

The Village Voice



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INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 2, 2014 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.

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The Village Voice is published the first week of each month. Articles for the September edition should be submitted by Friday, August 29, 2014. All materials submitted for publication may be edited, including **letters to the editor, which must be signed and give writer's address and phone number.** All opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the authors of articles; any opinions expressed should not be attributed to the mayor or the council.

Editor's Appreciation to
Mildred Wyatt for the masthead drawing
Herb Robins for proofing

Message From The Mayor *by Brenda Bell Guercio*

I hope everyone is having a great summer. It is hard to believe it is almost over. It seems we wait so long for summer vacations and then they quickly come and go. The one good thing about the end of summer is that it brings the start of football season which, for those who live in Alabama, is something to look forward to!

I really wanted to take the time this month to give a heartfelt thanks to our editor, Alison Stigers. Alison has been the editor of *The Village Voice* for a decade and done a spectacular job. I don't know if everyone realizes the work and dedication she has put into this project. In addition to her full-time job as marketing supervisor for a major company, Vineyard Brands, Alison coordinates getting all the articles in on time and laying out the format, then getting the final version to the printer, picking it up from the printer and delivering it into hands that take it to the remaining sites for hard copy. Then she works together with Brian Stauss to see that the edition is sent for electronic delivery. She is also treasurer of the Homestead Homeowners Association, and a member of ISV Planning and Zoning Commission and volunteers her time to that committee. She is one of the first to volunteer to work at the Fourth of July event. All in all, we are fortunate this Vermont girl decided to move to Indian Springs Village years ago and call it home. As you know, she will be turning over the reins of *The Village Voice* to Michael Harrington at the end of September.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you, Alison, for all the hard work and time you have given so generously to our town and continue to contribute.

Sincerely,
Brenda Bell-Guercio

FREE LANDFILL DAY

Saturday, October 4, 2014 Shelby County Landfill

State Route 70 – 401 Landfill Road
(between Calera and Columbiana)

Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Scalehouse: 669-4169

Town Council Meeting

July 1, 2014

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, July 1, 2014. Mayor Bell-Guercio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Town Clerk called the roll and all council members were present except Councilperson Kathryn Harrington. Bell-Guercio recognized Arnold Mooney and his wife Kelly. Mooney is in the July 15th runoff election for State House District 43 position.

The minutes of June 3, 2014 were reviewed. Councilman Mendel made a motion the minutes be approved as written. Councilman Robins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The minutes of June 17, 2014 were reviewed. Mendel made a motion the minutes be approved as written. Robins seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Financials were presented by Mendel. He reported that the revenue for the year has exceeded the budget with four months to go in the fiscal year. The recently completed Eagle Scout project should be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, rather than from the General Fund. Councilman Trammell questioned the clerk's training expense check and the authority of the Mayor to approve the expense. The issue was again discussed. Additionally, the credit card expenses were reviewed. Mendel made a motion that the May Financial Report be endorsed and Stauss seconded. The motion was approved by a vote of four to one.

Robins reported to the council on the progress of the junked car issue. He explained that the Mayor sent a letter certified mail explaining why and how the Ordinance Regulating Abandoned or Junked Motor Vehicles was being violated and gave the recipient seven days in which to comply with the ordinance. He stated he would post the letter on the property, as the ordinance requires, on Wednesday, July 2, 2014.

Robins also informed the council that the 4th of July Celebration plans were in line and on-going. The ISV Garden Club is making table arrangements for the event and a donation will be accepted for the ISV Children's Fund from anyone who would like to purchase one after the event.

Stauss informed the council that he has a trial period with Constant Contact and will be contacting them to purchase a permanent system which will handle our E-Blast efforts more efficiently.

Trammell presented Resolution No. 07-01-14-01 which resolves that the Town Council of Indian Springs Village declares that grass and weed growth on specific property on Cahaba Valley Road is a public nuisance and must be abated. Trammell made a motion this resolution be accepted and Mendel seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Robins reviewed the proposed Zoning Ordinance and briefly explained the major changes. Mendel wanted to make two changes in regard to the fees that are included in the amendment in two areas. He wants it to read "See Fee Schedule" rather than list the fees in the ordinance. This will

prevent having to pass a new zoning ordinance whenever fees are revised. Robins made a motion to pass the ordinance with the above referenced changes. Mendel seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Bell-Guercio informed the council of the recent meeting ISV hosted with representatives from the county and Pelham to partner in developing an Emergency Action Plan for the Oak Mountain State Park Dams. The results of the meeting were that firms will be interviewed to conduct an inundation study as the first step in developing an Emergency Action Plan. She will keep everyone informed as to the progress.

A resident addressed the council about his concern with the coyotes. Animal control cannot respond to coyote request. Council suggested citizens use a company like Critter Control. The resident advised everyone to keep their pets inside at night as he has experienced bad incidents with dogs and cats being killed.

Several Boy Scouts from Troop 538 attended the council meeting in order to earn either their communication badge, citizen and community badge, or both. They were as follows:

Jackson Dummier
Harris Blackstone
Wesley Lamberson
Connor Judson

Griffin Walker
Grant Foree
Ryan Wozniak
Noah Walton

Bell-Guercio adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Downs, Town Clerk

Building Permits

submitted by Frazier Christy, Town Engineer

Applicant: Marathon Electric
Owner: Larry and Sue Deboer
Address: 170 Brook Green Lane
Proposed Use: Replace service to pool house

Applicant: Meadows Homes
Owner: Kenneth F. Jernigan
Address: 201 Cahaba Oaks Trail
Proposed Use: Upgrade several rooms

Applicant: Antonio Garza
Owner: Teena McGuinness
Address: 2909 Indian Crest Drive
Proposed Use: New driveway

OMHS Booster Club Holds Community Summit

The Oak Mountain High School Athletic Booster Club is hosting a Community Summit about the state of athletics. The meeting will be held on Monday, August 11th, 6:30 p.m., in The Performing Arts Center at the school. The purpose of the meeting is to a) review the history of the program since the school's inception in 1999, b) update the community on the current status of the program and c) discuss the future direction and needs of the program. The program will last approximately 1½ hours and will be followed by a Meet and Greet Reception with all the Head Coaches at OMHS. We invite everyone in the community to attend that has an interest and would like to learn more about the program. If you would like more information, please contact Brian Fuller at 205-243-1572 or blfuller@southernco.com.

Gardeners Make Excursion To Downtown Pepper Place

by Ruth Goodwyn, Publicity Chair, Indian Springs Garden Club

A small group of Garden Club members met at the Town Hall at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 26, to carpool to 2829 2nd Ave. South to tour the two or three blocks which make up Pepper Place in downtown Birmingham.

Open at 7:00 a.m., Pepper Place offers farm produce brought in by Alabama farmers (the main feature), cooking demonstrations, samples of cooked food, flowers, music and many other attractions. The group especially enjoyed visiting Petals from the Past (having previously toured their site at Jemison, AL), Charlie Thigpen's Garden Gallery and the results of a demonstration by Linda Croley of Bare Naked Noodles. At about 10:00 a.m., when the crowd was practically elbow-to-elbow, the gardeners decided to leave. A trip to Railroad Park and the Art Museum will be the focus of a future meeting, or meetings.

On August 28, at a regular Thursday evening gathering at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, Chris Hershey of the Shelby County Tourism Department will be our speaker. Villagers are invited to attend.

TOPS Weight Loss Support Group Meetings

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS Chapter 0566) meets every Tuesday morning at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 3545 Cahaba Valley Rd, Indian Springs Village, 35124. Weigh in at 10:30 a.m. Meeting at 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Call 995-2166 for more information. The Take Off Pounds Sensibly Weight Loss Support Group meets on Monday nights at 5:30 p.m. at Indian Springs First Baptist Church, 3375 Cahaba Valley Road, Indian Springs Village. Call 910-3962 with questions. Please join us! Lose weight with friends!

Indian Springs School Welcomes New Director Of Admission

submitted by Mindy Keyes Black, Assistant Director of Development for Communications, Indian Springs School



Indian Springs School is pleased to announce that Birmingham native Claire Cassady has joined the school as Director of Admission and Financial Aid. Cassady will lead enrollment initiatives and organize on- and off-campus admission events for Indian Springs, which is nationally recognized as a leader in coed boarding and day education for grades 8-12.

“Our Office of Admission plays a central role in attracting bright, motivated students to our dynamic school community,” says ISS Director Gareth Vaughan. “Claire’s vibrant personality coupled with her educational background and experience make her ideally suited to represent our incredible program to the many families considering Indian Springs for high school locally, nationwide and around the world.”

Cassady previously served as Assistant Director of Admission & Financial Aid at Saint Mary’s School in Raleigh, N.C., where she coordinated campus visits for prospective students and their families, managed the school’s financial aid budget, served as dormitory head, ninth grade class adviser and 11th grade speech mentor.

A 2011 graduate of Vanderbilt University, Cassady received her B.S. in Child Studies from the Peabody College of Education. Before college, she boarded during grades 9-12 at the Baylor School in Chattanooga, Tenn., where she was awarded the school’s first Distinguished Scholar four-year merit scholarship. The daughter of ISS alumnus Ed Cassady ’76, she attended Advent Episcopal School in Birmingham for grades K-8.

“I am thrilled to be joining Indian Springs as the new Director of Admission,” says Cassady. “For over 60 years, Springs has cultivated a sense of curiosity and a love of learning in its students. I have admired the school since my childhood visits to the campus with my father, who is a very proud alum, and I look forward to working with students and families from across the state, the country and the world to continue Springs’ tradition of excellence.”

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WELCOME



We are excited to have you in Indian Springs Village!
Whether you are visiting, conducting business or attending an event in the area, we hope that you will enjoy our city and in the event that you are looking for a new home, Indian Springs is a great place to live!

For those of you who are looking for a simpler life, Indian Springs Village is a great place to find it. Serenity, safety, good neighbors and charm, our town is a wonderful place to live and raise your kids. We are a small town, yet are close to the activities of the greater Birmingham area. Join us!

Brenda Bell-Guercio
Mayor of Indian Springs

EVENTS

[View All Events](#)

AUG 5
Tue

Town Council Meeting and Social @ Town Hall
Aug 5 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

AUG 19
Tue

Town Council Meeting @ Town Hall
Aug 19 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

OCT 11
Sat

TH Reserved
Oct 11 @ 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

NEWS

JULY, 2014

Resolution

Resolution 07-15-14-01

[read more »](#)

JULY, 2014

ISV 7-1-2014 Town Council Meeting

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[read more »](#)

MAY, 2014

Mr. & Ms. Indian Springs Village

Congratulations Penny Lane Burr and Barrett Alvis our very first Ms. & Mr. Indian Springs Village

[read more »](#)

Be sure to visit Indian Springs Village's updated and informative website at indianspringsvillage.org!

North Shelby Library August Happenings

by Cecelia Dean, North Shelby Library Youth Services Department

You may have noticed there is not a lot going on at the library this month. That is because we are taking a much needed break after Summer Reading and preparing for the remainder of the year. Keep an eye out for more fun events coming up in September.

Frozen Friday Fundraiser at the Summit Barnes & Noble: Friday, August 1st at 6:00 p.m. Cool Off With Olaf! A Get Pop-Cultured with Barnes & Noble Event. Bring in the kids for storytime, a sing-along, crafts and activities with everyone's favorite summer-loving snowman! Activity stations will begin at 6:00 p.m. and story/sing-along will start at 7:00 p.m.! This fundraiser will benefit the North Shelby Library. For the library to receive credit, use voucher number 11405396 to shop online or at the store August 1st – August 5th.

Story-Time Programming
Mr. Mac (Storyteller Extraordinaire!): Wednesdays, August 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th at 10:45 a.m.
Stories, puppets and lots of music for every member of the family. All ages welcome. No registration required.

Teen Happenings
Gaming: Fridays, August 8th, 15th & 22nd @ 3:00-5:45 p.m.

Come to the Teen Department each Friday afternoon for open gaming on the Wii and with board and card games. Note that Open Gaming will not meet on August 1 or 29. Call or email Kate at 439-5512 or nseyouth@shelbycounty-al.org for more information.

Kaplan Test Prep: Saturday, August 16th.
Take a free practice test and see how you might score on the real thing! Register online at: www.kaptest.com/hsevents. Contact Dominic Johnson at dominic.

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Shelby County Schools

2014-2015 School Calendar

July 4..... Independence Day Observed (Schools & Offices Closed)
 July 30-Aug 1..... New Teacher Orientation
 Aug 4..... Local Professional Development (No Students)
 Aug 5..... Institute/System Professional Development (No Students)
 Aug 6..... Teacher Workday (No Students)
 Aug 7..... 1st Semester Begins, Full Day for Students
 Sept 1..... Labor Day (Schools & Offices Closed)
 Oct 13..... ½ Teacher Workday, ½ Prof. Dev. (No Students)
 Oct 14..... System-Wide Parenting Day
 Nov 11..... Veterans Day Observed (Schools & Offices Closed)
 Nov 24-28..... Thanksgiving Break (Schools & Offices Closed)
 Dec 19..... 1st Semester Ends, Students Dismissed at 1 p.m.
 Faculty and Staff Dismissed at 3 p.m.
 Dec 22-Jan 2..... Christmas Holidays
 Jan 2..... ½ Teacher Workday, ½ Prof. Dev. (No Students)
 Jan 5..... 2nd Semester Begins, Full Day for Students
 Jan 19..... M.L. King, Jr. Birthday (Schools & Offices Closed)
 Feb 16..... Presidents Day (Schools & Offices Closed)
 Weather Day if Needed
 Mar 9..... ½ Teacher Workday, ½ Prof. Dev. (No Students)
 Mar 30-April 3..... Spring Break (Schools & Offices Closed)
 May 18-21..... High School Graduations
 May 21..... 2nd Semester Ends, Students Dismissed at 1 p.m.
 Faculty and Staff Dismissed at 3 p.m.
 May 22..... Teacher Workday (No Students)
 May 25..... Memorial Day (Schools & Offices Closed)
 First Semester 89 days Second Semester 91 days

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TESTING DATES

July 7-11..... Alabama High School Graduation Exams
 September 15-19..... Alabama High School Graduation Exams
 October..... PSAT
 October 15-22..... EXPLORE/PLAN
 December 1-5..... Alabama High School Graduation Exams
 March 16-20..... Alabama High School Graduation Exams
 March 23-May 1..... ACCESS
 April 13-May 1..... AAA
 April 21..... ACT Plus Writing
 TBA..... End of Course Tests
 May 4-15..... AP Exams

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GRADING PERIODS

Period Ends #Days Grades Sent Home
 1st Period October 10.....46.....October 17
 2nd Period December 19.....43.....January 9
 3rd Period March 6.....42.....March 13
 4th Period May 21.....49.....*May 21

*Some schools will hand deliver report cards on the last day of school. All others will be mailed as soon as they are available.

Dates when students are not in school are in red.

 Circles indicate dates of institute, professional development, and teacher workdays

 Square indicates Weather Day if needed.

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Approved by Board on February 20, 2014

Shelby County Schools
 Columbiana, Alabama 35051

INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS –AUGUST 2014

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Center hours are Monday-Friday 9-3 pm Phone : 991-5742 Fax: 991-5657</p> <p>Email: heardmontparksc@gmail.com 5452 Cahaba Valley Road</p>		<p>INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN HALL (205) 982-1755 2638 Cahaba Valley Rd. Indian Springs Village, AL 35124</p>		<p>1 HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 9-10 Zumba Gold 10-11 Intermediate Line Dancing 11-12 Beginning Line Dancing</p>
<p>4 HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 9:30-10:30 – Tai Chi</p>	<p>5 INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN HALL SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER 6:30 PM TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 P.M.</p> <p>HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 10-11 Aerobics 11 Bible Study 10-2 Bingo & Board Games 12 LUNCH SHOPPING AND OUT TO LUNCH AT CHOW TOWN</p>	<p>6 HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 9-12 Bridge 12 LUNCH</p>	<p>7 HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 10:15-11:00 Aerobics 11:10-11:55 Aerobics 10-2 Bingo & Board Games 12- LUNCH NEW AEROBICS</p>	<p>8 HEARDMONT SENIOR CENTER 9-10 Zumba Gold 10-11 Intermediate Line Dancing 11-12 Beginning Line Dancing</p>
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