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## INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, March 19, 2002, 7:00 p.m.  
Indian Springs Village Town Hall

### Agenda:

- I. Mayor/Council Committee Reports  
Town Meeting Discussion
- II. Ordinances and Resolutions
- III. Citizens' Forum  
Danny Bedgood - Gun Control

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### Editor's Notes

*The Village Voice* is the official organ of Indian Springs Village, AL, established October 16, 1990. The mission of this newsletter is to foster a spirit of community and co-operation. It is the vehicle for reporting the monthly deliberations of the mayor and the council in town council meetings; additionally it provides these officials and other Villagers a means of communicating--it is a "voice." Expenses are covered by the efforts and donations of ISV volunteers. Deliveries are made at no charge by volunteer couriers.

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## A Message From the Mayor

By Gene Weingarten

The Town Hall meeting on February 26 was well attended. Over 130 people, representing not only Indian Springs Village, but also adjacent areas, were there to listen and present ideas to the KPS Group. Although the meeting lasted over two hours, I don't believe the level of interest ever waned. The philosophy behind the founding of the town was very evident, and thoughts for improvements and changes were voiced.

Thanks to Randy Fuller, principal of Oak Mountain High School, for his assistance in enabling us to use the cafeteria for our meeting. Thanks also to Ms. Cheryl Thomas, Mr. Fuller's "right hand person," for securing the date and location. If you have not seen OMHS and all its facilities, you have missed a treat. We are proud to have such a marvelous campus within the town of Indian Springs Village.

The next three months will be campaign time for a primary vote of county and state officials coming up in June. We will have reminders in *The Village Voice* as election day approaches. The candidates will be distributing information in order to inform you of their platforms. If you have questions, contact the candidates, and come to the town council meetings--always on the third Tuesday of the month. I am sure a number of folks running for office will be in attendance and will look forward to meeting you.

The following letter comes to us in response to the efforts of Margie Robins and her Santa's Helpers. The ISV Children's Fund has for many years been an important factor in helping needy children at Christmas. If you have not sent your donation, please do so today.

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Dear Mayor Weingarten,

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude towards you and the community of Indian Springs for the generous contribution to our students at Christmas. Many of the less fortunate students in our school were able to have a wonderful holiday because of the money you donated. We were able to purchase many things that the students and their families needed and even a few of their wants. Our school would also like to thank you for the very generous check toward our benevolence fund. The money will be put to good use for our students. Thank you again for thinking of our school and most importantly, our students.

Sincerely,

Sheryl Ponder and Christy Chandler

Counselors, Oak Mountain Intermediate School

# At Town Meeting on February 26, Citizens Lead the Way

By Patricia Crapet, Town Council Place #2

The purpose of the Indian Springs Village Town Meeting, which was held on February 26, 2002 at the Oak Mountain High School cafeteria, was for town leaders to gain insight from ISV citizens about the town; to review briefly why the town originated, to discuss the state of the Village now, and to determine a direction and vision of ISV's future. The citizens of Indian Spring Village, while sparse in number (approximately 140 were in attendance for a town of over 2,200 in population) certainly did not disappoint the founders, current leaders, and planners who came to hear their ideas.

In attendance at this very important meeting were Mayor Gene Weingarten and Councilmembers Herb Robins, Patricia Crapet, Art Johnson, and Brian Stauss. Town Clerk Paul Stephens, Assistant Town Clerk Jim Wyatt, Chairman of ISV Zoning and Planning Jerry Templeton, and numerous members of the ISV Zoning and Planning Commission were also visible, as were Shelby County Representative Mary Sue McClerkin, North Shelby County Fire District Chief Michael O'Connor, Shelby County Commissioner Ted Crockett, and North Shelby Library Trustee Steve Zerkis. All of these local officials, who listened intently, were eager for input from the local residents. For those who missed the opportunity to voice their ideas about the disposition of the town, here is a synopsis of the evening, which lasted well over two hours, and could have gone much longer.

After introductions, the meeting was moderated by Darrell Meyer, of KPS Group. After viewing several maps of Indian Springs Village and surrounding areas, both of present and future predictions of population, traffic, commercialization, and other issues, the floor was opened to residents who answered the questions posed by KPS and listed in last month's issue of *The Village Voice*.

The first question posed was: *What physical characteristics best express or define Indian Springs Village?* Answers from the floor varied: rural atmosphere, visibility of horses and other livestock, clean air, the ISV Town Hall, quiet peaceful atmosphere, good law enforcement and fire protection, the non-intrusive town government, large estate lots, single family community, good neighborhood schools, and close proximity to the Oak Mountain State Park and to Heardmont Park. The physical characteristics that were

considered extremely important to the atmosphere of ISV were especially those that are obviously absent from the town, such as obtrusive outdoor lighting and signage and random commercialization. These "assets," according to residents, are what makes up the character and appeal of Indian Springs Village, which, as recognized by the KPS Group, was originally the main reason for the founding of the town.

The next question was: *What physical characteristics of ISV are not up to standards?* Once again, residents were vocal on what they considered to be the "liabilities" of the Village. Among them are: speeding vehicles on roads, flood problems along Bishop Creek, litter and trash on roads and highways, roadside peddlers, potholes, junked cars, property owners who do not keep up their properties, and non-conforming out buildings. Things cited as being either absent or lacking were: sidewalks, walking paths, and curbside recycling (with the exception of our aluminum can program). Some things that were mentioned that were not necessarily physical, but important nonetheless, were the lack of effective means of enforcing our own laws and ordinances, and the lack of a consistent "police presence" in the community. The main area of concern for most people, and the item that invoked the most conversation, was the presence of the major state highway, Cahaba Valley Road, which runs right thru the center of town, and the noise and the traffic, traffic, traffic, that it brings.

*What outside trends could affect ISV over the next ten years?* Residents cited Hoover's expansion through annexation and commercialization, municipal encroachment on our North Shelby Fire District, pollution from more heavily populated areas, development of new commercial and residential sites, taxes of state, county, and other municipal entities surrounding ISV.

*How should the leaders of ISV respond to these concerns?* Most of the answers were the same: have good communications with the Sheriff's Department and the Fire District, decide the character of Cahaba Valley Road and exert input to the State of Alabama Department of Transportation about our concerns, respect individual property owners' personal freedoms and right to utilize their properties in appropriate manners.

*What things are missing from the "ideal" vision of Indian Springs Village?* Not surprisingly, there was little that was seen as being absent for our town. Physically absent: walking trails, a town square and other civic area,

a Post Office, and even a coffee shop or tea room. Cited as missing was a source of revenue that would enable the town to be more effective in enforcing ordinances and laws. Also mentioned as being not necessarily missing, but nonetheless lacking, was more community spirit from the citizenry. An attitude and feeling of "community" was seen to be lacking, mainly in areas of volunteering, due perhaps to citizen apathy.

*What are the things that should NOT be changed in ISV?* First item noted was the Town Hall, followed by the rural atmosphere--plentiful in wildlife and livestock, large estate lot sizes, and citizens personal freedoms.

*In defining the vision of the future of Indian Springs Village, what key words best describe the mission and purpose of ISV?* Those mentioned were: conservation, respect, volunteering, community, pride, quiet and peaceful atmosphere, and revenue.

The last question of the evening posed to residents was: *What attitudes must be overcome to achieve the vision that we would like for Indian Springs Village?* Mentioned right away was the need for more volunteers for town duties and events. A suggestion of a sales tax of one percent was also mentioned. Mr. Meyer, of KPS Group, noted that the Winn-Dixie and surrounding stores are kept in business mainly by non-residents of ISV. If a sales tax were to be implemented, these non-residents would actually be helping "foot the bills" for our town, much like we help Hoover when we shop at the Galleria or Inverness Corners, or Birmingham when we shop at Brook Highland.

The meeting ended on a very positive note after over two hours of suggestions and ideas from the residents of Indian Springs Village. Results from the evening will be discussed and plans formulated on how to address these issues which face ISV now, and more importantly, in the future. Stay tuned for notice of additional meetings.

## Meeting Covered on Website

*By Brian Stauss, Town Council Place #3*

The charts used by KPS during the Town Meeting are available on the ISV website ([www.indianspringsvillage.org](http://www.indianspringsvillage.org)) for display and download. *The Birmingham News*/Shelby County News article regarding the meeting is also on the website.

## A Message From Our First Lady

Gene and I appreciated your care and concern following his recent surgery. Many people called and kept him up-to-date with the Village happenings. We especially enjoyed the visits. Visiting, like letter writing, has almost become a lost art. These visits were a reminder of

## ISV Welcome Committee Invites Basket Contributions

*By Ruth Goodwyn, Editor*

The Indian Springs Village Welcome Committee, a part of the Garden Club, encourages donations from businesses for the welcome baskets distributed to new families in the neighborhood. The donations suggested are business cards, gift certificates, refrigerator magnets, pens, pencils, bookbags, etc., advertising services/products. Please contact Mary Bowman of the Welcome Committee at 988-0086. Please also contact Mary if you know of Newcomers to the Village. The Welcome Committee would like to thank Villagers who have already donated items.

## Heardmont Happenings

*By Ruth Goodwyn, Editor*

If you are not an active participant in the activities at the Mary Ellen Estes Senior Community Center at Heardmont Park you may miss out on some of the exciting trips sponsored by the Center. That is the message from Rita Seales, who said the trip to Quebec and Montreal, Canada, was booked up in three days after the notice was posted.

The trip is for September 12-21, and the Center is still taking applications for back-ups in case someone signed up has to cancel. Three big trips a year are usually scheduled. Senior citizens went to Branson, MO, last September, and to St. Augustine, FL, last week. Trips to Ashville House, an old restored home at Ashville, AL, were also booked up in a hurry.

Breakfast is now being served on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$2.00 per person, and so far the requirement to call in advance has not been necessary, as it is for daily (Monday through Friday) lunch.

Jenny Waller is conducting portrait classes on Mondays and Wednesdays. The sessions last for 1 1/2 to 2 hours and cost \$10 per class. Supplies usually cost under \$10. On Mondays the topic is black & white portraits and on Wednesdays, pastels.

## Free Days at Landfill

The Shelby County Commission has granted two FREE days at the Shelby County Landfill, Saturday, April 20, and another day in October. The landfill does not take tires, batteries, and hazardous liquids such as paint and motor oil. It does take old appliances and household furniture, plus tree limbs and yard trash. The landfill's number if you have questions is 669-4169.

## Library "Friends" Workshop Meeting to Be Held April 2

*By Ruth Goodwyn, Editor*

Dr. Ed Burns, new president of the Friends of the North Shelby Library has announced the next meeting will be Tuesday, April 2, 5:30 p.m. at the library. Current members, those volunteering for committee positions and those interested in joining the Friends are welcome to attend.

Pam Walker of Sunny Meadows will edit the Friends' newsletter. The bulk mailing permit has already been re-established at the post office. Several from the library district have volunteered to serve on committees. Before chairpersons are determined, the duties of each committee--ways and means, publicity, book sales, membership and program--will be discussed and agreed upon at the organizational/workshop meeting.

A large attendance at the annual meeting Feb. 26 elected Dr. Burns (Ph.D.-Psychology) as president, Mrs. Lewis Wilson, vice-president/president-elect; Bobby Nolan, secretary, and Mrs. Susan Bank, treasurer. Board of Trustees President Alain Gallet and members Steve Zerkis of Indian Springs and Kay Kelly, as well as the library director and associate director, were in attendance.

All of the new officers are from unincorporated North Shelby except for Dr. Burns. He and his wife, Barbara, live at Greystone Farms, where he is president of the homeowners' association. Before settling in this area Dr. Burns was in private practice as a psychologist in New York City and Long Island. Previously he was with E. I. DuPont de Nemours & Co. for 25 years as Director of Research and Director of Engineering; he held other executive positions worldwide. His five degrees from Virginia universities are in engineering, international marketing, and psychology.

Mrs. Lewis Wilson has a background in music (piano/organ). She attended Hendrix College, AR, and graduated from Southwestern of Memphis (now Rhodes College). A doll collector, she has been president of the Birmingham Doll and Toy Club. Susan Bank is on the English Department's faculty at the Richard Scrushy Campus, Jefferson State Community College. She and her husband, both from Pittsburgh, and their two sons have lived in Shelby County for 10 years. A professional engineer, Bobby Nolen and his family moved from Montgomery to Inverness in 1982. He has been a member of the Friends organization and supporter of the library since its founding.

The Friends of the Library organization is an association of persons interested in the library with the purpose of promoting knowledge of the library's services and helping the library develop services that the community needs. It encourages support in the form of donations, gifts, endowments, etc., and often has fund-raising events such as the very successful Holiday Tour of Homes in Indian Springs in 1996.

## NSFD Has Unique New Engine

*By Ruth Goodwyn, Editor*

The North Shelby County Fire & Emergency District announces an innovative first for the Birmingham Metro area with the addition of a new fire engine equipped with a Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS). It is believed the new engine is only the second one purchased in the state, Fire Chief Michael O'Connor has said.

An engine equipped with CAFS will allow for a quicker, easier, more sustained fire knockdown with less water damage than conventional fire engines. The system mixes air and foam into the water coming out of the hoses. The mixture blankets the area better, soaking into the fire and "smothering" it out, preventing its reigniting. Another advantage is that the hoses are much easier to manipulate, being 50 percent lighter.

The NSFD crews were trained in the new system last week, culminating in a live fire training exercise Friday, March 8 at a home (donated to NSFD for training) on Farley Lane behind McDavid Lake near the Highway 119-280 intersection. The event was attended by news media and personnel from neighboring fire departments.

The new CAFS engine will be stationed at Fire Station No. 1 on Valleydale Road, but will respond to every fire call.

Chief O'Connor said much time had been spent researching the compressed air foam system. All fire engines are replaced according to a set schedule, and when time came to retire a 24-year-old engine, one with the new system was ordered in recognition of its advantages. "We try to keep aware of new improvements to better serve our fire district citizens," Chief O'Connor said.

## New Library Hours; Tax Help

**Monday-Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Thursday: 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m.**

**Friday & Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**Sunday: Closed**

Help with taxes for senior citizens is available at the North Shelby Library. Trained volunteers offer tax counseling and prepare income tax returns for anyone with low to moderate income, with special emphasis on those 60 years and older. Offered by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), the program is free. Call the library at 439-5555 for an appointment on a Monday or Wednesday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Participants should bring their tax returns for 2000 and tax information for the year 2001.

## Wildlife Center Needs Volunteers

Volunteers are urgently needed at the Alabama Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. The center needs help with animal care, educational tours, emergency telephone response, carpentry, or office work. The next training session for new volunteers is Sunday, April 14, from 1:30-5:00 p.m. at the Alabama Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, Oak Mountain State Park. To receive your volunteer information packet call 663-7930.

# Disaster Hits Family--Again

By Ruth Goodwyn, Editor

Sometimes it seems that misfortune hovers around some folks like a deep, dark cloud. The Alabaster family that Terry Johnson, daughter of Villagers Paul and Lola Stephens, "adopted" about four years ago had just reached some level of comfort in life after help from various sources.

On a cold Saturday night, Feb. 22, their trailer burned to the ground and they lost everything. Even the father's old car parked outside the trailer blew up.

Now Terry is starting all over again with an appeal to Villagers, who responded so generously before, to contribute basic items such as clothes, sheets, blankets, towels, washclothes, pots and pans, to try to get this family established again. Presently they are living with a distant aunt at Jemison but prefer the Alabaster area where the two children are enrolled in school.

The first need is for housing, and Terry is working with Shelby Emergency Services at Montevallo toward that goal. The donation of another trailer would be welcomed. The family gets food stamps and the children have been outfitted with winter clothes through the Baptist Association. Any clothes or household items donated can be stored in the basement of the Stephens or Johnson homes.

Terry had taken food baskets to the family at Thanksgiving and Christmas, and makes it a practice to check on them periodically.

The trailer they lived in was heated by three kerosene heaters--two new and one old, the one which caused the fire. Both Helena and Alabaster fire departments answered the 911 call. Mother, son, and daughter were visiting relatives. The father, Raymond, was asleep on the couch. He was rescued from the burning trailer by his brother-in-law, a next-door neighbor. The parents are both in ill health; he with back and heart problems and she with severe diabetes. Both were taken in separate ambulances to the hospital.

Villagers have always responded to appeals to help this family in need. The first appeal was in 1998 for a refrigerator. A Villager donated a refrigerator; others made cash contributions which bought them a new stove. The family was homeless one year later because their rickety house had burned down. From that appeal came a used trailer. One "angel" in the Village, who wishes to remain anonymous, had the children's teeth taken care of initially and now takes them to a local dentist every six months for checkups and any repairwork needed.

All in the family are small in size. The children are Natasha, 13, and Buddy, 11. The father and mother are good parents who love their children and care for them as well as they can. But right now they need help again. If you can help, call Terry at 663-2048. She and her husband, Steve, will come to your home to pick up donations.

## In Sympathy

By Ruth Goodwyn and Patricia Crapet

Sympathy is extended to the **Joseph** and **Anita Marino** upon the passing of Joseph's mother, **Mrs. Josephine K. Marino**, age 97, of Birmingham. Mrs. Marino passed away on Thursday, February 28, 2002. Presently a member of St. Paul's Cathedral Catholic Church, and formerly of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Mrs. Marino

was involved in the Holy Rosary Sodality.

Mrs. Marino was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Michael Marino, and a daughter, Mary Ann Pumilia. Mrs. Marino left a legacy of survivors including her sons Joseph and Sal, and daughters Virginia Borgini and Anna Rose Maniscalco. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, including **Sal Maniscalco**, of Indian Springs Village, 17 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren. Funeral mass was held on Saturday, March 2, 2002, at Saint Paul's, with Father Richard Donohoo officiating, with interment at Oakland Cemetery in Ensley.

The father of **Michael J. Crapet** of Indian Springs passed away on Valentine's Day. **Mr. Joe A. Crapet**, age 78, of Hoover, died February 14 leaving numerous relatives. He is the father-in-law of Councilwoman **Patricia Crapet** and grandfather to **Joseph**. He was preceded in death by his wife of 45 years, Louise Graffeo Crapet.

Mr. Crapet was a former longtime member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and current member of Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church. He served in the U.S. Army 34th Infantry, Division F., during WWII, where he was awarded the Purple Heart. He played in the St. Joseph Softball League as a pitcher and retired from U.S. Steel Corporation.

Other survivors include another son, Anthony J. Crapet and his wife, Cathy, of Hoover; three grandchildren, Lisa Crapet Bodiford and her husband, Joel, Casey Crapet, and Joseph Crapet, one great grandchild, Grace Bodiford, and a brother, John A. Crapet and his wife Virginia of Pell City; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation at Southern Heritage Funeral home was Friday evening from 5:30-8:00 with the Rosary at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services were Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of the Valley with Father Michael McMahon officiating. Burial was at Southern Heritage, with military honors.

The family requested that any memorials be made to Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church. Villagers sympathize with the Crapet family in the loss of Michael's father.

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Mrs. Lee Howell McHugh**, 81, of 600 Indian Trail, who passed away Feb. 26 at Shelby Ridge in Alabaster where she had been a resident for 16 months.

Mrs. McHugh was with Sears Credit Central for 20 years. She and her husband, **LaMar**, were members of the Air Stream Travel Club and often made trips together.

Mr. McHugh said they would have celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on March 4. To commemorate the occasion their daughter, Pam Wooten of Alabaster, took him out to lunch. Other survivors include a son-in-law, David Wooten, a son, Don Carlson and his wife, Kitty, of St. Simons, GA, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation at Southern Heritage Funeral Chapel was held Wednesday evening, Feb. 27, and graveside services the next day at 2:00 p.m. in the adjoining cemetery.

Sympathy is also extended to **William Duncan Holcomb**, English teacher and Director of the Boarding Program at Indian Springs School. His father, the Rev. William Spencer Holcomb, age 66, died at his home in Sandestin, FL, on Wednesday, February 27. He was an Episcopal priest retired from the Diocese of Alabama, and had served congregations in Gadsden, Decatur, and Montgomery. Services were held in Santa Rosa Beach, FL on March 2 and also at the Cathedral Church of the Advent in Birmingham on March 4.

# Town Council Highlights

## February 19, 2002

By Patricia Crapet, Town Council Place #2

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met on Tuesday, February 19, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall. Mayor Gene Weingarten presided, with council members Herb Robins, Patricia Crapet, Art Johnson, and Brian Stauss present. The reading of the minutes was waived.

Town Clerk Paul Stephens announced the revenues for the month: beer taxes, \$1,018; alcoholic beverages, \$108; insurance license fees, \$495; ISV logo tags, \$37; building permits, \$175; and vehicle licenses, \$352. Yearly utility taxes received were: Alabama Power, \$65,512; Alabama Gas, \$20,787; Pelham Water, \$7,408.78; and quarterly revenue from Charter Cable, \$3,819. The balance in the general fund was \$89,380, after a transfer of \$100,000 to a certificate of deposit at Union State Bank. The road fund received \$974, resulting in a balance of \$71,604. The Indian Springs Village Children's Fund received \$710.

Committee reports were as follows: Councilman Herb Robins stated that the turn lane project proposal plans have no set date, but it is estimated work will commence in early summer. Bids will be let on March 1, 2002 for paving of Valleydale Road from Southlake to Caldwell Mill Road. Councilman Robins announced that signs for the I-65 exit 246 ramp showing "Indian Springs Village" had been ordered, thanks to John Amari, who visited our town council meeting in January. A bid of \$1,010 for outdoor accent lighting for the town hall and flag pole area was unanimously approved.

Councilman Brian Stauss discussed speed limits for residential streets. Speeders have been clocked in the Cahaba Oaks subdivision at speeds in excess of 54 mph. Stauss suggested that ISV post speed limit signs of 25 mph for all non-county or state roads in ISV. Councilman Stauss also plans to interview several persons who have shown an interest in the Webmaster position for ISV's website. In the meantime, Councilman Stauss and Councilman Art Johnson will work on scanning in the latest issues of *The Village Voice* for access on the website.

Brought to the council's attention was the fact that at times, Villagers may have problems with too much sales tax being collected from them on goods delivered to their homes. The sales tax within Indian Springs Village is presently only five percent, four of which goes to the State of Alabama, and one percent, to Shelby County. ISV collects no sales taxes on goods sold or delivered in the town.

## Aluminum Recycling - March 20

By Art Johnson, Town Council Place No. 4

Aluminum recycling is Wednesday evening, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. To help identify your recycling, please use white, blue recycling, or clear plastic bags with the tops tied with a knot; place your recycling on the other side of your driveway from your trash. Watch for ISV recycling reminders along Highway 119, Indian Crest Drive, and the entrances to Homestead.

In February the recycling volunteers were Pat and Russ Favorite, Margie and Herb Robins, Trudy and Paul Skokel, and Jackie and Art Johnson.

A lot of people recycling to help the environment, even if each contribution is small, makes a BIG difference! When you collect aluminum drink cans, foil or aluminum pie tins for recycling, you are not only helping the environment, you are helping support the costs of publishing *The Village Voice*. Please call 988-3217 for information.

## Building Permit Applications

By Marty Martin, Town Engineer

Address, Applicant, Request, Comments:

Caldwell Mill Rd., Wilson, new dentist office

Lot 10, Mountain Cove, Grant, new residence, approved.

1130 Spring Garden Street, Gaut, deck enclosure, approved

241 Cahaba Oaks Trail, Paul James, pool, approved

2649 Valleydale Road, Bailey & Owens, new office

building, pending.

## Garden Club Plans Yard Sale

By Marge Dunn/Del Levesque

At our February meeting the Indian Springs Garden Club and Welcome Committee welcomed three new members. Indeed, our club is growing. We are always delighted to have all interested Villagers attend our meetings and see what wonderful things we are involved in.

Currently we are dividing up our "living quilt" of flower bed areas around the town hall that gives each member a small plot that they are responsible for. We are grateful to Mary Bowman, Jr.--our designation for the daughter of Mary Bowman, also a Garden Club member--who devoted the time to design the "quilt" on paper, and we look forward to the results of our hard work.

At our next meeting scheduled for March 21 our speaker will present the basics of flower arranging. On March 26 we will have a field trip to "Petals from the Past." If you are interested in joining us, please meet at the town hall at 9:45 a.m.

Please remember to put things aside for our yard sale on April 6 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donated items will be received on Friday at the town hall between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Questions? Call Marge Dunn at 987-4765 or Del Levesque at 987-5029.

### YARD SALE

to be held by Indian Springs Garden Club

at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall

Please bring donations to the Town Hall on

Friday, April 5, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

*Sale is Saturday, April 6, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.*