



**Calendar of Events—
 February 2008**

**February 6—2:00 p.m.
 Board of Public Works**

**February 7—6:45 p.m.
 Public Hearing P&Z**

**February 7—7:00 p.m.
 Planning & Zoning**

**February 11—Noon
 Police & Emergency**

**February 12—7:00 p.m.
 Board of Trustees**

Note: As of deadline date, the above meetings are the only ones scheduled. All meetings will be held in the Convention Center behind Dream Catcher Resort unless otherwise noted

**Community
 Gathering
 By: Greg Fier**

The January community gathering was held at Diane’s Indian Point Restaurant with twenty-two people in attendance. A good time was had by all and the meal, service, and atmosphere was superb. All that attended ordered off the menu and paid for their own meals and beverages.

Thank you to Gayle and Arno Wehr, II who donated tickets for the musical performance of *Grease* at the Tri-Lakes Theater. This wonderful door prize will be enjoyed by Rex and Sharon McSpadden, “newbies” to our community.

By a vote of all in attendance at the January gathering, our February gathering will once again be held at the Indian Point Restaurant—but with a change of day.

Please join us on Thursday, February 14th, 6:00 p.m. at the Indian Point Restaurant where a special meal will be awaiting everyone. Jan Hoynacki is the contact person for the event. If you have any questions, call Jan at 417-338-2225.

Remember—the community gatherings are for everyone that is a member of the community—so come out and join us!

**Town Hall
 Meeting
 Scheduled**

The Board of Trustees have scheduled a Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Convention Center at DreamCatcher Resort.

The Town Hall forum will cover the following topics:

- Comprehensive Plan Updates
- Revenue Sources for the Village

Mark your calendars to attend!



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TIDBITS

Results of the Needs Survey will be available for distribution at various meetings or you may come by the office and pick yours up. Due to the number of pages, the survey cannot be printed in the *Smoke Signals*.

3rd Annual Polar Bear Plunge



Join area law enforcement and SOMO (Special Olympics of Missouri) Southwest Area for a refreshing dip into Table Rock Lake on Saturday, February 9th.

This “unbearable” event is a unique opportunity for individuals, businesses and organizations to support local Special Olympics athletes by jumping, diving or crawling into the sparkling, frigid waters of Missouri. Since its inception 13 years ago, 6,263 Missourians have taken the Plunge in lakes across the state, raising \$1,304,669. Proceeds support year-round sports training and athletic competition for more than 14,000 children and adults with mental disabilities who participate in Special Olympics. Want more information check out the website at www.somo.org. Participants can wear anything but a wet suit and must wear shoes and at least a swimsuit. Participants usually wear costumes.

Our own local law enforcement, Brent Armstrong (Indian Point Shivers team) will take the Polar Bear Plunge—so Bundle up and come watch Brent and other participants at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 9th at Stillwaters Resort.

General Information

Vacations—Remember, if you are going on vacation, stop by the village office to complete the Indian Point Police Department Vacation Check List. When forms are completed, additional patrol is accomplished and assists in deterring crime.

Emergency Warning Sirens—The Village now has two sirens working that warned residents and businesses during the January “winds”. The sirens are located on Indian Point Road across from the Rockwood Resort driveway and was heard by all in Heidler’s Laz-E-Daz, Treehouse Condos, Rockwood Condos, Bradford on the Lake and Village at Indian Point. The siren at Harbor Lane was sounded and Dogwood Valley area, the Corps campground, Tribesman Resort, Indian Point Marina and some individuals on Table Rock Circle were within hearing distance. The Police and Emergency Management Committee will be investigating the possibility of two additional sirens within the Village to keep all of our residents and businesses safe. The electrical hook up for the siren located at John the Diver Trail and Long Lonesome Trail will be completed in the near future.

Police Report—December 2007

		Warnings	Citations
Total Stops	36	34	2
Speed		18	1
Lane Violation		5	0
License		3	0
Equipment		7	0
Nuisance		0	1
Citizen Contacts	10		
Calls for Service		16	
Assist Other Agency		2	
Warrant Arrest		0	
Recovered Property		0	
Arrest Charges Pending		0	
Patrol Miles—December	1387		
Fuel Cost	\$304.46 (average cost per gallon \$2.79)		

The following individual received a citation and appropriate fine paid:

Robert Hipkins, Exeter, MO—No proof of insurance—\$3.00



Congratulations!

By: Arno Wehr II

Well the good news is dribbling throughout our little village that we are all nice progressive people. The recent community study had a few ugly things to read, but thousands of hopes and dreams for our community buried those thoughts.

In the work sessions, it became obvious that the two Gregs exemplify what's right. The elder gives, now years, of his time to help the village progress. The younger puts in more hours than we do watching T.V.! So do we need a "2G" award? Who would get it? Our recycle group, guinea gang, police board, or maybe Kent who snagged a huge grant. Chief Charlie would be a candidate and anyone who helps on the Enchanted Forest or donates food to needy neighbors. Jan is part of the road success and Bob is going to remove the snows.

So who gets the 2G award? We all do, because we allow our elected volunteers and our committees to at least try to get buildings, sewer systems, and a future. Yes we stumble a bit. So, what's your point? It's a new year and great one for our Village.

Congratulations.....to you!!!!

Planning & Zoning Public Hearing

The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 6:45 p.m. in the Convention Center at Dream-Catcher Resort to hear comments on a revision of the preliminary plat for Rockwood Resort, Building 4, for a restaurant and pub.

Comments will be taken from the public during the hearing.

Recycle News

By: Betty Fier



Recycle Center Hours
Thursday 10 AM to Noon
Closed for holidays and inclement weather
Those needing to recycle at other times
may call 263-0436 to make arrangements

The aluminum bin at the Deer Run Campground/Store was badly damaged by the owner when he inadvertently backed into it while in the process of destroying the old building on his property January 12. As of this writing, he has promised to repair or build a new one for the Village. The Village is most fortunate to have a Good Samaritan, Vic Rudloff, Uncle John's Inn, come forward and volunteer to allow us to place an aluminum receptacle on his property along Jakes Creek Trail for aluminum collection. His only request is that no one blocks the drive for any of his customers. Please abide by his request when we are able to place an aluminum bin at Uncle John's, and we thank you Vic. The aluminum that had accumulated at Deer Run was transferred to Treehouse and the Cottage collection sites. Aluminum pick up has been requested and totals will be published in next month's *Smoke Signals*.

If you are one of many looking into buying a new HDTV, please remember your old set should not be thrown in a dumpster, but recycled. For \$20.00 you can take it to the Branson Recycle Center where it will be picked up by Computer Recycling Center, Springfield to be handled properly and any useable parts recycled. Other items that should not be thrown into dumpsters are old computers, printers and electronics. There is no longer a charge to recycle these items, and can also be taken into Branson. The above items contain lead and mercury that can get into our groundwater. THINK RECYCLE and keep our water supply fresh and our lake clear for all to continue to enjoy. (Branson Recycle is closed on Monday, open 8am-12 noon Tuesday—Saturday plus Thursday 4-6 pm.

In preparation for the 2008 tourist season several resorts have been cleaning out old brochures, telephone books, catalogs, and shredding old records and papers. We are pleased that these resorts are bringing these items to the recycle center rather than toss them into their dumpsters as they have done in the past. Thank you to the Cottage, Tribesman, Calm Waters and Stillwater Resorts for remembering to recycle. Regardless of who you are, in the long run you will begin to see a savings by recycling and having fewer trash pick-ups which will continue to cost more. At the February Southwest Solid Waste District meeting, Purdy School presented what their small school district has accomplished since beginning an all school recycling program, which included reducing their trash pickup from 119 tons to 39 tons. We wonder what our resorts in the village could save in the long run if they began recycling.

The Nestle Purina bin will be exchanged this month. The weight will be published in next month's *Smoke Signals*.

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Holiday Closing

The Village office will be closed on Monday, February 18, 2008 in observance of President's Day.

Holiday Lighting Contest Winners **By: Kent Turner**

Winners of the Holiday Lighting Contest are:

1st Place—Indian Point Restaurant

2nd Place—Calm Water Resort

3rd Place—Fox Fire Resort

Thanks to all who participated and the Indian Point Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the event.

Indian Point Women's Club **By: Judy Sears**

The Indian Point Women's Club held their January meeting on Monday, January 7, 2008 with twenty-four members and three guests present. The February meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2008 with a noon luncheon and business meeting immediately following. We welcome all, and if interested in being a guest or becoming a member, please contact Pat Shepard at 338-4591 or Judy Sears at 338-8899 no later than Friday, February 1, 2008.

Thanks to the Community **By: Diane Cary**

Indian Point Restaurant owner and employees would like to thank all who continue to support the restaurant. Listed are the revised hours the restaurant will be open:

11 am to 2 pm Monday—Friday

5:30 pm to 9 pm. Friday & Saturday

7:30 am—2 pm Saturday & Sunday

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