avoid back-ups after residents have their lines snaked out, now adopted as policy, could save the Town thousands of dollars in liability claims.

**Peter Elias** — Master Police Officer, Police Department. As a Field Training Officer, is responsible for educating recruits in both law enforcement and public service. As a Range Instructor, makes sure officers are properly trained in the use of firearms. Under his guidance, the department made a smooth transition from the use of revolvers to double-action semi-automatics. And as an instructor on the fitness committee, helped implement a fitness program for the officers and monitors their progress.

**Erik Hall** — Police Officer First Class, Police Department. Serves as a Field Training Officer and a member of the fitness committee. As an Evidence Technician, is responsible for collecting evidence that is often crucial to determining guilt. Possesses a congenial personality that is an invaluable asset to the department. Despite often being placed in unpleasant situations with the public, always conducts himself in a pleasant manner which, in many cases, has diffused potentially volatile problems into workable solutions.

**Stephen Karcha** — Zoning Inspector, Planning and Zoning Department. Designed two data bases for historic and current zoning cases and activity summaries that save hours in preparing quarterly and annual activity reports. Created several forms and letters to provide uniformity to otherwise very diverse cases, which also saves time in research and preparation of reports. Habitually falls in to help when

there is work to be done, for example, voluntarily cleaning up the telephone book recycling site.

**Cora McManis** — Deputy Director, Finance Department. Reorganized customer service operations, eliminating the need for a permanent part-time position while reducing the average processing and bill preparation time, and increasing the availability to citizens of the customer service representative. The audit preparation system she developed has streamlined the annual audit process, reducing auditor time on-site and resulting in significant cost savings. Shows a genuine concern for the personal well-being of her staff, and has on her own time assisted employees in managing their financial problems.

**Russell Marsh** — Police Officer First Class, Police Department. Assigned to the Patrol Section and also serves as an Evidence Technician. In a typical incident that reflects his dedication to the job, spotted a suspicious group of people at the apartments on Patrick Street. He followed their vehicle, and a check on the registration showed it was stolen. A pursuit involving several jurisdictions resulted in the arrest of the suspects, who were later charged with several burglaries in Fairfax County. Has been recognized by the Fairfax County Domestic Violence Coalition for his work in domestic violence cases.

**William Murray** — Police Officer First Class, Police Department. As a member of the Traffic Squad's Motorcycle Unit, placed first and second the last two years in the Mid-Atlantic Police Motorcycle Riding Competition. Is a certified driver training instructor and gives classes for Town employees who are required to operate a motor vehicle in the course of their jobs, as well as teaching proper driving techniques at the local police academies. Last summer, put his own life in danger to pull to safety a man being held hostage by a machete-wielding assailant.

**J. Michael Oliver** — Master Police Officer, Police Department. Introduced a system of hand signals for non-verbal communication among officers, for example, to advise when a weapon is seen or to warn of some other danger. The system is important because many times suspects



**WORKING TO BE THE BEST** — These Town employees (and several others not pictured) received 1994 Outstanding Performance Awards. Their combined years of service to the community total almost 150.

become violent or attempt to flee when they realize something incriminating has been discovered. Motivates others to work harder and more efficiently by his own example of reliability and volunteering for extra duties.

**Carol Orndorff** — Town Clerk. Significantly elevated the professional standards of her office. Obtained her Municipal Clerk's Certification and has completed her first year at the Academy for Advanced Education. Computerized office operations and converted the Town Code to WordPerfect, allowing Code changes to be made quickly and efficiently. Initiated marriage celebrant and voter registration services for citizens. Devotes many off-duty hours to community service activities.

**Sarath Oung** — Meter Service Worker I, Meter Reading. Took the initiative to accumulate information on meter crocks obstructed by overgrown vegetation that makes it very difficult to read the meters. So far, has found over 100 locations needing attention. This information will be the basis for a mailing later this year requesting residents to keep meters easily accessible. His consistently high production in reading meters and other duties has helped save the division enough man-hours to take on new programs hitherto contracted.

**Virginia Palmore** — Master Police Officer, Police Department. As Communi-

ty Services Officer, implemented a number of very popular programs, including self-defense for women, drug abuse resistance education in the schools, and the Cops & Kids Fun Run. Handles cases involving juveniles, and many parents credit her with helping them deal with their troubled children. Received the department's Meritorious Act Award for placing herself in danger to disarm a suicidal individual. Also took on night school and earned her Masters Degree.

**Ruth Rohr** — Senior Dispatcher, Police Department. As a "voice on the phone" when citizens call for help, has received numerous commendations for her professional, caring manner. Has obtained certification as an instructor in communications and criminal record documentation and is constantly requested by other police departments and the academies to train and evaluate dispatchers. Also certified to instruct in CPR and Bloodborne Pathogens. Dedicates many hours of her own time to the annual Virginia Law Enforcement Torch Run to benefit Special Olympics.

**Timothy Seitz** — Police Officer First Class, Police Department. Member of the Traffic Squad's Motorcycle Unit and placed second and first, respectively, in the last two Mid-Atlantic Police Motorcycle Riding Competitions. Serves as a firearms instructor for this and other police departments and has developed specialized

courses for officers who may face adverse conditions such as shooting in darkness or shooting while running. His concern for the youth of Vienna is evident from off-duty activities such as Little League baseball coach and involvement with the Police Explorer program, which is affiliated with the Boy Scouts.

**Beverly Simmons** — Administrative Secretary, Police Department. Brings outstanding secretarial skills, initiative and independent judgment to a wide variety of work situations often involving sensitive and confidential information. Always involves herself in special projects and events, usually after hours and on days off. These have included serving on the Police Chief's Advisory Committee, coordinating dedication ceremonies for the new police headquarters and cycle buildings, helping with the Cops & Kids Fun Run, and many others. Her efficient organization of the move to the new headquarters building assured that police service to the community was never interrupted.

**Dennis Welsh** — Detective/Police Officer First Class, Police Department. On first coming to the department, his work performance was of such a high caliber that he was transferred to the Investigation Section sooner than the usual minimum time requirement. During his time in Investigations, was assigned two high-profile cases, a murder for hire and an abduction involving a police shooting, and successfully closed both of these complicated cases. Devotes many of his off-duty hours to assisting fellow officers stay fit, knowing that physical fitness is essential to meet the strain of shift work and to overcome physical resistance from criminals.

**Kelly Williams** — Meter Service Worker II, Meter Reading. As a result of his considerable construction experience and mechanical aptitude, has been instrumental in streamlining maintenance procedures, reducing the time required to repair meter crocks from 3-4 man hours to less than one, cutting large meter test time from three to approximately 1.5 hours, and repairing residential service lines in less than four man hours instead of the previous 10-12 man hours. These improvements have saved the Town substantial amounts of money and reduced citizen complaints. He is also preparing to obtain his Waterworks Operator license.