

Town Happenings



TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD

SMOKE SIGNALS

A lot will be happening around Town this Fall! Come out and enjoy a few!

Town Meeting: Town Meetings are the 1st Monday of every month unless it happens to fall on a holiday. The Fall Town Meetings will take place on Tues. September 3 Mon. October 7 and Mon. November 4 at the Village Green Pavilion 7:30pm.

Community Activities Committee: Tues., September 10, October 8, and November 12, 7pm, Village Green Pavilion.

Indian Head Business Association: Wed. September 11, and November 13, 8:30am Dales Smokehouse. The Annual Membership Luncheon will take place on Wed. October 9, 1pm to 3pm. Invitation Only.

Planning Commission: Tues. September 17, October 15, and November 19, 7pm Village Green Pavilion.

Economic Development Commission: Wed. September 18, October 16, and November 20, 7pm Village Green Pavilion.

Green Team: Thurs. September 12, October 10, and November 14, 7pm Back room at the Senior Center.

St. James Episcopal Church Annual Ham & Crab Cake Dinner: Sun., September 8, 3pm to 6pm, 7 Potomac Avenue. Adults—\$22 (dinner, drink, dessert) Children (6 to 12) - \$11 (dinner/1 crab cake, drink & dessert)



Children 5 & under—FREE. For more info call 301-743-2366

The Indian Head 100: Sun., September 8. Start & Finish at the Village Green. 16, 29, 43, 60, & 100 mile options. Register online, Oxon Hill Bicycle & Trail Club, ohbike.org \$30 Registration from August 1 to September 6. Walk Up Registration on the day of the ride—\$40. Register to Go 7am to 9am, Picnic on the Village Green 10am to 6pm. More info go to www.ohbike.org



7th Annual Town of Indian Head Car Show: Sun., September 8, 9am to 3pm. Rain date Sun., October 13. Registration 8:30am to Noon. No Spectator Fee. Featuring Lively Oldies & Praise



Music. Games & activities for children after 11:30. Dunk tank and Moon Bounce. Beef BBQ Platter w/ soda \$4, Hot dog Platter w/ soda, \$3, Drivers lunch free. Show Information: Cars/Trucks 1986 & before, NO trailered vehicles, Car Entry Fee \$20, Dash Plaques to the 1st 100 participants, Judging will include pure top 20 voted on by registered participants, Awards for “Best of Show”, “Top 20”, “Pastor’s Pick”, and “Spectators Choice”, Shaded Parking available, come early. For additional info call, Jim Gerber @ 301-375-7980 or Tom Bowie @ 301-609-9197.

8th Annual Indian Head Breast Cancer Awareness Fitness Walk: Sat., October 12, 2013, 8:30am to 1pm, \$25per person. (More info on page 11)



Astronomy Night: Sat., October 12, 8pm to 10:30pm, weather permitting, at the Village Green Park. Public Welcome, FREE Admission. The SOMD Astronomical Society will have telescopes set up and extends an invitation to stop by, gaze at the stars, and learn more about astronomy. For more info go to www.smas.us



NEW in 2013! Children’s Halloween Party: Sun., October 20, 2pm to 4pm at the Village Green Pavilion. Admission \$2, all ages. (More info on page 8)



Halloween on the Village Green: Thurs., October 31, 6pm to 8pm, FREE Admission. (More info on page 8)



Veterans Day Ceremony & Lunch: Mon., November 11, 2013, 11am, at the Village Green Pavilion. Complimentary Luncheon

Served immediately following the ceremony. Public Always Welcome, FREE Admission. Monetary donations graciously accepted to benefit local families in need. Hosted by the Town and American Legion Post 233.

Community Dinner & Memorial Ribbon Ceremony: Sat., December 14, 6pm to 8pm, Village Green Pavilion. To place ribbon orders, call 240-375-4061 or email karen@townofindianhead.org **Ribbon Deadline to place orders & RSVP for the dinner is Wed., December 4.** \$2 donation per ribbon or 6 ribbons for \$10. Ribbon purchase not required to attend the community dinner.



Gingerbread House Making Class: Fri. December 6, 6pm to 10pm, and Sun. December 8, 1pm to 5pm at the Village Green Pavilion. Adults & Children 5yrs. & older, Class sizes limited. \$12/single or \$14/pair. Each additional person \$2, maximum of four persons per house. Fee includes 1 house set, Icing bullets & Icing bags. Students bring your own decorations! Pre-Registration & Payment Required. Call or email for available class openings! Karen 240-375-4061 ore email karen@townofindianhead.org



I.H. Village Green Flea Market: Saturdays, 7am to 1pm May 11 thru October 26. \$7/wkly permit fee collected on site. Bring your own tables & chairs. No pet sales/Giveaways allowed. No food sales without Town Permit. Handicap accessible restrooms open 6am to 1pm at the Senior Center. For more info on the market or the inclement weather policy call 240-375-4061.

Mayor's Message

by Dennis J. Scheessele

Summer is coming to an end and fall is around the corner. With the end of summer comes the beginning of a new school year. Our children have returned to school to learn new skills, acquire new knowledge, and grow in their capabilities. I want to remind everyone that the children will be walking to bus stops or directly to schools. So, once again, I ask that everyone be especially alert and aware of children walking along the streets and gathering at the bus stops. And I ask everyone to drive cautiously at all times and especially when children are present.

Fall is a time of numerous community activities and preparations for the holiday season. Again this fall, the Community Activities Committee will be working on Halloween and Trunk or Trunk Trick or Treat programs for the children, gingerbread house building classes, the annual Tree Lighting Program, and the Holiday Festival. All of these programs are open to all members of the community. So please, come out and enjoy them.

Fall is also the season when municipalities across the state work together with the Maryland Municipal League (MML) to propose legislation to address issues that we are concerned about. I will be a member of the MML Legislative Committee again this year that will review Legislative Action Requests from Maryland's municipalities to select three or four pieces of legislation to submit to the General Assembly as our legislative priorities. We had our first meeting a couple weeks ago to review the 12 Legislative Action Requests (LARs) that were submitted. Two LARs seemed to prompt the most interest. Those were Restoration of Highway User Revenues (HURs) and Property Tax Differential.

Highway User Revenues (HURs) are funded primarily by the gas tax that we all pay when we buy gasoline and secondarily by a portion of the titling fee and excise tax that you pay when you purchase a new vehicle. The gas tax was levied specifically to pay for road construction and road repairs. But for the last four or five years the State has been diverting HURs from state and local road projects to bolster revenues in the State's General Fund. Because of these cuts, we had to delay all of our road construction and most of our road repairs and repaving. Last year the State passed legislation to increase the gas tax funding for HURs. Town residents pay gas taxes every week and pay titling fees and excise taxes when you purchase a new vehicle. So, it is reasonable that a fair share of HURs come back to the Town to help support construction and repairs of Town roads. As a member of

the MML Legislative Committee, I will be working with other municipal officials to lobby by the State Senate and House of Delegates to restore HUR allocations to cities and towns.

With regard to Property Tax Differential, the Town's property owners are luckier than many other municipal property owners across Maryland. Charles County does grant our property owners a tax differential for County services that they don't provide within Town because the Town provides those services. But occasionally they don't fully fund the tax differential. For example, in five of the last nine years the County didn't grant the full tax differential that they calculated to be the cost of services that they weren't providing within Town. Several counties don't provide any tax differential to their Towns. In these cases where counties don't provide any tax differential or where they don't grant full tax differentials, municipal property owners are being taxed double for the services that counties don't provide within city/town limits. For these reasons the MML Legislative Committee will consider offering legislation to amend state law to prohibit counties from imposing a property tax on municipal property owners to pay for services that a municipality provides.

The Town Council and I will also be working closely with the MML and our State Senator and Delegates to lobby for restoration of HURs and other municipal friendly legislation. In October, we will be attending the MML Fall Conference, which is a combined legislative conference and municipal training conference. The Legislative agenda will finalize a program of legislative priorities for needed legislation and to develop strategies for defending against proposed legislation that will adversely impact the ability of cities and towns to effectively and efficiently provide government services to our residents. Following the MML Fall Conference and throughout the General Assembly session (January to mid-April), the Town Council and I will be working closely with MML to lobby the Senate and House of Delegates. The goals will be restoration of HURs to cities and towns, to gain passage of municipal friendly legislation, and to defeat unfunded mandates and all proposed legislation that will have an adverse impact on our ability to effectively and efficiently provide government services to you the taxpayers.

The Town Council, Town Staff and I wish each of you a safe and enjoyable autumn.

TOWN OF INDIAN HEAD OFFICIALS / BOARDS / PERSONNEL

Mayor

Dennis J. Scheessele

Council

Edward W. "Ed" Rice, Vice Mayor
Randy L. Albright, Councilman

Town Manager

Ryan L. Hicks

Planning Commission

Richard Allen, Chair
Thomas Blake, Sr.
Warren Bowie
Wayne Higdon
Bryan Leslie
Michael Pellegrino
Mary Thompson
William Rau, Base Liaison

Board of Zoning Appeals

Rose Chase
Edward Joell
Rickie J. Posey
3 Open Seats

Economic Development Commission

Peggy Palmer, Chair
Dave Dixon
Pam Hundley-Hayes
Mike Jones
Betsy Wallman
5 Open Seats

Ethics Commission

Mark Hobgood
2 Positions Open

Town Hall Staff

Annie Brady, Town Clerk
Ginger Foster, Finance Officer
Diane Campbell, Deputy Finance Officer
Karen Williams, Community Affairs
PFC Elliot (#396), Community Police Officer
Richard Wilcher, Code Enforcement
Eric Woodland, Head of Operations
Calvin Barnes, Field Supervisor
EAST, Inc., Water/Wastewater

Town Website

www.townofindianhead.org

Indian Head Business Association News

I.H.B.A. meets the second Wednesday monthly, at 8:30am, at Dale's Smokehouse.

Annual Membership Luncheon - Wed. October 9, 1pm to 3pm, at the Village Green Pavilion. *By Invitation Only.*

2nd Annual Business Holiday Open House - "Up on the Hill & Through the Town" - Tues. November 19, 2pm to 6pm. Public is invited to visit participating businesses throughout the Town, guests will be given a card to be punched at each business & will turn in the card to the I.H.B.A. for a special prize. Home-based business vendors, Crafters, and Artisans are being sought to participate. To sign up call Sue at 301-885-9738 or Pam at 301-743-6777.

Coming in 2014:

1st Annual Miss Indian Head Pageant - Sat. February 22, at the Village Green Pavilion. Watch for more exciting details in the Winter Smoke Signals.

2nd Annual Taste of Indian Head - Sat. May 3, at the Village Green Pavilion and Park.

FREE Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection & Recycling 2013

1st Saturday April—December 9am to 3pm

September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7

Location: Department of Public Works, 10430 Audie Lane, off Radio Station Road, La Plata.

Items Accepted free of charge include pesticides, herbicides, fertilizer, gasoline, paint (except Latex, it can be dried out in a can and included in regular trash), cleaning supplies, pool chemicals, batteries, and other poisons.

Items Accepted ANYTIME at the C.C. Landfill & Pisgah/Recycling Center, 6645 Mason Springs Road, Mon.—Sat. 7am to 7pm, Batteries, empty gas grill propane, cylinders, motor oil, antifreeze.

Old computers & electronics are accepted ONLY at the C.C. Landfill, Billingsley Road East, Mon.—Sat., 7am to 7pm

24 hour oil & antifreeze drop off site, located at Ruth B. Swann Park, Bryans Road.

Please keep materials in their original containers whenever possible, and bring them to the collection site in cardboard boxes to ease unloading.

For more info. Call Charles County at 301-932-3599 or 301-870-2778

For Town Trash Collection, Recycling or Special Bulk Pick-up Information contact the Town Hall at 301-743-5511

CIVIC EVENTS CALENDAR

American Legion Meeting

2nd Wednesday of each month - 8:00pm
Senior Community Center
301-283-0105

Western Charles/Indian Head Chapter 126 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) meets the 1st Thursday of each month (Except July & August) 301-743-9445 or 301-743-3055

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

St Mary's Star of the Sea Church

Sunday Services 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am
Saturday Services 5:00pm
Confessions Saturdays 4:00 to 4:30pm
Special Devotions 7:30am mass on the 1st Friday and 1st Saturday of each month
301-753-9177

Indian Head Baptist

Sunday School 9:15am
Sunday, Morning Worship 10:30am
Sunday Bible Study 6:00pm
Thursday Prayer Meeting 6:30pm
301-743-3707

St James Episcopal

Sunday 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30am
Sunday School 9:45am
301-743-2366

Indian Head Church of the Nazarene

Sunday School 9:45am
Sunday AM Worship 11:00am
Sunday PM Worship 6:00pm
Wednesday Adult Bible Study 7:00pm
301-743-5768

Indian Head United Methodist Church

Sunday School 9:30am, Worship 11:00am
301-743-2312

Greater Spiritual Fellowship Community Church

Sunday School 9:30am
Sunday Worship 11:00am
Tuesday Discipleship Training 7:30pm
Thursday Bible Study 7:30pm
301-743-6014

Congregation SHA'ARE Shalom

Services 1st Friday, 2nd & 4th Saturday every month.
301-645-4606

Indian Head Worship Center

Sunday Christian Education 9:30am
Sunday Morning Service 11:00am
Sunday Youth & Young Adult Service 6:30pm
Tuesday Bible Study 7:30pm
Friday Evangelical Service 7:30pm
301-743-7772

Cornerstone AME

Sunday Morning Service 10:30am
301-743-6607

New Life Christian Ministries, Int'l

Worship Service—Sunday 11:00am
Bible Study—Tuesday 7:00pm
240-377-8919

IHVFD & RS: Fire Safety Starts with You

Home fire safety is a year round responsibility and requires vigilance at all times. The Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad Inc. would like to remind everyone that **you** are the first link when it comes to Fire Safety for you and your family. Ensuring your families safety not only includes being fire safe but knowing what to do should you experience a fire at your home. Here are some fire safety tips that we suggest you follow to help keep you and your family safe.

Smoke Alarms

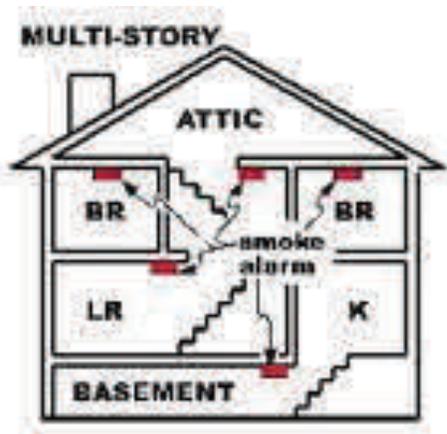
There has been a change to the Maryland fire law regarding residential Smoke Alarms. According to the new law which went into effect on July 1, 2013 when replacing smoke alarms in your home, they must be a sealed battery unit with a 10 year life battery. If the alarms are hard-wired (electrical) and you are replacing them, they must have a sealed battery backup as well. ***Almost two-thirds (62%) of reported home fire deaths result from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.***

Here are some tips about installing and maintaining residential smoke alarms.

- Install smoke alarm in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. Interconnect all smoke alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
- ***Be sure to replace smoke alarms every 10 years in accordance with the manufacture's recommendations.*** All replaced alarms must have a 10 year sealed battery back system).
- Be sure to test your smoke alarms weekly in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Working smoke alarms improve your chances of surviving a fire in your home by 50% and are an inexpensive device to ensure you and your family's safety.
- Smoke alarms that include a recordable voice announcement in addition to the usual alarm sound, may be helpful in waking children through the use of a familiar voice.

Smoke alarms are available for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. These devices use strobe lights. Vibration devices can be added to these alarms

Smoke alarms are an important part of a home fire escape plan.



Escape Planning

The reality is that when fire strikes, your home could be engulfed in smoke and flames in just a matter of a few minutes and your chances to escape reduced drastically. Should this happen, do you and your family know two ways out of your home? It is important to have and practice a home fire escape plan that prepares your family to think fast and get out quickly when the smoke alarm sounds. What if your first escape route is blocked by smoke or flames, would you know how to get out? That's why having an escape plan and knowing two ways out is such a key part of your plan. This year's National Fire Prevention Association theme, "Have 2 Ways Out!", focuses on the importance of fire escape planning and practice.



According to an NFPA survey, only one-third of Americans have both developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.

- Almost three-quarters of Americans do have an escape plan; however, less than half actually practiced it. One-third of Americans households who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life threatening. Often times the actual time is reduced to just a couple minutes.



In partnering with this year's National Fire Protection Association's annual fire safety campaign, we offer the following Cooking fire information and Safety tips.

Cooking fires have been the leading cause of all reported home fires and home fire injuries in the United States since 1990. Believe it or not, unattended cooking is the leading cause of these fires with two-thirds of home cooking fires beginning with the ignition of cooking materials, including food, cooking oil, fat, or grease.

Here are some more unbelievable statistics about cooking fires;

- Cooking caused two of every five (42%) of reported home fires, roughly one of every seven minutes (15%) home fire deaths, and two of every five (37%) home fire injuries, and 11% of direct property damage from home fires in 2010.
- Ranges accounted for the 58% of home cooking fire incidents. Ovens accounted for 16%.
- Children under five face a higher risk of non-fire burns associated with cooking than being burned in a cooking fire.

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- 90% of burns associated with cooking equipment resulted from contact with hot equipment or some other non-fire source.

Cooking Safety

- NEVER leave anything stovetop cooking unattended.
- NEVER put water on a grease fire. Water and grease do not mix and it will overflow the pan causing the fire to spill out onto the counter top.
- Be sure to have an over sized lid handy to smother a pan fire. By simply placing the lid over the top of the fire and turning the burner off, it will go out.
- Have a “Kid Free Zone” around the stove.(3 feet)
- If you experience an oven fire, leave the door closed and turn off the oven. By opening the door you could introduce air to whatever is burning making the fire larger.

By following these simple but vital tips, the chances of you or your family experiencing a home fire can be greatly reduced. We would also like to remind everyone that should you or a family need smoke alarms or if you have any questions about Fire/Life Safety, please contact the fire station and we will provide and install these devices at no cost to you.

The Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc. would like to invite everyone to our Annual Fire Prevention Week/Community Safety Open House on Saturday, October 12th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the fire station. Stop on in and learn more about Fire Safety, Smoke Alarms, see Sparky the Fire Dog, Smokey the Bear and get vital safety information from all in attendance.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK



Prevent Kitchen Fires

**The Indian Head VFD & RS
and the
Town of Indian Head**
have partnered up again this year
and will be hosting an

OPEN HOUSE

on
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2013
from
11:00 AM until 3:00 PM

at the
Indian Head Fire Department
4095 Indian Head Hwy.
Indian Head, MD

FEATURES INCLUDE:
Refreshments,
Smokey Bear, Sparky, Fire Prevention
literature and demonstrations

OCTOBER 6 - 12, 2013

Practice
Fire Safety
Everyday





PRACTICE
FIRE SAFETY
Every Day!





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On Saturday, August 10th the Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad Inc. dedicated Engine 92 to Charter Member, Past Fire Chief and Past President Frank Cotrufo Jr. Frank was a dedicated member of the department and served for 51 years from 1948 until his death in 1999. During his tenure with the department, Frank served in every Line Officer position all the way up to Chief and also as the department's President. In addition to his officer duties, Frank was also a driving force in the departments Fire Prevention program for numerous years and enjoyed serving and helping the community of Indian Head and the citizens of Charles County learn about Fire Safety.

Pictured are family members and members of the department.



Crime Watch/Community Policing News



Town of Indian Head Back to School Friendly Reminders

School Zone Posted Speed Limit 30mph

Indian Head Highway from the area of McWilliams Road to the NSWC Base gate is 30mph, which includes a designated School Zone. When the School Zone flashing lights are activated, the fines may be doubled. Fines can be as high as \$1,000.00 and 5 points.

No Parking/Stopping/Standing

Any Time on All Yellow or Red Curbing Along Lackey Drive, Walter Thomas & Mildred Rice Roads, Pavilion Parking Lot and/or School's Main Entrance Circle

Violators Subject to Citation

In accordance with Maryland Transportation Article, Title 21-1003j

Parking/Stopping/Standing in these marked areas causes *extreme* danger for students & pedestrians, and blocks emergency vehicle access onto side streets.

School Bus Safety

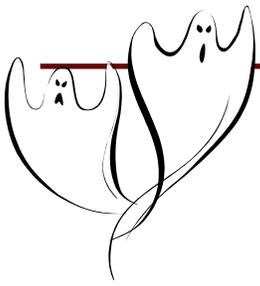
When a School Bus has stopped and activated its Red Flashing Lights, ALL traffic behind it and ALL traffic traveling in the opposite direction on a two-way street not divided by a median is required to stop and keep a safe distance at least 20 feet between the vehicle and the school bus. Traffic traveling in the opposite direction on a

highway divided by a median is not required to stop. Fine of \$570.00 & 3 Points.

Always drive carefully & responsibly and obey all posted traffic & direction signs. Watch out for students!

Questions? Call the I.H. Community Affairs/Community Policing Office:

301-743-5574 ext. 121



NEW in 2013! Children's Halloween Party

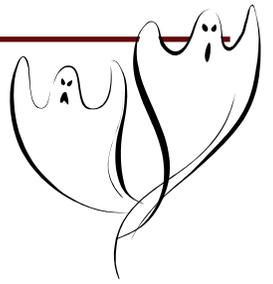
Sunday, October 20, 2pm to 4pm at I.H. Village Green Pavilion

Children 12 years & under with an adult are welcome.

HAYRIDES to the Pumpkin Patch –Pumpkin for the first 100 children.

1 to 12yrs. Costume Parade w/ Goodie Bag, Fun Carnival Games & Prizes, Hot dogs, Chips & Drinks, DeeJay Music, and Door Prizes.

ADMISSION TO THE PARTY IS \$2.00 @ THE DOOR FOR ALL AGES
(Children Under 1yr. Free –does not receive ticket bag)



Halloween on the Village Green

Thursday, October 31, 6pm to 8pm

Free Admission –Children With Adults

CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT!



ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES—WE NEED YOU!

Trunk To Trunk Trick or Treating on the Village Green

— bring your vehicle, trunk loaded with candy (enough for approximately 700 trick or theaters).
Come as you are or if you prefer—decorate your vehicle, dress in costume just as you would at home for door to door. Please arrive at the Village Green between 5:00 to no later than 5:45pm to line-up (no vehicles will be permitted in Trunk to Trunk line up area after 5:45pm) & enjoy dinner on the Town!

NOTE: Vehicle Participants cannot exit the line-up until after 8pm!

Schedule of Activities:

Vehicle Line-Up for

Trunk to Trunk 5pm to 5:45pm

Dinner Served 6pm to 7:30pm

Trick or Treater

Line Up 5:45pm to 6pm

Trunk to Trunk

Trick or Treating 6pm to 8pm

(Backside of the Village Green Pavilion)



Trunk to Trunk Trick or Treating on the Village Green is sponsored by the Town as an alternative (either or choice) to Door to Door Trick or Treating which is offered in the Town from 6pm-8pm.

Children 12 years & younger with an adult ONLY!

So, if you prefer Door to Door Trick or Treating– Enjoy and be safe!

If Door to Door isn't for you, plan to spend your Halloween night on the Village Green!

No Teenaged or Adult Trick or Treaters Please!

Sponsored by the Town of Indian Head

For More information call: Karen/Community Affairs 240-375-4061 or

karen@townofindianhead.org

Town of Indian Head Useful Information

Holiday Closings

Town Hall, Public Works and the Community Affairs Office will be closed on the following days this quarter in observance of the holidays listed:

Labor Day
Monday, September 2
Veteran's Day
Monday, November 11
Thanksgiving Day & Day After
Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29

If you have a water or sewer emergency after hours, call 301-743-2222 to report your emergency. On-call Town personnel will be contacted and the problem will be handled accordingly.

After hours non-emergency type problems can be reported by leaving a message on the Town Hall office number 301-743-5511. Be prepared to furnish your name, address, phone number and brief, but detailed description of the type of problem. Water cut-offs for non-payment are not considered emergencies and are only handled during Public Works regular business hours.

Town Codes

- **Burning**—No burning is allowed within the Town.
- **Animal Control**—Dogs must be kept on the owner's property unless properly restrained. The Charles County Animal Control provides animal enforcement within the Town. Call 301-932-1713 if you have a problem.
- **Abandoned or Inoperative Vehicles** are prohibited within the Town and may not be kept on the street for more than 24 hours or on private property, with certain exceptions. Call Code Enforcement at 301-743-5511 ext. 101 with any questions.
- **Property Maintenance**—Every dwelling and lot shall be kept free from trash and garbage. Weeds and grass must be cut and kept shorter than 10 inches.
- **Building Code**—The Town has an adopted building code. Any new construction or remodeling, including, but not limited to porches, fences, sheds and garages, requires inspection and a building permit from the Town.

Town Meetings

1st Monday every month at 7:30 pm at the Village Green Pavilion. Televised 8pm first two Fridays each month on Comcast Channel 99. Meetings will also be televised on CCGTV on Mondays at 10am and Wednesdays at 7pm. Comcast channel 99 and FIOS channel 12.

Town Hall

Office Hours
Monday - Friday
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Phone Numbers
Ofc: 301-743-5511
Fax: 301-743-9008

Recycling/Yard Waste

Solid waste products such as glass jars and bottles, newspapers, plastic bottles and metal cans will be picked up at the curb every Wednesday within the Town of Indian Head. Place these items in your recycling bin—no need to separate them.

Yard waste will be collected on Wednesdays, year-round, weather permitting. Grass clippings and leaves must be placed in brown paper bags or in a trash container marked "Yard Waste" and placed at curbside. Brush must be bundled and must not be any longer than four feet (4') in length. Individual pieces of brush must not be any larger than six inches (6") in diameter.

Bulk trash can be scheduled year-round on Wednesdays. Fee of \$50 (cash or money order **ONLY**) per scheduled pick-up must be paid in advance at time of scheduling at Town Hall. All items must be curbside by 7:00am on the prescheduled pick-up day but not earlier than 48 hours prior to pick-up day.

Utility Rates

The Town bills for utilities on a quarterly basis. Please make note that you will be receiving a bill four times a year (July, October, January and April). **You are encouraged to make an estimated payment monthly toward your quarterly bill.** For more information you can call Town Hall at 301-743-5511.

Water & Sewer Rates

Minimum rate for all residential customers \$ **70.40**
(per dwelling unit per quarter) plus
\$6.85 for every 1,000 gallons used
Minimum rate for all commercial customers \$ **212.80**
(per unit per quarter) plus
\$6.85 for every 1,000 gallons used

Bay Restoration Fee

\$15.00 to State of Maryland Comptroller's office for the Bay Restoration Fund

Trash Rates

Residential/Multiple Residential Rate: \$ 80.00 (per dwelling unit per quarter) - Billed quarterly for twice a week curb-side pickup and one (1) recyclable products pickup per week.

Commercial Rate

Category I	Dumpster (4cu yds)	\$495.00 per quarter
Category II	Maximum 2 cans (per unit)	\$95.00 per quarter
	Each additional can	\$46.00 per quarter

All residential and commercial units within the Town of Indian Head shall avail themselves of the Town's curb-side trash collection service.

ATTENTION LOCAL BUSINESSES!

If you are interested in advertising in the Smoke Signals please email a business card size advertisement to annie@townofindianhead.org 10 to 12 businesses will be advertised in the Smoke Signals each quarter for FREE.

If you are interested in being featured in the business highlights section of the Smoke Signals please email a short write up to annie@townofindianhead.org. One to two businesses will be featured each quarter free of charge.



Town of Indian Head Environmental Scholarship

Eligibility Criteria

Student Eligibility

- Applicant must have acceptance into or current enrollment in a college or university in a graduate or undergraduate program intended to prepare students for a career in an environmental field.
- Applicant must have good scholastic standing, i.e., at least average grades.
- Applicant must be a resident within the Town of Indian Head.

Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated commitment to environmental stewardship, e.g., past or current involvement in environmental stewardship activities.
- Appropriateness of chosen educational program for a career in an environmental field.
- Applicant's statement of education objectives and career goals.
- Faculty letters of recommendation.
- Completion of the scholarship application attached with an essay on the importance or function of environmental stewardship in the Town of Indian Head.

For more information and/or an application contact:

- Indian Head Town Hall, 4195 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head MD, 20640, 301-743-5511
- School Counselor at Henry E. Lackey High School
- School Counselor at North Point High School

Indian Head Senior Center Events

8th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Fitness Walk

Walk for the Women & Men in your life!

Saturday, October 12, 2013 (8:30am-1:00pm) \$25pp

Fee Includes: Morning Snacks, Bottled Water, and Lunch.

Don't miss out on this great day benefitting the fight against breast cancer!

This annual event is open to the entire community, and takes place around the Indian Head Village Green at 100 Walter Thomas Road, Indian Head, MD.

The three-mile walk takes place on the Indian Head Rail Trail.

First 100 paid participants receive a FREE T-Shirt!

Live Music—Exercise Warm Up—Vendors

Lunch—Door Prizes—Raffle Baskets

For details, please call the Indian Head Senior Center:
301-743-2125

Proceeds go to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer
Foundation

Event Held Rain or Shine



Taylor Marie's Shopping Event & Fashion Show

Fashion Forward for Fall—Shopping event and fashion show brought to you by Taylor Marie's Your Fashion. Your Style. Your Place.

We are bringing a huge Fall collection of Women's styles at affordable prices!

Petite, Misses, & Women's Size Available.

Taylor Marie's is a mobile retail clothing store with over twenty racks of up to date clothing and accessories from respected, high quality brands at low prices. Many items will be marked at 50% off. If you would like to sign up for lunch please call 301-743-2125 no later than Tuesday, November 5th to reserve your meal.

Where: Town of Indian Head Pavilion

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2013

Time: 11:00am to 3:00pm



Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad Events



Drive - Thru Fried Chicken Dinner

On the following Mondays in 2013:

Sept. 9, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2

From 10:30am until 1:30pm

4095 Indian Head Highway

Menu:

1/2 fried chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans, roll, butter & beverage.

\$8.00 Plate

Carry Out Only

Call ahead to place your order:

301-753-9400/301-743-3900

Texas Hold'em

2013 Friday Schedule:

Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 13

Doors open at 6pm. Play starts at 8pm

Payout determined by number of players

Must be 18 to play! 21 to drink! ID required!

Open to the first 160 Players

Beverages, snacks & hot sandwiches provided with registration fee. Mixed drinks \$1

Visit us on our website at www.ihvfd.com

Call 301-753-8011 or email poker@ihvfd.com for information on event and registration fee.



Christmas Craft Fair

Hosted by the Ladies
Auxiliary

Saturday, Nov. 23, 2013

9am until 2pm at the IH-VFD, 4095 Indian Head Highway

Local Crafters * Door Prizes *
50/50 Raffle * Misc. Raffles

Our Infamous Dip Luncheon
(\$.25 dip / 5 dips \$1)

For additional info, Please contact

Nancy 301-753-9722 or

Debbie 301-743-3650



Town Fall Leaf Vacuum Collection

Begins November 6

Leaf Vacuum Collection is offered by the Town on Wednesdays during the fall season, weather permitting.

- Only leaves free of sticks, rocks and debris can be raked to the curb.
- Do not rake leaves into the paved portion of the streets or into the storm drains.
- Bagged leaves placed curbside will be picked up with other yard waste during the regular Wednesday year-round yard waste pick-up.
- Keep regular household trash containers separate from yard waste.
- Bagged yard waste may be placed curbside on Wednesdays year-round for pick-up.

Please be patient, due to large volume of leaves the entire Town cannot always be covered in a single day. The crew will conduct one complete pass through of the entire Town before doubling back on streets.

BURNING LEAVES IS NOT PERMITTED

NO OUTDOOR BURNING OF ANY KIND IS PERMITTED WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS

Vacuum Collection is subject to weather. Should snow removal be required, the leaf vacuum will not operate.

Call the Town Hall to confirm the operation schedule before raking your leaves to the curb.

301-743-5511 or 301-753-6633

LAST DAY for the Leaf Vacuum is January 1 or the first snow.

FIRE PREVENTION

ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2013 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS -- AS YOU TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACKWARD REMEMBER TO CHANGE THE BATTERY IN YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE (CO2) DETECTORS!



IF YOU DO NOT HAVE WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS IN YOUR HOME PLEASE CALL YOUR LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT REMEMBER WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS DO SAVE LIVES!

**Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department
301-753-9400 / 301-743-3900**