

## This Month in History

from the Vienna Newsletter archives

**JULY 1990** — As of July 1, 1990, new state legislation makes it illegal to dump used motor oil onto land or into storm sewers in Virginia. Many people don't realize the storm drain inlet at their curb leads to a storm sewer system and from there to a local stream. The widespread practice of dumping used motor oil contributes to the degradation of our environment. As little as one quart of used motor oil is sufficient to contaminate over a million gallons of drinking water.

**JULY 1980** — Confronted with the prospect of Vienna's water and sewer system operating at a deficit of some \$290,000 for fiscal year 1980-81, the Town Council has raised water rates to avoid the loss. For several years the system has been operating at an annual deficit, which has been made up by transferring funds from other sources. Although the rate for sewer service remains the same, bills will now be based on actual water used instead of water used during the preceding winter quarter.

**JULY 1970** — Construction is underway for Page Communications Engineers, Inc., and Vega Precision Engineers, which held groundbreaking ceremonies last month. Also scheduled this summer is the extension of Follin Lane to Maple Avenue. Follin Lane will be the primary access road into the industrial park.

### CALL THESE NUMBERS 24 HOURS A DAY:

VIENNA NEWSLINE 255-6333

POLICE INFO LINE 255-6363

TO ORDER A SPECIAL PICKUP 255-5727

Visit the Town's web site at [www.ci.vienna.va.us](http://www.ci.vienna.va.us)

## Eliminate Mosquito Breeding Places

Fairfax County health officials are asking residents to be more conscious this year of the need to eliminate mosquito breeding places around their homes such as small pools of water in rain gutters, tarps or covers, trash can lids, etc. Mosquitoes can breed in as little as a teaspoonful of water.

*Culex pipiens*, a mosquito commonly found in our area, is known to have transmitted the West Nile virus to humans after picking up the virus from infected birds. This virus was responsible for 61 cases of encephalitis in New York last summer, including seven deaths.

Crows and blue jays belong to a family of birds that is particularly vulnerable to the West Nile virus. A crow carcass found near Baltimore last year was confirmed to be a carrier of the virus. If you find a dead crow or blue jay that appears to have died from natural causes within 24 hours, please call the County Health Department at 703-246-2300.

Again, the best method of mosquito control is prevention. This means eliminating potential breeding locations from your property and changing the water regularly in containers such as birdbaths and wading pools.

## TOWN OF VIENNA

### Holiday Schedule

Town Hall will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Trash will be collected as usual for residents on the Tuesday route.

### Real Estate Tax Due

The first installment on 2000 Town of Vienna real estate taxes is due on July 28. If you have not received your bill by July 15, please call the Town's real estate office at 703-255-6325. 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.

### Meet the Supervisor

Fairfax County Supervisor Cathy Hudgins invites Hunter Mill District citizens to meet with her from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 15, at Town Hall. For more information, call 703-478-0283. Meetings are scheduled the third Saturday of each month except August and December, alternating between Town Hall and the Supervisor's Reston office.

### Water Quality Report

Inside this newsletter is the 1999 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.

# NEWSLETTER

July 2000

## JULY 4TH CELEBRATION!!

Vienna Community Center Grounds  
Tuesday, July 4, 2000

12 noon-6:00 p.m.

- ★ Arts & crafts vendors
- ★ Food & drink for sale
- ★ July 4th All-American Chili Cookoff sponsored by the CASINOVA Pod, Chili Appreciation Society, Inc., to benefit the Optimist Club of Vienna

### MAIN STAGE PERFORMERS

- ★ Fabulous Belairs — noon-2:00 p.m.
- ★ Sundown — 2:30-5:00 p.m.

### CHILDREN'S STAGE

- ★ "Ralph The Great" magic show — 1, 2, 3 & 4 p.m.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

- ★ 17th District American Legion annual all-star baseball game — 10:30 a.m. at Waters Field
- ★ Family games — 2:00 p.m.
- ★ Greased pole climb — 4:00 p.m.

### EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

- ★ Vienna Community Band concert of traditional marches & patriotic music — 8:00 p.m.
- ★ Fireworks display — 9:15 p.m.

Rain Date for Fireworks Only Wednesday, July 5  
Vienna Parks & Recreation Department, 703-255-6360

All vendors are required to have a booth; roving vendors prohibited.

**FIRE & RESCUE**  
911  
(Voice & TDD)

**VIENNA POLICE**  
**EMERGENCY**  
703-938-4900 (Voice)  
703-255-5730 (TDD)  
NON-EMERGENCY  
703-255-6366 (Voice)  
703-255-5730 (TDD)

VIENNA TOWN HALL  
703-255-6300 (Voice)  
703-255-5735 (TDD)

COMMUNITY CENTER  
703-255-6360 (Voice)  
703-255-5739 (TDD)

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Vienna, Virginia 22180-5799  
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This document will be made available in large print or on audio cassette upon request. Call 703-255-6330, TDD 703-255-5735.

# TOWN COUNCIL ACTION

All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise

## MAY 8, 2000

- Conducted a closed session to discuss appointments to Town boards and commissions, and nominations of Council members and Town staff to the Virginia Municipal League's policy committees.

- Appointed Edna Jean-Richard as the Vienna Regional Chamber of Commerce representative on the Town/Business Liaison Committee to fill the unexpired term of Philip Abraham.

- Recommended Aggie Dix for appointment to the Fairfax County Athletic Commission.

- Concerning a requested site plan modification for the Northside Property Yard, approved 28% lot coverage (5-2, *Boudreau and Polychrones voting nay*); approved the location of the existing salt dome and future storage buildings (5-2,

*Boudreau and Polychrones voting nay*); waived the six-foot masonry wall requirement in the C-M zoned portion of the site (6-1, *Polychrones voting nay*); denied a stormwater management waiver eliminating the construction of an underground detention facility (6-1, *Olson voting nay*); and approved the landscape plan (5-2, *Boudreau and Polychrones voting nay*).

- Approved site plan modifications and accepted the architectural elevations and site development standards proffered for the property at 144 Church St., N.W.

- Approved the emergency installation of traffic signal interconnect cable.

- Renewed the contract with Schaefer Pyrotechnics of Strasburg, Pa., to provide this year's July 4th fireworks display at a price of \$7,500.

- Authorized the Town Attorney and Town Manager to negotiate a license agreement with Level (3) Communications for a pass through fiber optic cable system.

- Awarded a bid for theater equipment at the Community Center to Kinetic Artistry at a price of \$31,436.

- Referred to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation a proposed amendment to the subdivision ordinance concerning cancellation of building permits for failure to start construction.

## MAY 15, 2000

- Conducted a closed session to conduct the annual review of the Town Clerk.

- Conducted a public hearing on the proposed Town budget for fiscal year 2000-2001.

- Approved the preparation of engineering design and construction documents, in an amount not to exceed \$86,150, for the rehabilitation of the following streets: Lakewood Drive between Yeonas Drive and Walker Street; Drake Street between Lakewood Drive and Walker Street; Fardale Street between Casmar and Park Streets; Casmar Street between DeSale and Park Streets; and DeSale Street between James Drive and Cedar Lane. (*Approved 5-1, Olson voting nay, Seeman absent.*)

- Approved the preparation of plats, signal design specifications, civil structural plan and easement right-of-way plats, in the amount of \$9,100, for the replacement of traffic signal poles at Maple Avenue and Nutley Street.

- Approved the issuance of a sole source emergency purchase order to Virginia Public Works Equipment of Richmond for parts and repair of the sewer jet-vacuum in the amount of \$9,375 plus freight charges.

## MAY 22, 2000

- Conducted a closed session to conduct the annual review of the Town Attorney and the Town Manager.

# July 2000

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Trash pickup first collection day, curbside recycling second collection day each week	3 Town Council	4 <i>Independence Day</i> Town Hall closed	5	6 Police Chief's Advisory Committee 7 p.m.	7	8
9 All meetings are held at Vienna Town Hall beginning at 8 p.m. unless noted otherwise	10	11 Windover Heights Board of Review 7:30 p.m.	12	13 Town/Business Liaison Committee 6 p.m.	14	15
16	17	18	19 Board of Zoning Appeals	20 Architectural Review Board	21	22
23	24	25 Transportation Safety Commission	26	27 Community Enhancement Commission 7:30 p.m.	28 Real estate tax 1st installment due	29
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## TOWN OF VIENNA NEWSLETTER

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### VIENNA TOWN COUNCIL

M. Jane Seeman, Mayor

Albert J. Boudreau	Vincent J. Olson
Steven D. Briglia	Michael J. Polychrones
Robert P. McCormick	Maud F. Robinson

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 August issue is Friday, July 14.

# HAPPENINGS AROUND OUR TOWN

**Vienna Arts Society** gallery in the Village Green Shopping Center will present an early summer show of original paintings through July 22. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 703-319-3971.

**Play bingo** every Wednesday at the Vienna Moose Lodge. Early bird bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. and regular bingo at 7 p.m. Snacks, soda and coffee served. For more information, call 703-281-4370.

**Vacation Bible School** for children age 2 through high school will be held July 16-19 from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. at Epiphany United Methodist Church. This year's theme is "Club Can-Do: Kids Called to Care." To register and for more information, call the church at 703-938-3494.

**Vienna Woman's Club** has awarded scholarships of \$1,000 each to two James Madison High School graduating seniors: Emily Avesian, who will attend Virginia Commonwealth University; and David Di Lillo, bound for the University of Virginia. Another \$1,000 was awarded for continuing studies at NOVA to Pamela Scott. The Woman's Club has been awarding scholarships annually since 1962.

**"Breeding Dogs to Win,"** will be held August 5 and 6 at the Potomac Community Center featuring Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia, behavioral scientist, successful breeder, AKC licensed judge, and author of numerous articles and books about dogs. The cost is \$85 for both days. Sponsored by the Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club, which meets monthly at the Dunn Loring Fire Station. For more information, call Laura Rubin at 301-983-9468 or visit the club's web site at [www.geocities.com/Heartland/Valley/3231](http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Valley/3231).

**Beardless Iris Sale and Auction**, sponsored by the Chesapeake and Potomac Iris Society, will be held on Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Shrevewood Elementary School in Falls Church. For more information, call Ruth Filsinger at 703-534-4142.

**Golden Girls** senior women's softball association has begun another winning season by qualifying two teams for the Senior Softball World Series. The Golden Girls have a seven-team league that plays locally. Women aged 40 and over are invited to call Donna Packard at 703-938-0387 for more information.

**Vienna Farmers' Market** at Nottoway Park is held each Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., rain or shine, featuring fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods, and live and cut flowers. Plenty of parking is available with convenient handicapped spaces. For more information, contact Market Manager Ed Bieleci at 703-281-3530.

## Welcome New Businesses

*The following business licenses were issued in May:*

P2000 Technology <i>software development</i> 140 Park St., S.E. #101 703-938-6900	Annette Lane <i>acupuncture</i> 510 Birch St., S.W. 703-255-5198	Equipment House <i>auto equipment sales &amp; service</i> 404 Tapawingo Rd., S.W. 703-242-7835
Vision Quest Laser Center <i>(laser eye surgery)</i> 431 Maple Ave., W. #A 703-938-1010	Transitions Therapeutic Massage 112 Pleasant St., S.W. no phone # on file	Wayne Garber & Associates <i>consulting</i> 144 Maple Ave., E. 703-242-6507
Katherine R. Betancourt <i>massage therapy</i> 301 Maple Ave., W. #D 703-255-1500	Jan Dee Summers <i>massage therapy</i> 112 Pleasant St., S.W. no phone # on file	VA Networks <i>computer consulting &amp; sales</i> 128 Church St., N.W. #C 703-937-0197
Joan Seppala <i>freelance writer</i> 430 Center St., N. 703-938-8361	Baum Communications <i>marketing consultant</i> 1002 Ware St., S.W. 703-242-9690	Stewart-Treviranus Associates <i>painting conservations</i> 431 Maple Ave., W. #D 703-319-8119
Bailey Electrical Services 144 Maple Ave., E. #203 703-255-3046	Long & Foster Real Estate 100 East St., S.E. #100 703-319-2100	Maid Perfect <i>maid service</i> 307 Maple Ave., W. #200 703-255-0745
Fez Parker Photography 1104 Fairway Dr., N.E. 703-938-8477	Richard S. Badger, CPA 302 Maple Ave., W. 703-938-7088	<i>New ownership:</i> Vienna Inn 120 Maple Ave., E. 703-281-3655
Fortunate Catering 117 Kingsley Rd., S.E. 703-255-3196	Major League Alumni Marketing 124 Park St., S.E. #201 703-242-8203	<i>New ownership:</i> Asian Flavor 128 Maple Ave., W. 703-938-9800
Hudson Roofing Company 386 Maple Ave., E. #211 703-556-4477	CSA Automotive <i>auto repair &amp; gas station</i> 410 Maple Ave., E. 703-938-9497	

### Comment from the Council Table

## New Mayor Looks Forward To Continuing Improvements in Our Community

By M. Jane Seeman  
Mayor of Vienna

The Town Council has undergone several transitions in the past six months. As the newly elected Mayor, I thank Councilman Mike Polychrones for so ably serving in his capacity as Vice Mayor during the first weeks following the death of Mayor Robinson. This was not an easy time for any of us, and Vice Mayor Polychrones did an excellent job.

The next person to thank is Councilman Steve Briglia who stepped up to the plate when asked to serve as interim Mayor. He called himself "interim" Mayor when, in fact, he was duly sworn in as Mayor. Councilman Briglia has juggled his responsibilities as a parent of two young sons, his law practice, and served the Town extremely well.

The position of Mayor is important for several reasons. That office represents the Town at many official and ceremonial functions. The Mayor also presides over Council meetings, which represents a significant amount of preparation time. The Mayor usually answers letters from the public, signs subdivision plats and other civil processes, and meets with anyone requesting a meeting.

Even though I did not take office until July 1, I have been busy setting up meetings, appearing at functions to "say a few words," going to various meetings as the Mayor-elect, and just generally learning the ropes. I do not have Mayor Robinson's years of experience and I cannot fill Mayor Robinson's shoes, but I know I can count on the citizens of Vienna to let me know how I'm doing. As a matter of fact, I am relying on everyone to inform me if I am on the right track or not. I am willing to learn. Councilman Briglia said it best in his June newsletter article, "Vienna is run by the conscience of its community."

It's an exciting time to be in Vienna and we are moving forward. The Town's Church Street Vision Plan has been awarded first place among small jurisdiction planning projects for the year 2000 by the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association. This is big news for us. The first

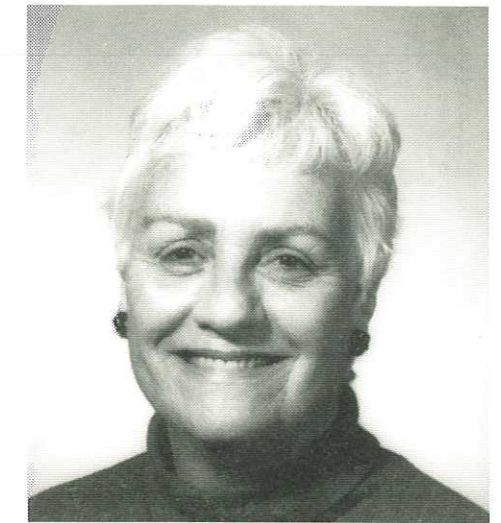
building under this incentive plan is slated to begin construction this fall and another building is currently being planned.

The second phase of Maple Avenue renovation will be constructed in 2001. We have learned the pitfalls to avoid from the first phase of construction. It will be inconvenient for awhile, but I believe the results are worth it.

We are working on a better special pickup program so that our neighborhoods will be cleaner looking and thus reflect on the Town as a whole.

"Optimize" is the new buzz word in transportation. It means "to make as perfect, effective and functional as possible." All our traffic lights are now connected into a computer in Town Hall so that timing can be changed according to the circumstances. Our staff has met with VDOT to coordinate with its traffic timing at Tysons Corner, and VDOT has offered assistance in our program.

The neighborhood sidewalk construction will begin soon. We now have a dedicated funding source for neighborhood sidewalk construction. In a recent article in the *Washington Post* real estate section featuring Vienna, people interviewed stated that



Mayor Seeman

the convenience of getting to businesses, the library, Town Hall and the Community Center was a main attraction to living here.

Vienna has a sound fiscal policy, a conservative budget, and an excellent bond rating. We just received notice that the Government Finance Officers Association has awarded the Town the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for FY 99-00. This is the highest award given. We keep a close watch on our expenditures. Our Town staff has increased only 0.8 employees in the past ten years and yet we have kept pace with the demand for increased services from a larger population.

I am looking forward to the next two years. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Mayor.

## Beware of Telephone Scams

Recently, a number of Vienna residents have received telephone calls from persons claiming to represent their bank or credit card company and asking for account information. In a typical bank or credit card scam, the caller may tell you he is running a security check and then attempt to learn your account numbers and other personal information.

All consumers are urged to take common sense precautions to guard their financial transactions and avoid possible scams. Keep in mind that your bank and your credit card company already have your account numbers; unless you initiated the call, never give out these numbers over the phone.

Please help spread the word among your neighbors, and if you receive a suspicious call, please notify the police at 703-255-6366 (non-emergency). Residents with caller ID are asked to report the phone number of the caller.

# Council Adopts FY 2001 Budget

The Town Council has adopted Vienna's budget for fiscal year 2000-2001, which begins July 1. The budget for all funds totals \$20,799,092, an increase of \$1,961,720 or 10.41% over last year.

The real estate tax rate remains unchanged at 31¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation; however, due to reassessments by Fairfax County, the average Vienna taxpayer will see an increase in the real estate tax bill equivalent to approximately \$38 per year.

Water and sewer rates also remain unchanged in the new budget. The quarterly service charge and the excess use charge have been increased to cover rising operating costs.

A "Budget in Brief" summary is given below; complete copies of the budget are available for review or purchase in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall.

## FY 2000-2001 BUDGET IN BRIEF

### GENERAL FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Property Tax	\$ 4,806,463	Legislative	\$ 554,774
Public Service Taxes	145,000	Administration	1,011,764
Penalties & Interest	15,000	Finance Department	914,811
Other Local Taxes	4,582,400	Police Department	4,047,924
Permits, Fees & Licenses	43,800	Public Works Department	4,309,476
Fines & Forfeitures	691,100	Tax Relief	84,200
Use of Money & Property	273,200	Parks & Recreation Department	1,615,359
Park & Recreation Fees	228,300	Planning & Zoning Department	443,329
Special Services Fees	9,700	Reserves & Transfers	227,213
Miscellaneous Revenues	49,944	Equipment Replacement	341,000
Non-categorical Aid	558,713	TOTAL	\$13,549,850
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		EXPENDITURES	
Use of Money	\$ 180,150	Operations & Maintenance	\$3,088,436
Water & Sewer Charges	4,475,663	Meter Maintenance & Reading	322,788
Miscellaneous Revenues	26,000	Billing/Customer Service	122,092
TOTAL	\$4,681,813	Transfers	1,086,766
		Equipment Replacement	61,731
		TOTAL	\$4,681,813

### DEBT SERVICE FUND

REVENUES		EXPENDITURES	
Other Local Taxes	\$1,510,000	Administrative Costs	\$ 1,200
Use of Money	111,030	Reserves	95,326
Reimbursement from State	527,000	Debt Service	2,470,903
Interfund Transfers	419,399	TOTAL	\$2,567,429
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**TOTAL BUDGET FOR ALL FUNDS \$20,799,092**

## Church Street Vision Plan Wins Statewide Award

Vienna's Church Street Vision Plan has been awarded first place among small jurisdiction planning projects for the year 2000 by the Virginia Chapter of the American Planning Association.

The Church Street Vision Plan is an innovative concept in commercial development — an incentive based development program — to preserve the unique character of what was once Vienna's main street. The voluntary program encourages property development and renovations reminiscent of the small town American streetscape of the late 19th century in exchange for modifications of land use requirements to increase the economic value of the property.

The Church Street Vision Plan was developed by Town/Business Liaison Committee members Jerry Covell, Maud Robinson and Jim MacIntosh; Town Council members Jane Seeman and Al Boudreau; citizen advisors Paul Layer, Jim Preston, David Jodice and Mike Gelb; and Jennifer Steingasser and Brent Wilkinson of the Planning and Zoning Department. For more information about the Vision Plan, call the Planning and Zoning Department at 703-255-6341.

## Beauty Spot from Your Community Enhancement Commission

Vienna's Community Enhancement Commission recognizes town residents and businesses for improvements to their property, volunteer cleanup efforts, and other beautification projects. The latest Community Enhancement Service Award goes to: James R. and Linda H. Booth, 307 John Marshall Dr., N.E., for their "exquisite" landscaping of their front yard.

Citizen nominations for awards are welcomed. Send them in care of the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department, 120 Cherry St., S.E. Interested citizens are invited to attend the Commission's next meeting at 7:30 p.m. July 27, at Town Hall.

## 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 unless stated otherwise.

### SPECIAL EVENT

**Family movie outdoors** at Glyndon Park Friday, July 28, at dusk (about 8:30 p.m.). Free admission. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating.

### BUS TRIPS

**French Festival** in Fredericksburg 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 22. Entertainment, food, games, crafts, and the cooking of a 5,000 egg omelet. \$20 per person. Register by July 15.

**Atlantic City casinos** Thursday, July 20, 9 a.m.-midnight. \$30 per person. Reservation deadline July 13.

### JUST FOR KIDS

**Personal safety for kids** ages 5-7 and 8-10, taught by Vienna police officers, July 10-14. Parent attendance recommended. \$5 for town residents.

**Summer youth sports camps** in July include in-line skating, baseball, tennis, softball, soccer, basketball, field hockey, and football. The cost is \$105 for each camp, and discounts are available for multiple camps or for more than one family member (no discounts for tennis).

### SPORTS & HEALTH

**Tennis classes** for both adults and children begin the week of July 17. Classes will be held twice a week for six weeks at Meadow Lane and Glyndon Parks. \$30 for town residents.

**Fall co-ed softball league** begins August 21, and men's fall softball league begins September 10. For both leagues, the registration fee is \$375 per team and in-

cludes 14 regular season games, umpire fees, softballs, score book, awards, and a post-season tournament.

**Get healthy and stay healthy** 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 18. Discover the hidden causes of common health problems and how to correct them.

### SENIOR CITIZENS

**55 Alive Mature Driving Program**, sponsored by AARP, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, July 24 and 25. 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. \$8 per person; advance registration required.

**Skin care and image workshop** 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, July 18. Learn 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. Free of charge; pre-registration required.

**Let's go bowling** at 1 p.m. Thursday, July 27. The approximate cost for two games and shoes is \$3.50. Participants car-pool from the Community Center to the bowling alley.

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

### AT THE TEEN CENTER

**"Beat the Summertime Blues"** for students in grades 6-8 each Tuesday, July 11-August 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Includes trips to the National Arboretum, Baltimore Aquarium, Old Town Alexandria, IMAX/Planetarium, Luray Caverns, Chinatown/MCI Center, Harpers

**Babysitting fundamentals** for ages 12 and older 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 22. Learn how to care for infants and young children, including bathing, games/activities, basic first aid, diapering, and safety practices. Bring a bag lunch and a doll. \$25 per person; registration required.

### MANAGING YOUR MONEY & YOUR ESTATE

**Homebuyers seminar** 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 19. Free of charge; advance registration is required.

**"Why Good Wills Go Bad"** 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, July 10. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss will copies, do-it-yourself tax plans, and more. Free of charge; advance registration recommended.

**The basics of long-term care insurance** 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 13, and repeated 10:30 a.m.-noon Thursday, July 27. Learn how to protect your assets, and the myths and mystery behind Medicaid and Medicare.

### POTPOURRI

**Lunch Bunch** will eat at Clyde's on Wednesday, July 19, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet new people, socialize, and enjoy a good meal. You pay for your order, a portion of the tip, and \$5 for transportation. Register at least a week in advance.

**Arm chair traveler** series takes you to Hawaii on Thursday, July 20, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Participants are encouraged to share stories of their own travels. Free of charge.

**Kings Dominion and Busch Gardens** discount tickets are available weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Checks only are accepted payable to "VRPS" (Virginia Recreation and Park Society). During Park and Recreation Days at Kings Dominion, July 22-August 6, tickets are just \$18 each (regular daily admission \$35.99 for adults, \$25.99 for kids).

Volatile Organic Contaminant (VOC)	Units of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Violation?	Range of Detection at Sampling Points	Sampling Year	Typical Source of Contamination
Dibromochloro-methane *	ppb			2.9	NO	ND - 2.9	1999	Byproduct of chlorination
Vinyl Chloride	ppb	0	2	0.5	NO	ND - 0.5	1999	Leaching from PVC pipes; Discharge from plastics factories
Chloroform *	ppb			53	NO	ND - 53	1999	Byproduct of chlorination
Bromodichloro-Methane*	ppb			36.5	NO	ND - 36.5	1999	Byproduct of chlorination
* unregulated VOCs								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	62	21 - 137	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	ND - 1.8	NO	Erosion of natural deposits
Beta emitters	pCi/L	0	50	6.8	1.9 - 6.8	NO	Decay of natural and man-made deposits

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# 1999 WATER QUALITY REPORT



## 1999 Annual Water Quality Report for the Town of Vienna and Surrounding Service Area

### MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

As part of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1996, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires all water utilities across the nation to mail their customers a Water Quality Report by July 1 each year. 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 1999. 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.

In November 2000, one of the Town's water suppliers, the Washington Aqueduct, will convert its disinfection process from chlorine to chloramine. Unlike chlorine used alone, chloramine can limit the production of trihalomethanes in the presence of organic matter. The added benefit of this change is it will reduce the chlorine taste and odor in the water. Another of the Town's suppliers, the Fairfax County Water Authority, already uses chloramine in its disinfection treatment process.

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

Sincerely,  
*John H. Schoeberlein*  
John H. Schoeberlein

*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](mailto: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.

## 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 the 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.) 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.

## 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 <sup>th</sup> 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?	Range of Detection at Sampling Points	Sampling Year	Typical Source of Contamination
Turbidity	1. 5 NTU maximum 2. ≤0.5 95% of the time	1. highest single measurement = .44 2. lowest monthly percentage = 100%	NO	NO	1999	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	.03 - .06	1999	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Beryllium	ppb	4	4	1	NO	ND - 1	1999	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; Discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries
Chromium	ppb	100	100	2	NO	ND - 2	1999	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Fluoride	ppm	4	4	1.07	NO	ND - 1.07	1999	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate + Nitrite Nitrogen	ppm	10	10	3.41	NO	.25 - 3.41	1999	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Atrazine	ppb	3	3	.10	NO	.05 - .10	1999	Runoff from herbicide use

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