

The Village Voice



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INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 17, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 1, 2007, 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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Indian Springs Village couriers for hand delivery
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Message from the Mayor

by Steve Zerkis

Do You Know Anyone Serving in a War Zone?

Do you know anyone who is in the military in Iraq or Afghanistan? Have they heard from you lately? Just a suggestion, but if you have a relative, friend or neighbor who is serving in one of those locations, they would love to get mail or packages from you. Most of these men and women do not have access to what we take for granted in our lives; toiletries, snacks, magazines and books. Anything that would help them live just a little better and keep them connected with home is going to be most appreciated.

I was recently reminded of how rough conditions can be in many of these remote locations. Our nephew was recently deployed to Afghanistan. He is located on an Afghan army post in the middle of what looks like the far side of the moon. The photos show that there are absolutely no trees, bushes, grass or vegetation of any kind. The entire post is a collection of tents and a few mud huts sitting on a sea of sand. There are no post exchanges or commissaries in which to shop. If they want a chair to sit on, they have to make it themselves. So his shopping list to his family is for practical things like hammers, nails, tape, tape measures etc. He is not complaining to us (GI's always gripe - that comes with the territory), but he fully understands what he is into. In his spare time his unit is working with a local Afghan elementary school to provide supplies and the very basics to the children.

I'm just suggesting that we all try to help our own loved ones and friends overseas with the little things of life. The emails and letters keep them connected. The packages you send can make their lives just a little better. It's a taste of home. They will appreciate it.

FREE LANDFILL DAYS

Saturday April 7, 2007 & Saturday, October 6, 2007

Shelby County Landfill, Columbiana, AL

Mon-Fri 6:30am-4:30pm, Sat 7:30am-3:30pm

Phone: 699-3737

Town Council Meeting

February 20, 2007

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk called the roll and noted the presence of Council Members Mayor Steve Zerkis, Jack Mendel, Brenda Bell-Guercio and Brian Stauss. Also present were Administrative Assistant Bart Trammell and Planning and Zoning Chairman Wayne Jones. Councilmen Herb Robins and Stewart Dudley did not attend the meeting.

The Town Council minutes of February 6, 2007 were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mendel, seconded by Bell-Guercio.

Mendel reported that a money market account had been established at Compass Bank for the general fund. Also, the Regions accounts have been converted to money market accounts. There was a discussion about the Town's certificates of deposits. Several are reaching the end of their term and will be re-invested.

Mendel presented the January, 2007 financial reports. Mendel motioned to accept, seconded by Stauss. The motion was passed unanimously.

Jones reported that PAZ had approved the subdivision of The View lot 17 into lots 17A and 17B. The Homestead lot was also subdivided to allow for frontage for The View lot. Jones requested that the council approve the subdivision. There was additional discussion with the builder, Connor Farmer, about utility details for the subdivision. Mendel motioned to approve the subdivision, seconded by Stauss.

Stauss reported that there is no update on the sale of the Gehl skid loader. He is working on updates to the Town's website and has added ordinances back through 2005.

Bell-Guercio reported that plans for the upcoming annual Easter Egg Hunt are underway. She has contacted McDonald's to request that they donate ice cream cones for the event. Additionally, in response to *The Village Voice* articles, no one has contacted her yet to participate on the committees for the Easter Egg Hunt or Bishop Creek project.

Mayor Zerkis reported that the owner of the dogs roaming around the Montessori school and Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church has been contacted and has agreed to put the dogs in a pen.

There was discussion about the effective dates of the burn ordinance. Trammell stated that the open burning ban last year was in effect May 1 through October 31 for Shelby County.

Trammell presented an annexation ordinance for the eighth stage of the Stagg Run subdivision. Bell-Guercio motioned to accept the annexation ordinance, seconded by Stauss. It was adopted unanimously.

Trammell presented a second annexation ordinance

for a small parcel of the Jess Barton property. This small parcel lies outside the quarter/quarter section line of the original incorporation. Bell-Guercio motioned to waive the rules to consider the ordinance, seconded by Mendel. The motion was accepted unanimously. Stauss motioned to accept the annexation ordinance, seconded by Bell-Guercio. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Mayor Zerkis reported on the proposed Oak Mountain Community Greenway and distributed the consultants' report to the council for review. As described, the project will be centered at Heardmont Park with 10 – 12 foot/bike paths to the area schools. There was additional discussion with County Commissioner Lindsey Allison, who attended the meeting, about the details, timeline and funding of the project. Allison pointed out the importance of the study and that it may take several years for implementation. The Mayor will request a meeting with the county to discuss further.

ISV resident Mr. Robert Burr, of Deer Mountain Circle, attended the meeting and was recognized and thanked for having recently donated a number of antique period pieces to the Town Hall. These include mid-19th century furniture, pictures and other objects. Those items will be on display.

Mayor Zerkis opened the meeting for public comment. Resident Jim Wyatt requested assistance with the continued flooding of Bishop Creek. Now there is an additional problem at the "Old Rock Hole" also known as the "Swimming Hole." This area is lined with limestone. The banks have been graded and the limestone has been pushed into the creek and is now acting as a dam. Mr. Wyatt presented photographs of the damage. Per Mr. Wyatt, Robert Kelley of EMA has reviewed the area and said all rules have been violated. He has also contacted the Corps of Engineers several times and they have said they will come to look at the area this week. There was additional discussion about conversations with the developer, fords constructed through the creek and water flow restriction. The Mayor will contact a representative of the Army Corps of Engineers and Town Engineer, Frazier Christy, to take immediate action.

There was discussion about business license monies received from area utilities in response to a resident's question.

Mendel motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Rasco, Town Clerk

Town Council Meeting

March 6, 2007

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met at 7:00PM at the Town Hall.

The Town Clerk called the roll and noted the presence of Council Members Mayor Steve Zerkis, Herb Robins, Jack Mendel, Brenda Bell-Guercio and Brian Stauss. Also present were Administrative Assistant Bart Trammell and Town Engineer Frazier Christy. Councilman Stewart Dudley did not attend the meeting.

Christy reported on the status of projects in the town. Mr. Maddox was sent a letter from the county attorney on February 23. The letter stated that the county engineer was not satisfied with the work on the property and will proceed with going to trial if the recommended tasks are not complete.

He also reported on the activity at the Siddle property on Bishop Creek. Christy has met with ADEM and the Corps of Engineers. The pond that is being dug is on county property. There is a mound of debris that will be graded down. The town's jurisdiction is only enforceable if there is a disruption or change in the water flow in that portion of the creek that is within ISV town limits. Mr. Siddle has two crossings planned and has been in contact with the Corps of Engineers. The Corps has given him different options to create the crossings.

There was discussion on siltation and coloration concerns brought by ISV residents and ADEM monitoring. There was also discussion about trees in the creek and owners' responsibility. Christy suggested contacting an attorney to determine responsibility. Discussion continued on filling the flood plain versus filling the flood way and what residents living on Bishop Creek can do to protect the creek. Bell-Guercio reminded meeting attendees that she is forming a committee to address concerns about the creek. There was a request for Christy to contact the Corp about a proposal by a resident to remove trees from the creek. Christy will also request that the Corp attend a future meeting.

The Town Council minutes of February 20, 2007 were reviewed and approved as amended on a motion by Bell-Guercio, seconded by Robins. Councilman Stauss left the meeting for approximately ten minutes and was not present for the motion to approve the minutes.

Mendel reported that he has transferred the funds from the three General Fund Regions CDs, which matured on March 3, 2007 to the Compass Money Market account. The total of the redeemed Regions CD's was \$300,224. The BancorpSouth CD will mature and be redeemed on March 16. The total of the maturing CD proceeds, plus any excess money market funds, will be placed in a 7-month CD. He has talked with Regions about rates and will talk to Compass.

Mendel also stated that it is time for the town's spring Adopt-A-Mile cleanup. Bell-Guercio proposed hiring a person or crew to do the work.

Robins reported that Outdoor Lighting Perspectives has changed out the flagpole lights and that we have contracted for annual outdoor lighting maintenance with them. Robins also reported that the lot across from Homestead has been cleaned up. He also stated that he has located the individual who hit the Indian Trail sign and will send them a letter and invoice for replacement. Additionally, Robins noted that it is time to contact the fire ant exterminator and clean up the grounds before the Easter Egg Hunt.

Bell-Guercio reported that McDonald's at Valleydale and Caldwell Mill Roads has agreed to donate 200 ice cream cone gift certificates for the Easter Egg Hunt. She also reported that she has been contacted by one resident who would like to be on the Bishop Creek committee.

Stauss reported that the sale of the Gehl is completed. Net proceeds are \$12,500. He also reported that a link to the town's website has been added to Spencer Bachus' website.

Mayor Zerkis reported that the dead elm has been removed from the town hall property by the county at a cost of \$227. He also relayed a discussion he had with a resident on Pawnee Drive regarding the cars at the property and general clean up. He will follow up with a letter and a copy of relevant ordinances.

The county had a meeting on animal control for smaller towns. The cost for one employee and a vehicle to service towns in the county without animal control would be \$50,000 per year. It was proposed that the cost be divided amongst the affected towns by census. Indian Springs cost would be \$10,000 annually. The Mayor did not recommend accepting this proposal for that cost.

In response to a telephone call from a resident to the Mayor, there was discussion about the end of Indian Trail (County Road 365) and who maintains it. After further discussion with residents at the meeting, it was determined that maintenance was the county's responsibility. There was also discussion about significant cracking on Brook Green. Maintenance of that road is county responsibility.

Trammell presented an annexation ordinance for the ninth stage of the Stagg Run subdivision. Stauss motioned to accept the annexation ordinance, seconded by Bell-Guercio. It was adopted unanimously.

Trammell presented a second annexation ordinance for that small portion of the Campbell property, 145 Valley View Road, which lies outside the quarter/quarter section line of the original incorporation. The rules were waived unanimously by roll call vote. Stauss motioned to accept the annexation ordinance, seconded by Robins. The motion was adopted unanimously.

Bell-Guercio motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Rasco, Town Clerk

Emergency Burn Ban in Effect Now

by Bart Trammell, Administrative Assistant and Steve Zerkis, Mayor

The Alabama Forestry Commission issued a mandatory Fire Alert for a total of 43 counties including Shelby County (<http://www.forestry.state.al.us>). No fires are permitted except with a permit issued by the State Forester of Alabama. As we all know there has been limited rain in the last few months and the dry weather has resulted in almost 1,100 forest fires in the state in March alone. This burn ban can be lifted only by order of the State Forester. This ban is in addition to the ADEM fire ban which starts May 1, 2007. So unless the Forestry Commission ban is lifted before May 1, there will be no burning until the end of October. Those burn piles of ours will just have to wait.

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) announced that its annual open burning ban will be from May 1 through October 31 for all of Shelby County and a number of other counties.

From the State regulations governing open burning, Item 3a states that "...burning must be at least 500' from the nearest occupied dwelling..." which means that the majority of lots in subdivisions in Indian Springs Village would not qualify at any time. The phone number for ADEM is 942-6168.

Whenever you do get to burn, remember to use extreme care when burning debris. Don't burn on a windy day and make sure your burn pile is in an open, clear area. The periphery of the burn pile should be given a good soaking and keep the water hose available to prevent any possible spread of the fire. The State requires that the fire must be attended at all times.

Please be considerate of your neighbors, far and near, when you do decide to burn. Under certain conditions smoke can spread throughout a neighborhood. A person doesn't have to have respiratory problems to have burning eyes and lungs from smoke. You old timers will know what stoking a fire means and what it will do to keep a blanket of smoke from engulfing your neighbors. Keep moving the outer edges of the pile toward the center of the fire. If your pile consists of a lot of wet or damp leaves, push them toward the hot flames occasionally. Keeping your fire tended will ensure less smoke and will mean the pile is reduced to ashes much, much faster. This will greatly reduce the smoldering effect and make for happier neighbors.



Indian Springs School's Director Accepts Position in Maine

submitted by Katie Cruce Hathcock, Assistant Director of Development

In a special Town Meeting of the Indian Springs School community on Friday, March 16, Director Mel MacKay announced to students and faculty that he is leaving Indian Springs School to become the head of John Bapst School in Maine, effective June 30, 2007.



MacKay quoted Thoreau's Walden: "I left the woods for as good a reason as I went there. Perhaps it seemed to me that I had several more lives to live ..." He extended his thanks to all of the students whose hard work and optimism make Indian Springs a model boarding and day school, and to the faculty, who over the past five years have continued to teach with commitment and passion and whose redoubled efforts have enhanced the school's academic, boarding, arts and athletic programs. "It's been an honor to serve you," Mr. MacKay concluded.

Chairman of the Indian Springs Board of Governors Gray Plosser '63 stated in a letter to parents, alumni, faculty and friends, "In the last five years, Mel has accomplished a great deal through his effective leadership and met in every way the expectations of the Board. Through a strategic plan developed in the first year of his tenure, the school has reinvigorated its boarding and residential life programs, rebuilt a significant portion of the campus, supported good teaching and faculty development and raised over \$10 million in new capital funds, including over \$2 million for financial aid—all while continuing the commitment to academic excellence which has characterized the school from its inception."

The school's Board of Governors is committed to a rigorous and broad-based search for the next Director. The school has retained the premier search firm in the industry, and the Search Committee will be chaired by Donald Hess '66, incoming Board Chair. This process has already commenced with a search for an Interim Director for the 2007-08 academic year.

Wildflowers Have Arrived

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Ginny Lusk (at left with Pat Zerkis) invited the ISV Garden Club and friends to visit her garden on Sunday, March 25 to see all the varieties of wild flowers that were in bloom, including hundreds of blue phlox. Another highlight were cookies prepared by a guest and served to all. These were Date-With-An-Angel cookies that were extremely good and much enjoyed. The recipe is from Publix Market and only takes a total of 25 minutes to make and serve. The cookies themselves are extremely light.

April Happenings

by Tess Bouvier, North Shelby Library Children's Librarian

Special Programming

April is National Poetry Month! Check out some of our many poetry books and learn how to write your own masterpiece!

The Library will be closed Sunday, April 8th for the Easter holiday.

Monday, April 9th, 16th and 23rd - 4-5 p.m.: "Sit, Stay, Read!" A non-profit organization through Hand-in-Paw dedicated to providing volunteer services to children. "Sit, Stay, Read!" brings children together with specially trained dogs to help them gain more confidence in their reading abilities in an individual setting at the North Shelby library that is supportive, relaxed and furry! All ages. Registration required. Call or email Tess at 439-5504 or nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.org for more information

Saturday, April 7th - 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.: "The First Annual North Shelby Library Easter Egg Hunt!" Join us for a fun Easter egg hunt in the library! We will have a hunt for toddlers, 1-3 year olds in the meeting room and one for children 4+ in the Children's Department. There will be prizes for all participants! Call or email the Children's Department at 439-5504 or nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.org for more information.

Monday, April 9th – Friday, April 13th: "Young Writer's Week" Tuesday, April 10th is "Encourage a Young Writer Day!". Bring us a story you have written and receive a prize! We will also be displaying them on our bulletin boards for other people to see how talented you are!

Thursday, April 12th - 4 p.m.: "Craft: Paint Your Own Wind Chime!" Spring is here and the wind is blowing...

DATE-WITH-AN-ANGEL COOKIES

3 egg whites	1 tsp. real vanilla
1 cup sugar	1 cup all-purpose flour
1 cup chopped, pitted dates	
1 cup chopped toasted pecans or walnuts	
powdered sugar	non-stick spray

Preheat oven to 350, lightly coat cookie sheet with cooking spray. In a large mixing bowl beat egg whites with a mixer set on medium speed until soft peaks form. Slowly add sugar 2 tablespoons at a time on high speed until stiff peaks form and sugar is almost dissolved. Fold in flour, dates and nuts.

Drop by rounded teaspoons full on cookie sheets. Bake 8 to 10 minutes until bottoms are lightly browned. Let cook on cookie sheets for one minute or more. Lightly dust with powdered sugar. Makes 36 cookies.

paint your own wooden wind chime and enjoy the music all season long! All ages. Registration required.

Monday, April 16th - Friday, April 20th: "Young People's Poetry Week" Make sure you visit us at the library and check out great poetry books by Shel Silverstein, Jack Prelutsky and many more! You can also submit your poetry to the library and the winning entry will be featured on our website!

Saturday, April 21st - 2 p.m.: "Family Movie Day" Join us for the fun filled movie, *Spring Into Fun* featuring your favorite characters, including Bob the Builder, Angelina Ballerina, Barney and more! All ages.

Thursday, April 26th - 4 p.m.: "Arbor Day Celebration & Craft" Come and plant a tree to take home and help to decorate the kid's department in honor of Arbor Day! Ages 4+. Please register.

Story-Time Programming

Toddler Tales

Monday, April 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd - 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.: You can call the library at 439-5504 to sign-up. You may begin registration the last Monday of the month for the following month of programs. Ages 24-36 months. Registration required. Call the Children's Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Mr. Mac (Storyteller Extraordinaire!)

Wednesdays, April 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th at 10:45 a.m.
All ages.

P. J. Story time

Thursdays, April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th at 7 p.m.
All ages.

Teen Scene

Teen Book Pick of the Month – *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak This award winning book is narrated by Death himself and follows the story of Liesel, a German girl left with foster parents just before the outbreak of World War II. Along the way to her new home with her younger brother, he dies. After the funeral, Liesel steals The Grave-digger's Handbook, though she cannot yet read. It is only the first of what will become a series of book thefts.

~from Amazon.com

The Month of April – Online Book Club

Want to find another teen book to read? Join our Online Book Club and receive portions of a teen book each week through your email! Sign up on our website to get started!
Monday, April 9th – Friday April 13th: "Teen Writer's Week" Tuesday, April 10th is "Encourage a Writer Day!". Bring us a story you have written and receive a reward for your talent!

Monday, April 16th - Friday, April 20th: "Teen Poetry Week" Make sure you visit us at the library and check out great poetry books by Sylvia Plath, Edgar Allen Poe, Virginia Euwer Wolff and many more! You can also submit your poetry to the library and the winning entry will be featured on our website!

The First Annual North Shelby Library Easter Egg Hunt

by Tess Bouvier, North Shelby Library Children's Librarian

April 7th, 2007

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Contact: North Shelby Library Children's Department, 205-439-5504

The Easter holiday is approaching – come and celebrate with your family and community at your local library!

The North Shelby Library will be hosting an Easter egg hunt for children ages 1-3 years in our meeting room, and a hunt for ages 4 and above in the Children's Department. Youngsters will have the opportunity to search for eggs in a relaxed and fun setting. All eggs will contain small toy prizes or candies. Four "golden eggs" will be hidden, and the kids that find these eggs will receive an Easter goodie basket. And as always, an array of children's books, DVD's and videos relating to the subject of Easter will be available for checkout. Juice and snacks will also be available for the children.

"This will be a great day for kids of all ages to come out to the library, hunt eggs and enjoy some surprises. I can't wait to see the kids running around trying to find the treasures," says Amber Long, who is an intern at the North Shelby Library.

For more information, visit the North Shelby Library at 5521 Cahaba Valley Road, Birmingham AL 35242, call 205-439-5504 or see the library's web page at www.northshelbylibrary.org. Library hours are 10-4 Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10-8 Monday and Thursday and 1-5 Sunday.

More Indian Springs School News

Barett Fleming, originally from Rainbow City, AL, is a junior boarding student at Indian Springs School.

Fleming, age 17, recently traveled to Montgomery with his vocal teacher, Steve Pennington, to compete in the Assemblies of God Fine Arts Competition. He competed in the Male Vocal Solo category, singing "You'll Never Walk Alone." He received a Superior rating which earned him the chance to compete at the State level on April 21, 2007.

Fleming says of his experience, "As a student of primarily Italian arias it was very different to sing in this atmosphere and I am honored to advance to the State level."



Indian Springs School Hosts Third-Annual Marvin Balch Memorial Golf Tournament

submitted by Katie Cruce Hathcock, Assistant Director of Development

On Friday, April 20, Indian Springs School will host its third-annual Marvin Balch Memorial Golf Tournament at Highland Park Golf Course. The tournament is open to the greater Birmingham community and benefits Indian Springs School's Annual Fund. The tournament is named after the late Marvin Balch, a beloved math teacher and active member of the Indian Springs community for more than 30 years.

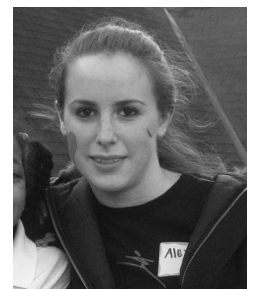
The event begins at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast and registration, and a Shotgun Start at 8:30 a.m. Costs are \$125 for an Individual Golfer, \$500 for a team of four golfers, and corporate or individual hole sponsorships are available for \$125. Sponsorship will include signage on one of the tee boxes. The premium package includes a team of four golfers and a hole sponsorship for \$600. Register on-line at www.highlandparkgolf.com (go to Tournaments/Outings and then Upcoming Events) or contact Gisèle Crowe at gcrowe@indiansprings.org or (205) 332-0600.

Included with each registration is: breakfast, range balls, 18 holes of golf with cart, a framed team photograph for each player and lunch provided by Jim 'n Nick's Bar B Q. Mulligans will be available and contests for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin will be held on the day of the event.

The Marvin Balch Golf Tournament benefits the Annual Fund of Indian Springs School and helps bridge the gap between tuition income and the actual cost of its programs. Donations help fund every aspect of the school's operation, including scholarships, classroom and athletic equipment, technology and library acquisitions.

Indian Springs School Sophomore Alexis Stewart (of Hoover) recently attended the 10th Annual Alabama Dance Festival. Out of the 400 participants at the festival, she was part of a small group of dancers selected to perform one of River North Chicago Dance Company's repertory pieces. While she was at the Alabama Dance Festival Stewart, who has been dancing since age 2 ½, was also awarded a full scholarship to the Florida Dance Festival this summer.

Indian Springs School
Sophomore Alexis Stewart



APRIL 2007

SENIOR CLUB LUNCHEON DATES

June 12
September 11
December 11

HEARDMONT PARK SENIOR CENTER
(205) 991-5742

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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Keep an Eye Out

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Please keep an eye out for water running across the road around the 2000 block of Indian Crest Road. Reports have just been received of two cars hydroplaning during the recent rains as they rounded the curve, ending up in the ditch. Please proceed with caution.

14TH ANNUAL INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2007
3:00 P.M.
INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE
TOWN HALL

ALL CHILDREN THROUGH THE AGE OF 12 ARE INVITED!
BRING YOUR OWN BASKETS, AND BE READY TO HUNT FOR EGGS,
TRINKETS, CANDY & CASH PRIZES!

IN CASE OF RAIN, PLEASE STOP BY BETWEEN 3 & 5
TO PICK UP A GOODY BAG

VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE EASTER EGG HUNT.
CONTACT BRENDA BELL-GUERCIO AT 987-2581.

Couriers Found!

by Alison Stigers, Editor

Thank you for your response to the request for new couriers for *The Village Voice*. Two Indian Gate residents volunteered for the Indian Gate Route and the first to call was James Coco - thank you, James.

A new Villager, Staci Torgerson, has volunteered to help with the Indian Crest route (Indian Crest Drive – from Mountain Park Drive to Arrowhead Lane) but is searching for a co-courier to occasionally share the delivering duties. If anyone is interested in sharing the route, please contact me at 981-1750. Thank you, Staci, for volunteering and welcome to Indian Springs Village.

Building Permits

submitted by Frazier Christy, Town Engineer

Applicant: Danny Hays
Owner: Charles and Barbara King
Address: 7005 Indian Ridge Drive
Proposed Use: New Garage

Alabama Wildlife Center Asks for Volunteers

by Anne Miller, Director

Alabama's native wildlife needs your help! Volunteers are urgently needed at the Alabama Wildlife Center to provide care for this year's orphaned and injured wildlife until they can return to the wild. Call 663-7930 or log on to www.awrc.org for more information about the next training session on April 26th at the Alabama Wildlife Center located in Oak Mountain State Park.

New Weight-Loss Club to Meet

submitted by Helen Bunn, Alabaster, AL

A new chapter of TOPS Club (Take Pounds Off Sensibly) will have its first meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 24th at St. Francis Episcopal Church on Highway 119 in Indian Springs Village. TOPS Club is a nonprofit, non-commercial, weight-loss support organization with thousands of associate chapters across the United States and Canada. Members learn about nutrition, portion control, food planning, exercise and more in weekly meetings.

For more information visit www.tops.org or call Helen Bunn at 903-4223.