

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

OCTOBER 1989 — At its October 30 meeting, the Town Council adopted an ordinance creating a Town of Vienna Auxiliary Police Force. The Police Department is looking for a few good men and women living in town to serve as volunteer auxiliary police officers. Recruits are trained at the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy and assist sworn officers with a variety of assignments in either the administrative or patrol divisions.

OCTOBER 1979 — On Saturday, October 20, the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority plans a big community celebration to mark the official grand opening of the Washington & Old Dominion Trail. At that time the Park Authority expects to have a six-mile stretch of the trail completed between Lee Highway in Falls Church and Maple Avenue in Vienna. Another 20-mile section west of Vienna to Goose Creek in Loudoun County is expected to be passable and usable.

OCTOBER 1969 — A new organization in town is the CHO, Inc., or "Committee to Help Others." The group consists of members from 13 churches who have banded together to lend a helping hand to those in immediate need. The group operates a Food Pantry and a Clothes Closet for needy persons, and hopes to raise enough money to be able to make loans to those who cannot obtain them elsewhere.

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POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP 255-5727

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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 255-6330, TDD 255-5735.

Spend a Night on the Town
Without Leaving Town!!

VIENNA YEAR 2000
CELEBRATION!!!

New Year's Eve
December 31, 1999

Vienna Community Center

FREE FAMILY FUN!!!

◆ Music & Dancing ◆

◆ Food Vendors ◆

◆ Teen Center Open ◆

◆ Children's Activities ◆

FIREWORKS DISPLAY
AT MIDNIGHT!!!

Bring your family
and friends,
dress up or come casual.
No tickets
or reservations required!

TOWN
OF
VIENNA

Holiday Closing

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, October 11, for Columbus Day. Trash will be collected as usual that day for residents on the Monday route.

Personal Property Tax

October 5 is the deadline to pay Fairfax County personal property tax on motor vehicles. (If you moved into the county or purchased a vehicle after July 1, your taxes will not be due until February 15, 2000.) In this second year of the state-authorized tax reduction, taxpayers' personal property tax will be reduced by 27.5%, which will be reflected in the bill they receive from Fairfax County. For more information, call 222-8234 or visit the Tax Administration web site at www.co.fairfax.va.us/dta.

Water Quality Report

Inside this newsletter is the 1998 Water Quality Report for the Town of Vienna and surrounding service area. Citizens are encouraged to read it and contact the Town with any questions or comments.

NEW IN TOWN? Vienna's Public Information Office has prepared a welcome packet especially for new residents. Stop by Town Hall and pick one up, or call 255-6330 to have one mailed to you.

NEWSLETTER

October 1999

Collection Procedure Revised

Leaf Pickup Begins October 18

Fall leaf collection will begin on October 18 in north Vienna and October 25 on the south side of town. Department of Public Works crews using leaf vacuum machines will collect leaves that residents have raked to the curbside.

The leaf collection crews will make one pass through town each month during October, November and December. **BEGINNING THIS YEAR, ALL LEAVES MUST BE AT THE CURBSIDE PRIOR TO THE FIRST SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY FOR EACH PASS THROUGH YOUR AREA. ONCE YOUR STREET HAS BEEN COVERED, CREWS WILL NOT DOUBLE BACK.**

If you miss your vacuum collection dates, the Public Works Department will still collect your leaves; however, the leaves must be bagged and placed at the curbside for pickup with your regular trash. Up to 20 bags of leaves will be picked up on any single refuse collection day throughout the year.

Please rake leaves just to the curbside, not into the street where they may prevent rain water from reaching storm water inlets. Residents may wish to move vehicles off the street to avoid dust from the leaf vacuums when the weather is dry; the Town cannot be responsible for washing cars.

For more information about leaf collection, call the Public Works Department at 255-6381.

No Special Pickups During Leaf Collection

Because of fall leaf collection, no Special Trash Pickups will be made in November and December. The last day to order a Special Pickup this year is Friday, October 1. Call 255-5727.

1999 FALL LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Leaves must be at the curbside prior to the first scheduled collection day for each pass through your area

NORTH VIENNA — OCTOBER 18-22
NOVEMBER 10-20
DECEMBER 13-18

SOUTH VIENNA — OCTOBER 25-NOVEMBER 9
NOVEMBER 22-DECEMBER 11
DECEMBER 20-31



Town Council Action

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

JULY 12, 1999

- Conducted a closed session to discuss appointments to Town boards and commissions.

- Reappointed Patricia Polychrones to the Community Enhancement Commission (*Councilman Polychrones abstaining*) and reappointed Jill Decker to the Windover Heights Board of Review, both for two-year terms. Accepted the resignation of Arthur Butt from the Planning Commission and appointed Peter Van derNet to the fill the unexpired term.

- Following a public hearing, awarded a non-exclusive franchise to WorldCom ICC to install fiber optic cable in town for a period of five years, contingent on receipt of a final route map.

- Directed the Town staff to proceed with the vacation of the storm drainage easement adjacent to 810 and 812 Cottage St., S.W., and 303 Tapawingo Rd., S.W., contingent on receiving a letter of approval signed by all owners of each of the properties.

- Approved the final plat for the re-subdivision of the property at 848-852 Shady Dr., S.E. Waived a portion of the re-

quired public street improvements on Owaissa Road from Shady Drive to the W&OD Trail, with payment of the cost difference as proffered by the developer to be used as part of the Town's sidewalk program.

- Adopted secondary regulations for the Pedestrian Commercial Zone on Church Street pertaining to modifications of general regulations, plan design features and bonus incentives.

- Awarded the annual tree maintenance contract to The Care of Trees of Alexandria in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

- Awarded a bid for a traffic monitoring device to MPH Industries, Inc., at a price of \$8,510.

- Awarded a bid for hydraulic cement concrete to Dubrook Concrete, Inc., at a price of \$23,862.50.

- Appropriated \$263 for the Town's portion of assessments for the Virginia Power contract negotiated by the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties/Cities.

Boudreau Appointed To Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Town Councilman Al Boudreau has been appointed by Gov. Jim Gilmore to the Virginia Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR).

ACIR is the only body of its kind in Virginia established to monitor federal-state-local government relations and to serve as a catalyst for improvement. It consists of 20 members: eight locally elected officials, six state legislators, three state executive agency officials, two members of the public, and one representative of Virginia's regional planning district commissions.

The group meets a minimum of four times a year throughout the state; conducts research and issues reports on specific topics; resolves issues and is required to hold hearings on request in cases involving contested fiscal impact statements or assessments of state mandates on local governments; and promotes public policy at the state and federal levels.

Voter Registration Deadline Oct. 4

Monday, October 4, is the last day to register to vote in next month's general election or to update your voting address. Applications are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, all Fairfax County libraries and public schools, offices of members of the County Board of Supervisors, and the General Registrar's Office. Completed applications may be mailed to the Registrar's Office, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Suite 323, Fairfax, VA 22035-0081, and must be postmarked by October 4.

In addition, in-person voter registration will be held at Tysons Corner Center, JC Penney at Fair Oaks Mall, and JCPenney at Springfield Mall on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3, from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

To be eligible to vote, you must be a U.S. citizen, a Virginia resident, and at least 18 years old on or before election day.

For more information, call the General Registrar's Office at 222-0776 weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

October 1999

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	4 Town Council	5 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	6	7	8 Last day to call for Special Pickup in 1999	9
10 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	11 Columbus Day Town Hall closed	12	13 Planning Commission	14 Town/Business Liaison Committee	15	16
17	18 Leaf collection north side of town October 18-22	19	20 Board of Zoning Appeals	21 Architectural Review Board	22	23
24	25 Leaf collection south side of town Oct. 25-Nov. 9	26 Transportation Safety Commission	27	28 Planning Commission Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.	29	30

November

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September

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26	27	28	29	30		

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Charles A. Robinson, Jr.

Albert J. Boudreau Vincent J. Olson
Steven D. Briglia Michael J. Polychrones
Robert P. McCormick M. Jane Seeman

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for November issue is Friday, October 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.)

Southwest Vienna Citizens Association will meet on Wednesday, October 13, from 8 to 9:30 p.m. in the Vienna Elementary School library. Guest speaker will be Vienna Police Officer Virginia Palmore.

South Vienna Association will host a candidate forum at 8 p.m. Wednesday, October 13, at Vienna Elementary School. The League of Women Voters will moderate a discussion with Hunter Mill District candidates for the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. All residents are welcome to attend. For more information, call Edythe Frankel at 242-7651.

Annual fall yard sale, sponsored by Wesley United Methodist Church Preschool, Saturday, October 9, from 9 a.m. to noon at the church, 711 Spring St., S.E. Sales spaces available for \$10 each. For more information, call 938-3970.

Vienna American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180 will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday, October 6, at the Post Home, 330 Center St., N. Post Service Officer Lew Tolleson will speak about veterans, military retiree and survivor benefits. The meeting is open to the public, and refreshments will be served. For more information, call Jim Kiefer at 938-9304.

Northeast Vienna Citizens Association will meet at 8 p.m. Monday, October 4, at the Vienna Community Center. Virginia House of Delegates candidates Jeannemarie Devolites and George Lovelace will be the guest speakers. The public is invited, and door prizes will be awarded.

Calling all crafters! The Vienna Woman's Club 39th annual Harvest Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 6, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. Crafters are invited to call Nancy Volpe at 938-7716 for information and applications.

The Golden Girls senior women's softball association has had a very successful season, fielding winning teams at the International Senior Softball Association World Championships, the Senior Softball World Series, and the U.S. Slowpitch Softball Association Senior Women's World

Championships. Good luck to the Golden Girls as they head to the National Senior Olympics this month! Women aged 40 and over are invited to call Donna Packard, 938-0387, for more information about the Golden Girls.

Vienna Photographic Society will meet on Wednesday, October 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the lecture hall at Thoreau Middle School, 2505 Cedar Lane. Frank Lavelle will present a program on traditional and non-traditional portraiture. The public is invited to attend, and new members are always welcome. For more information, call Mo at 816-2423.

Your old magazines and paperback books (no hard covers) are welcomed by detainees at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center through the Literacy Project sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter. For those who have donated in the past, please leave publications at the usual location on the third Tuesday of the month *only* from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Be sure to remove mailing labels from magazines.) First-time donors may call project chairman Florence Roseborough at 281-2498 for information.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in August:

Ann Longley Zimmerman <i>(computer consulting)</i> 301 Berry St., S.E. 319-8966	Stephanie Simmons <i>(acupuncture practice)</i> 222 Moore Ave., S.E. 938-0610	Keith's Consolidated Driver Education <i>(classroom driver ed)</i> 262 Cedar Ln., S.E. #A2 250-3333
Smith Associates of Vienna <i>(business service)</i> 223 Commons Dr., N.W. 281-5747	Triple C Travel <i>(travel agency)</i> 450 Maple Ave., E. #303B 319-9618	Compuamerica <i>(computer hardware & software reseller)</i> 311 Maple Ave., W. 242-5700
Wellington Management Group <i>(consulting)</i> 302 Maple Ave., W. #4 281-3619	Holtje Communications Group <i>(advertising/consulting)</i> 404 Pine St., S.E. #206 242-7944	<i>New ownership:</i> The Strike Zone Pro Shop 262 Cedar Ln., S.E. #A3 560-2695
Lee Jackson & Associates <i>(consulting)</i> 205 Ceret Ct., S.W. 255-5446	United Services Alliance <i>(heating & air conditioning contractor)</i> 539 Malcolm Rd., N.W. 242-7754	<i>New ownership:</i> Jackson Hewitt Tax Service 390 Maple Ave., E. #A 448-1100

53rd Annual VIENNA HALLOWEEN PARADE "Celebrate the Century"

**Wednesday, October 27
7 p.m. on Maple Avenue**

**Grand Marshal
Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr.**

**Children are invited to walk
in the parade
in their Halloween costumes.
Kids should meet
at Virginia Commerce Bank
374 Maple Avenue, East
at 6:30 p.m. to form a group
No advance registration required**

**Parade Information 281-1333
Vienna Regional
Chamber of Commerce**

Comment from the Council Table

Vienna's Unsung Heroes

**By M. Jane Seeman
Vienna Town Councilwoman**

The heroes of Vienna are the Town employees who quietly go that extra mile in doing their jobs on the streets, in the parks, the Community Center, the Police Station and the Town Hall. They are the ones who make the Town run smoothly. The Town Council regularly receives letters from citizens praising an action by a Town employee. "Outstanding job," "Keep up the good work," and "Job well done" are just a few of the comments we often get.

One of the best examples of this outstanding service was last January during and after our ice storm. Town employees worked many extra hours responding to citizens' requests, giving assistance to elderly and ill citizens and then, of course, the many extra hours spent in the cleanup operation — nearly 475 tons of brush!

Malfunctioning traffic signals, water main breaks and other problems don't always happen on sunny weekdays. Problems occur even on holidays! During one particularly cold spell last winter, there were nearly a dozen water main breaks, many occurring during the night. The crews are called out to repair these breaks with minimum disruption of service.

The Vienna Police Department reached out to the community earlier this year with their Collect-a-Cop program. The police

officer trading cards were enthusiastically collected by elementary and middle school students and distributed with equal enthusiasm by the officers and staff.

Town employees are encouraged to take the initiative in finding better solutions, seeking grants, and developing new procedures and programs. These usually result in a cost savings to the Town. Elsewhere on this page is an announcement of a recent grant award secured through employee efforts.

Our employees are often called on to take on additional duties temporarily during periods of staff shortages. Many attend night meetings in Town Hall and other activities after normal working hours. They serve as advisors on many Town boards and commissions as well as special committees.

Cheerful, Helpful, Friendly, Loyal, and Dedicated are not the names of Snow White's drarfs but words that describe our employees. One citizen put it this way, "Our Town employees make Vienna a special place to live."

Not all problems are satisfactorily concluded, and sometimes errors are made. Employees work hard to rectify mistakes and misunderstandings and keep them to a minimum. Not all letters nor comments are positive, but each one is considered, acted



Councilwoman Seeman

on and followed up with a call or a letter.

I am proud of our employees, the courteous manner in which they do business, and the pride they take in their work and the Town. Vienna is only as good as the services offered, and the services are only as good as the people who perform them.

Beauty Spot from Your Community Enhancement Commission

YEAR 2000 TREE SEEDLING DISTRIBUTION — Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission is ordering 2,000 tree seedlings from the Virginia Department of Forestry for distribution to town residents to be planted this fall/winter in celebration of the new millennium.

A variety of seedlings (8 species of 250 each) will be available to pick up free of charge at the Community Center around the middle of November. Order forms are now available at the Community Center and Town Hall.

Tree seedlings ordered include eastern red cedar, willow oak, green ash, bald cypress, white oak, sawtooth oak, black walnut and sweet gum. These seedlings will be 10 to 20 inches tall and shipped bare rooted. Planting instructions will be available at the time of pickup.

Town Receives Grant For Computer Mapping System

The Vienna Department of Planning and Zoning has been awarded a \$12,000 grant for software and technical support for the Town's Geographic Information System (GIS) program. The GIS program will enable the Town to produce detailed, computer generated maps showing as large or as small an area as desired, from the entire town to an individual piece of property.

The "Livable Communities" grant was awarded by Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI), the leading GIS software manufacturer. In addition to the computer software program, which is compatible with software used by Fairfax County and will allow easy exchange of information, the grant includes technical support for the first year.

The Planning and Zoning Department employees responsible for securing the grant are Jennifer Steingasser, Brent Wilkinson and Jennifer Moore.

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

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

Vienna Theatre Company presents "Lend Me a Tenor" October 22, 23, 29 and 30 at 8 p.m. and October 24 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). Tickets \$8 general admission, \$7 for students and senior citizens (65 and older).

Fall Antique Show and Sale October 8-10. Hours are noon-9 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission \$4.25 per person.

Quarterly stamp and coin show October 30 and 31. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Coin Club.

JUST FOR KIDS

Halloween party for children 4-11 Saturday, October 23, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free. There will be carnival games and prizes for everyone. Sponsored by Vienna Parks and Recreation, Optimist Club of Vienna and Vienna Lions Club.

TRIPS

Canoe the Marsh for ages 16 and older Sunday, October 3. Participants will leave the Community Center at 7 a.m. and return at 2:30 p.m. A Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority naturalist will lead the group to Pohick Creek for a close-up look at the plants and animals in the marsh habitat. No canoeing experience necessary. Cost is \$15 per person. Space is limited; registration required.

Day at the casinos in Atlantic City on Thursday, October 21. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about 11 p.m. The cost of \$30 per

person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline October 14.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Club Phoenix Teen Center features a big screen TV, jukebox, CD player and pool table, and hosts a variety of special activities throughout the year. This month teens can enjoy a canal boat ride along the C&O Canal October 9, a ghost tour of Old Town Alexandria October 22, and a trip to the Cox Farms pumpkin patch October 26. Fee varies for each trip.

Babysitting fundamentals for ages 12 and older Saturday, October 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. The fee is \$20 per person, and advance registration is required.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Acupuncture seminar October 19 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and repeated October 26 from 7 to 8 p.m. Dr. Larissa Szlucha will discuss this alternative medical treatment. Free of charge; registration required.

Energy workshop for moms under stress Wednesday, October 20, from 7 to 8 p.m. Elke Martin of "Energy for You!" will discuss how to improve your energy level naturally with magnets. Free of charge; registration required.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, October 13, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure. Registration requested.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

Investment seminar October 14 and 28 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Kevin Davis of Capital Securities Corp. and co-host of Business Radio WRC-AM 750 will discuss everything from evaluating various stocks, bonds

and mutual funds to how to read the ticker tape. Free of charge; registration required.

"Dogs of the Dow" Wednesday, October 20, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Sean Sinclair of Edward Jones Investment will present an investment strategy that, historically, has turned in Dow Jones-beating results more often than not. Free of charge; registration required.

"Tax Slashing Trusts" Monday, October 4, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Attorney David G. Hoffman will discuss marital trusts and other specialized living trusts that can dramatically reduce your real estate, gift, and even income taxes. Free of charge; registration recommended.

SENIOR CITIZENS

55 Alive Mature Driving Program, sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons, will be held on Monday and Tuesday, October 18 and 19, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$8 per person and advance registration is 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.

Energy workshop for seniors Wednesday, October 6, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Elke Martin of "Energy for You!" will discuss how to improve your energy level naturally with magnets. Free of charge; registration required.

Let's go bowling on Thursday, October 7, at 1 p.m. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$3.50. Participants carpool to the bowling alley. Space is limited, so register early.

POTPOURRI

Arm chair traveler series takes you on a Kenya safari Friday, October 15, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Free of charge; advance registration requested.

HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

Historic Vienna Inc.'s 1999 Christmas cards are now available at the old-fashioned Freeman House General Store, 131 Church St., N.E., open Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. Also available at the Freeman Store is the new Vienna commemorative plate with historic sites around town hand painted on the border.

"The Healing Garden," a special one-day exhibit by Vienna Arts Society members, will be held at the Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park Atrium on Thursday, October 14. The exhibit features paintings inspired by the Cancer Treatment Garden at the park and will be open to the public from noon to 5 p.m. A reception from 7 to 9 p.m. is also open to the public, but reservations are required. Call 255-3631.

Historic Vienna Inc. general membership meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 21, at the Vienna Community Center. Paul McCray, manager of the Washington & Old Dominion Regional Park, will give a slide presentation of the W&OD and its history in relationship to Vienna. The public is invited and refreshments will be served. Historic Vienna Inc. is the town's non-profit organization for restoration and preservation. For more information, call 938-5187.

Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary is now accepting applications for its annual Fall Arts and Crafts Bazaar, which will be held at the fire station from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, November 6. To receive an application form, call 818-0555.

Entertainment Book 2000 — full of discount coupons for your favorite stores, theaters, restaurants, sporting events, cleaners, car rentals, hotels across the country, and much more — costs \$35 and is available from these community organizations:

- Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton; call Carole Cole at 448-8772.
- National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Vienna chapter; call Wes Martin at 938-6580.

• Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180; call Jim Kiefer at 938-9304.

Open house at the Vienna Railroad Station Saturday, October 16, from 1 to 5 p.m. The Northern Virginia Model Railroaders invite the public to see an operating HO scale model railroad. Free admission; donations accepted. The station is located at the corner of Dominion Road and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 938-5157.

Vienna Farmers' Market at Nottoway Park is open each Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine. The adjacent Plant Clinic provides free advice on tree and plant problems from 9 a.m. to noon. This month the Washington Animal League will conduct their Adopt-A-Pet program at the market. For more information, contact Market Manager Ed Bieleci at 281-3530.

Fall Festival Craft Show, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters' Guild, will be held October 30 and 31 at Robert E. Lee High School, 6540 Franconia Rd., opposite Springfield Mall. Admission \$1 per person. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Fifty juried crafters will sell jewelry, baskets, quilts, and many more handcrafted items. Guild members award scholarships, donate arts and crafts materials to non-profit organizations, and contribute to the Meals on Wheels program.

Northern Virginia Carvers will present its 25th annual wood carving show and competition October 16 and 17 at the Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. The show will offer 20 carv-

ing categories including whittled pieces, animals, and waterfowl. A special category for 1999 is "Storybook Characters."

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, October 21, at Neighbor's Restaurant in the Cedar Lane Shopping Center. James G. Zumwalt will discuss his book *Bare Feet, Iron Will*, which describes the war from the North Vietnamese side. For more information, call 255-0353.

"Christ in the Feast of Tabernacles" will be presented by Jews for Jesus at Vienna Assembly of God at 7 p.m. Sunday, October 10. The group will construct a temporary booth or "sukkah" to explain the significance to Christians of this ancient Jewish ritual. The church is located at the corner of Center Street and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. For more information, call 938-7736.

Vienna Choral Society will present "This Is My Country," a concert of patriotic music, on Saturday, October 30, at the Church of the Holy Comforter. A reception will follow the concert. Tickets are \$12 general admission (\$10 in advance), \$9 for students and senior citizens (\$8 in advance), and \$20 for a family of two adults with children under 18. For more information, call 573-4018 or 938-7567.

Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday, October 7, at Fairfax Country Club. Guest speaker Barbara Colbert will discuss long-term care. For reservations and more information, call 938-9377 by noon Monday, October 4.

("Around Town" continued on next page)

HELP WANTED — Historic Vienna Inc. (HVI) is looking for experienced grant writers to provide guidance and assistance for a major fund-raising campaign. HVI is the town's non-profit organization for historic restoration and preservation. Contact HVI President Paul Snodgrass at 560-6631, email search4u@msn.com, or Councilman Al Boudreau, HVI Board Member, at 938-6722, email ajb6@aol.com.

Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOC)	Units of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Violation?	Range of detection at Sampling Points	Sampling Year	Typical Source of Contamination
Tetrachloroethylene	ppb	0	5	1.6	NO	ND - 1.6	1998	Leaching from PVC pipes; Discharge from factories and dry cleaners
Vinyl Chloride	ppb	0	2	0.5	NO	ND - 0.5	1998	Leaching from PVC pipes; Discharge from plastics factories
Chloroform *	ppb			1.4	NO	ND - 1.4	1998	Byproduct of chlorination
Methyl t-Butyl Ether*	ppb			1.1	NO	ND - 1.1	1998	
* unregulated VOC's								Not found by EPA to be immediate health risk

Contaminant	Running Annual MCLG (ppb)	Average MCL (ppb)	System Running Annual Average (ppb)	System Range (ppb)	Typical Source of Contamination
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes]	0	100	56	29 - 84	By-product of drinking water chlorination. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Radionuclides	Units of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation?	Typical Source of Contamination
Alpha emitters	pCi/L	0	15	1.8	0.2 - 1.8	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
Beta emitters	pCi/L	0	50	4.8	2.6 - 4.8	NO	Decay of natural and man-made deposits
Tritium	pCi/L	20000	20000	1570	0 - 1570	NO	Erosion of natural deposits

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1998 WATER QUALITY REPORT



Town of Vienna 1998 Annual Water Quality Report for the Town of Vienna and surrounding service area

MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

This is the Town of Vienna's first annual report to inform you about your drinking water quality. As part of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is requiring all water utilities across the nation to mail their customers a Water Quality Report by October 19, 1999. Our goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water, and we want you to understand the efforts we make to protect your water supply.

The quality of your drinking water must meet state and federal requirements administered by the Virginia Department of Health. We constantly monitor for various contaminants in the water supply to meet all regulatory requirements. The tables in this report list only those contaminants that had some level of detection. Many other contaminants have been analyzed but were either not present or were below the detection limits of the laboratory equipment. Much of our water quality data are from testing done in 1998. However, the state allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once a year because the concentration of these contaminants does not change frequently. Even though some of our data may be more than one year old, they are accurate.

Is your water safe to drink? Absolutely! The Town of Vienna water system did not have any violations during the year. We're proud to share our water quality test results with you.

Sincerely,

John H. Schoeberlein

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This report contains important information about your drinking water. If you are not certain that you understand it, discuss it with someone who does or who can translate it for you if English is your second language. For more information, contact Vernon R. Anderson, Town of Vienna Water & Sewer Superintendent, at 703-255-6300 or e-mail pubworks@ci.vienna.va.us.

El informe contiene información importante sobre la calidad del agua en su comunidad. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Decisions concerning Vienna's water are made by the Town Council. Regular meetings are normally held the first and third Mondays of the month (except July and August) at 8 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall.

WATER QUALITY RESULTS

- I. Microbiological Contaminants — Were there any detections? () Yes, as described below. (**) No. Laboratory results indicated that coliform bacteria were absent in each monthly test at each collection site.

Contaminant	Units of Measurement	Action Level	MCLG	Results of samples for the 90 th Percentile Value	Action Level Exceedance?	Sampling Year	# of Sampling Sites Exceeding Action Level	Typical Source of Contamination
Lead	ppb	15	0	5	NO	1996	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems
Copper	ppm	1.3	1.3	.05	NO	1996	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems

Contaminant	Treatment Technique Limits	Level detected	Violation?	Sampling Year	Typical Source of Contamination
Turbidity	1. 5 NTU maximum 2. ≤0.5 95% of the time	1. highest single measurement = .33 2. lowest monthly percentage = 100%	NO NO	1998 1998	Soil runoff

Inorganic Contaminant	Units of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Violation?	Range of Detection at Sampling Points	Sampling Year	Typical Source of Contamination
Barium	ppm	2	2	.06	NO	.02 - .06	1998	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Beryllium	ppb	4	4	1	NO	ND - 1	1998	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; Discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries
Chromium	ppb	100	100	1	NO	ND - 1	1998	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	ppm	4	4	1.38	NO	ND - 1.38	1998	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate + Nitrite Nitrogen	ppm	10	10	3.55	NO	.45 - 3.55	1998	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

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GENERAL INFORMATION

As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Substances (referred to as contaminants) in source water may come from septic systems, discharges from domestic or industrial wastewater treatment facilities, agricultural and farming activities, urban storm water runoff, residential uses, and many other types of activities. Water from surface sources is treated to make it drinkable while groundwater may or may not have any treatment.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. Environmental Protection Agency/Center for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline.

WATER SOURCES

The Town of Vienna is supplied with surface water by the Washington Aqueduct Delcarlia and McMillan Plants from the Potomac River through the City of Falls Church; and by the Fairfax County Water Authority James J. Corbalis, Jr., Plant from the Potomac River and Occoquan and Lorton Plants from the Occoquan Reservoir; and with groundwater from Well #1 (247 Nutley Street, N.W.), Well #6 (120 Cherry Street, S.E.) and Well #9 (Glyndon Park/Beulah Road side) in the Town of Vienna. These sources are blended in the Town's delivery system.

Under a new program being developed by the Virginia Department of Health, a detailed source water assessment will be conducted within the next few years to find ways to better protect our water sources. After the assessment, we will provide information about potential sources of contamination and measures to reduce or eliminate those sources.

HOW DO I READ THE CHART?

Our water is tested to assure that it is safe and healthy. Contaminants in the drinking water are routinely monitored according to federal and state regulations. The table beginning on the next page shows the most recent results of our monitoring. "Typical sources of contamination" show where this substance usually originates. The following definitions are provided to help you better understand terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with:

- Non-detects (ND) — laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present
- Parts per million (ppm) — one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000
- Parts per billion (ppb) — one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000
- Parts per trillion (ppt) — one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000
- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) — picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water
- Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) — nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity, or cloudiness, of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is monitored because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of the filtration system.
- Action Level (AL) — the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Treatment Technique (TT) — a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) — the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set at very stringent levels by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In developing the standards EPA assumes that the average adult drinks two liters of water each day throughout a 70-year life span. EPA generally sets MCL's at levels that will result in no adverse health effects for some contaminants or a one-in-ten-thousand to one-in-one-million chance of having the described health effect for other contaminants.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) — the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology