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INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, June 15, 2010 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 6, 2010 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*

The Fourth of July is only a few weeks away and if you are in town we invite you to get out your flags, watch our parade through town and then come on down to the Town Pavilion for the festivities, the outstanding barbeque and wonderful homemade cakes and pastries made by your neighbors.

If you wish to be in the parade, please meet in the Winn-Dixie parking lot around 10:00 a.m. The parade will start at 10:30 a.m., wind through town and end up at the Town Hall. As long as you have a vehicle that runs, come join the parade. It will be a fun drive through town. Come on out and wave. You might even catch some candy. The parade route is the same as its been for the last few years and covers New Hope Mountain Road, Miller Circle, Indian Crest Drive, Wildwood, Highgate Hill, Arrowhead Lane, Mountain Vista, Brook Green, Indian Trail and Cahaba Valley Road. If you have a particularly slow vehicle (walking speed) you might want to join the parade later in its route or bring it to the Town Hall for display.

Our flag ceremony begins at 11:30 a.m followed by a reenactment of the Iwo Jima flag raising, invocation and the best barbeque in the state. How is that for a good time?

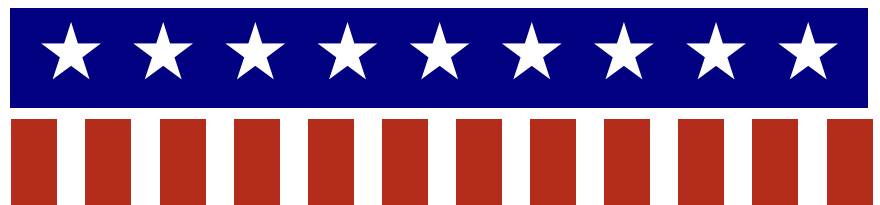
Don't forget to make and bring your home-made cakes and pastries for everyone to enjoy. Remember July 4th is on a Sunday this year.

We need volunteers to make this happen so please contact Brenda Bell-Guercio at 987-2581 or Brenda@indianspringsvillage.org to help out.

Your Town Council is looking at the possibility of several projects to improve the town and the Town Hall area. One is the installation of low intensity street lights at several intersections along Highway 119 to improve turn safety, the installation of a number of new fire hydrants to improve fire support and parking improvements at the Town Hall. The heavy rains last fall and this spring showed just how our grassy parking areas can turn into a quagmire overnight. So we are looking at parking alternatives behind and to the side of the Town Hall. There will be more information on each of these in future issues of *The Village Voice*.

*20th Annual ISV
Fourth of July Celebration!*

Details Inside!



Town Council Meeting

April 20, 2010

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The Mayor called the meeting to order and then called the roll. All Council members were present except Stewart Dudley.

The Council reviewed the April 6 meeting minutes. Stauss made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bell-Guercio. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Mendel noted that the franchise tax received from Alagasco was \$10,000 short of budget. He has researched the issue and found that Alagasco went to a new software system using zip + 4 to determine which service address goes to each municipality resulting in incorrect information. Stauss stated that Alagasco needs to discuss the issue with Vertex (the software vendor) because something is wrong with their database. Judge Harrington was in attendance at the meeting and offered to check with Shelby County mapping services to see what information they could provide.

Robins gave an update on the Highway 119 project. Paving is underway and should be complete by the end of the month. All other items should be complete by June 30. Robins spoke with Scott Holladay, Shelby County engineer, and was told that the estimated cost is \$11,820 to pave Old Post and \$10,020 to pave Oak Mountain Trail.

Robins received a quote from Jim and Nick's for catering for the Fourth of July. It will be \$13/person for 400 people, totaling \$5,200 (same as last year). Bell-Guercio motioned to suspend the rules, seconded by Stauss. The motion was accepted unanimously by roll call vote. Robins made a motion to accept the catering quote from Jim and Nick's for \$5,200, seconded by Bell-Guercio. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Robins reported that the Homestead Homeowners Association held their annual neighborhood meeting last night. The Indian Gate subdivision detention pond fence is still not installed. It is the City Engineer's responsibility to see that it is done. He will have Frazier Christy contact Mr. Powell, the developer.

Bell-Guercio stated she is getting another DJ for the Fourth.

Stauss did a quick inventory of the first shed behind Town Hall. It contains the Kubota, a three-year-old blower and an old, but operational, push mower. He will contact ALM regarding steps for disposing of the equipment. He would like to offer it to residents first. If no interest, he will have Cahaba Tractor consign the Kubota. Stauss has a prototype of a new website home page, but needs current pictures.

Mayor Zerkis asked for input from residents on the proposed lighting at key intersections. Mendel was contacted by residents on Indian Trail who are in favor

of low-level lighting. A resident attending the meeting was concerned that no lighting study had been conducted. She shared information she had researched on dark sky lights. A discussion followed.

A resident noted that the stop sign at Valley View Road and Valley View Drive is routinely run by drivers. He asked if rumble strips could be installed or have the stop sign removed. Robins will contact the County. Mendel stated that at the location of the new stop sign at Deer Mountain and Indian Trail, the stop line was chalk marked but never painted.

North Shelby Fire Chief O'Connor and Mayor Zerkis have not heard back from Pelham's Mayor but the Pelham Fire Chief said he is leaning toward not charging the fire hydrant impact fee for the proposed new hydrants in the City.

Chief O'Connor is considering a pilot program in ISV for volunteer emergency responders. A half-day training class would be required. He is also in need of volunteers to assist with community education in area schools.

Lt. Robert Lawson of the North Shelby Fire Department would like to form a community team to assist the elderly and disabled in the area who need assistance with yard work, grocery shopping, errands and rides to and from appointments. An article will be published in *The Village Voice* and an interest meeting will be held at Town Hall one week later.

Bell-Guercio made a motion to establish a Community Emergency Response Service team in Indian Springs Village, seconded by Mendel. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Jim Wyatt has confirmed the Iwo Jima re-enactors for the Fourth. However, they have asked that traffic on Town Hall grounds be stopped during the re-enactment and they have offered to provide their own music.

Wayne Jones reported for the PAZ. Shelby County has adopted the International Building Code. The PAZ has reviewed it and discussed revisions. Shelby County Development Services presented a contract for \$60 per hour for professional services, not to exceed \$10,000 per year. The City Engineer, Frazier Christy, can provide the same services. The sign ordinance needs to be revised.

Zerkis presented the FEMA resolution that Shelby County has asked all cities to adopt. The Council would like to see a copy of the plan prior to passing.

Mayor Zerkis contacted the local Census Bureau and requested additional census forms for residents who did not receive them. They responded that they will come to residents' homes who did not mail the form back.

Mayor Zerkis adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Rasco, City Clerk

Town Council Meeting

May 4, 2010

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The Mayor called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All Council members were present except Brian Stauss and Stewart Dudley.

The Council reviewed the April 20 meeting minutes. Robins made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Bell-Guercio. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Mendel presented the February and March financial reports. Bell-Guercio made a motion to endorse the reports as presented, seconded by Mendel. The motion was accepted unanimously.

Robins spoke with Gary Ray of ALDOT regarding the Highway 119 turn-lane project. The paving is complete and they are waiting for it to cure so that the final striping can be done. The final inspection will be this month. Ray will also check on faded County road signs and have them replaced as needed. Robins also spoke with Scott Holladay of Shelby County. Deer Mountain Road will be striped at the stop sign. Regarding the stop sign at Valley View Drive and Valley View Road, he will look at the intersection to see what the County can do to resolve the problem.

Robins noted that the hot water heaters are not getting hot. He will contact the plumber who installed them to check them. In warmer weather the thermostat for Town Hall needs to be set on approximately 80 degrees to prevent mildew in the building.

Mendel gave an update on the incorrect franchise tax payment received from Alagasco. He received an updated parcel and deed spreadsheet from the County and is updating it with standardized addresses and zip plus 4. It should be complete and forwarded to Alagasco by the next meeting.

Bell-Guercio contacted a new DJ for the Fourth. The cost is \$300. He will be contacted to determine what he needs.

The City Clerk gave an update on business licenses. Only three remain unpaid. There was a discussion about liens.

Mayor Zerkis gave a 2010 census update. 91% of residents in Indian Springs have returned their forms.

Zerkis would like to review the sign ordinance. There are several large billboard political signs along Cahaba Valley Road within the city limits.

Zerkis reported for Stauss regarding the equipment disposal. The Council needs to approve a resolution with a detailed equipment list. Stauss plans to offer the equipment for sale on May 15.

An arborist and two garden club members reviewed the trees on the property. They recommended cutting down

some and pruning others. Mendel suggested doing the tree work in conjunction with the parking lot/landscape installation. The Council will have a work session with Jim Loper, a landscape architect. Robins will contact Loper regarding his availability.

Copies of the Hazard Mitigation Plan were distributed.

The annual state tax holiday will be August 6 through 8.

The burn ban is now in effect.

Bart Trammell is home and doing much better since his accident.

The Council agreed to change the price per plate for the Fourth of July Celebration from \$6 to \$8.

Mayor Zerkis adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Rasco, City Clerk

Building Permits

submitted by Frazier Christy, Town Engineer

Applicant: S&S Development Co, Inc.

Owner: Sid Aultman

Address: 75 McGuire Lane

Proposed Use: Remodel – Sunroom – Enclose Existing Porch

Applicant: Matthew J. Ebbert

Owner: Same

Address: 41 Foxfire Circle

Proposed Use: New – Detached Garage

Applicant: Sears Home Improvement

Owner: Dave Kleeschute

Address: 5525 Parkview Circle

Proposed Use: Remodel – Interior Work

Applicant: Case Handyman & Remodeling

Owner: Rocky and Leslie Smith

Address: 244 Cahaba Oaks Trail

Proposed Use: Remodel – Gable Roof with Window Addition

Applicant: Jim Bozemen

Owner: Same

Address: 115 Willow Ridge Lane

Proposed Use: Remodel – Interior Work



St. Francis' 10th Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser

July 12, 2010 – Riverchase Country Club – 10:00 a.m.

Take a Monday off of work and be a part of the 10th Annual Golf Tournament, where there'll be something for everyone! Whether it's golfing, putting, participating in a silent auction or the hole-in-one contest, two things are guaranteed: if you come, you will have a blast, and when you participate in this annual fund-raising event, your generosity will be used responsibly toward many worthy causes.

The format for the day is a four-player scramble format. Registration fee is \$150, which includes lunch, a player's gift, 18 holes of golf with a cart, tee prizes, a sleeve of balls, complimentary beverage cart, silent auction, putting contest, hole-in-one contest, hors d'oeuvres, awards and door prizes.

Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Buster Norvell, St. Francis' Chair of the 10th Annual Golf Tournament at (205) 991-5602, or mbnorvelljr@charter.net.

The Episcopal Church of St. Francis of Assisi
The Rev. Neil Kaminski, Rector

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www.saintfrancisindiansprings.org

TOPS Weight Loss Support Group Meetings

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will meet every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at St. Francis Episcopal Church, on Highway 119 in Indian Springs. TOPS is a non-profit, non-commercial weight-loss support organization with thousands of associate chapters in the United States and Canada. For more information, call 620-0602.

In Memoriam

Peter Michael Baran, 58, of Vass, formerly of Indian Springs Village, died April 21, 2010 at his residence. Mr. Baran was born October 3, 1951 in New Rochelle, NY to Walter Baran and Margaret (Peg) Grace Osterhoudt Baran. A memorial service was held at 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 23, 2010 at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Southern Pines. Mr. Baran is survived by his wife of seventeen years, Paula Reynolds Baran; daughters, Grace Aslan Baran of Vass and Heather Brinson Jackson (Patrick); a granddaughter, Honor Elizabeth Jackson, all of Birmingham, AL. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in memory of Peter Michael Baran to the Foundation for Thymic Cancer Research at PO Box 474 Longport, NJ 08403 or call 609-214-8616.

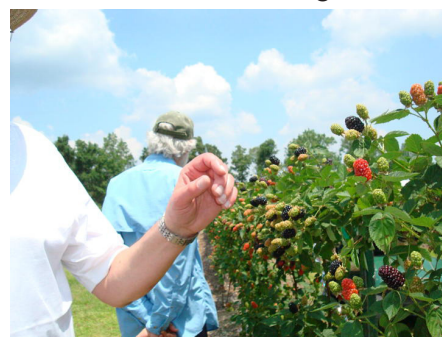
Garden Club Enjoys Trip To "Petals from the Past"

by Ruth Goodwyn, Publicity Chair, Indian Springs Garden Club

The several members, and a few visitors, of the Indian Springs Garden Club who made the trip to Jemison for a visit to Petals from the Past were guided not by Jason Powell, owner, but by his father, Dr. Arlie Powell. He is a former distinguished faculty member of Auburn University's Department of Horticulture and author of numerous publications concerning horticulture, notably fruit growing.



Members toured the grounds and got to sample the



blueberries and Kiowa blackberries, which were deemed "outstanding" by Mayor Steve Zerkis, there with wife, Pat. The only blackberry grown at Petals from

the Past is the Kiowa, a large berry—each fruit can weigh almost an ounce. Dr. Powell characterized the blackberry as a "nostalgic fruit" in the South. The golden kiwi, pomegranates, muscadines and several varieties of blueberries were included in his presentation, as well as tips on using sprays, fertilizing and when to prune. A tour of the antique roses and other popular plants was part of the program.

Lunch followed, enjoyed on the porch of the 100-year-old building which is surrounded on all sides by a veranda. Two new members were welcomed into the Garden Club, Mark and Nancy Nelson, introduced by the president, Patsy Strozier.

The June meeting will be a tour of three or four local gardens, concluding at the John and Patsy Strozier home where refreshments will be served.



Baby Bird Shower Brings a Downpour of Generosity

Peanut Butter, Raisins & TP –

Not Your Mother's Baby Shower List

by Janet Byars, Development Assistant

The state's oldest and largest wildlife rehabilitation center, the Alabama Wildlife Center, hosted its first annual "Baby Bird Shower" on Saturday, May 8, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event attracted over two hundred and fifty guests who enjoyed free carrot cake and lemonade, heard wildlife presentations from AWC Director of Education Sandra Allinson accompanied by Coosa the barred owl, had guided tours of what goes on in the Baby Bird Nursery and more. More than one hundred young visitors played the Feed the Bird bean bag toss game, decorated a bird ornament and planted their own sunflower seeds to take home and grow their own bird food.

Between April and September each year, AWC receives up to nine hundred injured and orphaned baby birds. The purpose of the event was to educate the community on the needs of native baby birds and encourage the public to do what they can to help.

And help they did. Not only did we receive almost \$1,000 in donations and sales of promotional items and handmade treats, guests brought gifts from the AWC wish list for the baby birds. The following is just a taste of the shower gifts received:

- 15 baskets of fresh berries
- 25 pounds of raisins
- 38 pounds of Evo and Iams kitten food
- 70 pounds of creamy peanut butter
- 84 pounds of black oil sunflower seeds
- 106 rolls of paper towels
- 481 pounds of wild bird feed (includes 300 pounds donated by Pet Supplies Plus in Pelham)
- 962 rolls of unscented toilet paper

Many other items from the Baby Bird wish list were also donated. The total estimated value of donated wish list items is about \$3,000.

AWC Executive Director Beth Bloomfield said, "It was so sweet to see guests arriving with bags full of the gifts they'd picked out for the baby birds. Many guests even wrapped their gift with a ribbon." Bloomfield continued, "While we have regular donors and volunteers that support AWC, this event gave the broader community a chance to both learn and take action in support of Alabama's native wildlife. The generosity of the guests is deeply moving."

The AWC wish list is still posted online at www.awrc.org, and the need for the listed items will remain high through the end of the baby bird season in September. Wish list donations can be delivered seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to the Alabama Wildlife Center, 100 Terrace Drive, Oak Mountain State Park, in Pelham.

Bloomfield says the organization estimates that because of their dramatically increased caseload during the baby bird season, AWC's food costs currently run about fifteen thousand

dollars a month. Most of the babies eat half-hourly for twelve to fourteen hours a day. A single baby red-tailed hawk will eat ten to twelve mice a day. A chimney swift will eat about one hundred and twenty-five mealworms each day. A baby merganser duck can eat up to one hundred minnows daily. "Anything the public can give to help Alabama's injured and orphaned native baby birds is needed right now."

Surplus Items For Sale

by Brian Stauss, Place #3

The City has several surplus property items for sale to ISV residents. Items will be available for inspection on Saturday, June 12, 2010 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Town Hall Pavilion and are in good, working condition unless stated otherwise. Sealed bids will be accepted now through 3:00 p.m. June 12th. Successful bidders will be notified within 24 hours after the sale closes.

- 1) Kubota G1900 tractor. 18hp 3-cylinder diesel engine. 465 hours. 54" mower deck. Minimum bid \$4,500.
- 2) Stihl BG65 gas blower. No minimum bid.
- 3) John Deere tow behind broadcast spreader. No minimum bid.
- 4) Agri-Fab 45 gallon tow-behind sprayer. 10' boom. 12V pump. No minimum bid.
- 5) 5x8 trailer with ramp. 15" rims. Tires are dry rotted. Trailer cannot be used unless tires are replaced. No minimum bid.

To submit a bid: On one sheet of paper, write the bid you are submitting for each item, along with your name, address, phone number and email address. Put the sheet of paper in an envelope, seal the envelope and write "sealed bid auction" on the envelope. Submit the envelope to a city official at the June 12 inspection. We will have paper and envelopes at the inspection. If you are not available on June 12, submit your bid in advance to Kelly Rasco, City Clerk, using the same process as described above.

Contact: Brian Stauss,
brian@indianspringsvillage.org,
or 987-9997.





Annual

INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE

Fourth of July Celebration

Sunday, July 4, 2010

Indian Springs Village Pavilion

Celebrate America ISV Style!

PARADE, INDEPENDENCE DAY CEREMONY, BARBEQUE LUNCH AND MORE!

PARADE REGISTRATION: Be set up and ready to register at 10:00 a.m. at the Winn Dixie Marketplace parking lot on Valleydale Road.

Decorated vehicles will begin their route through the Village at 10:30 a.m. Parade will proceed up Caldwell Mill Road and make a right turn on Indian Crest Drive. The parade will then turn left on New Hope Mountain Road and continue to the end where it meets Miller Circle. It will go right until it reaches Indian Crest again and turn left and continue on Indian Crest. The parade will make a right turn on Wildwood to High Gate and circle back to Indian Crest. Then it's on to Arrowhead and Highway 119. A right on 119 and left turns on Mountain Vista, Brook Green and Indian Trail to Highway 119 again. A right turn on 119 will take us to the Town Hall. (It is suggested that especially slow vehicles join the parade somewhere around Valley View Drive and Fox Fire Circle.)

INDEPENDENCE DAY CEREMONY: Flag raising ceremony will begin at 11:30 a.m. A reenactment of the flag-raising over Iwo Jima in World War II will be performed.

BARBECUE LUNCH: Served from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m. Barbeque plates for adults and children. Plates will include choices of delicious barbeque pork, ribs and chicken, slaw, baked beans, buns, drinks and, of course, homemade desserts.

Donations for the Indian Springs Village Environmental Fund will be accepted.
Music will be provided, featuring a mixture of patriotic music and hits from the past.

Volunteers Needed for Fourth of July BBQ

Help is needed:

- directing parking from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- with parade registration at the Winn Dixie parking lot at 10:00 a.m.
- to serve at the dessert and drink tables.

Most importantly, don't forget to bring homemade desserts for all to enjoy!

Yours may receive a Special Recognition Award for the "Best Home-made Dessert"

Please call Brenda Bell-Guercio at 987-2581 to offer your services.

June Happenings by Cecelia Dean, North Shelby Library Youth Services Department

Summer Reading Registration – June 1st-July 13th – Come by the Children’s Department to register for our Summer Reading Program. No phone registration, please.

Special Programming

Saturday, June 5th – 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Summer Reading Kickoff Party at Heardmont Park beside the tennis courts. Join us for a fun filled day full of inflatables, games, face painting, popcorn, drinks, popsicles and more. All ages are welcome to attend. No registration is required. In case of inclement weather, all activities will take place at the North Shelby Library in the Meeting Room.

Mondays, June 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th – 3:30-4:30 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 the Children’s Department at 439-5504 or NorthShelbyYouth@gmail.com for more information.

Monday, June 7th – 2:00 p.m.: Monday Movie Matinee – *Tinker Bell and the Lost Treasure*. All ages welcome. No registration required. Snacks served.

Wednesday, June 9th – 2:00 p.m.: Flow Circus: Magic, comedy and juggling. These are just a few things you will see during this amazing program. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Thursday, June 10th – 2:00-3:30 p.m.: Craft: Octopus. Drop in anytime between 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. All ages welcome. Registration required. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to craft date. Call or visit the Children’s Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Monday, June 14th – 2:00 p.m.: Monday Movie Matinee – *Monsters vs Aliens*. All ages welcome. No registration required. Snacks served.

Tuesday, June 15th – 10:30 a.m.: Blazer’s Educational Animals. Join us for an amazing animal adventure with animals from around the world. Things we may see: a giant African crested porcupine, a long-legged giant Guinea pig, or maybe even a baboon in pants! Don’t miss your chance to see and learn about these awesome animals! All ages welcome. No reservations required.

Thursday, June 17th – 2:00-3:30 p.m.: Craft – Card Making Workshop. Drop in anytime between 2:00-3:30 p.m. All ages welcome. Registration required. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to craft date. Call or visit the Children’s Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Monday, June 21st – 2:00 p.m.: Monday Movie Matinee – *Finding Nemo*. All ages welcome. No registration Required. Snacks served.

Tuesday, June 22nd – 10:30 a.m.: Mark Seymour. Get ready for a feast – for your ears. Join our guest as he uses over 100 percussion instruments to delight us with a drum and music extravaganza. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Thursday, June 24th – 2:00-3:30 p.m. Craft: Silly Sea Shell Creatures. Drop in anytime between 2:00-3:30 p.m. All ages welcome. Registration required. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to craft date. Call or visit the Children’s Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Thursday, June 24th – 6-6:45 p.m.; North Shelby Library Ice Cream Social. There is always room for dessert! Bring the whole family and make your own delicious sundaes. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Monday, June 28th – 12:30-2:00 p.m.: Pirate University. Set sail on a high sea adventure and earn your pirate degree. Ages 8-12. Registration is required. Registration will begin 2 weeks prior to program date.

Monday, June 28th – 2:00 p.m.: Monday Movie Matinee – *Treasure Planet*. All ages welcome. No registration required. Snacks served.

Tuesday, June 29th – 10:30 a.m.: Skip Cain, The Magic Guy. Join us for an interactive show filled with magic, comedy and balloon sculptures. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Story-Time Programming

Toddler Tales

Mondays, June 7th, 14th and 21st – 9:30, 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.: 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. Call the Children’s Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Baby Tales Story Time

Tuesday, June 15th and June 29th – 9:30-10:00 a.m.: 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. No siblings please. Ages: Birth to 18 months. Registration required. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to program date. Call or visit the Children’s Department at 439-5504 to sign up.

Mr. Mac (Storyteller Extraordinaire!)

Wednesdays, June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th – 10:45 a.m.: All ages. No registration required. Stories, puppets and lots of music for every member of the family. All ages. No registration required.

P. J. Story Time

Thursdays, June 3rd, 10th and 17th – 7:00 p.m.: Come in your PJs, have milk and cookies and hear some wonderful bedtime tales. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Teen Scene @ NSL

Saturday, June 5 – 6:30-8:30 p.m.: Teen Summer Reading Kickoff! Join us for a Teen Pizza & Pool Party at the Greystone YMCA!!! We’ll provide the refreshments and tons of fun prizes. Registration required for this program.

Monday, June 7 – 5:00-5:30 p.m.: Battle of the Books Introductory Meeting. Do you have what it takes to be the champion of BotB? Find out at our first strategy session and earn extra points for your team! Snacks served. Library Meeting Room on 1st floor.

Monday, June 7 – 5:30-7:45 p.m.: Monday Movie Night – *Alice in Wonderland*. You've got a very important date!!! Prizes, popcorn and soda provided.

Wednesday, June 9 – 6:00-7:30 p.m.: Juggle Me This!!!

Three ball juggling broken down into simple, easy to learn steps with Flow Circus!!! Win Prizes. Snacks served.

Thursday, June 10 – 6:00 p.m.: 3rd Annual Fear Factor Food & Soda Tasting!!! Do you have an iron stomach??? Brave taste buds??? Put yourself to the test with some new and unique food combinations. Scary food not your thing? Join us for a soda tasting of local sodas from around the country (and maybe the world)!

Monday, June 14 – 5:30-7:30 p.m.: Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant. Meet Darren. He's sixteen going on immortal. Prizes, popcorn and soda provided.

Thursday, June 17 – 6:00-7:30 p.m.: Wii Gaming and Pizza!!! Rock out with your friends in the Young Adult Department with Rock Band and Guitar Hero while enjoying pizza, and win great prizes.

Monday, June 21 – 5:30-7:45 p.m.: Monday Movie Night — *Sherlock Holmes*. Nothing escapes him. Prizes, popcorn and soda provided.

Thursday, June 24 – 6:00-7:45 p.m.: Tye Dye Your Own Shirt!!! Express your artistic side by creating your own tye-dyed masterpiece! This program will be held on the patio out back. Participants must register (so we can ensure you have a shirt)! Prizes, drinks provided.



Left: Oak Mountain Intermediate School Chess Team. Above: Eric Martin.

Special Equestrians Volunteer Training Sessions

by Jaime Laird, Volunteer Coordinator

If you like horses, the outdoors and helping people, we have the perfect opportunity for you. Please join the force of over 200 volunteers that assist Special Equestrians, Inc. Special Equestrians, Inc. is a therapeutic horseback riding program for people with physical, mental or emotional disabilities. All levels of experience are needed (no horse experience necessary); just attend one of our Volunteer Training Sessions on Tuesday, June 2nd from 5:00-7:00 p.m., or Saturday, June 5th from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Training sessions will take place at our facility on the campus of Indian Springs School. Call us for more details at (205) 987-WHOA, or you can visit our website www.specialequest.org.

OMIS Student is Chess Champ

submitted by Caesar Lawrence, Director, Caesar Chess

The Summer Scholastic Chess Tournament was held on Saturday, May 22nd. For one Oak Mountain Intermediate School student, that day was perfect.

Eric Marin won the Primary (K-4) section with a perfect 5-0 score. Eric and his chess teammates have been studying chess since September, 2009.

In January, they played in their first chess tournament at the MLK Scholastic. Yes, they were nervous, but went on to win the 2nd Place Team Trophy.

So far, they have completed in four scholastic chess tournaments. Three times they have won the 2nd place team honors in the K-8 section.

On Saturday, only two of the OMIS chess players participated. Therefore, they were not eligible for the team honors. Nevertheless, Eric Marin and Henry Goff represented the OMIS Chess Team well. Eric won all 5 of his games and Henry won 3 games (5th Place). They played each other in the 4th round and had a good, competitive game.

The Summer Scholastic Individual Winners: Primary (Not Rated; K-4): 1st: Eric Marin – with 5 points, 2nd: Samson Sands – with 4 points. 3rd: Kyle Camlic – with 4 points. 4th: Easan Ganesh – with 4 points. 5th: Henry Goff – with 3 points. 6th: Adam Camlic – with 3 points. 7th: Andrea Carter – with 3 points. Rachel McKinney – with 3 points. Jaylin Young - with 3 points.

Summer Chess Camp

submitted by Caesar Lawrence, Director, Caesar Chess

Caesar Chess will hold a Summer Chess Camp at several Shelby County Schools from June 7th through August 6th. The cost is \$70 per student. To register: Info@CaesarChess.com or pick up an enrollment form from your Shelby County School ASCP Office.

Local Farmers' Markets

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

This year the choice you have in farmers' markets to visit is expanding in Shelby County. The closest is the one on Valleydale Road and Bailey Road across from Jefferson State in the Faith Presbyterian church parking lot. They had their start last summer and are planning to grow this year with food and cooking demonstrations. They will be open on Saturday mornings all summer and fall.

I understand that other towns such as Helena, Mount Laurel, and Columbiana will be hosting their own farmers' markets usually on Saturday mornings. And of course, there is the biggest one of all, The Pepper Place market on Saturday mornings on 2nd Avenue South and 28th Street.

The big advantage to us of farmers' markets is the opportunity to get fresh, local vegetables and fruits. You are not buying from foreign countries. You are supporting Alabama farmers. At this time of the year a few items are still from Florida. Nothing beats product that is local and freshly picked. The local strawberries are great this year and blueberries will be on sale very soon, so please support our local farmers.

Letter to the Editor

Good afternoon, Alison,

I stopped by the Valleydale Farmers' Market this morning after my 5K run. It was almost twice as large as last year and a challenge to find a place to park. The aroma of fresh, plump red strawberries was in the air - too tempting to pass up. There was a booth telling about events at the market, i.e. cooking demo by Wendy Cruse of C&C Catering, LifeSouth Blood Drive, music by Chris Appleby and the Safetybelts, etc. They have a website that you might want to visit and print the upcoming events in the newsletter. We certainly don't want to lose this great addition to our neighborhood due to poor attendance. Just Google Valleydale Farmers Market, or go to www.valleydalefarmersmarket.com. We also need to thank Mary Sue McClurkin for helping get a grant to do the market.

Next week the cooking demo is Daniel George Restaurant at 10:00 a.m. and the event is Library Story Time at 9:30 a.m.

If you have questions, you can also contact Matt Churnock at 531-1521 or valleydalefarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Thanks, Alison!

Jacqui Sweet, Villager

Thanks to Many Friends and Neighbors

The Bart Trammell family would like to extend their sincere thanks for all the thoughts, prayers and concerns during Bart's injury and rehabilitation. He is looking forward to the removal of the neck and back braces in the next few weeks. He will definitely be ready for the first football game.

Home Baked Cakes and Pastries

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Who doesn't like home baked cakes, pies and pastries? One of the highlights of our July 4th Celebration is the opportunity to enjoy some of the wonderful things that you, your friends and neighbors bake. We'd love it if you would bake something and share it with your neighbors on the 4th at the Town Pavilion. As we do every year, we will ask are our firemen, sheriff's deputies and scouts to be our main judges. Everyone's baked goods will be tasted and enjoyed. I'll even do my part with the tasting, if Pat will let me.

Recycling

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

You may have read recently that recycling pickups will now be made available throughout Shelby County with Waste Management Inc., so our neighbors outside of ISV can now also have curb-side recycling. Our program with WMI remains the same. We have **weekly** curb side pickups on Wednesdays for a total of \$5.06 a month. That is a bargain and you will be able to do your part in recycling household materials and keeping them out of landfills. If you have not signed up for recycling yet, please contact WMI and get a yellow recycling cart.

Business License Update

by Kelly Rasco, City Clerk

New 2010 licenses have been issued to Diversified Services, Trettel Home Repair, LiveFit, Midstate Advertising and Signs, S & S Development and Wiregrass Construction. The following businesses have renewed their license for 2010: Airwave Recording Studio, Building By Design and Case Handyman. James E. Roberts and Movie Gallery remain delinquent.

Thanks

Our thanks to Kevin Colburn for his years of service delivering *The Village Voice* to ISV residents on Cahaba Valley Road and Grimes Road, and to Mike Mace and his family who have generously offered to take over delivery to this route.



June 2010

Heardmont Park Senior Center

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Hours: Monday-Friday 9a.m.—3p.m.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Citizen Action Team

by Michael O'Connor, Shelby County Fire District Chief

The Citizen Action Team is local neighbors getting together to make an improvement in the quality of life of the community in which they live. On a daily basis, the fire district and sheriff's department go into people's homes and handle the problem(s) they were called to address. But the firefighters and deputies see other needs within the home that are outside the scope of their jobs, and know and recognize that these needs must be addressed. Needs such as sitting with an elderly gentlemen so his wife can get out of the house. Or bringing a meal to a recent widower. Or helping a neighbor through a time of distress. So often I see a spouse's world unravel in his or her eyes as we are doing CPR on their spouse. We have people that need help, and I'm asking you to step up. Provide a meal or sit with someone so the spouse can go to church. Increase the quality of life in your community by getting involved!

The next meeting of the Community Action Team will be June 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall.

Come to the meeting and we will update you on the first two organizational meetings we have had. Come to the meeting and listen to the steps we have already taken. Maybe you know of people that need help of whom we are unaware? Come and make a difference in your corner of the world.

