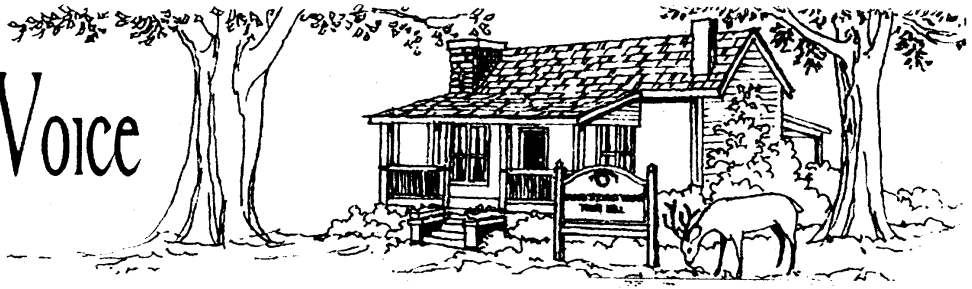


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INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 5, 2016 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 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.”

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Mildred Wyatt for the masthead drawing. Although Mrs. Wyatt has passed away, this acknowledgement will continue in honor of the contributions of Mrs. Wyatt and her family to The Village Voice and the town of Indian Springs Village.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

I hope everyone enjoyed their Spring Break. While I was out of town on a family trip and missed our Annual Easter Egg Hunt, I heard it was a big success, and I wanted to thank Margie Robins for making that happen.

It is an exciting time at the Town Hall as we are progressing with plans for our new building that will replace the two old storage sheds behind the pavilion. The new building will accommodate the storage needs as well as a smaller climate controlled space for document storage that is currently kept **off site**. **Additionally there will be a men and a women's restroom** so no more need to walk all the way back to the house. There will also be a small meeting room that doubles as a prep room for parties such as the Fourth of July or private functions.

We owe a big thanks to our local architect, Mark Burns, who volunteered his time in designing this building and will oversee its construction. Mark has been at several Town Hall meetings presenting his ideas and sketches. The Council and residents present were able to make suggestions and discuss options. We were all impressed with the results which will complement our historic Town Hall and fit in beautifully with the setting. Bids have gone out. I wish it could be completed by the Fourth of July, but **more likely we will christen it by or before Founder's Day.**

Sincerely,

Brenda Bell-Guercio

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

March 1, 2016

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met Tuesday, March 1, 2016. Mayor Bell-Guercio called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Town Clerk called the roll and all council members were present.

The minutes of February 16, 2016 were reviewed and accepted as written. Minutes of the special meeting held February 23, 2016 were reviewed and accepted as written.

Local architect Mark Burns presented his conceptual **design for the new “multipurpose building” for ISV.** He noted that if the council agreed on concept, he could have a bid package ready for the next council meeting. Additionally, he will need funds for structural and mechanical engineers to begin work on the project. Councilperson Harrington made a motion to suspend the rules and vote on expenditure. Councilman Stauss seconded and the vote was unanimous. Councilman Mendel made a motion that the Council approve a \$5000 expenditure for engineers guide plans in order to assemble a bid package. The vote was unanimous.

PAZ Chairman Wayne Jones reported the Planning and Zoning Committee will meet March 8, 2016 to review two sub-division requests.

The Erosion Control and Sedimentation Ordinance was reviewed. Councilman Trammell made a motion that Ordinance 2016-003 be approved as submitted. Harrington seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor Bell-Guercio reported that Jane Martin, Chairman of the Zoning Board of Adjustments has resigned effective immediately. Bell-Guercio asked the Council to consider Ed Zwilling as a member of the ZBA. After discussion, Harrington made a motion to accept Zwilling as a member of the ZBA and Mendel seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Mendel presented the financial statements for January. After review, Mendel asked the council to endorse January financials as presented. Stauss seconded and the vote was unanimous.

Bell-Guercio adjourned the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:
Joan Downs, Town Clerk

BUILDING PERMITS

submitted by Frazier Christy, Town Engineer

Applicant: Hank Motamed
Owner: Hank Motamed
Address: 6 Pawnee Drive
Proposed Use: Construct New Residence

Applicant: Jason Robinson Construction, Inc.
Owner: Rick Browder
Address: 2624 Buckboard Road
Proposed Use: Kitchen Remodel

Applicant: Stidco Construction
Owner: Vann Russell
Address: 1730 Indian Crest Tr.
Proposed Use: Pool House Addition

Applicant: Historical Creative Homes
Owner: Kerry Adkins
Address: 2535 Indian Crest Drive
Proposed Use: Residence

Applicant: Authentic Restoration, Inc.
Owner: Robert and Sharon Durbin
Address: 158 Willow Ridge Drive
Proposed Use: Interior Pain and Reroof

AUTHOR ALAN KATZ TO SPEAK AT NORTH SHELBY LIBRARY

by *Emily Sparacino*, Shelby County Reporter,
April 4, 2016

The North Shelby Library will ring in National Poetry Month in April with a visit from a best-selling author of humorous poetry collections for children.

Alan Katz will discuss his favorite stories, songs and poems at the library on Monday, April 25 starting at 6:00 p.m. He will also sign copies of his books.

“It’s a book talk, but it’s great for families with kids,” Children’s Librarian Savannah Kitchens said. “It’s going to be a lot of fun.”

Katz’s poetry collections include “Opps!” and “Poems I Wrote When No One Was Looking,” along with Silly Dilly Songbooks like “Take Me Out of the Bathtub” and “I’m Still Here in the Bathtub.”

“This is our first poetry month visitor,” Kitchens said of Katz, “His poems are really funny.”

All ages are welcome at the free event, and no registration is required.

THE 22nd ANNUAL INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE EASTER EGG HUNT

by Margie Robins

The 22nd Annual Indian Springs Village Easter Egg Hunt was officially a big success. The weather cooperated and Saturday, March 26th was a nice but cloudy day which brought out a record crowd for the festivities. The Easter Bunny (a.k.a. Linley Jones) was there to welcome all the children and pose for pictures with her. Warren Jones brought two of his tame rabbits for the children to pet. Leigh Whatley and Jim Rainwater volunteered to take pictures during the event for us.

Preparations began months in advance with ordering prizes and goodies. Our egg stuffers spent long hours stuffing over 2200 eggs; so thank you to Heidi Beard, Alana Beard, Matthew White, Rachel White, Stacey White, Margie Robins, Jill Blocher, and Jana Blocher. The day before the hunt, Herb Robins took care of staking off the area for each of the five age groups to hunt. All the volunteers convened at 10 am Saturday morning to hide the eggs and prepare the grounds. Thank you again to Rita Mendel and her granddaughter Jessie, Joan & Don Downs, the Jones Family (Wayne, Luke & his dog Mr. Wennie, Ben, Allie,

Sierra, Warren, Linley, George, Leigh Fran, Winn, & Linley), Herb Robins, Margie Robins, Heidi and Alana Beard.

The actual hunt began at 3pm and was over within a matter of a few minutes. All the children hurried about and gathered almost all the eggs, then returned to redeem over 100 prizes and select a variety of toys & gifts supplied by the Indian Springs Village and local vendors. Supervising the gift distribution were volunteers Heidi and Alana Beard, Leigh Fran Jones, Alison Stigers, Joan Downs, and Marge Dunn.

Many thanks to our local vendors for their generous support & donations of gift cards and/or goodies. These included local dentist Dr. Lisa Wilson, Jeremy Crook who manages our Walmart Neighborhood Market, and James Biggio from Shanes Rib Shack.

All in all, the Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success and thanks to all who volunteered or helped in a variety of ways to make it happen. This event is another way we keep our town traditions intact and Indian Springs Village a very special place to live.





Page 3 – The Easter Bunny came to visit! The children loved visiting two of the tame rabbits brought by Warren Jones.

Page 4 – The children eagerly waited for the egg hunt to begin. In just a matter of minutes, all of the eggs were collected! The children spent the afternoon sorting through their eggs, playing with their prizes, and visiting with the Easter Bunny!

INDIAN SPRINGS WILL BE EVEN MORE BEAUTIFUL

by Ruth Goodwyn, Publicity Chair, Indian Springs Garden Club

Indian Springs will be even more beautiful when all of the hydrangeas sold to members of the Indian Springs Garden Club are in bloom on their properties. Our town will be even more beautiful than it already is.

The guest speaker at the Thursday, March 24 meeting of the club, 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, was Martha Aldridge of Snowflake Nursery at Sardis City, AL, near Boaz (Etowah County). Ms. Aldridge, owner of the nursery, brought a van full of hydrangeas--30 to 40 of them--to the meeting and sold them all.

The main business of Snowflake Nursery is selling cut fresh flowers throughout the southeastern part of the country. This is accomplished by delivery to nurseries where the flowers are kept in a "chiller." A company in Evergreen, AL, specializes in drying the flowers, packaging them, and shipping them to Japan and all over the world. Their employees may spend three or four days just picking the flowers prior to shipment.

The speaker demonstrated how to prune the four different varieties of hydrangeas: the native, or smooth; the macrophylla; Oakleaf, Alabama's native wildflower; and paniculata. She also told how to root from cuttings and the type of soil needed.

Garden Club members were invited to return to Snowflake Nursery at the peak of the flowering season, the last week of May and first week of June.

Accompanying Ms. Aldridge from Sardis City was a visitor, the mother of member Patsy Strozier. With Jennifer Bondi, Patsy provided delicious refreshments.

The Thursday, April 28 meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, will feature local speaker Patricia Tate. She will talk to us about the monarch butterfly, its migratory habits, and how to create a butterfly sanctuary by planting the proper host plants as well as sustainability planting. New President Mickey Farmer will preside over the meeting.

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INDIAN SPRINGS SCHOOL JUNIOR IS NATIONAL CHESS CHAMPION

Indian Springs School junior and Chess Team member **Matyas Jakubu '17** is a national chess champion after placing first at the National High School Chess Championship held April 1-3 in Atlanta. More than 1,400 players competed in the national tournament, one of the largest in history.

Jakubu, a native of the Czech Republic who is studying at Indian Springs this year through the school's partnership with ASSIST (American Secondary Schools for International Students and Teachers), won six games and drew one, for a total 6.5 out of 7 points in K-12 Unrated.

"Matyas finished first in a field of 119 players, stunning the unrated section and placing Alabama and Indian Springs School on the national chess map," says ISS Chess Team Coach Charles A. Smith.

In other exceptional showings for Springs' Chess Team, freshman Logan Mercer '19 tied for third place in a field of 298 and finished fourth overall on tie breaks in **K-12 Under 1600. Mercer, whose playing was "outstanding,"** says Smith, competed for the national championship in K-12 Under 1600, losing only to the national champion for that section in the final round of competition.

Jack McGuire '16 tied for twelfth place in a field of 357 and finished eighteenth overall in K-12 Under 1200. **Springs' team of Jakubu, Maddie Smith '17 and Ashlynn Berry '16 placed sixth in a field of 28 teams from all over the country, "also making a name for ISS,"** says Smith.

"This is one of Springs' strongest showings ever at nationals," says ISS Director Gareth Vaughan. **"I'd like to congratulate all our Chess Team members for their excellent playing. I also want to thank Coach Smith for his many years of dedicated coaching of Springs students and ISS alumnus and Board member Frank Samford '62** for his longstanding support of chess at Indian Springs. Chess and Springs have a natural affinity, and to be successful in a national competition run by the highly regarded U.S. Chess Federation puts us in great company, among some of the best private and public schools in the country."

ISS Chess Team members Ashlynn Berry '16, Maddie Smith '17, Matyas Jakubu '17, Spencer Robinson '19, Matthew Lash '17, Jack McGuire '16, and Logan Mercer



MUNICIPAL CLERKS HOLD MARCH MEETING IN CHELSEA

by *Emily Sparacino*, Shelby County Reporter,
March 22, 2016

The Shelby County Municipal Clerks Association met for its quarterly meeting – and its first meeting in 2016 – at the Chelsea Community Center on March 16.

A dozen clerks from cities throughout the county enjoyed a steak lunch before reviewing business and the minutes from the group's previous meeting in December.



Photo: Marsha Yates, Pelham; Margie Handly, Hoover; Stacy Walkup, Harpersville; Marie Mallory, Westover; Joy Marler, Vincent; Joan Downs, Indian Springs; Becky Landers, Chelsea; Mark Frey, Columbiana; Kay Ray, Wilsonville; April Price, Wilton; Fran Sammons, Columbiana; and Amanda Traywick, Helena.

Association President Becky Landers presented Chelsea Mayor Earl Niven with a plaque of appreciation for his support of the group. Niven's fifth and final term as mayor will end on Oct. 31. "You have been a giver to us," Landers said to Niven, whose wife June stood by him for the presentation.

Landers then invited the clerks to share updates from their cities.

Columbiana City Clerk and Treasurer Mark Frey talked about the Shelby County Arts Council's plans for a proposed capital project to build a nearly \$8 million, 10,000-square-foot facility on the old Summer Classics property in Columbiana. Frey said the SCAC has started fundraising for the project, for which bids will be advertised in the coming weeks. "We're all excited about it," Frey said of the project. "This is a huge thing for Columbiana."

Niven talked about Chelsea's community center, a 29,000-square-foot facility the city completed last year to serve the recreational needs of young families and senior adults throughout the city. He also mentioned the sports

complex, an ongoing project next to Chelsea High School that will house eight baseball fields, football and soccer fields and six competitive tennis courts.

Harpersville Town Clerk Stacy Walkup noted Harpersville has new signage in place, and said, "We're real proud of it."

The sponsor of the March 16 meeting was Rux Carter Insurance Agency.

The next Shelby County Municipal Clerk's Association meeting will be held on June 22.

SPECIAL EQUESTRIANS CELEBRATES 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY AT ANNUAL GALA

Special Equestrians Celebrates 30 Year Anniversary at Annual Gala Birmingham, Ala. – Special Equestrians will be holding its fifth annual Boots and Black Tie Gala on Saturday April 30th at Mazzone Equestrian on Highway 119. Special Equestrians is a nonprofit program that focuses on providing quality therapeutic horseback riding to those with special needs. Each year, Special Equestrians serves over 100 riders from the Birmingham area, and the funds raised by the Boots and Black Tie Gala enable the program to grow and serve even more riders.

The Boots and Black Tie Gala is always a night to remember. Guests are encouraged to dress in their evening best and a pair of cowboy boots. Dinner consists of steak grilled onsite by Texas Roadhouse, accompanied by hors d'oeuvres by B & A Warehouse. A spectacular live and silent auction is put together from items and experiences from the local community for guests to peruse during the breaks in entertainment.

Entertainment will include a performance by some talented riders as well as some of Special Equestrians' own. Kevin Harrison will be performing throughout the night and dinner will be provided by Texas Road House. Ticket information can be found on Special Equestrians website at www.specialequest.org. Proceeds from the night, including the results from the silent and live auction, will enable Special Equestrians to continue its 30th year of providing exceptional therapeutic horseback riding to the Birmingham community.

NORTH SHELBY LIBRARY APRIL 2016



SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

Beverly Cleary Day

Tuesday, April 12

Author Visit from Alan Katz

Monday, April 25

***Lego Club**

Saturday, April 2 at 10:00 a.m.

***Preschool Kitchen Science: Exploding Eggs!**

Friday, April 8 at 10:30 a.m.

***Picture Book Club – Don't Let the Pigeon!**

Tuesday, April 12 at 4:00 p.m.

***Newberry Pie Book Club**

Wednesday, April 13 at 1:00 p.m.

***Homeschool Hangout: Zoo Field Trip**

Wednesday, April 20 at 1:00 p.m.

NSL Book Club

Thursday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m.

Art in Action

Friday, April 29 at 1:00 p.m.

COMPUTER CLASSES

***Computer Comfort**

Monday, April 4 at 2:00 p.m.

***Introduction to Microsoft Word 2013**

Thursday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m.

***Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2013**

Friday, April 15 at 10:00 a.m.

***Internet for Beginners**

Monday, April 18 at 2:00 p.m.

***Great Apps for Kids**

Wednesday, April 20 at 4:00 p.m.

***Introduction to Google Drive**

Thursday, April 21 at 5:00 p.m.

***Introduction to Power Point**

Monday, April 25 at 10:00 a.m.

***Email for Beginners**

Monday, April 25 at 2:00 p.m.

STORY TIME PROGRAMMING

***Toddler Tales**

Mondays, April 4, 11, and 18 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

***Baby Tales Story time**

Tuesdays, April 5 and 19 at 10:00 a.m.

Family Story time with Mr. Mac

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 10:45 a.m.

PJ Story time

Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, and 28 at 6:30 p.m.

TEEN PROGRAMMING

Open Gaming

Fridays, April 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 3:30 pm

Anime Night

Monday, April 11 at 6 pm

***Volunteer Days**

Saturday, April 16

Teen Tech: Stop Motion Animation

Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 pm

Teen Leadership Council

Thursday, April 28 at 6:00 pm

***Registration Required**

Call for Artists

NSL ART ON A POSTCARD EXHIBIT - 2016

SUPPORT SUMMER READING WITH YOUR ART!



What: Postcard size art exhibit

We are encouraging artists of all ages in the community to participate and contribute postcard-sized, hand-crafted artwork, which will be sold to raise money. All art pieces will be sold for \$10 with 100% of proceeds going to Summer Reading.

When: Friday, May 6th 6:30pm-8:30pm | Refreshments Served | Exhibit will remain up May 6th - June 4th (or until all work is sold, whichever comes first)

Submission Deadline: Monday, May 2nd

You may submit your art anytime between now and May 2nd to the Children's Department or the Adult Services Department (upstairs)

For detailed information please go to www.northshelbylibrary.org/images/postcard2016.pdf

Contact Michelyn at 205.439.5510 or nsref@shelbycounty-al.org

APRIL, 2016
Heartmont Park Senior Center
5452 Cahaba Valley Road Birmingham, AL 35242

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Center hours are: <i>Monday-Friday 9-3 pm</i> Phone : 991-5742 Fax: 991-5657 Email: heartmontparksc@gmail.com</p>		<p>COUNTRY LINE DANCE CLASSES WILL RESUME IN MAY.</p> 		<p>9-10 Zumba Gold 10-11 Intermediate Line Dancing* 11-12 Beginning Line Dancing*</p>
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