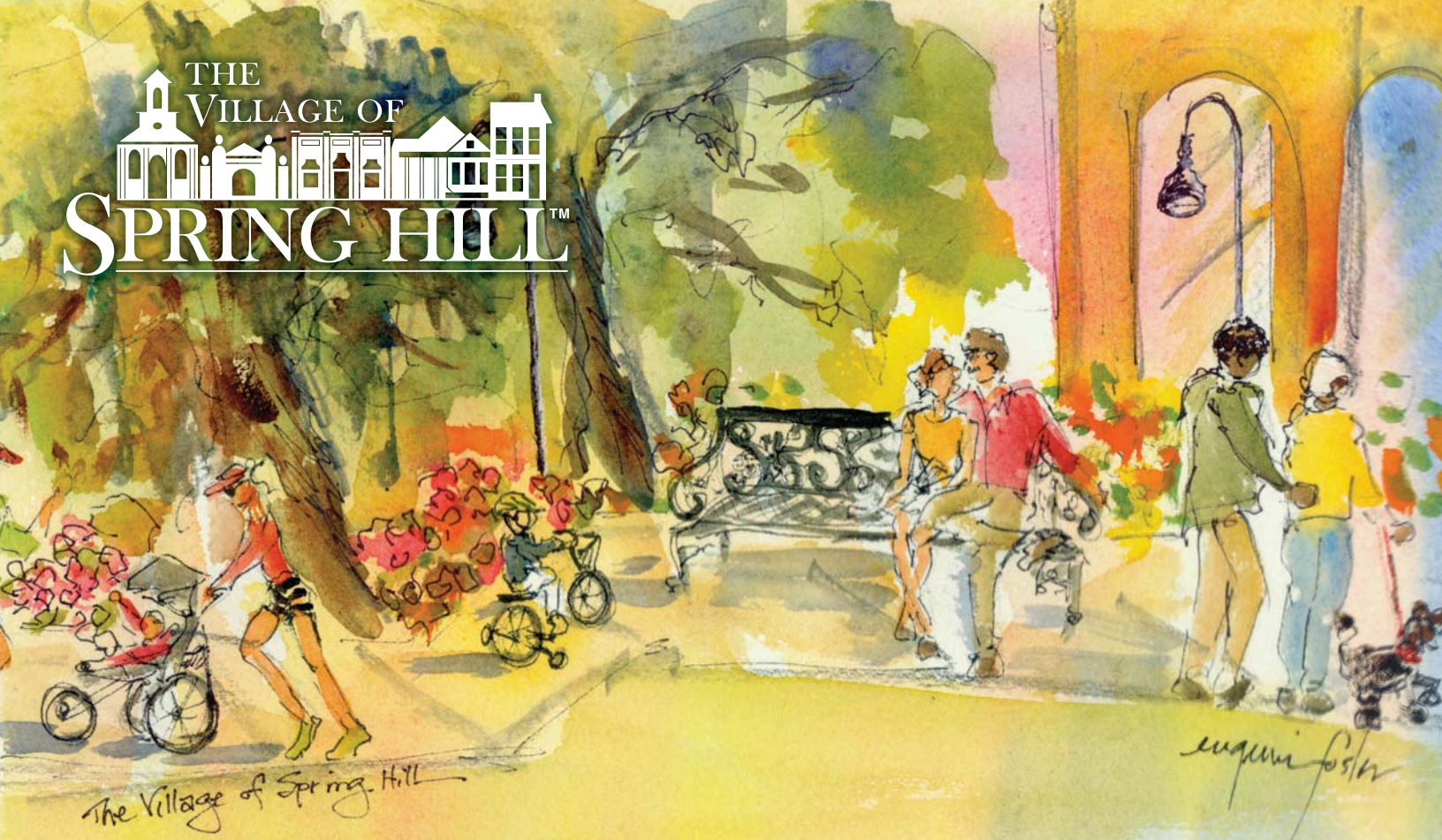


THE VILLAGE OF  
  
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*Mission: To make the Village of Spring Hill a neighborhood center by improving the pedestrian, aesthetic and commercial amenities of the area*

FALL 2014

## Latest Sidewalk Construction Completed

The latest sidewalk project for The Village of Spring Hill, on the north side of Old Shell Road from Ridgelawn Drive West to McGregor Avenue, was completed in September. Compliments have poured in from appreciative residents. Wanda Sigler, whose property abuts the sidewalks, commented, "Not only are the sidewalks and turf beautiful, but the crew doing the work went out of their way to be considerate and thoughtful to the residents along the way."

This project presented challenges in engineering and construction because of the terrain and the trees along the route. However, the team worked diligently with TVSH and residents to create a sidewalk path that would enhance the natural beauty and ambiance of the area. These sidewalks meander down Old Shell Road in charming fashion, paying homage to the majestic trees and their low-hanging limbs along the way.

The construction took place during Mobile's hot, humid summer months. Area residents responded with true southern hospitality, offering iced tea, water, lemonade, and even cold watermelon to the workers. At the completion of the project, some local businesses provided a picnic lunch at Lavretta Park for the construction and engineering team to celebrate the sidewalks and to show appreciation for the hard work they put into the effort.

These sidewalks were made possible by a State transportation grant and matching funds provided by TVSH from the proceeds

of the 2013 Sidewalk-A-Thon and a generous contribution from The J. L. Bedsole Foundation.

*Together we can! Thank you, Spring Hill, for helping TVSH add more steps to the sidewalks in the Village.*

*This newsletter was made possible by the generous contributions of*

  
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SIDEWALK-A-THON 2014

The sidewalk projects initiated by TVSH have made a strong impact thus far, and we hope to continue with your support!

## NEW State Sidewalk Grant Awarded to The Village of Spring Hill, Inc.

The Village of Spring Hill, Inc., in partnership with the City of Mobile, is proud to announce the awarding of a *third* State of Alabama transportation grant for the construction of additional sidewalks in the Village. The new grant, made possible by matching funds from the **2014 Sidewalk-A-Thon** and a donation from **The J. L. Bedsole Foundation**, will fund sidewalks on the *north* side of Old Shell Road from McGregor Avenue *east* toward Myrtlewood Lane. The grant also allows a portion of the funds to be applied to Village lighting. Ten additional lights will be added from Spring Hill Shopping Center east to Debra's Boutique, enhancing the safety of our neighborhood. **When this project is completed in the spring of 2015, TVSH will have initiated and constructed over \$800,000 in sidewalk infrastructure for the City of Mobile in Spring Hill.**

The community of Spring Hill has responded to the need for sidewalks with positive support. Through the cooperative efforts of children of the Village in the annual Sidewalk-A-Thons, residents, businesses, and foundations, TVSH has been able to provide the required 20% matching funds needed by the City of Mobile to secure the State transportation grants at a time when the City has limited funds available for such projects. To date, the children have raised over \$75,000 in the first three Sidewalk-A-Thons. *Watch for details of the 2015 event, scheduled for Friday, March 13, 2015, and plan to support the children's efforts to help us build even more sidewalks in the Village.*

Sidewalks are a key component of the Village Master Plan (*The Blueprint for Spring Hill*), supporting the connectivity of neighborhoods to schools, churches, parks and the commercial areas within our community. The Village of Spring Hill has already been transformed into a much more attractive and walkable area with the addition of the sidewalks along Old Shell Road west of McGregor Avenue. Folks of all ages, from babies in strollers with their parents to health conscious walkers, are enjoying the amenity of sidewalks in their community.

### *The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. is grateful to the sponsors of the 2014 Sidewalk-A-Thon:*

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## SCREEN ON THE GREEN EXPANDS IN 2014

This year the Village of Spring Hill, Inc. expanded its family-friendly free outdoor movies at Lavretta Park to include a spring series, in addition to the Halloween thrillers in October. Prior to the October 11 movie, held on Dorn Field on the Spring Hill College campus, the Moorer Library hosted "Trunk or Treat" for youngsters, complete with prizes and treats.

In addition, TVSH, in collaboration with the Mobile Museum of Art, held a special showing on September 4 of *America's Amazon*, the award-winning documentary based on the Mobile-Tensaw Delta, the most bio-diverse area in North America. For the event at the museum, 14 non-profit eco-organizations attended in support of the movie and to help educate the public on the Delta and preserving our natural resources.

To wrap up the year, plan to be present with family and friends for the special free showing of *Home Alone* at 5:30 p.m. on Dorn Field (on Spring Hill College campus behind the Moorer Library) after Christmas on the Hill December 7th.

The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. gratefully acknowledges the sponsorship of **Rouses Supermarkets** and the support of the City of Mobile, the Mobile Museum of Art, the Mobile Public Library, the Spring Hill Merchants Association, and Spring Hill College in the ongoing effort to provide our Village with entertaining events for families that boost the spirit of community.

# THE VILLAGE OF SPRING HILL STREETScape TO ENHANCE SPRING HILL COLLEGE ENTRANCE

Spring Hill College, the third oldest Jesuit college in the United States, has held a prominent place in the heart of our community since it first opened its doors to students in 1830. The college campus that borders Old Shell Road adds to the ambiance of Spring Hill with its attractive entrance and the "Avenue of the Oaks," an iconic vista leading to the historic Stewartfield house built in 1848.



**"Spring Hill College is most grateful to The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. for its plan to beautify the college's entrance on Old Shell Road. Furthermore, I commend this organization for all they have accomplished to improve the Spring Hill area."**

*Rev. Gregory F. Lucey, S. J.  
President, Spring Hill College*

Nowhere is the addition of the Village streetscape more significant than at the entrance of historic Spring Hill College. Private funding from individuals, foundations and businesses is making it possible for TVSH to implement the \$53,000 streetscape plan along Old Shell Road in front of Spring Hill College. Not only will the streetscape add to the beauty of the campus with its benches and trees, the streetlights will help provide a better sense of security for the students. (If you would like to contribute to this streetscape improvement, see the return form on the back of this newsletter.)

As a first step in the streetscape plan, four Old Mobile benches have recently been placed to adorn the campus frontage. A memorial bench honors **Senator Harry E. "Hap" Myers, Jr.** who helped realize the vision of The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. The family of Dr. Fred Cushing and the family of Dr. Graham McClintock, Jr. donated a bench in memory of **Sylvia Sargent Cushing** and **Jean Aird Pill McClintock** and **Jeanie McClintock**, respectively. A bench in remembrance of **Mary Ellen "Beebs" Thompson** has been given by her friends Dr. & Mrs. Samuel J. Strada and children, Dr. & Mrs. Roy Martino, Dr. & Mrs. Randall W. Powell and others. The addition of trees and streetlights is expected to be completed within the coming months.

The Board of Directors of TVSH is very grateful to those who have so generously contributed to this project which complements the "sense of place" that Spring Hill College has provided since 1830.

## Your Spring Hill Merchants Association at Work

The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. actually began as an outgrowth of the Spring Hill Merchants Association almost 10 years ago. Today, the center of the Village has been transformed into a **much** more attractive area with an air of renewed enthusiasm due to the cooperative efforts of TVSH, business and property owners, and the Spring Hill Merchants Association.

Under the leadership of its current president, **Sherry Pierce**, the SHMA boasts a record number of members who have embraced the vision for a revitalized Spring Hill and have played an important role in the improvements and additional activities that have come to our neighborhood center.

The SHMA has advertised and promoted the area's unique shopping opportunities and has worked with other community organizations to sponsor events such as the Blue Pass Kick Off with the Junior League of Mobile and the SHMA Spring Fashion Show at the Mobile Museum of Art. Partnering with the Mobile Arts Council, the SHMA organized the first annual "Art Showcase" in March. Over the past two years, the SHMA and its members have greatly enhanced

Christmas on the Hill with more activities for the whole family. The group has also invested in additional seasonal decor to boost the sense of community in the core shopping district.

The Village of Spring Hill, Inc. Board of Directors would like to thank the Merchants Association and its members for their support of Village initiatives and for their own efforts to improve our community.

*As always we encourage the residents of the Village to support our area merchants!*



Christmas shopping—and more—on the Hill! Christmas on the Hill is the annual family event created and promoted by the Spring Hill Merchants Association and the individual merchants of the area.

- \* Special Store Hours
- \* Holiday Refreshments
- \* Carriage Rides
- \* Photos with Santa
- \* Holiday Music
- \* Art Walk
- \* Children's Activities
- \* Sales & Promotions!!!
- \* Food Trucks 1:00 - 6:30 p.m.
- \* Old Shell Road Trolley will make stops throughout the Village to help you get from place to place.

Cap off this festive afternoon with a special free showing of the family favorite movie, *Home Alone*, presented by The Village of Spring Hill at 5:30 p.m. on Dorn Field behind the Moorer Library on the campus of Spring Hill College. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets!



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## This & That...

- ◆ Plans for construction of the roundabout on McGregor Avenue at Museum Drive are proceeding through the required approval and engineering processes.
- ◆ The benches already in place in Village streetscapes are being painted, thanks to generous contributions from **Springhill Medical Center** and **Gina Gregory**, City Council President, District 7.
- ◆ TVSH has ordered 10 streetlights to be placed in the Village center and thanks **James Dennis** with Charleston Lighting for his contribution of an additional light.
- ◆ Thanks to **Joel Daves**, City Council, District 5, a dead tree on Old Shell Road is being replaced.
- ◆ Signs have been placed at the entrances to the Village to greet residents and visitors and further define the area.
- ◆ The Village would like to thank **Servis 1st Bank** for incorporating the streetscape, including 2 Village streetlights, into their new branch adjacent to the Pocket Park.



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