

The City of

# Irondale

Build Community. Build the Future.  
Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr.



## COMMUNITY CHRONICLE

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“Justice only happens when good people take a stand against injustice.”

- Anthony Ray Hinton

*The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life & Freedom on Death Row*

### TAKE A LOOK AT OUR LIBRARY!

Irondale's new 16,000-square-foot library is poised to become a hub of learning, culture, and connection. Twice the size of its current facility, originally built in 1973, the new library will offer something for everyone. With modern furnishings, vibrant areas for children and teens, community meeting rooms, and inviting outdoor patios, it will be a place to gather, explore, and grow. As construction approaches 90% completion, the City anticipates receiving the keys in late June 2025 and having it stocked for a Grand Opening in early fall.



Hot LUNCH is now served at the  
Irondale Senior Activity Center!

Monday - Friday | 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Stop by or call (205) 951-1418 for details on  
signing up for this FREE program.

### SCREEN SCENE MOVIE SERIES

Friday Nights at Beacon Park  
Fun & Games Begin at 7:00 p.m.  
Movie Begins at Dusk

May 23: School Is Out! Summer  
Celebration with **WICKED**  
June 20: **THE WILD ROBOT**  
July 18: **MUFASA, THE LION KING**



FREE Hot Dogs, Lemonade, Train Rides,  
Snow Cones, Popcorn, and More!

### TAILS BY THE RAILS AT ELLARD PARK DOG PARK EVENTS

2420 Ruffner Court, Irondale, AL 35210

May 15: Barks & Brews, 5:00 p.m.  
June 7: Frisbee Fest Field Day, 9:00 a.m.  
July 10: Hot Dog Happy Hour, 5:00 p.m.  
August 9: Splash Bash Water Party, 10:00 a.m.  
Sept. 9: Paw-Scar Awards Red Carpet, 5:00 p.m.  
Oct. 25: Howl-O-Ween Pup-kin Patch, 10:00 a.m.



### CELEBRITY BASKETBALL GAME

Team Stewart vs. Team London  
May 9 | 1:00 p.m.  
Shades Valley High School Gymnasium



### TRASH AMNESTY CONTINUES

April 28 - May 1 District 4  
May 5 - 8 District 5  
May 12 - 15 District 1



Please leave large items, small construction piles, yard trash, etc., on the curb at the beginning of your designated week as we work to clean up and beautify our neighborhoods. Any questions or concerns may be directed to (205) 951-1420.

### City Hall Happenings

City Council Meetings  
May 6 and 20 | 6:00 p.m.

Message from the Mayor  
May 4 | 3:00 p.m.  
Tune in on Facebook!

### Weeks of Celebration

May 4 - 10: Drink Water Week  
May 5 - 9: Teacher Appreciation  
May 19 - 22: Public Works Week



Congratulations to our Young Entrepreneurs!

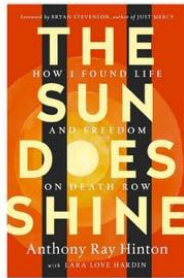
### 5th Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Featured Speaker: Anthony Ray Hinton  
Community Educator, Equal Justice Initiative

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Doors Open 6:30 a.m. | Program Begins 8:00 a.m.  
Church of the Highlands

Tickets & Sponsorships Available  
[www.IrondaleCommunityFoundation.com](http://www.IrondaleCommunityFoundation.com)  
Students may visit the website to apply for \$15,000  
in "Building Community" scholarships also!



### FARMERS & MAKERS MARKET

Opening Day: May 24  
Every Saturday Through August 2  
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
By the Tracks at City Hall  
Special Giveaways Weekly!



### FREE COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

Saturday, May 31  
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
Irondale City Hall

Blood Pressure Checks, Glucose  
Testing, Wellness Screening  
In Partnership with Irondale Fire  
Department & Christ Health

