

*Calendar of Events—  
January 2007*

*January 3—2:00 p.m.  
Board of Public Works*

*January 4—7:00 p.m.  
Planning & Zoning*

*January 8—Noon  
Police & Emergency  
Mgmt*

*January 9—Board of  
Trustees*

*Note: All meetings will  
be held in the Treehouse  
Clubroom unless other-  
wise noted*

## Community Gatherings to Begin

Here's a chance to meet your neighbors at a pot-luck to be held on January 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the convention center located behind the DreamCatcher Resort. Bring a dish to pass, your own table service, beverage and a game you like to play to share with others. Bob Cary will lead everyone in karaoke. Some may prefer to just visit, that will be fine. You will have a chance to offer ideas for two future gatherings to be held in February and March on the second Saturday, same time.

For more information, call Greg at 263-0536.

## 2007 Trustee Election

In April, 2007, election will be held for two (2) Trustee positions. The qualifications to run for the position are:

1. Must be a resident of the Village of Indian Point for at least a year immediately preceding the election.
2. A citizen of the United States and registered voter.
3. Must be 21 years of age or older.

**If you are interested in running for the position of Trustee, please come by the office Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to file. Filing dates are Tuesday, December 12, 2006 through Tuesday, January 16, 2007.**

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## So Long Wilma! By: Arno Wehr II

Most of us on Indian Point are "come lately's" That's a term locals born and bred people call us. I never met a "local" Indian Point resident because we're all come lately's. Don Quick had a farm here and hauled water to drink. John and Jan the Divers also did that, and Arch Mayden owned the lower end of the peninsula but didn't move here yet. Artie Ayres and his family owned land here, but anyone at that time was a hopeful "come lately". All had dreams of a better life for our locals.

Well there stood Wilma. She and Jim built White Wing Resort before the lake filled up. There she stood watching the lake rise as she wondered if the water would drench the cabins. Wilma formed the Indian Point Improvement Association, now our local Chamber. She served 14 years on the Branson Chamber board. She was a delight to know and she stood for a better community. Wilma, a come lately pioneer, could see our village future rising. We will miss her.

## Trustees December Minutes

The Board of Trustees met on December 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Treehouse Condo Club Room to review and/or take action on the following:

- Minutes of the November meetings were approved as written.
- November financials were reviewed and filed for audit.
- 2007 Budget was approved as presented.
- Resolution 06-6 to accept the preliminary plat for the Village of Indian Point office building, phase 1 as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission was approved.
- Police & Emergency Management recommended to hire Marvin Avery as Police Chief with six month probation at a salary of \$30,000 annual, which was approved by the Board of Trustees.
- Paul Hough's resignation as emergency management representative to Stone County was approved 4-1 and Marvin Avery was approved as the new representative.
- It was noted that siren locations will be completed by the Chief of Police by January and that Radio Shack will give a 10% discount for any resident in the Village to purchase a weather radio and they will program the radio at no additional cost.
- Planning & Zoning Commission reported on the public hearing for the preliminary plat for the village office and approval; noted that a proposal from HNTB has been received for the comprehensive plan update for review and that a minor subdivision for Dogwood Valley Estates was approved and will be presented to the Trustees in January.
- Board of Public Works reported that a construction permit had been issued for a new home, reported on revised engineering for the Jakes Creek Trail project, noted a pre bid conference will be held on December 20th, bids due on January 24th and requested an executive session with the Trustees to discuss the contract for the Jakes Creek Trail project at the meeting.
- Bert Lemman was appointed to serve as director on the Board of Public Works for a four (4) year term.
- Roads—Mike Kugler thanked Greg Fier and Bob Cary for a job well done clearing the roads during the storm and noted that salt has been replenished. It was also noted that the Enchanted Forest was cleared after all roads were clear as the Enchanted Forest is a Village contracted function and is a valuable tool for marketing the Village.
- CAAD—No report.
- Recycling reported that the trailer was emptied and reviewed what items are to be recycled.
- Transportation Coalition—no Report.
- Trails Update—Noted that the program data sheets will be submitted to MoDOT for approval this week.
- Village office funding information will be submitted after all information is received.
- Traffic Engineering Review was disseminated for review and discussion will be held in January.
- Approval to purchase a new computer for the office up to \$2000 for a better system to include all software needed was accomplished. Bids will be gathered and submitted to Trustees.
- Accounts payable were approved.
- Comments from the Trustees included that pot luck socials will start in January at the DreamCatcher convention center, reserve officers were commended for the most recent activity of breaking into cars that was stopped and arrests made, and a movie will be shown on Saturday,

December 16th at the convention center.

- Comments from the floor consisted of the good work the police department is doing and the excellent work being accomplished by the Board of Public Works. John Wade submitted his resignation from the Board of Adjustments effective immediately and stated that he was withdrawing his statement to take legal action against the village, but will continue to resist in other ways and asked that Trustees take action to eliminate duplicate memberships on various boards per the ordinances.
- Executive sessions were called under Section 610.021 (12) and 601.021 (3) and approved and regular session was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
- Regular session was called back to order at 9:15 p.m. and it was noted that no action was taken under Section 610.021 (12) and that bonuses were approved for employees under section 601.021 (3).
- Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

*Copies of the actual minutes of the meeting are in the Village office. If you would like a copy, the cost is \$1.00 per month, per page and the proper forms are available in the office to receive a copy or download the minutes from the website at no charge!*

## Indian Point Police Report

Traffic Warnings	15
Narcotic Arrests for Possession	2
Narcotic Arrests for Intent to distribute	1
Arrests for Burglary in Progress	3
Arrests for Outstanding Warrants	4
Business Burglary	1

## What to Look For?

By: Arno Wehr II

What should we look for in a candidate for trustee in our village? For the sake of space and discussion, let's forego if the candidate is a good cook, fishes, jogs, or a host of personal stuff.

It would seem a candidate for trustee might attend a trustee meeting to learn about issues and not complain (too much). Maybe this person should drive to Stott's Point or have coffee at Tonka Bay. Would it be too much to ask if they have been down to Lantern Bay or if they helped with the Enchanted Forest or recycling trash? After all a trustee must decide who gets better roads, signs, permits, ad infinitum. The trustee oath of office includes a promise to demean oneself in the interest of the general public. Now why would anyone feel qualified to be a trustee, take an oath of office, and then get some hidden revenge against a business or neighbor or the village process?

Why of course people run for office to get a piece of the pie or show those so and so's how it should be done. That has become the new politics of our land. Extreme views backed by half truths and gossip build up to a high pitch and make voters angry as they rush to the polls. We in the village emulate the country. We have the north versus south syndrome, the police versus no police crowd, the pro business versus no growth economists, and the tax it and move away theorists. Bing, bang, bop, yahoo and after the dust settles who is going to run the village?

Arrrrgh! There is the rub. So let me take my opening remarks back. We should elect joggers, dog walkers, backyard cooks, and people who fish. We should elect gardeners, can picker uppers, the guy who plays Santa, and maybe even a good beer drinker. These potential candidates usually serve in churches, schools, and clubs. They like it here! Maybe the top of the application to run for public office should ask if you like it here. Yup, that's my pick. What's yours?

**Are you need of mulch for your yard or business?  
The Village has acquired quite a mulch pile at the Storage Building Site—Help yourself!**

## Recycling News!

By Betty Fier



Recycle Hours:  
Thursdays & Saturdays  
10:00 AM to Noon  
Except for Holidays or Inclement Weather

In December Barry & Lana Maycock, with the assistance of Mike Fleming and Greg Fier transported and unloaded Indian Point's trailer containing #1, #2 threaded plastics and clean, flattened food cans with the labels removed to the Recycling Center in Branson. *Special thanks to these individuals from all of us who recycle.*

Volunteers you see at IP Recycle Center are making this service available to all. At this time we do not take glass, but many have shown an interest in doing so. If you know of someone in our community with a vehicle and time to transport the glass to Branson, our committee will work on adding this service. Call Betty at 417-263-0436.

It has come to our attention that presently 30 Springfield newspapers are being delivered to Indian Point. Nestle Purina would like all these papers, plus others that arrive by mail, to compliment all the cardboard boxes that are brought to the center. Other items that help make good cat and dog litter made by Nestle Purina are shredded paper, junk mail, magazines, old phone books, empty clean cereal and/or other food boxes, centers from paper towels and toilet tissue. Thanks to residents at Treehouse Condos for throwing their junk mail into a separate container in the mail-room to be recycled. Others on Indian Point may be able to add such a collection idea to their mail room or office.

## Holiday Office Closing

The Village office will be closed on Monday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day.

The Village staff, Board of Trustees and committees wish everyone a Happy New Year!



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<http://indianpoint-mo.gov>

## 2007 Approved Budget

BUDGET	General	Roads	Capital	Total
Revenue:				
Sales Tax	\$ 175,000.00		\$ 88,000.00	\$ 263,000.00
Road Taxes		\$ 30,400.00		\$ 30,400.00
Other	\$ 20,000.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 21,000.00
Reserve Funds	\$ 9,630.00			
Totals	\$ 204,630.00	\$ 30,400.00	\$ 89,000.00	\$ 324,030.00
Expenses:				
Admin	\$ 70,279.00			
Police	\$ 63,200.00			
P&Z	\$ 15,500.00			
CAAD	\$ 27,500.00			
BPW	\$ 19,201.00			
Capital BPW			\$ 34,000.00	
Road & Bridge		\$ 76,350.00		
Trails Grant Match			\$ 5,000.00	
Village Office				
Less General	\$ 8,950.00	\$ (8,950.00)		
Less Capital	\$ -	\$(37,000.00)	\$ 37,000.00	
Totals	\$ 204,630.00	\$ 30,400.00	\$ 76,000.00	\$ 311,030.00