

# The Village Voice



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## INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, November 20, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 4, 2012 7:00 p.m.

### Agenda

- I. Mayor/Council/Committee Reports
- II. Ordinances and Resolutions
- III. Citizen's Forum

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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 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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### Editor's Appreciation to

Indian Springs Village couriers for hand delivery  
Mildred Wyatt for the masthead drawing  
Herb Robins for proofing

## Message From The Mayor *by Steve Zerkis*

Well, the time has come. I'm retiring as your mayor and this will be the last of my Mayor's Messages. The past eight years have gone past faster than I imagined they would. I've got to say that for a sleepy little town, Indian Springs Village is very active and full of life and I am very proud to have been your mayor. Over the past eight years, your Town Council and I have continued to develop this town and make it into a stable and pleasant village to live in for families. We have followed the initial town objectives and philosophy of maintaining this town and its valley as a “green oasis”. That philosophy is described in our Comprehensive Plan.

All of that is due to the efforts of residents who volunteer their time and hearts to make Indian Springs Village special. Our Town Council and several commissions are made up of residents who care. We have worked together on a number of projects to benefit the residents. We created a Comprehensive Plan, developed good financial practices that have given us better control over revenues and expenses and increased our annual revenues with no increase in taxes. Our bank balances have increased every year with no debt. We've continued to make solid improvements and investments in the town's infrastructure, and we have taken action to reduce future increases in flooding. We have built on the efforts of our previous mayors and town councils and you have a much better town. Your new mayor and council members want to maintain Indian Springs Village as a special place. I hope you will support them over the next four years.

Founders' Day this year was extra special. We used this day as a way of honoring Jim Wyatt. Jim is one of the town's founders and has been active since well before its incorporation. Without his determination and work, we would not have a town. We surprised Jim with a granite plaque mounted into the base of our flag area. This plaque thanks Jim for his service to the town and to his country as a U.S. Marine. In this manner, he represents all military veterans and honors their service.

As part of the evening's program, we had a patriotic presentation by Dr. David Dyson on the founding of Veterans Day right here in Birmingham.

Thank you again. It has been my honor to serve you and the people of Indian Springs Village as your mayor. Pat and I have enjoyed knowing all of you.

## Council Meeting Date Change

The first council meeting in November has been changed to Monday, November 5. This will be the organizational meeting and you are invited to attend the swearing-in of the mayor and council for the 2012-2016 term. Any city business usually conducted at the first monthly meeting will also be handled at this time.

# ISV Honors Jim Wyatt

by Kathryn Harrington, Villager

At our Founders' Day celebration this year, Mayor Zerkis asked Jim Wyatt to raise our flag. The town residents gathered around the flag pole. Mayor Zerkis and Jim mounted the steps and raised the flag. When Jim turned to descend the steps he was surprised to see the mayor at the bottom of the steps unveiling a plaque embedded in the flagstone honoring Sgt. James E. Wyatt, USMC. The plaque, made of gray granite, bears the Marine Corps emblem and an inscription to Sgt. Wyatt thanking him for his years of service to his country and to the citizens of Indian Springs Village.



Most of us who live in Indian Springs Village know that Jim and Mildred Wyatt have always been stalwart supporters of our community. Their continuous dedication to the citizens of our valley, even before there was an Indian Springs Village, is legend. Jim and Mildred came to the valley and built their home, "Beaver Lodge", in 1972. Jim was a founding member and past president of the Indian Springs Civic Club. This organization was responsible for bringing zoning and city water to the valley. Many members of the original Indian Springs Civic Club are among the original founders of our town, including Jim and Mildred Wyatt.

In 1990, when the residents of the valley began efforts to form our town, Jim was unfailing in his energetic efforts toward meeting the stringent requirements to petition the court to allow a vote to form the town. Jim would burn the midnight oil, pouring over maps of the valley to determine where the efforts to obtain the necessary petition signatures were failing. When others gave up on getting a certain residents to sign our petition, Jim would go out again and again to speak to such reluctant citizens explaining the hope and vision of those who wanted to form the town. Jim wore out a lot of shoe leather walking the roads and knocking on doors to meet the goal.

Once our town was a reality, Jim continued to give of his time and his support toward meeting the challenges of organizing the new town. Over the last 22 years, his

dedication to Indian Springs Village has continued to be unwavering. In addition to serving 10 years on our Fire District Board, Jim is one of the original members of the Indian Springs Village "pot hole crew". The "pot hole crew", in the early days of our town, went about town with cold asphalt and a tamp, filling pot holes in our streets, hence the name. However, the "pot hole crew" may be most infamous for their midnight trek to the Town Hall Pavilion every Fourth of July eve to start the coals burning for our annual Fourth of July barbeque.

While the above described accomplishments alone warrant the recognition our town gave to Jim on Founders' Day, Jim's dedication to his fellow citizens extends much further than the borders of the town of Indian Springs Village. There is much more to the story of who our neighbor Jim Wyatt is and what he has done over the course of his life for his fellow citizens.

As mentioned above, the plaque unveiled at Founders' Day refers to Jim as Sgt. James E. Wyatt, USMC. In 1946, Jim joined the Marine Corps as soon as he was legally old enough to join the service. As a member of the USMC 4th 155 Howitzer Artillery Battalion, Jim served 18 months



as an active duty Marine. Upon completion of his active duty service, he choose to remain in the reserves. On June 25, 1950, North Korean forces invaded South Korea, and U.S. intervention into the conflict ensued. In August of 1950, Jim's reserve unit was activated and on November 10, 1950, Jim and the other members of his assigned unit, the 11th Marine Artillery Regiment, which specialized in communications, landed in Wan San, Korea. Jim's duty, along with other marines in his outfit, was to string line from a firing center to the big gun firing batteries. Every time the guns were moved the lines had to be re-strung. In the middle of the winter of 1950, while stringing new lines high in the Taebeak Mountains of Korea, Jim and his marine buddies suddenly came under fire. Ordered to burn their jeep and destroy all wire and other supplies the enemy could use, Jim found himself and the marines along with him, on foot in the Korean mountains, attempting to find their way to others in their battalion. Jim would later learn that he was in the middle of what later became known as the Battle of Chosin Reservoir, one of the most brutal and decisive battles of the Korean war.

It was November 27, 1950; the Chinese Army had infiltrated the Chosin Reservoir and surprised the American and UN forces including those in Jim's Marine Corps battalion. A brutal 17 day battle in freezing weather followed. In the period between November, 27 and December 13, 1950, 30,000 American and other UN troops were encircled by 120,000 Chinese soldiers. Their only lifeline was a 15'-wide, steep mountain road they called the M.S.R. (Main Supply Route) that led to the port city of Hungnam, a 78 mile journey to the Sea of Japan with massive enemy forces surrounding it.

The battle of Chosin is remembered today because of the incredible courage shown by our men in battle, especially the United States Marines. The withdrawal, the longest in American military history, would take 13 days and cost the lives of thousands of U.S. and UN soldiers, sailors and marines. Because so many thousand were lost, those who survived became known as "The Chosin Few". Sgt. James E. Wyatt, USMC is one of "The Chosin Few".

The citizens of Indian Springs Village are so very fortunate to have Jim survive this amazing time in his life so that he could return to our valley, live quietly among us and continue to give so generously of himself to his family, his community, his country and his God.

And that is why on Founders' Day 2012, our town chooses to honor Sgt James E. Wyatt.

## Correction

In last month's newsletter, I incorrectly identified Tricia Crapet as Town Historian. That is a position held by Ruth Goodwyn; Tricia is Town Hall Curator. My sincere apologies for the error. *Alison Stigers*

## Indian Springs Village turns 22

by Dale Brakhage, Community Columnist, Shelby County Reporter

Nearly 100 residents of Indian Springs Village came together to celebrate a very special occasion, the birthday of their town. The celebration occurred on a beautiful fall evening, Oct. 16, and featured a



unique patriotic presentation, free barbecue and birthday cake for all.



Indian Springs Villagers commemorate this special event, called Founders' Day, every year with a party at the Town Hall Pavilion.

Did you know that the national holiday, Veterans Day, originated in Birmingham? That was the patriotic presentation made by guest speaker Dr. David Dyson.

This Founders' Day celebration came right after a quadrennial election, so attendees congratulated the six members of the newly elected Town Council. They are incoming Mayor Brenda Bell Guercio, council Place 1 — Herb Robins (incumbent), council Place 2 — Kathryn Harrington, council Place 3 — Brian Stauss (incumbent), council Place 4 — Jack Mendel (incumbent) and council Place 5 — Barton Trammell.

Indian Springs Village was founded on Oct. 16, 1990. The original Town Council then passed its first resolution to establish what Indian Springs is all about. The Village is here to preserve, protect and enhance: The quality of life of the citizens; the peaceful and uncluttered atmosphere; the beauty, serenity and tranquility of Indian Springs Village; and the right of self determination for the Village and for all of its citizens. It also protects the integrity of our community from random commercialization, piecemeal annexation and inconsistent spot zoning.

Town Councils in subsequent years made the Village an excellent place to live. They also recognized that the Village would have both residential and commercial growth in the future, so they planned for it. In 2004, the Town Council approved a comprehensive plan for Indian Springs Village. It formalized the community's dedication to maintaining the founders' vision.

The current Town Council meets twice a month. You can read the minutes of their meetings online at *Indianspringsvillage.org*, the Village's website.

You can also read back issues of *The Village Voice*, the Village's monthly newsletter. Alison Stigers is the editor.

It has been written, printed and hand-delivered every month, rain or shine, by volunteers for more than 20 years.

## Nine Indian Springs School Seniors Recognized

by Melanie Kieve, Assistant Director of Development, Indian Springs School

Nine seniors from Indian Springs School (ISS) have been recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) for their achievements on the Preliminary SAT / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).



Front row: Ashley Graham, Victoria Saenz Second row: Lizzie Choy, Temi Ransome-Kuti, Benjamin Kitchens, Nicole Luo, Laura Ward, Bowen Lu and Caleb Caldwell.

Four ISS seniors – Caleb Caldwell and Benjamin Kitchens of Indian Springs, Bowen Lu of Birmingham and Victoria Saenz of Alabaster — were named 2013 National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalists, signifying their scoring among the top 1 percent of the 1.5 million students who took the exam last year as high school juniors. As semifinalists, they have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 8,300 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$32 million that will be offered next spring.

Saenz was also selected as a 2012-2013 National Hispanic Recognition Scholar, which recognizes outstanding Hispanic/Latino high school students for their achievements on the PSAT/NMSQT and in the classroom. Two ISS seniors — Nicole Luo of Vestavia Hills and Laura Ward of Birmingham — were named 2013 National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students, recognized for placing among the top 5 percent of students taking the exam nationwide.

ISS seniors Ashley Graham of Powder Springs, GA and Temi Ransome-Kuti of Meridian, MS were among a select group of African-American high school seniors who have been named semifinalists in the 2013 National Achievement Scholarship Program, another NMSC initiative. Graham and Ransome-Kuti earned the designation by being among the top scorers on the PSAT/NMSQT who requested consideration in the program. They will have the opportunity to continue in the competition for about 800 Achievement Scholarship awards worth more than \$2.5 million that will be offered next spring.

ISS senior Lizzie Choy of Birmingham has been named an Outstanding Participant in the 2013 National Achievement Scholarship Program, a designation given to those who scored in the top 3 percent among students who were considered for the program.

## Renovation And Construction

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

If you are planning to do significant renovations or construction to your home or business in ISV, please contact our City Engineer to see if a building permit is needed. A permit is for your own benefit to assure that critical work meets code requirements and safety standards and complies with our ordinances. You can contact Frazier Christy, City Engineer, at 205 383-0472.

## Fire Ban

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

The annual state fire ban expired at the end of October. Please keep in mind that any fires should be relatively small and must be monitored so that they do not spread. Large bonfires are not permitted. All fires must be at least 500 feet from your neighbor's house. If you can't have 500 feet between the fire and your neighbor's living quarters then you cannot have a fire. That's the law. Contact North Shelby Fire Chief Buddy Tyler (991-6439) or ADEM (942-6168), for a copy of additional outdoor burning regulations.

## Your Help Is Needed

As we continue to hand-deliver *The Village Voice* to town residents, several couriers have asked for some help. If you do not have a paperbox in conjunction with your mailbox, we'd like to ask you to consider affixing to the post a clip, thumbtack or some other means by which your courier could safely and securely leave your newsletter. The Post Office does not want us to leave *The Village Voice* in or on your mailbox (including behind the flag). Another suggestion was to request that you leave a brick or stone near your mailbox so your courier could place the issue under it to prevent it from blowing away. Thank you for your help.

# Special Equestrians Expands

by Dorrie Fuchs

Expansion is on the horizon for Special Equestrians, a therapeutic riding program that serves children and adults with a wide range of physical, mental, developmental and emotional disabilities. Founded in 1985 and run originally out of the stables at Oak Mountain State Park, Special Equestrians moved to the campus of Indian Springs School in 1993. Before they could bring the horses over, a hardy band of dedicated volunteers renovated an existing barn and installed pasture and arena fencing, giving them their first “own home.” It was just the basics – stalls for horses and storage and a 12x12 office, but it was a great step forward. Those basics have been enhanced over the years – with a tack room (1995), a bathroom (1997), a covered arena (1998) and an enlarged office with classroom space for orientations, workshops and meetings (2001). Eagle Scout projects have provided a wash rack for bathing horses, a shavings shed, a gazebo for riders’ families to enjoy, new stall doors and both new and reconfigured fencing.

But now what Special Equestrians needs is more horses. The program currently serves as many as 106 riders a week and has 11 program horses. Being a therapy horse is demanding work, and having more horses will allow greater flexibility in scheduling the work load of each horse, which will in turn help maintain the health of the herd. It will also mean the staff will have more different types, temperaments and sizes of horse to match to specific riders.

There is also a need for more office space. Currently, the full-time Director and three other part-time staff members share the combined office/classroom, which also includes work space for certified instructors and occupational therapists who work on contract. Having a separate office for the Director will provide enhanced privacy for confidential communication with riders and their families. It will also leave more room in the existing office/classroom for everyone else, and for volunteer training sessions and instructor workshops and meetings. As important, it will provide the occupational therapists space to work with their clients, stretching and otherwise preparing for the mounted therapy sessions.

Funding for the construction is coming from the proceeds of Special Equestrians’ very successful 25th Anniversary Gala in June 2011, from general donations and from a bittersweet source: generous gifts that have poured in in memory of a former volunteer and a remarkable young woman, Bailey Jones. Bailey left this world far too young, but the new section of the stable will bear her name thanks to the memorial contributions from her family and family friends.

You can add your support for this exciting project with in-kind donations. A full materials list is available from Special Equestrians at (205) 987-9462 or [www.specialequest.org](http://www.specialequest.org). Specifically, however, they are looking for pressure-treated poles and planks as follows: 20’ 6” round poles (10), 1x4x12 (30), 1x6x16 (4), 2x12x16 (8), 2x4x16 (12), 2x6x16 (22). Also needed are: 22’ metal roof panels (13), concrete for posts, two French doors and 2x2 vinyl ceiling tiles.

*Wishing you a warm and joyous Thanksgiving with your family and friends.*

## Spiced Cranberry Apple Chutney

Prep Time: 15 Minutes

Cook Time: 45 Minutes

Ready In: 1 Hour 15 Minutes

Servings: 48

### Ingredients:

2 cups fresh cranberries

2 cups white sugar

3 tablespoons water, or more as needed

1 large Granny Smith apple - peeled, cored and chopped

2 stalks celery, finely chopped

1 tablespoon grated orange zest

1 cup fresh orange juice

1/4 cup pecans (optional)

1 cup golden raisins

1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

1/4 teaspoon ground cloves

1 pinch salt, or to taste

### Directions:

1. Place the cranberries, sugar and water in a large saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium and cook until all the cranberries have popped, 8 to 10 minutes. Stir in the apple, celery, orange zest, orange juice, pecans, raisins, ginger, cloves and salt and cook over medium heat stirring frequently, until the celery is tender and the sauce is reduced, about 35 minutes. Turn off the heat, cover the saucepan and let the chutney stand to thicken, about 15 minutes. Serve warm. (Source: [Allrecipes.com](http://Allrecipes.com))

# Cemetery Official Gives Brief History of Oak Hill, Birmingham

by Ruth Goodwyn, Publicity Chair,  
Indian Springs Garden Club

Stewart Oates, Director of Oak Hill Cemetery, presented the history of Birmingham's oldest cemetery to members of the Indian Springs Garden Club at their October meeting, Oct. 26, at the Town Hall.



Oates grew up in the west, but “fell in love” with Birmingham when he first came here, and describes the cemetery as “a wonderful treasure in downtown Birmingham.”

The address of Oak Hill is 1120 N. 19th Street, on a hill overlooking the city, founded in 1871 by the Elyton Land Company. It was marked as “City Cemetery” on the plats laid out by Elton Land Company and was sold to the city in 1873 for the sum of \$1,073.50 (21.5 acres).

Many of the burials at Oak Hill occurred before 1930, including nine of the ten landholders who founded the city, many early mayors, numerous Civil War veterans and the first male child born in the city. A section called the “Potter’s Field” is where so many victims of the 1873 cholera epidemic are buried. Paupers were later buried in 200 acre Lane Park, purchased by Judge A. O. Lane in 1889, on the southern slopes of Red Mountain.

Those interred at Oak Hill include a survivor of the Titanic, notables such as Mortimer Jordon (health care pioneer), James Sloss (founder of Sloss Furnace), John William Tayloe (Confederate Army Major), many early mayors and other famous men. Also buried at Oak Hill is Louise Wooster, a Birmingham “Madam,” who, with employees in her brothel-turned-into hospital, were known for caring for and preparing for burial, many victims of cholera during the epidemic. (It has been claimed that Margaret Mitchell’s Belle Watling in *Gone With the Wind* was patterned after her.) The history of the cemetery includes finding good homes for stray dogs and cats by workers there. It is listed in the National

Register of Historic Places and the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage.

Meticulous records have been kept by the cemetery since 1920, and it is an excellent place for genealogists to do research. An interesting tidbit Mr. Oates gave was that backhoes are not used for digging graves. Instead, the cemetery relies on grave diggers who have plied their trade there for generations. Even though about 11,000 persons are already buried there, the cemetery still has space.

Thursday evening was the date also for our annual Harvest Dinner, which began right away at 6:30, with Mr. Oates speaking later. Eleanor Bennett had asked the blessing, and afterwards a brief meeting was conducted by President Liz Alosi. She announced our next meeting as a workday at the Town Hall the first Saturday in November.

Our annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Eleanor Bennett beginning at 1:00 p.m. on December 9. Four prizes were won by a drawing: a clivia (plant), two packages of small birdhouse-shaped candles and a metal watering can.

## Indian Springs School To Hold Visiting Writers Series

by Melanie Kieve, Assistant Director of Development,  
Indian Springs School

Indian Springs School (ISS) will host the school’s Fall 2012 Visiting Writers Series. On December 10, poets Adam Vines and Amish Trivedi will be featured. Vines is an assistant professor of English at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and editor-in-chief of *Birmingham Poetry Review*. He has published recent poems in *Poetry*, *Post Road*, *Redivider*, *The Literary Review* and *Tampa Review*, among others. His collection of poetry is *The Coal Life* (University of Arkansas Press, 2012), which was a finalist for the Miller Williams Award. Trivedi, who lives in the Atlanta area, is author of the manuscript *Your Relationship to Motion Has Changed*, which was a finalist for the Sawtooth Prize and an honorable mention for the Cargill. His chapbooks include *Museum of Vandals* and *The Breakers*.

Started last fall under the direction of ISS English Teacher Douglas Ray and Librarian Jessica Smith, the ISS Visiting Writers Series gives Springs’ students and members of the community the opportunity to hear new poetry, fiction and nonfiction from established and up-and-coming writers, who will also be visiting ISS classes in conjunction with their visit.

All Visiting Writers Series events are free and open to the public and begin at 7:30 p.m. in the school’s Library. For more information, contact Ray at [dray@indiansprings.org](mailto:dray@indiansprings.org) or Smith at [jsmith@indiansprings.org](mailto:jsmith@indiansprings.org).

# North Shelby Library November Happenings

by Cecelia Dean, North Shelby Library Youth Services Department

**\*\*The library will be closed on November 21st, 22nd and 23rd. We will re-open on November 24th.\*\***

**\*\*You can now register for our programs online. Visit our website at [www.northshelbylibrary.org/children.html](http://www.northshelbylibrary.org/children.html) to view our calendar and make reservations.**

## Special Programming

**Saturday, November 3rd from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.: Lego Club.** The Library provides the Legos, the kids provide the imagination and creativity. Families are welcome to drop in anytime between 10:00 and 11:00 to build spectacular creations, which will then go on display in the Children's Department. All ages welcome. No registration is required.  
**Saturday, November 3 – 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.: International Games Day.** So you think you've got game? See if you've got what it takes as the North Shelby Library Teen Department celebrates International Games Day. Try a new board game or take part in the Mario Kart Time Trials tournament. A second Wii will be available for other games. Visit the Teen page at [www.northshelbylibrary.org](http://www.northshelbylibrary.org) for more details. Call 439-5512 or email [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) to register for the tournament.

**Wednesday, November 14th at 1:00 p.m.: Aviation.** November is National Aviation Month. Join us to discuss the history and science of aviation. Ages 8-12. Registration required.

**Friday, November 16th at 4:00 p.m.: Turkey Craft.** Everybody is getting ready for Thanksgiving, even the turkeys. Come put this cute guy together and hang him on your front door! All ages. Registration required.

**Saturday, November 17th at 1:30 p.m.: Family Movie Day – *Mermadia*.** Come watch a fun-filled movie on the big screen. Snacks served. No registration required.

**Monday, November 26th from 6:00-7:30 p.m.: NSL Knitters.** Bring your current knitting or crochet project, hang out, chat and share tips with other crafters your age. This group is open to all skill levels. There is NO fee. All ages are welcome. No registration is required.

## Story-Time Programming

**Mondays, November 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.: Toddler Tales.** Stories, songs, fingerplays and crafts make up a lively 30-minute program designed especially for short attention spans. Registration will begin one week prior to each storytime. Ages 19-36 months. Registration required.

**Tuesdays, November 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th from 9:30-10:00 a.m.: Baby Tales Story Time.** A story-time designed especially for babies and their caregivers. Stories and music provide interaction for the babies and time for caregivers to talk and share with each other. Ages: Birth to 18 months.

Registration required. Registration will begin one week prior to program date.

**Wednesdays, November 7th, 14th and 28th at 10:45 a.m.: Mr. Mac (Storyteller Extraordinaire!)** Stories, puppets and lots of music for every member of the family. All ages. No registration.

**Thursdays, November 1st, 8th, 15th and 29th at 7:00 p.m.: P. J. Story Time.** Come in your PJs, have milk and cookies and hear some wonderful bedtime tales. All ages. No registration required.

\* For more information or to register for any of our programs or storytimes, call or email the Children's Department at 205-439-5504 or [northshelbyyouth@gmail.com](mailto:northshelbyyouth@gmail.com) or visit our website at [www.northshelbylibrary.org](http://www.northshelbylibrary.org).

## Teen Happenings November 2012

**Gaming: Fridays, November 2, 9, 16 & 30 – 3:30-5:45 p.m.** Come to the Teen Department each Friday afternoon for open gaming on the Wii and board and card games. Call or email Kate or Daniel at 439-5512 or [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) for more information.

**Anime Night: Now with Origami! Thursday, November 8 @ 6:00 p.m.** Join us in the Teen Department for an evening of Anime. The audience will pick what we watch. Treats will be served and costumes are welcome! We will also fold origami – show us what you can do or learn a new technique. Contact Kate or Daniel at 439-5512 or [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) for more information.

**Teen Advisory Council: Monday, November 12 @ 6:00 p.m.** Interested in helping the Teen Department be even better than it is now? The Teen Advisory Council is the place for you! Bring your ideas and your appetite! Snacks served and community service hours earned. Contact Kate at 439-5512 or [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) for more information or to sign up.

**Teen Book Club: Monday, November 19 @ 6:00 p.m.** In November, the Club will talk about Mythology -- Percy Jackson, King Arthur, Roman gods and more. To participate, start reading! See the display in the Teen Department or the reading list on the Teen page at [www.northshelbylibrary.org](http://www.northshelbylibrary.org) for recommended books. Snacks served. Contact Daniel at 439-5512 or [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) for more information.

**Craft – Bookmarks: Thursday, November 29 @ 6:00 p.m.** We'll be using at least three techniques to make bookmarks – stamping, sewing and paper folding are guaranteed, plus whatever else Kate (or you) can come up with. Contact Kate at 439-5512 or [nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com](mailto:nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.com) for more information. Register online at [www.northshelbylibrary.org](http://www.northshelbylibrary.org).

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**NOVEMBER, 2012**  
**Heardmont Park Senior Center**  
**5452 Cahaba Valley Road Birmingham, AL 35242**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><i>Center hours are Monday-Friday 9-3 pm</i></p> <p><i>Phone : 991-5742</i>  <i>Fax: 991-5657</i></p> <p><i>Email: heardmontparksc@gmail.com</i></p>	<p><b>**As a Thanksgiving project</b>            During the month of November, we will be collecting non-perishable items for <b>Manna Ministries</b>, Food pantry for Alabaster First United Methodist.</p>	<p><b>*Healthsouth-Jenny Lacy</b>  <i>Osteo vs Rheumatoid Arthritis</i></p>	<p>1            10-11 Aerobics            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            *12:30 Healthsouth            12- LUNCH  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Fall Leaves Trip</b>  <i>Leave at 9:00 AM</i></p>	<p>2            9-10 Zumba Gold            10-11 Intermediate Line            Dancing            11-12 Beginning Line            Dancing</p>
<p>5            9:30 – 10:30 Tai Chi            10:30-3 – Canasta            9:30-12 Mah Jongg</p>	<p>6            10-11 Aerobics            11 Bible Study            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12 LUNCH  <b>DON'T FORGET TO VOTE !!!!!</b></p>	<p>7            9-12 Bridge            11:30- 3 Rummikub            12 LUNCH</p>	<p>8            10-11 Aerobics            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12- LUNCH  <b>Shelby Ridge-Blood Pressure Check</b></p>	<p>9            9-10 Zumba Gold            10-11 Intermediate Line            Dancing            11-12 Beginning Line            Dancing  <b>HEARDMONT DANCE 7:00PM</b></p>
<p>12  <b>VETERANS DAY</b>  <b>CENTER CLOSED</b></p>	<p>13            10-11 Aerobics            11 Bible Study            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12 LUNCH  <b>SHOPPING AND LUNCH OUT</b></p>	<p>14            9-12 Bridge            11:30- 3 Rummikub            12 LUNCH  <b>COMPUTER CLASS 10:00 AM</b></p>	<p>15            10-11 Aerobics            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            11 <i>Harrison Regional Library</i>            12- LUNCH  <b>AARP DRIVING CLASS</b>            9-1</p>	<p>16            9-10 Zumba Gold            10-11 Intermediate Line            Dancing            11-12 Beginning Line            Dancing  <b>AARP DRIVING CLASS</b>            9-1</p>
<p>19            9:30-10:30 Tai Chi            9:30- 12 Mah Jongg            10:30-3 – Canasta</p>	<p>20            10-11 Aerobics            11 Bible Study            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12 LUNCH  <b>TAILGATE PARTY-WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM COLORS</b></p>	<p>21            9-12 Bridge            11:30- 3 Rummikub            12 LUNCH</p>	<p>22  <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b>  <b>CENTER CLOSED</b></p>	<p>23  <b>CENTER CLOSED</b></p>
<p>26            9:30-10:30 Tai Chi            9:30- 12 Mah Jongg            10:30-3 – Canasta</p>	<p>27            10-11 Aerobics            11 Bible Study            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12 LUNCH</p>	<p>28            9-12 Bridge            11:30- 3 Rummikub            12 LUNCH</p>	<p>29            10-11 Aerobics            10-2 Bingo &amp; Board Games            12- LUNCH</p>	<p>30            9-10 Zumba Gold            10-11 Intermediate Line            Dancing            11-12 Beginning Line            Dancing</p>