

REGISTER OF VIENNA HISTORIC STRUCTURES, SITES AND PLACES

1. MONEY & KING FUNERAL HOME is the oldest continuously operating business in the Town and in Fairfax County, established in 1881 on Church Street.

2. 331 LEWIS ST., NW was built in 1904. In 1989 it became the first residence on the Register. The application noted the original tin roof, hardwood floor, and windows and carved wooden staircase.

3. 223 WALNUT LANE, NW was built in the early 1900s on property purchased from Capt. H.L. Salsbury. It has clay and stone foundation, fishtail scallops, colored glass in attic windows, gingerbread moldings, 10-foot ceilings, plaster walls and wavy window glass.

4. MOOREFIELD HOUSE was built around 1789 by Rev. Jeremiah Moore and his wife Lydia. Rev. Moore was an early Baptist preacher and an ardent proponent of religious freedom and separation of church and state. The house fell into disrepair in the late 1990s and despite many efforts to save the structure it was dismantled in 2005. It was containerized and is awaiting a new location.

5. WEST END CEMETERY (500 BLOCK OF LEWIS ST., NW) was established in 1884 on land given by Capt. Salsbury "for the use of colored people...as a cemetery."

6. FREEMAN STORE & MUSEUM (131 CHURCH ST., NE) was built by merchant Abram Lydecker in 1859. It was occupied by both sides during the Civil War and has been a general store, post office, fire station, railroad station, and Civil War hospital, as well as home

to the Lydecker and Freeman families. Leon Freeman was a founding member of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department and served as Mayor (1912-1914).

7. SALSBUURY SPRING (SW CORNER OF LAWYERS RD. AND WINDOVER AVE.) was part of Capt. Salsbury's dairy farm. It is recorded that the spring did not dry up during the drought of 1930. His widow deeded the spring to the Town in 1938.

8. ORIGINAL VIENNA LIBRARY-THE LITTLE LIBRARY (MILL ST. BETWEEN CHURCH ST. AND MAPLE AVE.) was built in 1897 and was originally located on Library Lane. The 20¼ foot square building was relocated to its current location in 1969 where it is a museum managed and maintained by Historic Vienna, Inc.

9. MOOREFIELD CEMETERY (TAPAWINGO RD. IN THE TOWNES OF MOOREFIELD) contains the graves of Rev. Jeremiah Moore, his wife Lydia and some of their children and grandchildren. A marker recognizes the life and work of Rev. Moore.

10. BROADWATER CEMETERY (CORNER OF TAPAWINGO RD. AND FREDERICK ST.) is on the site of Springfield, the manor house built in 1750 by Capt. Charles Broadwater of Surry, England, appointed by King George III as the first sheriff of Fairfax. The three headstones are of his son Charles, a Burgess of Fairfax County, his grandson Charles Lewis who served in the Revolutionary War, and great grandson Charles Guy who served in the War of 1812.

11. BOWMAN HOUSE (131 CENTER ST.) was built circa 1890 as a school following approval of a \$1500 school bond issue (\$1000 for a white school; \$500 for a black school). It was relocated from its original site where the current Vienna Elementary now stands. The Town purchased the building in 1960. It is now an Arts and Crafts center.

12. 211 WALNUT LANE, NW was built circa 1880 on land purchased from Capt. H.L. Salsbury.

13. 309 WINDOVER AVE. NW was built by Capt. H.L. Salsbury for E.C. Bouton in 1892. Mr. Bouton's mother purchased the original four acres of land for \$880. It was moved from its original location on the lot.

14. 720 CENTER ST., S is an old farmhouse built in 1906 of wood and covered with cedar shingles. In the attic there is a galvanized metal cold-water trough, which cannot be removed due to an attic door renovation. The unique architecture includes an enclosed front porch, original wainscoting, a built-in window bench and polished pine floors.

15. LYNN STREET CEMETERY (BETWEEN 1008 & 1010 LYNN ST., SW) is the burial site of Dr. James Hunter and his wife Sarah. He is believed to be the first doctor who lived in Vienna and was a great grandson of Col. Charles Broadwater.

16. VIENNA RAILROAD STATION (231 DOMINION RD., NE) was built circa 1860 by the Alexandria Loudoun & Hampshire Rail Road, then remodeled and enlarged by the Southern Railway in 1894. The last train ran in 1968 when the successor, W&OD, ceased operation. The building is owned by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and is leased by Northern VA Model Railroaders, Inc.

17. 200 WALNUT LANE, NW was built circa 1905 on land sold by Capt. H.L. Salsbury in 1878. The house was one of the first to be remodeled under auspices of the Windover Heights Board of Architectural Review.

18. 308 EAST STREET, NE was built just after WWII when Vienna had less than 2000 inhabitants. The house was known as "Wolftrap Lodge." Originally a hunting lodge, a portion of

the land was provided by a later owner for use as a bird sanctuary.

19. 214 LAWYERS RD., NW was Vienna's first church, built as First Baptist Church in 1867, primarily by former slaves on land donated by Union veteran Maj. Orin E. Hine. He employed many of the Church's founders, and was influential in obtaining lumber reclaimed from Civil War barracks for use in the construction. The building also became a school for black children.

20. SONS & DAUGHTERS CEMETERY (500 BLOCK OF ORCHARD ST., NW) has been at this location since 1892, when Capt. H.L. Salsbury and his wife sold the property to Mr. Andrew Minor and other trustees of the "United Order of the Sons and Daughters of Liberty Lodge No. 9." There are over 200 graves, many of former slaves, freed colored citizens and their descendants and colored soldiers who served under Capt. Salsbury in the 26th Regiment, Union Army. Ownership transferred to First Baptist Church in 1968. The cemetery is still in use.

21. JOSEPH BERRY HOUSE (200 CHURCH ST., NE) was built in 1898 and occupied by the Berry family for over 60 years. Joseph Berry was County Surveyor from 1903 until 1951. He surveyed the Ayr Hill Subdivision for Mr. O.E. Hine and conducted the first survey of Windover Heights in 1894. He also served as Vienna Mayor and Councilman. Mrs. Berry organized the Ayr Hill Garden Club and held the first meeting in her house in 1929.

22. 403 CREEK CROSSING RD., NE was built in 1890 using beams and wood framework from Mr. Stuart's sawmill at Hunter's Mill. There is a cistern in the basement and square nails have been found in the framing. The house is known as "Maple Shade."

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23. 214 NUTLEY ST., NW is one of the best remaining examples of a freed African American house left in Vienna. It can be traced to a 1907 deed between Captain H.L. Salsbury and Gilmore Taylor. Mr. Taylor is buried in West End Cemetery. He received ownership for the sum of \$107. Ownership passed from Mr. Taylor and his wife to Bentley Taylor and his wife Alice, and from that time the house was commonly known as “Aunt Alice’s House” where she resided until 1978.

24. 128 CENTER ST., S better known as Vienna Elementary School was founded in 1872, and is the oldest continuously operating school in Fairfax County. The original two-story, wood frame structure sat on the current site then known as “Schoolhouse Hill.” There were two classrooms, but only the downstairs classroom was used because there was only one teacher. The building faced the dirt “School Street,” now Center Street. The first teacher-principal, Mrs. M.M. Wright, earned \$25 a month – but boarded in her students’ homes and tutored at night to make enough to live comfortably. About 68 students ranged in age from five to 21 years old. A few who exceeded the maximum age paid tuition of \$1 per year. The school day was 9AM to noon, and 1-4PM. Water came from a spring; it was a great privilege to be selected as class “water bearer.” Construction began on a larger building in 1890. A third structure, built in 1915 and destroyed by fire in 1919, was replaced by the present structure in 1923. That building has been modified and expanded over the years to meet the growing needs of the community.

25. 330 CENTER ST., N the Civil War fortification at Dyer-Gunnell American Legion Post 180, is a star-shaped earthen fort with a 130 yard perimeter, constructed by Union forces on the highest point of land in the area circa 1863-65. It was built to protect western and southwestern approaches to Vienna, and the railroad line and railhead of the Alexandria,

Loudoun & Hampshire RR to the northeast, and Lawyers Road to the southwest, then a prominent route to the northwest as well as to the City of Fairfax. Today the fort is the picnic ground and children’s playground adjacent to the American Legion Post. One-third to one-half of the “parapet and ditch” which comprised the original perimeter exists in a remarkable state of preservation, having suffered only from erosion over 160 years. The ditch may, originally, have been as much as ten feet deep. Most trees would have been cleared in front of the earthwork to provide a clear field-of-fire for cannon mounted in the embrasures at the “points” of the “star.”

26. 2417 PARK ST., SE this private home was constructed in 1925 as four square 2 story structures. The first owners were the King family. The original structure was a wooden exterior with 2 fireplaces. A major addition in 1989 added two stories with additional bedroom, bath, 2 fireplaces and family room. Prior to sale in 2015, this was the home of Daniel and Margaret Dellinger, both well known in the Vienna community. Daniel served on the Town Council and, from 2013 to 2014, he was National Commander of the American Legion.

In 1988, the Vienna Town Council established a Register of Vienna Historic Structures, Sites and Places. The purpose of the Register is to encourage recognition of and interest in the Town’s historic sites.

Any property owner may request to be included on the Register. The Town Council acts after the Board of Directors of Historic Vienna, Inc. evaluate applications on the basis of age, historic significance, and special features.

Recognition does not constitute an “official designation” of any kind nor does it give the owner any additional privileges or responsibilities.

Vienna artist Katherine Rebeiz designed special markers for properties listed on the Register. The bronze plaques are made available to property owners at cost.

Additional information about the Register as well as a map to the historic sites and the Application for Registration may be found on the Town’s web page at: www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=247