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## INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Indian Springs Village Town Hall  
Tuesday, April 16, 1996 7:00 p.m.

### Agenda

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

### Editor's Notes

*The Village Voice* is the official organ of Indian Springs Village, AL, established October 16, 1990. The primary purpose of this newsletter is to report the monthly deliberations of the mayor and the council in town council meetings as well as to give the mayor and council members the opportunity to communicate with the electorate. In addition, your editor's hope is to foster a spirit of community and cooperation along with fun and fairness. Good neighbors need less legislation. Expenses are covered by the efforts and donations of ISV volunteers. Deliveries are also made at no charge by volunteer couriers.

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## Annual Easter Egg Hunt a Roaring Success

### Easter Bunny Hits ISV

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

On the Saturday morning before Easter, the world famous Easter Bunny made his early visit to Indian Springs Village. The Easter Bunny and helpers hid 2000 plastic eggs filled with candy, trinkets, and prizes, including toys and legal tender! Though the weather was cold and wet, this would not dampen the spirits of the 100 or so bright-eyed children who turned out for the Third Annual ISV Easter Egg Hunt.

Big winners this year were Adam Carlisle, Mountain Vista, and Gil Weingarten, Oakmont Road, who each won \$25. Winners of the \$10 cash prizes were Abby Baker, Hollow Log Lane; Tim Dunlap, Heatherwood Forest Circle; Michael Harrington, Valley View Lane; Kim Johnson, Indian Crest Drive; and Adam Mitchell, Woodridge Lane. Winners of the \$5 cash prizes were Mary Ann Friday, Mountain Park Circle; Benae Aultman, Brookgreen Lane; Jack Little, Valley View Road; and David Strickland, Indian Ridge Drive, who won two \$5 prizes. There were also 25 one dollar prizes given away. Lauren Anglin, Woodfern Drive, won a precious white and brown lop-eared bunny, donated by Pets America. Several other local merchants also donated prizes this year. From the Valleydale Marketplace Harco Drugs donated 30 stuffed toys and Winn-Dixie donated a large Easter basket. Ed's Pet World in Homewood donated all the goldfish we can kill and the Steve Woolsey of A Winning Streak donated tee shirts and a soccer ball. We appreciate the willing participation of these merchants and hope that villagers will shop with them when in need of products that they supply.

This year's festivities were coordinated by Bee Little, who used her organizational skills to make this another successful ISV event. A big thanks goes to the volunteers who stuffed all those eggs for the Easter Bunny. The volunteers, who showed up at the ISV Town Hall, were Allison Calhoun, Jim and Nora Boyett, Linda Kloewer, Carl Stapleton, Tricia Crapet, Channing Phillips, Ruth Goodwyn, Dorothy Carlisle, Lisa Anglin, Linda Taylor, Bill and Alice Morrow, Florence Miller, Lib Smith, and Denie Girardeau.

At 8:00 a.m., cold but hearty volunteers braved the early morning drizzle to set up for the hunt. Gene Weingarten and Liz Alosi hammered in the stakes, which were supplied by the Hoover Office of Johnson-Rast and Hays Real Estate. Bee Little, Duane Kloewer, and Tricia Crapet joined in to help stretch ribbon to cordon off the different age groups, while Jim and Nora Boyett, Lauren Olvey, Patty and Jana Weems, and Dorothy Carlisle distributed and hid the 2000 + eggs. Handing out the more than 400 prizes to the smiling children were Sharon Dennis, Patty Weems, Dorothy Carlisle, Michael and Tricia Crapet, Duane and Linda Kloewer, Lindsey Allison, Gene Weingarten, and Bee Little.

We thank Ron and Sandy Luster and Rob and Sally Thompson for once again allowing the town to use the six-acre field for the hunt. A big "Thank You" to all who volunteered this year to help make this another successful ISV event. Certainly those we thank most are the families who participated in this event. We appreciate your attending under less than ideal weather conditions. After all the eggs had been found and the field was empty, all that remained were the memories of laughter and thoughts of happy, smiling children. We look forward to seeing you again next year.

## A Message From the Mayor

By Mayor Hub Harrington

Indian Springs Village residents pride themselves in their participation in the political process. This participation attracts the attention of all candidates for office, both state and local. Because ISV is a well informed community, a vast majority of our citizens vote. In fact, during our incorporation and the election of our first city leaders, ISV's voter turnout exceeded 80%. The county-wide average is usually less than 30%.

Our city is once again fortunate to have Don Armstrong qualify for re-election as County Commissioner for District 8, which is south of Highway 119. Don, who is running unopposed, has been an excellent commissioner as well as a friend to our town. His loyalty is greatly appreciated.

The only candidate for election to a county office who resides within our town is Lindsey Allison, who has qualified to seek a second term as County Commissioner for District 7, which is north of Highway 119. I strongly urge the voters of ISV to turn out for the June primary in the numbers we are known to be capable of.

Next month I will speak in more detail about the election and why we should work to support Lindsey in her re-election effort. However, my message this month is simple...we need a county commissioner from this area, one who has proven dedication to the county, worthiness to the job, and loyalty to the village. Simply put, don't forget to vote June 4, 1996, for Lindsey Allison.

## Babysitters Club Directory

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

Attention all young ISV entrepreneurs! A year has passed since the ISV Babysitters Directory was last updated. It is now time for you to call to have your name added to this impressive list of ISV's top kid-sitters. Some of the current sitters in the directory are reported to be making pretty big bucks, and with summer on the way, there should be plenty of business to go around.

The Babysitters Directory is a list comprised of girls and boys who are age 13 and older. The directory is available only to ISV residents and only upon request. Please call my voice mail 802-2753 to be added to the list or to obtain a copy of the directory.

## Comments from the Chief

By NSFD Chief Michael O'Connor

The North Shelby County Fire and Emergency Medical District exists to provide the highest quality professional fire and emergency medical services. It consists of 25 cross-trained firefighter/emergency medical technicians, 80% of whom are state licensed paramedics. The fire district has three stations operating three paramedic engines, one 75 foot serial ladder, and a command/service vehicle. The fire district protects 26 square miles of territory and approximately 32,000 residents.

The North Shelby County Fire and Emergency Medical District is YOUR fire district. It exists not only for emergency services (which is our reacting to your problem), but for non-emergency services as well. Any time you see a firefighter pulling a hose off a truck he is reacting to a problem. Providing free blood pressure checks at the fire stations, free home inspections to identify fire problems and recommending fire-safe behavior, annual inspections of all commercial occupancies, tours of the stations, public fire education...the list of non-emergency services is endless.

The district wants to be pro-active, providing services to prevent an emergency (which is our reacting before a problem occurs). Take having smoke detectors as an example of fire-safe behavior. Everyone will agree that smoke detectors save lives. Of the buildings in the U. S. 85% have smoke detectors. Only 53% of them function, dead or no batteries being the main culprit. People should change their smoke detector batteries every time clocks are adjusted for daylight savings. Remember, fire safety is everyone's business. Until next time.

## ISV Represented at Meeting

Councilpersons Patricia Crapet, Gary Dennis and Art Johnson represented ISV at the first meeting of The Unity Roundtable of Shelby County. The luncheon, sponsored by Leadership Shelby County, was held on April 9, 1996, at Riverchase Country Club. The purpose of the group is to focus on the positive aspects of Shelby County, develop joint projects, and share ideas. Towns and cities will host future meetings by rotation method, using this as an opportunity to highlight special needs and projects.

# Town Council Highlights

**March 19, 1996**

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

The Town of Indian Springs Village met at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall on Tuesday, March 19, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Hub Harrington presided, with council members Patricia Crapet, Art Johnson, and Gary Dennis in attendance.

Town Clerk Paul Stephens reported revenues for the month were: beer taxes, \$549; liability insurance refund, \$207; refund from Alabama Emergency Management Assessment, \$2242; and road funds, \$743. The balance in the general fund was reported as approximately \$33,500 and the road fund balance was \$37,067.

Minnie Lou Hill, a representative from the Alabama Telco Credit Union, invited the Town of ISV to become a member community of the Credit Union. This would allow any citizen of ISV to become a member of the Credit Union and to be able to utilize their services, which are for members only. This would not make the town exempt from doing business with other financial organizations. The Alabama Telco Credit Union President is Sam Brown, a longtime resident of ISV.

Councilman Gary Dennis made a presentation with a video from the architectural firm in California that designs community playgrounds. The video showed examples of playgrounds being constructed and explained how the communities solicit donations of materials and funds for the projects, with citizens supplying the free labor for the construction. The video and concept of the playground met with favorable response. Councilman Dennis will be checking into what would be involved in order to undertake such a project.

Commissioner Lindsey Allison discussed a proposal that she has worked out with Shelby County regarding our road maintainence. ISV would be able to use county equipment free on weekends, pay county workers overtime to operate the equipment and perform the work, and purchase at the county's cost any materials and supplies that are needed in order to do the road maintainence. Commissioner Allison says that some other small cities and towns in the county that cannot afford their own road equipment have similar agreements with Shelby County.

## In Sympathy

The sympathy of the village is extended to Nick and Kay Glenos and family, Valley View Lane, in the passing of Kay's father, Hilure L. Ayers, 87, of Trussville, on Tuesday, March 12, 1996. Mr. Ayers was preceded in death by his wife, Sadie Edmonds Ayers, and son-in-law, Arden Keller. Other survivors include children: Dorothy Keller, Grant; Norman Ayers, Scottsboro; Rex Ayers, Center Point; Hilda Jean Palmer, Trussville; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, as well as two sisters.

## New Neighbors

We would like to welcome Carolyn and Johnny Driskill, 7006 Indian Ridge Drive, Indian Highlands Estates, to Indian Springs Village. The Driskills, who moved to ISV the first of February, have lived in the valley just off of Caldwell Mill Road for 25 years. They have two children, Mark, Washington D.C., and Leigh, Altadena.

## Special Equestrians to Host Event

By Councilwoman Patricia Crapet

The Special Equestrians are hosting the equestrian events for the Alabama Games for People with Physical Disabilities. The event is scheduled for April 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will be held at the Special Equestrians facility at Indian Springs School.

This is a yearly event, with UAB playing host to this year's athletic events. Competitors from all over the state of Alabama will be competing in all the sports, including the equestrian events. Spectators are welcome to attend all phases of the games.

Special Equestrians is a therapeutic horseback riding program for disabled persons age two through adult. Monthly training sessions are held for new volunteers who wish to get involved in this very worthwhile program. For more information on the equestrian events or the Special Equestrians program, please call Kathy Claybrook at 987-9462.

## Town Hall Work Day Scheduled

Spring has sprung! It is time for a work day at the ISV Town Hall. Bring your rakes, shovels, post-hole diggers, paint brushes, weed-eaters, or whatever and come on down to the Town Hall on Saturday, April 20th. We will begin at 9 a.m. and continue throughout the day or until there is nothing left to do. Plans are to do some exterior painting, planting, and sprucing-up of the grounds. Come and bring a neighbor. Refreshments will be available.

# ISV Recycling and Litter Walk

By Councilman Art Johnson

On a cool Wednesday evening in March, volunteers Sharon Durbin, Gene Weingarten, Margie and Herb Robbins, and Jackie and Art Johnson collected 231 pounds of recyclable aluminum cans from Indian Springs Village recyclers. The top recyclers for the month were Benton and Jean Baker on Windwood Circle.

Recycling programs, such as ISV's, reduce the amount of waste going to landfills, preserve natural resources, and save energy. For example, the typical life cycle of an Indian Springs soda can after its contents are consumed is:

- 1) Villagers leave their recycled aluminum cans at the curbside. Volunteers collect them and take them to recycling centers.
- 2) The cans are then shipped to processing and recycling plants where they are cleaned, shredded, melted and rolled into new aluminum sheets.
- 3) Those sheets are sold to manufacturers, processed in mills, and made into new cans and products such as candy bar wrappers and car parts.
- 4) The cans are then sold to beverage companies and bottlers, that use them in new products we purchase at the grocery stores, consume, and then recycle.

More than half of a new aluminum can is made from recycled aluminum. It can take as little as 90 days for an aluminum can to be collected, melted down, made into a new can, and returned to the supermarket shelf for consumption once again.

Please don't contribute to the 3.3 billion pounds of aluminum containers thrown away this year. Help complete the cycle by placing your bagged aluminum cans near your driveway, opposite the normal Waste Management collection before 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday night, April 17. Please use white, blue recycling, or clear plastic bags with the tops tied with a knot.

Watch for ISV recycling reminder signs along Indian Crest Drive, Highway 119, and both entrances to Homestead.

The March Adopt-a-Mile was attended by volunteers Hubert Joiner, Jim and Nora Boyett, and Art and Jackie Johnson. I would like to thank every citizen who has invested time and energy during the last twelve months into making our town a cleaner, and therefore more beautiful, place for all the citizens of Indian Springs Village.

# Spring Clean-up - April 20-27

By Councilman Art Johnson

Make plans to join thousands of Alabamians for the annual "Don't Drop It On Alabama" statewide Spring Clean-up which will be held April 20-27. Indian Springs Village will support this effort on April 20. Alabama has one of the largest and most successful clean-up events in the United States. Join the official clean-up crew, recruit a neighbor, and clean up one of your neighborhood streets between April 20 - 27. After the April 20 litter walk, coffee and donuts will be served at the ISV Town Hall. Alabama's Adopt-a-Mile program is now in its tenth year, and ISV's program is in its fifth year.

The Adopt-a-Mile program is a wonderful way to improve our town's image and a fine way to exercise good citizenship. Please volunteer. With your assistance all of us can make a real difference in our town now, and for future generations. If you have any questions, please call me at 988-3217.

## Where Are the Children?

By Dr. Ruth Goodwyn

Don and Anita Jones, who moved from Vestavia in the late 1970's with their three sons to the home they built at 59 Choctaw Lane, now need go no further than Homewood to visit all three. This rapidly expanding family will have increased by three new members within three months.

Donald Hugh, Jr., the eldest and a landscape architect, is the father of Ethan, born April 2. Ethan joins Luke, 3 1/2, and Emilee, 1 1/2. Wife and mother is pediatrician Dr. Lauree Jones of Pediatrics East.

On February 21 Linley was born to second son, Warren, and his wife, the former Leigh Fran Martin of Mountain Brook. Their son Benjamin will be three in June. Warren, who has lived in faraway Michigan and Arizona, does design work for the engineering firm, BE&K, and Leigh is associated with the test kitchens of Cooking Light magazine on Lakeshore Drive. Linley was named after her grandfather, Dr. H. L. "Lindy" Martin, former Dean and Professor at Sanford University.

The newest addition to the family will be Laura LinnWinn, becoming Mrs. Wayne Jones this month. Third son Wayne practices law with his father (Jones & Jones). Laura Linn, a nurse with UAB--University of Alabama Hospital, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jim Lee Winn of Ohatchee, Alabama. Doctor Winn is the former superintendent of Calhoun County schools.