

This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

APRIL 1990 — Vienna Centennial activities will focus on area churches during the month of April. The commemoration will be highlighted by an ecumenical worship service at St. Mark's Catholic Church. More than 400 people will take part in the service, which will feature adult, youth and children's choirs as well as brass instrumentalists. Following the service, a reception will be held in the fellowship hall, during which Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr., will cut a cake in honor of both Vienna's Centennial and the 25th anniversary of St. Mark's Church.

APRIL 1980 — Vienna residents of all ages are invited to participate in a cleanup of the town's central business district on two consecutive Saturday afternoons, April 12 and 19. These cleanup days are part of the "I Keep Vienna Clean and Green" program. Participants should assemble in the Minipark at the corner of Maple Avenue and Center Street to receive trash bags and instructions.

APRIL 1970 — For their Earth Day project Madison High School students are taking over the cleanup of Vienna's business area. Armed with plastic trash bags and assisted by Town trucks, classes will compete with each other to see who can fill the greatest number of bags. Other students will plant shrubs in selected areas. After an afternoon of work, a dance will be held on the grounds of the Community Center.

CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:
 VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333
 POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363
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Reminders from Your Public Works Dept.

WATER MAINS are flushed each spring to maintain a high standard of water quality and to ensure proper and efficient operation of the fire hydrants. Some discoloration and sediment in the water may be noticed, but these conditions are not harmful and should be of short duration. For more information, call the Water and Sewer Customer Service Office at 703-255-6385.

SPRING STREET SWEEPING begins this month. Residents are requested not to park on the street during the scheduled time for their section to allow the street sweeper to do a thorough job. As the time for each section approaches, signs will be placed on streets as a reminder, and residents can also call 703-255-6381 for information.

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 703-255-6330 to have one mailed to you.



Yard Waste Disposal

Residents are reminded that effective April 1, yard waste (leaves, grass, small clippings, acorns, and other vegetation) must be placed in clear plastic bags or kraft paper bags for pickup by Town sanitation crews.

The new requirement is due to changes in Fairfax County solid waste regulations and is intended to allow the sanitation crews to identify more easily the contents of bags containing recyclable yard waste.

The clear plastic bags may be purchased at Town Hall, and bags are also available at some local grocery stores. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 703-255-6382.

BPOL Tax Due May 1

The deadline for filing business, professional and occupational license (BPOL) returns is May 1. The annual license tax is based on gross receipts, and the rate varies according to the type of business. All town businesses, including home occupations, should receive license tax forms in the mail this month. Forms are also available in the Finance Department at Town Hall. For more information or assistance in figuring license taxes, call 703-255-6321.

Town Budget Preview

A look at the proposed Town of Vienna budget for fiscal year 2001 is included on pages 5-8 of this newsletter.

NEWSLETTER

April 2000

Car Tag Deadline April 17

2000 Town of Vienna motor vehicle decals are available by mail and in the Finance Department at Town Hall weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$20 for passenger cars and trucks weighing under 4,000 pounds, \$25 for cars and trucks 4,000 pounds and over, and \$10.50 for motorcycles. Decals must be displayed by midnight April 17.

Additional hours for last-minute car tag sales have been scheduled in the Finance Department at Town Hall on Friday, April 14, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, April 15, from 8 a.m. to noon, and Monday, April 17, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call 703-255-6323.

County Assesses Town Real Estate

Last month many Vienna residents received notice of a change in their 2000 real estate assessments. The Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration (DTA) sent notices to all county property owners whose assessment has been changed.

The majority of residential properties increased in value, reflecting the price appreciation and record sales volume in the 1999 real estate market, although individual assessment changes may vary considerably.

Property owners can file an appeal with DTA if they believe their assessment is not uniform in comparison with similar properties or if they believe their assessment exceeds fair market value. For an appeal application and more information, call DTA at 703-222-8234 or visit DTA's homepage at www.co.fairfax.va.us/dta. Appeals should be filed by April 5 to ensure a timely response prior to the Board of Equalization (BOE) filing deadline of June 1.

Appeals can also be filed directly with BOE, a panel of nine taxpayers appointed by the County Board of Supervisors who conduct formal hearings and takes sworn testimony. All appeals to BOE must be filed by June 1. BOE appeal forms are also available at DTA's homepage or by calling BOE at 703-324-4891.

Census 2000: Time to Be Counted

Billions of dollars of federal, state and local funds will be spent on thousands of projects across the country in the next decade, including education, health care, job training, and transportation. How and where that money is spent depends on citizen response to the U.S. Census 2000 questionnaire mailed out last month. All Vienna residents are urged to mail back their completed questionnaires to help provide a complete and accurate picture of our community. Be sure to include ALL people residing in your household.

Town Election Day Is May 2

Vienna's annual Town election will be held on Tuesday, May 2. Polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. For information about voter registration and absentee voting, call the Fairfax County General Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776.

This year, incumbent Council members Albert J. Boudreau, Steven D. Briglia, and Robert P. McCormick are seeking reelection to two-year terms beginning July 1. Councilwoman M. Jane Seeman is on the ballot as a candidate for Mayor. Information about the candidates appears on these two pages.

For election results, call the Vienna Newline, 703-255-6333, one to two hours after the polls close on May 2, or visit the Town's website at www.ci.vienna.va.us.

Meet Your Town Council Candidates

Vienna Chapter 1116 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will sponsor a candidates forum at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the Vienna Community Center auditorium. The Southwest Vienna Citizens Association Candidates Night will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, in the Vienna Elementary School cafeteria.

Get Election Information Online

The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area has chosen Vienna as the first community in Virginia to participate in a pilot project for voters called Democracy Network or DNet.

DNet, a nationwide interactive online network of electoral information, will give Town Council candidates a website where they can share their positions with voters and respond to questions on the Internet. DNet has been providing information about candidates and issues since the 1996 presidential election.

Visit DNet at www.dnet.org or contact the League of Women Voters at 703-658-9150.

TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

Steven D. Briglia, Mayor

Albert J. Boudreau	Michael J. Polychrones
Robert P. McCormick	Maud F. Robinson
Vincent J. Olson	M. Jane Seeman

Town Manager	John H. Schoeberlein, 703-255-6370
Director of Public Works	Dennis W. King, 703-255-6381
Chief of Police	Col. Dan Boring, 703-255-6390
Director of Finance	Philip R. Grant, 703-255-6320
Director of Parks & Recreation	Richard S. Black, 703-255-6356
Director of Planning & Zoning	Gregory M. Hembree, 703-255-6341

Send news and comments to *Vienna Newsletter* c/o Town Hall.
Deadline for May issue is Friday, April 14.



M. JANE SEEMAN has been a Council member since 1996. She chaired the Town's Year 2000 Celebration and serves on the Fairfax County Library Board, ViVa! Vienna! Board and other community organizations. She directed the Community Center preschool for 20 years until retiring in 1998.

"Vienna is unique; a small town in the midst of a metropolitan area. It is that very uniqueness that I want to preserve. Charles A. Robinson, Jr., was committed to maintaining Vienna's residential character and providing the best possible service to the citizens. As a member of the Vienna Town Council, I have worked to support that vision.

"Vienna's character and traditions are what brought my family here over 30 years ago. It is those qualities which keep me here and continue to bring new families to Vienna.

"Vienna is stable but not static. Many projects to upgrade Town facilities have been completed while others are being planned. The traffic calming measures are helping deter speeding and cut-through traffic. We have received national acclaim for our photo red light system. The completely renovated Community Center reopened last summer. Club Phoenix Teen Center opened last fall and is very popular. Our neighborhood sidewalk construction will begin this spring. New projects will include the second phase of the Maple Avenue renewal, Branch Road reconstruction and the proposed construction of the Northside property yard.

"The Mayor and Council are committed to serving the citizens of Vienna. That commitment will continue. As Mayor, I pledge that I will work hard to preserve the quality of life we all enjoy in Vienna."

April 2000

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Daylight savings time begins	3 Town Council	4 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	5 Proposed FY 2001 budget available	6	7	8 Town Council budget work session 9 a.m.
9 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	10 Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m.	11	12 Planning Commission	13	14	15 Town Council budget work session 9 a.m. (if needed)
16 Palm Sunday	17 Town Council	18	19 Board of Zoning Appeals	20 Passover	21 Good Friday	22
23 Easter	24 Town Council budget work session 7:30 p.m. (if needed)	25 Transportation Safety Commission	26 Planning Commission	27 Architectural Review Board	28	29

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HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

“Walk on the Hill,” a self-guided tour through lawns and gardens of homes in the Windover Heights Historic District, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, April 30 (rain date May 7). Free admission. The tour will also include an antique car display, Vienna Community Band concert at 3 p.m., stories of early Vienna by long-time residents at the Sloan/Marcy cabin, and refreshments. Parking available at 107 Pleasant St., N.W., and at Green Hedges School, 415 Windover Ave., N.W. Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc., and historic district residents. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

Viva! Vienna!, the annual Town Festival, is scheduled for Sunday, May 28, from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. on historic Church Street. For information or to apply for a booth space, call 703-255-4742. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30.

Ayr Hill Garden Club will present “Coloring the Year 2000 with a Paintbrush of Flowers,” a standard flower show, on Saturday, April 29, from 1 to 5 p.m. at The Virginian, 9229 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Admission is free. For more information, call show chairman Esther Benson at 703-620-4135.

Historic Vienna Inc. membership meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, at the Vienna Community Center. Anthony S. Pitch will discuss his book, *The Burning of Washington, The British Invasion of 1814*. 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 703-938-5187.

Donate your used books for a sale to be held in June at the historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E. The sale is sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc. to benefit restoration of the Moorefield house, which was built in 1790 and is the oldest house still standing in town. Donations may be left on the front porch of the Freeman House. Please do not bring *National Geographic* or other magazines, textbooks,

encyclopedias, or *Reader’s Digest* condensed books. For more information, call 703-938-5187.

Welcome Club of Northern Virginia (formerly Welcome Wagon Club of Vienna-Oakton) will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 6, at International Country Club. The Fair Oaks Fire and Rescue Squad will present a program on emergency preparedness. For reservations, and more information, call 703-938-9377.

Vienna Arts Society (VAS) will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at the Vienna Community Center. Tom Lynch, who appears in the TV series “Watercolor Workshop,” will be the guest speaker. The VAS gallery in the Village Green Shopping Center is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 703-319-3971.

The Shepherd’s Center of Oakton-Vienna, an interfaith community ministry for people age 50 and over, has announced the spring term of its “Adventures in Learning” program April 27-June 15. Classes will be held each Thursday and include Tai Chi, Writing Your Life Story, World Affairs and Foreign Service, and more. Kick-off and registration will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, April 13, at St. Mark’s Catholic Church. For more information, including class fees, call 703-281-0538.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Fairfax County Chapter, will meet at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 1, for a tour of Glen Burnie. Call 703-502-4995 for meeting location and more information.

Free, confidential tax help for middle to low income taxpayers regardless of age each Wednesday through April 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Crestar Bank, 515 Maple Ave., E. (The elevator inside the bank’s side door on Berry Street offers convenient access to the site upstairs.) Bring copies of your 1998 federal and Virginia returns; federal and Virginia tax forms and booklets for 1999; documents showing 1999 income;

Social Security number for all dependents; and receipts or canceled checks if itemizing deductions. Sponsored by AARP and the IRS.

The Vienna Woman’s Club will hold a luncheon and installation of officers on Saturday, April 15, at Cafe Renaissance. The club is planning a yard, plant and bake sale for Saturday, May 6, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 306 Edwin Ln., N.E., with proceeds going to community service projects. For more information, call 703-938-9652.

Shakespeare Reading Group will meet in mid-April to read aloud (not perform) one of William Shakespeare’s plays. The group meets monthly. Acting skills are helpful but not required. For information, call 703-255-5286 or e-mail tware@mg-fairfax.rr.com.

Vienna Photographic Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 5, in the lecture hall at Thoreau Middle School. Jerry Smith of Penn Camera will present “Destructive Photography: Creative, Alternative Applications of Photography.” For more information, call Mo at 703-816-2423 or visit www.safeport.com/vps.

Concord Lodge #307 AF&AM will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the lodge hall at 146 Church St., N.E. (above the Pennywise Shop). The public is invited to a free presentation by historian Mike Bible on the recent reenactment of George Washington’s funeral on its 200th anniversary.

Vienna American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180’s Law and Order Program last month honored Capt. Johnny T. Price of the Vienna Police Department and Capt. Don Burns of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department for their outstanding service. A Life-saving Award was presented to Post 180 member Lewis Tolleson who saved a child’s life by performing CPR. A special award was given to Maud Robinson in memory of Vienna’s late Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr.



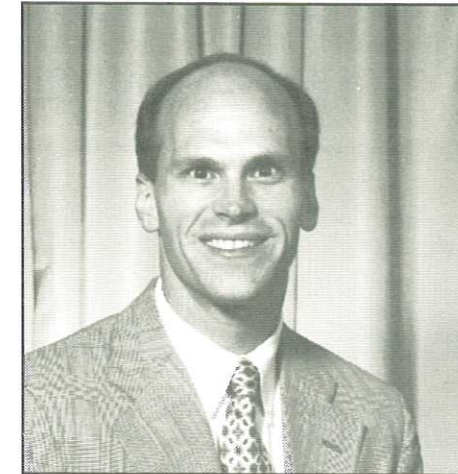
ALBERT J. BOUDREAU is a retired federal executive and part-time consultant to the U.S. Congress. A resident of Vienna for 43 years, Councilman Boudreau also represents the Town on several State and Regional commissions on transportation, land use, and environment issues.

“I have strived to initiate projects to improve the unique character and small-town atmosphere that is Vienna. These include the revitalization of Maple Avenue and Church Street, which have improved the Town’s overall appearance and led to the renovation of many commercial properties. A “turn of the century” vision plan for Church Street (the Town’s original Main Street) has been completed and a new incentive ordinance enacted to encourage small shops and pedestrian shopping.

“In the past you have told me you wanted a safer town. A major program to expand sidewalks (over \$450,000 this year) will provide a safer pedestrian environment and a greater sense of community. More steps have been taken to neutralize the adverse effects of commuter traffic, including traffic calming, modern technology law enforcement, and a proposal for a special Rte. 66 exit to divert some traffic from Vienna.

“There are still some challenges ahead: continued modernization of our streets, sewer, water, and service facilities; further revitalization of Maple Avenue’s healthy, attractive business community with its strong tax base; an expanded vision for the future; and most important, the continued delivery of Town services in a fiscally sound manner.

“I want Vienna to keep its special identity and small-town character and I will continue to work to maintain and strengthen it.”

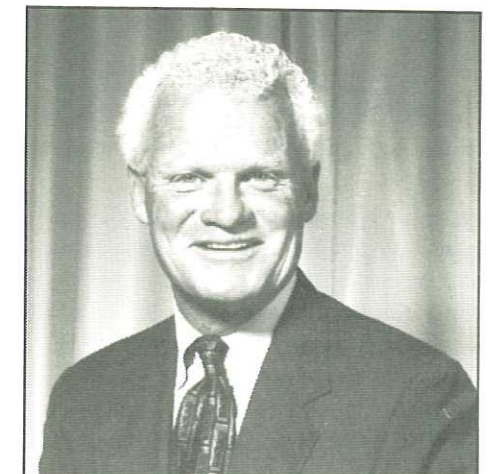


STEVEN D. BRIGLIA, a life-long Vienna resident, has served on Council since 1996 and is currently interim Mayor. He was formerly the attorney member on the Board of Architectural Review and he also served on the Town/Business Liaison Committee. He is an attorney in private practice.

“We are living in dynamic and prosperous times. However, we cannot sit back and assume that the Town will take care of itself. I have worked to ensure that the level of police protection, parks and recreational programs, and public works services continues to meet the needs of Vienna residents, and to renovate the Town’s aging infrastructure. I have supported the implementation of traffic calming measures, the recent improvements to the Community Center, the new Teen Center, and the next phase of the Maple Avenue revitalization. The Photo Red Light Enforcement program is serving as a deterrent to aggressive and impatient drivers. I am also working to improve traffic signalization on Maple Avenue.

“I have worked diligently to ensure that the Town can fund its renovation projects and provide the services that citizens expect and value without raising property taxes. Of course, the Town Council could not do its job without the tireless assistance of our community groups, volunteers who serve on our Boards and Commissions, and dedicated Town employees. I have always valued the ‘home town’ feeling that people associate with our Town. We need to work together to ensure that our community remains a vibrant, safe and great place in which to live.

“It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve the citizens of Vienna and I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve.”



ROBERT P. McCORMICK was elected to Council in 1997. Councilman McCormick is a past president of the Malcolm-Windover Heights Civic Association and is active in other community organizations. He works as an independent insurance broker in Vienna.

“Anyone who has purchased a home understands the phrase, ‘location, location, location.’ After 24 years of living in Vienna, I would stress ‘community, community, community.’ Vienna is unique. We are in the middle of a booming metropolitan area, yet somehow Vienna maintains its small-town atmosphere. (Thank you Charlie.) In working with my Council colleagues, the Town staff and many volunteers, although the task at hand varies, the underlying goal is always the same: Make sure Vienna continues to be a great place in which to live.

“In my last campaign article I mentioned I was working on the Oldest Tree project and the Virginia Center development near Metro. I am happy to report, with the combined efforts of many people, the Oldest Tree is located at 802 Marjorie Ln., S.E., and the developers of Virginia Center withdrew their request for additional office space. I have worked with a wonderful group of citizens and Town employees to open Club Phoenix, Vienna’s first real Teen Center. Currently I am working with several volunteers to place a mural on the wall opposite the train station, and another group is exploring the possibility of activating the Town’s cable channel. (If you have technical expertise, we could use your advice.)

“Obviously, I enjoy being on the Town Council, and I promise to do what I can to keep Vienna a wonderful, unique place in which to live. Thank you.”

NEWS FROM VIENNA PARKS & REC

For more information about any of the activities listed below, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360. All activities are held at the Vienna Community Center and are free of charge unless stated otherwise.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Vienna Theatre Company will present "Snoopy" April 28, 29, and May 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20 at 8 p.m. and May 7 at 2 p.m. (signed performance). General admission \$9; students and senior citizens \$8.

Quarterly coin and stamp show Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, April 30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

JUST FOR KIDS

Bob Brown Puppets will present "Clowning Around" at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 19. Recommended for ages 3-8. Tickets \$3 per person.

AT THE TEEN CENTER

Youth spring/summer activity and job fair 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, April 5. Learn about employment opportunities, volunteer community service projects, and recreational programs.

Build-a-bear workshop and lunch 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 18. Cost for "basic bear" materials and transportation to the Tysons Corner workshop \$15 per person.

Babysitting fundamentals for ages 12 and older 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 29. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. The fee is \$25 per person, and advance registration is required.

For middle school students: Hawaiian Luau Dance, 6-10 p.m. Friday, April 14. Admission \$3 per person. Contests and tournaments every Wednesday at 4 p.m.

For high school students: Comedy night, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 1. Film fest, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 29.

SPORTS, HEALTH & FITNESS

In-line skating clinics for ages seven and up at Meadow Lane Park. Sessions will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. April 9 and 30, May 7 and 21, and June 4. The cost for each session is \$25 plus \$10 equipment rental.

Tennis classes for both adults and children begin the week of April 24. Classes will be held twice a week for six weeks at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. The cost is \$30 for town residents.

Take control of your health 7:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 11. Learn how reforming lifestyle habits can reduce your risk of disease.

Are you a "garbologist"? 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 4. Learn how to avoid overconsumption of sugars and fats by making easy, healthier substitutions. Bring a lunch; healthy dessert provided.

MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

An introduction to wills, trusts and estate planning 10-11:30 a.m. Monday, April 3. Learn about gift giving, federal and state tax considerations, and making peace with probate.

The basics of long-term care insurance 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, April 13, and repeated 10:30 a.m.-noon Wednesday, April 26. Learn how to protect your assets, and the myths and mystery behind Medicaid and Medicare.

Investment seminar 7:30-9 p.m. April 20 and 27. Learn about evaluating various stocks, bonds and mutual funds; portfolio allocation and diversification; buying and selling; how to read the ticker tape; and more.

Homebuyers seminar 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 26. Learn how to buy a home for little or no down payment, how pre-approval can save you money, and how to work with a buyer's agent.

BUS TRIP

Enjoy the casinos in Atlantic City on Thursday, April 20. A charter bus will leave the Community Center at 9 a.m. and return about midnight. The cost of \$30 per person includes transportation and casino package. Reservation deadline April 20.

SENIOR CITIZENS

Staying active beyond 60 7:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 17. Learn how to turn your arthritis fears into fun.

Skin care and image workshop 10:30 a.m.-noon Tuesday, April 11. See how daily maintenance helps skin defy damage from stress, sun, and harsh environments and how the right makeup and fashion colors can help you look better at any age. Includes a private color analysis.

Let's go bowling 1-3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$3.75. Participants car-pool to the bowling alley.

Free blood pressure check Wednesday, April 12, from 10 to 11 a.m. Members of The Medical Team will be available to check your blood pressure.

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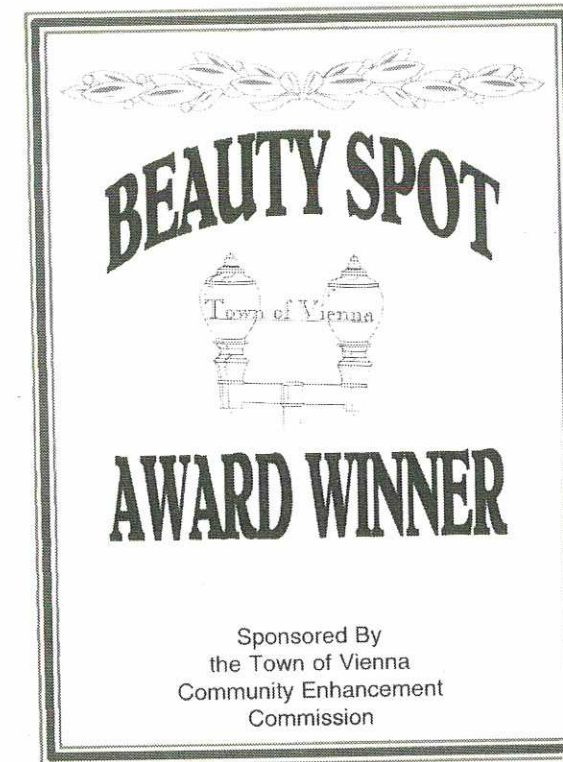
Motivating your child Wednesday, April 12, from 7 to 8 p.m. Academic coaches from SCORE! will discuss techniques you can use at home to help your kids do better in school.

Arm chair traveler series takes you to America's national parks on Friday, April 14, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share stories of their own travels.

from your Community Enhancement Commission **"We're New and Improved!"**

In case you haven't heard, Vienna's Beautification Commission is now known as the Community Enhancement Commission. Members include Patti Polychrones, Steve Bukont, Mary Wilkerson, Laine Hyde, Ken Plumb, John Brunow, David DiLillo, and our staff representatives Richard Black and Nancy Riddel.

In recognition of our new name and our new goals, we are presenting the new and improved Beauty Award Sign:



Look for our new signs around Vienna recognizing those citizens who give that little extra effort to make our town a nicer place in which to live.

Welcome New Businesses

The following business licenses were issued in February:

Bernice Todaro
(psychologist)
380 Maple Ave., W. #303B
703-938-5234

Millennium Cycling
(bicycle coaching)
910 Meadow Ln., S.W.
703-319-8500

TJ Frames
(frame making)
509 Kramer Dr., S.E.
703-938-3037

JMSAT Corp.
(systems engineering)
506 Mashie Dr., S.E.
703-281-5816

Andrew Thompson, DDS
(dentist)
243 Church St., N.W. #300C
703-255-0552

New ownership:
Neighbors Restaurant
262 Cedar Ln., S.E. #D
703-698-8010

Although spring has sprung . . . The Community Enhancement is pleased to announce its winners for winter holiday decorations: David and Beth Bathe, 230 Moore Ave., S.E.; Gregory Holden and Christopher Zebrowski, 401 Marshall Rd., S.W.; Peter and Kathleen Bridgeman, 436 Park St., N.E.; Tyrone and June Holmes, 128 Nutley St., N.W.; Posh, 200 Dominion Rd., N.E.; and Once Upon a Time, 120 Church St., N.E.

Summer Jobs Available

The Town of Vienna has a limited number of openings in the Public Works and Parks & Recreation Departments for temporary seasonal laborers beginning in May. Hours are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The salary is \$8 per hour.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, be able to perform heavy manual labor, and work a minimum of six weeks. Apply in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall, or call 703-255-6350 for more information.

Dog Owners Required To Clean Up After Pets

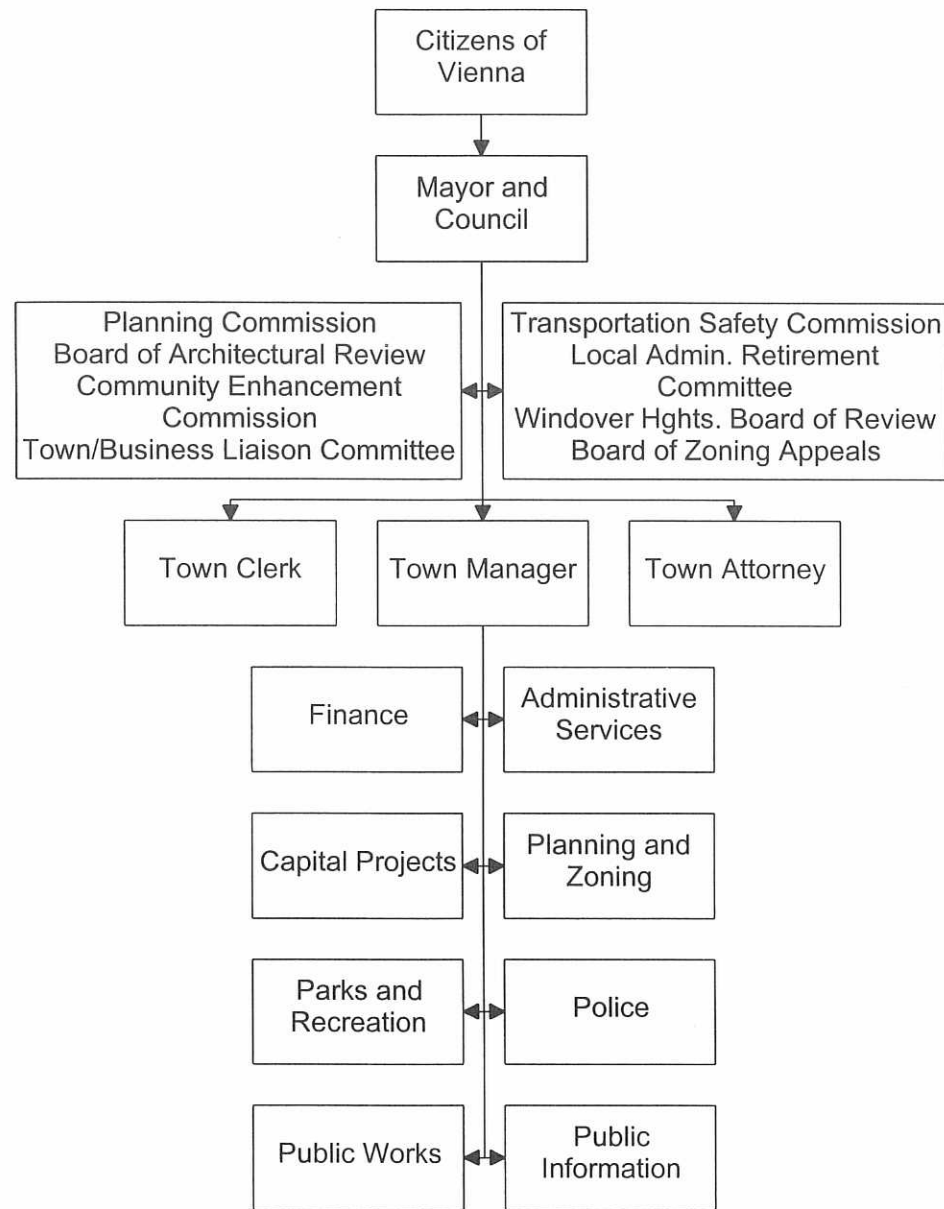
The Town of Vienna has a "pooper scooper" ordinance that requires dog owners to clean up after their pets when out for a walk. Please be a responsible pet owner and don't allow your dog to foul the lawns of neighbors.

Also, signs are posted in several Town parks to remind pet owners that dogs are not allowed on athletic fields, tennis and basketball courts, playgrounds and picnic areas because of the nuisance and potential health hazard to park users. The Town Animal Warden is authorized to fine pet owners found in violation of these laws.

Dog owners are reminded that it is against the law to let dogs run at large on public or private property. Dogs must be restrained by a dependable leash and controlled by a responsible person when off the property of the owner. Dogs found running at large may be picked up by the Animal Warden, and owners charged with dog-at-large violations must appear in court.

TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA

Organizational Chart



TOWN RECEIVES BUDGET AWARD — For the sixth consecutive year, the Town of Vienna has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. This award, for the fiscal year 1999-2000 budget, is the highest form of recognition given for governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, a jurisdiction must satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well a government's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide, and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all of these categories to receive the award.

Town Has Top Bond Rating

The Town of Vienna's general obligation bonds are rated "Aa1" by Moody's Investors Service. This high bond rating for a local government the size of Vienna is enjoyed by very few towns in the United States.

This rating enables the Town to sell bonds at more favorable interest rates compared to those of municipalities with lower bond ratings, resulting in substantial savings for Vienna taxpayers over the life of the bonds.

Moody's noted that its high rating is based on Vienna's healthy economy, sound financial condition, and rapid debt retirement.

The Town of Vienna borrows money by issuing tax-free general obligation bonds to finance major capital projects. The \$4.8 million of public improvements funded in the 1999 bond issue include Phase II of the Maple Avenue Enhancement Project, traffic signal system upgrade, street improvements, water main cleaning and lining, water tank rehabilitation, improvements to the Nutley Street property yard, and other major public improvements.

Bond financing spreads the cost of capital projects over a period of many years, rather than charging the full cost to today's taxpayers. Also, the Town's policy of using meals and lodging tax revenues for a large portion of annual debt amortization payments limits the need for property tax increases to fund these projects.

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Town of Vienna, Virginia

A Look at the Proposed Budget For Fiscal Year 2000-2001

MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER



Continuing our efforts to keep costs to a manageable level and to meet Town Council directives, the 2000-2001 proposed budget has been submitted with no increase in the real estate tax rate of 31¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation. Included in the budget is funding for the recently completed classification and compensation study and a 2% salary adjustment for all employees effective July 1, 2000.

While the real estate tax rate has remained at 31¢ there will be an effective tax rate increase due to increased assessments on both residential and commercial property. On average, the increase in real estate taxes to fund the proposed budget will be in the 4%-5% range for the average tax bill, but each property is unique and the actual increase will depend on the increase in the assessment, if any.

The proposed water and sewer budget includes no increase in consumption charges, but we have proposed an increase in the quarterly service charge from \$4.75 to \$8.00 to cover our fixed charges such as meter reading, billing, etc. The average water bill, therefore, would increase by \$3.25 per quarter or about 41¢ per day. We have also proposed increasing our excess use charge to \$2.15 per 1,000 gallons, which equals the charge to the Town for excess use water purchases from the City of Falls Church.

No decrease in programs or services is planned and we have proposed an increase in the number of employees in the Police and Public Works Departments in order to better serve the public and increase efficiency.

I invite you to read the entire budget message and proposed budget, which provides more detail than this synopsis. The budget will be available for public review beginning April 5 at Town Hall and Patrick Henry Library.

Sincerely,
John H. Schoeberlein
John H. Schoeberlein

FY 2000-2001 BUDGET CALENDAR

Monday, April 10	Budget work session, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 15	Budget work session, 9 a.m. (if needed)
Monday, April 24	Budget work session, 7:30 p.m. (if needed)
Monday, May 15	Public hearing on proposed budget, 8 p.m.
Monday, May 22	Budget work session to discuss public hearing comments, 8 p.m. (if needed)
Monday, June 5	Budget adoption & appropriation of funds

All meetings are held at Town Hall, 127 Center St., S.
For more information, call the Administrative Services Office, 703-255-6350.

Glossary of Budget Terms

Budget – A specific plan which identifies the program of operations for the fiscal year, states the expenditures required to meet the program, and identifies the revenues necessary to finance it. The annual Town budget is established by the Town Council by resolution.

Debt Service Fund – The fund in which transactions related to the payment of interest and principal on the Town's long-term debt are housed.

Expenditure – A decrease in net financial resources. These include payment in cash for current operating expenses, debt service and capital outlays.

Fiscal Year – The year running from July 1 through June 30, designated by the calendar year in which it ends.

General Fund – Accounts for the general operations of the Town. This fund accounts for all financial transactions and resources not required to be accounted in an enterprise fund.

Licenses & Permits – Documents issued to regulate businesses and other activity. A degree of inspection may accompany the issuing of a license or permit, as in the case of a building permit, and in most instances a fee is charged, generally to cover all or part of the cost of administration.

Reserve – An account used either to set aside budgeted revenues that are not required for expenditure in the current budget year or to earmark revenues for a specific future purpose.

Revenue – An increase in assets or financial resources which does not represent an increased liability, a repayment of an expenditure already made, a cancellation of certain liabilities, or an increase in contributed capital.

Water & Sewer Fund – An enterprise fund where the costs of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis are financed or recovered through user charges.

PROPOSED FY 2000-2001 BUDGET IN BRIEF

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES	
Property Tax	\$ 4,806,463
Public Service Taxes	145,000
Penalties & Interest	15,000
Other Local Taxes	4,582,400
Permits, Fees & Licenses	43,800
Fines & Forfeitures	691,100
Use of Money & Property	273,200
Park & Recreation Fees	228,300
Special Services Fees	9,700
Miscellaneous Revenues	49,944
Non-categorical Aid	558,713
Categorical Aid	999,017
Reimbursements	79,846
Interfund Transfers	667,367
Use of Prior Year Reserves	400,000
TOTAL	\$13,549,850

WATER & SEWER FUND

REVENUES	
Use of Money	\$ 180,150
Water & Sewer Charges	4,475,663
Miscellaneous Revenues	26,000
TOTAL	\$4,681,813

DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES	
Other Local Taxes	\$1,510,000
Use of Money	111,030
Reimbursement from State	527,000
Interfund Transfers	419,399
TOTAL	\$2,567,429

EXPENDITURES

Legislative	\$ 542,766
Administration	1,006,309
Finance Department	914,811
Police Department	4,040,619
Public Works Department	4,363,155
Tax Relief	84,200
Parks & Recreation Department	1,613,359
Planning & Zoning Department	443,329
Reserves & Transfers	200,302
Equipment Replacement	341,000
TOTAL	\$13,549,850

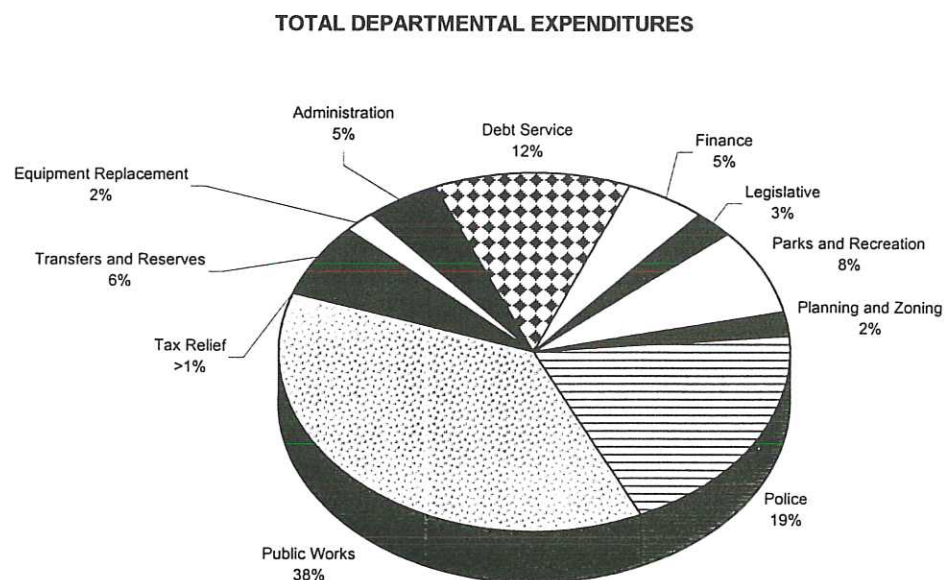
EXPENDITURES

Operations & Maintenance	\$3,088,436
Meter Maintenance & Reading	322,788
Billing/Customer Service	122,092
Transfers	1,086,766
Equipment Replacement	61,731
TOTAL	\$4,681,813

EXPENDITURES

Administrative Costs	\$ 1,200
Reserves	95,326
Debt Service	2,470,903
TOTAL	\$2,567,429

TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$20,799,092



Your Tax Dollars at Work — Town Services

POLICE

In 1999 the Vienna Police Department implemented a state-of-the-art photo red light surveillance system. Hundreds of citations have been issued for red light violations since the system was installed. This new technology has increased safety on our streets and allows members of the Traffic Squad to concentrate their efforts on other offenses.



At the annual conference of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, the department received awards for its efforts to increase compliance with traffic laws and to improve public safety, and its efforts to inform the public about ways to prevent auto theft. The Vienna Police Department was also awarded grants for the purchase of laser radar equipment and six traffic classifiers.

The department conducted a program called "Collect-a-Cop," a distribution of police officer trading cards to Vienna area elementary and middle school students. The program was very successful in encouraging acceptance of police officers among Vienna's children.

Also in 1999 the department earned the Certificate of Accreditation from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. Achievement of this award demonstrates the department's compliance with recognized standards of professionalism in law enforcement. The department's ultimate goal is the achievement of national recognition through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.

PUBLIC WORKS

Curbside recycling of mixed paper (cardboard, magazines, catalogs, junk mail and telephone books) began in 1999. In addition to the convenience to town residents, it is estimated that 100 tons of mixed paper will be diverted from the waste stream, creating a potential savings of \$3,600 each year in disposal fees. Also, the Town no longer needs to rent and service a drop-off bin for phone books, saving another \$3,900 annually.

The General & Street Maintenance Division, Vehicle & Equipment Maintenance Division, and Water & Sewer Division earned the National Safety Council's 1998 "President's Citation" for maintaining a perfect operating record without any days lost from work due to an occupational injury or illness — a total of over 167,000 employee hours. This award recognizes the cooperation and effort made by Vienna's Public Works crews to complete each day safely, in spite of having to perform some of the toughest jobs, such as snow plowing and repairing water main breaks, at all hours and in extreme weather conditions.

The Public Works Department is currently developing plans for the proposed Northside maintenance facility and overseeing the sidewalk construction program, water and sewer line replacement, and construction of the Wall Street booster pumping station.

PLANNING & ZONING

During 1999 the Planning and Zoning staff was involved in the implementation of the Church Street Vision Plan, an incentive based development program to preserve the unique character of the historic Church Street commercial corridor. Under the plan, which is entirely voluntary, property owners are encouraged to renovate and develop properties in accordance with guidelines that reflect a main street urban architecture reminiscent of the small-town American streetscape of the late 19th century. In exchange, owners will receive additional building square footage, a reduction in parking requirements, and an expedited review process.

The department was awarded a grant for a Geographic Information System (GIS), which 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 computer software program is compatible with software used by Fairfax County to allow easy exchange of information.

PARKS & RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Department celebrated the completion of major renovations to the Vienna Community Center and Southside Park in 1999. A trail was completed at Wildwood Park, and the department recently received a grant from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation to help fund a trail through Northside



Park to provide access to the Washington & Old Dominion Regional Park Trail. The 1,400 foot asphalt trail will begin at Glyndon St., N.E., and include a bridge across Piney Branch.

Club Phoenix Teen Center opened in September and was an instant success with a turnout of more than 400 teens and parents for the grand opening event. Middle school and high school teen councils, along with the Vienna Teen Center Foundation, provide volunteers and assist in planning dances and other special events.

The Community Center hosted the Vienna 2000 Celebration on New Year's Eve, and a new "Millennium Clock" was unveiled outside the building as a lasting reminder of Y2K.