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HOUSING AVAILABILITY

The Town and County Attorneys have advised us that the Fair Housing regulations apply to Vienna as well as all other jurisdictions within the State.

Residents selling their house should make themselves familiar with these laws.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Damp charcoal can ignite spontaneously. So store newly bought charcoal in a dry place. If you douse hot coals when you're finished with them, dry them out-doors. It's risky to bring them in.

Vacuum bottles can explode. Never drink directly from them or get them close to your face. Use only plastic utensils when eating from them.

Wherever piles of rock, sand, gravel, coal, cinders, hay, salt, sawdust or other unstable masses exist, there is special danger. No one can say when the pile might spontaneously shift. Youngsters at play in such a mass can easily set off a deadly collapse of the material.



Fellow Citizens of Vienna:

We are now in the middle of vacation time, with a constant stream of families leaving Vienna and returning to it. Therefore, a portion of this Newsletter will be concerned with the matter of safety, both in our own locality and in travelling.

During the past couple of months, Vienna has had two deaths; one a pedestrian crossing the street, and one a Town employee working with a street maintenance crew.

During this same period, ironically enough, we received our twelfth consecutive annual award for pedestrian safety. The award was given for our record of no pedestrian fatalities last year, and would have been a cause for rejoicing except for the knowledge of the two recent tragedies.

These deaths have brought home to us the need for continuing to caution our citizens to be particularly careful when driving or walking in the familiar surroundings of our town, where vigilance is apt to be most relaxed.

I would like to wish everyone a pleasant, and a safe summer.

Sincerely yours,

James C. Martinelli
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Mayor

VACATION TIPS FOR MOTORISTS

1. Make sure that your car is in top mechanical shape.
2. Don't try to drive too far in one day. Most accidents occur because drivers are tired and no longer alert.
2. If you miss your turnoff on parkways, don't try to back up. Go on to the next exit and retrace your steps.
4. If the children are squabbling, or a bee gets into the car, don't try to deal with it while driving. Pull off the road and take care of the disturbance before continuing.
5. Make frequent coffee stops. Even if you bring your lunch in the car, stop to eat it so you can stretch your muscles and relax.

REMINDER

The first installment of the Vienna Real Estate Tax is due without penalty through July 28th. A 5% penalty will be imposed after that time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mon., July 21 - 8 P.M.
Council Meeting
- Wed., July 23 - 8 P.M.
Planning Commission
- Tues., July 29 - 8 P.M.
Highway Safety Commission
- Mon., August 4 - 8 P.M.
Council Meeting
- Mon., August 4 - 8 P.M.
Recreation Advisory Committee
- Wed., August 13 - 8 P.M.
Planning Commission
- Mon., August 18 - 8 P.M.
Council Meeting
- Wed., August 20 - 8 P.M.
Board of Zoning Appeals
- Thurs., August 21 - 8 P.M.
Architectural Review Board



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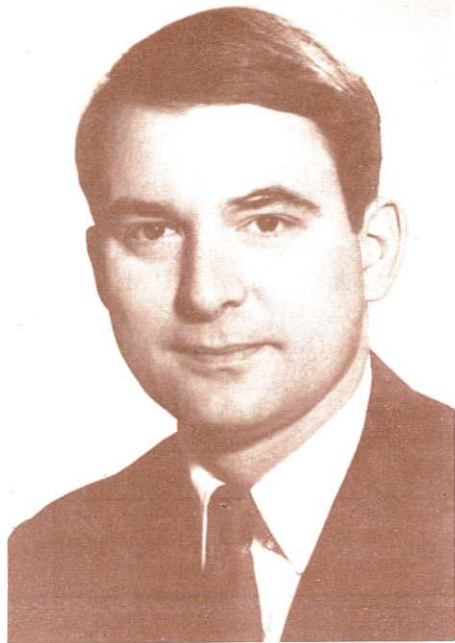
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VIENNA'S NEW COUNCILMAN
TO BE SWORN IN NEXT MONTH

Neil Walp, Chairman of the Vienna Planning Commission and newly elected Councilman, will be sworn into office at the end of August and will take his seat in September.

Henry Pellegrino will retire from the Town Council after having served for six and a half years.

Mr. Pellegrino did not run in the last election. The Town wishes to express its appreciation for his many years of devoted service in the Town's interest.

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Henry Pellegrino



PEDESTRIAN CARE
URGED IN VIENNA

With two pedestrian deaths already this year, many in Vienna are wondering if the old saying, "things always happen in threes", will hold true. There have been several near misses, particularly with children. Over the weekend, at least two children were involved in accidents and rushed to the hospital.

Fortunately the damage consisted only of cuts and bruises. It could have been much more serious. Playing in the street has become common practice on many residential streets, sometimes with parents looking on. Many motorists drive in dread of having a child dart into his car or under the wheels.

It is as much the responsibility of the parent as of the driver to see that this does not happen. The danger is magnified during the summer months with children travelling to and from the ball parks and swimming pools, running across the street to the ice-cream truck and riding bicycles.

Let's not wait until a child is killed before we teach our youngsters safe practices.

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COURTESY IS KEY
TO SAFE DRIVING

Most of the minor accidents in Vienna are due to a lack of courtesy on the part of the driver. Two of the goals of Vienna's last campaign on beautification and community betterment, were aimed at developing driver courtesy:

1. Recognize that the pedestrian who is trying to cross the street is a friend, neighbor or fellow citizen of Vienna who you do not wish to kill, maim or unduly inconvenience.
2. Recognize the fact that every car on the street is probably occupied by a friend, neighbor or fellow resident whom you would wish to treat with courtesy and respect.



HOPES FOR A POOL
THIS SUMMER FADE

Vienna is still waiting for a decision from the School Board on whether or not its municipal swimming pool can be located at Madison High School where it would receive year-round use.

The Town Council passed a resolution to purchase a large portable pool for use at the Community Center this summer, however, the County Health Department ruled that this did not fulfil County regulations for commercial pools. Two of the objections which were insurmountable were the prohibition against plastic liners, (the pool was to consist of a plastic liner mounted on an aluminum frame), and the requirement that persons using the pool must be able to go there directly from bath facilities.

The Town Council regretfully had to abandon consideration of the portable pool.



TOWN AND COUNTY START SWIM PROGRAMS

This Tuesday, Vienna will begin bussing youths age 13 and up to Bull Run Park swimming pool. Buses will leave the Community Center on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 12:30 p.m. A second stop will be made at the parking lot on the corner of Maple Ave. and Lawyers Road, next to Winslow's Paint Store. Buses will again leave the park at 4:30 p.m. and the youths will be let out at the Community Center at 5:30 p.m.. There will be a 40¢ charge for tickets which will be sold on the bus. Youngsters must provide their own towel and bathing suit. There is a concession stand at the park should they wish to buy refreshments.

The County Recreation Department has a swimming program at Louise Archer School for children 6 to 12. Participants bring their own towel and bathing suit to the school each morning and are bused to Lake Fairfax. The County pays for the fees and swimming lessons.



WOLFTRAP RUN NATURE TRAIL
RECEIVES BOOST FROM COUNTY

Vienna's plans for a hiking and nature trail along Wolftrap Creek from Maple Avenue to Symphony Hill Park received encouragement from the County when Martha Pennino appeared before Council to say that she had requested the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District to conduct a study of the suitability of the land.

Glen B. Anderson was appointed by the District Board to make a preliminary study of the area. Several parcels of land along the creek have already been dedicated by builders and, as many of our children have discovered, it is already a pleasant place for a nature walk.

PLASTIC TRASH BAGS ARE
AVAILABLE AT TOWN HALL

It is anticipated that a good supply of plastic trash bags will be available at Town Hall by the middle of the month. The larger, heavy duty bags are available in lots of 50 for \$4.16, about 8¢ per bag. Plastic liners, (a lighter, smaller bag), are available in rolls of 50 for \$2.08, which averages out to 4¢ a bag.

CUB SCOUTS INAUGURATE
CONTINUOUS PAPER DRIVE

Cub Scout Pack 152 has undertaken a CONTINUOUS paper drive as one of its money raising projects this year. A large container has been placed behind the Fire House and will remain there indefinitely. Residents are urged to drop their old newspapers in the container.

