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INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, May 17, 2005 , 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

Agenda

I. Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

II. Ordinances and Resolutions

III. Citizen's Forum

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Editor's Notes

The Village Voice is the official organ of Indian Springs Village, AL, established October 16, 1990. The mission of this newsletter is to foster a spirit of community and co-operation. It is the vehicle for reporting the monthly deliberations of the mayor and council in town council meetings; additionally it provides these officials and other Villagers a means of communicating – it is a “voice.” Expenses are covered by the efforts and donations of ISV volunteers. Deliveries are made at no charge by volunteer couriers.

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Mildred Wyatt for the masthead drawing

Message from the Mayor

by Steve Zerkis

“Earn This”

Memorial Day is coming up at the end of the month and I want to offer a few words for all of us to think about. I think most of us know that Memorial Day is specifically dedicated to honoring our military men and women in uniform who gave their lives to defend our country and our freedoms. Many of us saw the film “Saving Private Ryan” in which Tom Hanks’ character, Captain Miller, leads a group of soldiers in World War II to find and bring home Private Ryan, the last survivor of five brothers. At the end of the film the dying Captain Miller tells Private Ryan to “earn this”.

We all know what he is saying. In this context, Private Ryan represents all of us who have the opportunity to live a free life thanks to the sacrifice of those who died fighting. Captain Miller symbolizes all of our military who paid for our freedom with their lives. On Memorial Day, we honor those people and the sacrifice they have made. Because of their service we are able to live normal lives here in the “land of the big PX”.

The burden of war seems to be falling completely on the shoulders of our military, including reservists and National Guard, who volunteered to serve our country and find themselves leaving everyone they love and the security of their homes to go into war. Their families worry for their safety, and dread a knock on the door from someone in uniform saying their loved one is a casualty.

I think about that phrase “earn this” when I read about our military dying in Iraq, Afghanistan or some other corner of the world. It strikes home a lot harder when I see the image of a folded American flag pass from white gloved military hands to the hands of a loved one. It's a message to all of us who benefit from their sacrifice that we need to earn that freedom purchased for us with lives and not take it for granted. We're sending our men and women into harm's way and asking them day in and day out to maybe pay the ultimate price for our sakes, for our freedom.

And when they say to us, from a flag-draped coffin, “earn this,” just how do we answer?

Town Council Meeting

March 15, 2005

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met on Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at 7:00 PM at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall.

Town Clerk Shirley Church called the roll and noted the presence of Council Members Herb Robins, Brian Stauss, Jack Mendel and Mayor Steve Zerkis.

The minutes of March 01, 2005 were presented and unanimously adopted on a motion by Stauss; seconded by Robins. The financial report for February, 2005 was presented to the Council.

There was discussion on how to invest the Town's available funds. Zerkis and Stephens recommended that the \$227,000+ CD that just matured at BancorpSouth be reinvested at that bank for two years, and that an additional \$100,000 be invested in a two-year CD at Regions Bank. Both banks offered the best rates of return. They also recommended that the Children's Fund be transferred from BancorpSouth to Regions. Regions has agreed to waive all monthly charges on our general checking and the Children's Fund accounts. These recommendations were unanimously adopted on a motion by Mendel seconded by Stauss.

Trammell reported we have received approximately \$7,800 in business license fees from 57 businesses operating in ISV. We also have eight businesses, representing \$800 in business licenses, that are delinquent in their fees.

Zerkis reported that the drain problem on Auburn Road has been corrected.

Zerkis will write an article for the April Village Voice regarding the Town's Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance, and a copy of this ordinance will be posted on our website.

Zerkis presented a resolution to the Council to adopt the Shelby County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. The adoption of this plan by all jurisdictions will enable us to remain eligible for FEMA grant programs and certain public assistance funds for disaster relief. The resolution was unanimously approved on a motion by Stauss, seconded by Mendel.

Robins reported plans for the Highway 119 turn-lane project has a projected date of Fall 05 for bids to be let. This will include Highway 119 through ISV to County Road 14. Robins will speak with District Engineer Gary Ray regarding the 45 mph sign that has been damaged in the 3900 block at the North side of Cahaba Valley Road and (again) about moving the 55 mph sign further North to the ISV town limit at Gary's Barber Shop.

Mendel reported the Town's effort for a Highway 119 clean-up day on April 16 to coincide with Earth Day is in place. Volunteers are needed in this effort.

Wayne Jones, Chairman Planning and Zoning Commission, presented an amendment to the plat plan for a requested easement on Indian-Gate subdivision development to allow for a subdivision entrance sign to be displayed.

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 26 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. If it should rain, children are encouraged to come by the Town Hall to pick up a "goody" bag. Volunteers are needed the day of March 26 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

There was discussion concerning lighting enhancement on some intersections.

There was a discussion of the need to replace some missing and illegible street signs.

It was suggested that clarification be made in the newsletter and website as to procedure for obtaining a building permit.

There being no further business, Robins made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Church, Town Clerk

Town Council Meeting

April 05, 2005

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met on Tuesday, April 05, 2005 at 7:00 PM at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall.

Town Clerk Shirley Church called the roll and noted the presence of Mayor Steve Zerkis and Council Members Herb Robins, Brian Stauss, Brenda Guercio and Jack Mendel.

The minutes of the March 15, 2005 meeting were suspended by a motion by Stauss; seconded by Mendel.

Robins has discussed the drainage problem adjacent to the Town Hall and one on Double Oak Lane with Scott Holladay and Gary Ray. They are addressing these issues. District Engineer Gary Ray is checking into the 45 mph sign that has been damaged in the 3900 block at the north side of Cahaba Valley Road and about moving the 55 mph sign farther north to the ISV town limit at Gary's Barber Shop. Ray stated that any illumination lighting of intersections on 119 Highway will need to be approved through the State and reported Alabama Power Company has several options that may be considered.

Robins reported he will obtain bids for installing stone steps at the Flag Pole area.

Guercio reported the Easter Egg Hunt was quite successful and expressed her appreciation to all who assisted in this effort.

Stauss reported the Town's smoke/heat detection system will be installed by Fox Alarm the week of April

18. A communication system will be included to allow the Fire District to be notified immediately in case of a fire.

Mendel reported the Adopt-A-Mile clean-up day will be held on April 16, 9:00 AM, along Highway 119 through Indian Springs Village. Participants will need to bring gloves. Safety vests will be provided.

Zerkis reported the Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance is on the website and will be described in the April Village Voice.

Zerkis announced a State Engineer will look at the Town's walking track on April 20.

Zerkis made a motion that the Town Council approve the transfer of the Rite Aid business license from the present location to a new facility also on Valleydale Road, and that the transfer specifically include the sale of table wine, and beer for off-premises consumption. **Zerkis** instructed the Town Clerk visit the Rite Aid Store and endorse such transfer across the face of the present business license. **Stauss** seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Emily Stauss, Girl Scouts Troop 290, presented her wildlife habitat project that she proposes to develop in working toward her Girl Scouts Gold Award. She requested that the Council make available approximately 1,000 square feet of space and she will provide the necessary plants, shrubs and trees for the project. **Mendel** made a motion that the Council make up to \$250 available to purchase the necessary plants, shrubs contingent on the area being "staked out" and reviewed. **Guercio** seconded the motion.

There was discussion regarding access to the State Park by Indian Springs Ranch residents.

There was discussion regarding the State Park Golf Course lights shining on the homes of nearby residents all night long.

There being no further business, **Stauss** made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Church, Town Clerk

Numbers, Numbers

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

What's your house number? Can you see it when you drive up to your house? If it is not clearly visible to you, just imagine how hard it will be for fire, ambulance and sheriff's personnel to locate your house in a real emergency. They may not be able to easily find your house, and time can be wasted while they search the neighborhood. Please take the time to make sure your house numbers are easily readable from the road. May I suggest you mount the numbers on your house near a light so they can be seen at night, and possibly on your mail box.

Burning Restrictions in Effect

by Bart Trammell, Administrative Assistant

Outside burning is restricted in Shelby County from May 1 through September 30. For information on open burning regulations, contact Alabama Department of Environmental Management at 334 271 7861.

Please...

Our volunteers just beat the deadline for "No Burning" and burned the pile of limbs, brush, and shrubbery trimmings, located in the field at the northern leg of the walking track.

Just like citizens throughout the Village, our town property has its share of fallen limbs and dead shrubbery. We accumulate the debris for a year and then have a controlled burn prior to the "No Burn" period, which is from May 1 through September 30.

We ask that you refrain from adding your collection to the town's pile. As the pile grows, I am sure it becomes an eyesore to some of our neighbors.

Thanks for your cooperation and consideration.

4th of July in ISV

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Where do you want to be on the 4th of July? In Indian Springs Village of course! Please mark your calendars for the Annual 4th of July parade and celebration which will be held on Monday, July 4th this year. We start off with a parade through town followed by festivities and the greatest barbeque ribs, chicken and desserts we can make. It will be a great time for everyone.

This event is successful because of the work of a lot of volunteers. Council member Brenda Bell Guercio will be heading up the team this year that makes this all happen, and she would appreciate your help. Please call her to let her know you can help. Her number is 987-2581, or you can simply show up at the pavilion first thing in the morning of the 4th. Your effort will be appreciated. There will be much more about this event in the June issue of the Village Voice.



New Bridge at Town Hall

by Steve Zerks, Mayor

Many of you may have noticed the new bridge located behind our town hall. It was built by Kevin Tice, age 16, the son of Dr. Tom Tice and Teresa Tice of 5317 Mountain Park Circle. After getting approval from the Town Council,



Kevin planned and built the bridge to meet his requirement for a community service project for the rank of Eagle Scout. The new bridge allows residents and visitors to park and walk across the creek to the nearby walk-

ing path. It is constructed of treated wood with concrete footings and designed to resist heavy flows of water. It is a beautiful and functional addition to our town. The cost of the materials for this project was \$630 and this was donated by the LOWE'S home and garden center on Valleydale Road.

In addition to being a Boy Scout, Kevin is a sophomore at Oak Mountain High School where he is a member of the Spirit of Cahaba Marching Band, the Wind Ensemble, the National Honor Society, the Spanish Club, and the Spanish Honor Society. He also enjoys building computers in his spare time.



Highway 119 Cleanup Completed:

Thank You Volunteers

By Jack Mendel – Town Council Member

April 16 was a beautiful Saturday to be out and about in Indian Springs Village. We cleaned up our designated mile of Cahaba Valley Road, and we got a little exercise as well!

A special "Thank You" to the following volunteers for their walkin', bendin', grabbin', and totin':

Lee Hayes	Daniel Chaplin	Herb Robins
Bart Trammell	Steve Zerks	Rita Mendel
	Jack Mendel	



Lee Hayes, Daniel Chaplin and Jack Mendel

Garden Club News

by Marge Dunn, President Indian Springs Garden Club

It is planting time – I'm sure everyone is busy in the garden. Many of our plants multiply by dropping seed or by their roots spreading. In May we will have a chance to share and exchange our extra plants. On Thursday, May 26th at 7 pm we'll meet at the ISV Town Hall for our **Fourth Annual Plant Exchange**. Again, two other groups will join us, the Heatherwood Garden Club and the Morning Glory Garden Club from the Russet Woods area. We'll each bring two plants – show and tell about these plants and later draw numbers to pick out two plants to take home. This has been informative and fun in the past and we look forward to it again.

Garden Tip of the Month:

- Prune spring-flowering trees and shrubs (azaleas, spirea, forsythia) when they finish flowering.
- Cut flowers for indoor arrangements in the morning when the stems are full of water to ensure long lasting blooms.

North Shelby Children's/Teen Department

by Rachel Hodges, Children's/Teen Librarian

MAY HAPPENINGS

Mark your calendars, the library will be closed May 29-30 for Memorial Day.

Visit our website www.northshelbylibrary.org for more details or call 439-5504 or email nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.org!

For all ages:

*Thursday, May 19 at 3:30—**International Firefighters Day.** Come meet the firemen of Shelby County and check out their gear!

*Saturday, May 21 at 12:00—**Family Movie Afternoon.** Come watch “*The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie*” and eat popcorn! Rated PG for mild crude humor.

*Friday, May 27 at 10:30—**Arthur Storytime.** Come meet Marc Brown’s beloved storybook character. Brought to you by *Barnes and Noble*.

For Grades 3-7:

*Thursday May 5 at 4:00—**Cinco de Mayo Fiesta!!** We’ll be making Mexican crafts, eating chips and salsa, and going to town on a piñata. Limit 30, must register to attend.

*Tuesday May 10 at 4:00—**Happy Birthday Salvador Dali!** Brought to you by the Birmingham Museum of Art, we’ll discuss the artist’s life and work through a slide presentation. Limit 30, must register to attend.

Teen Zone: (for grades 7-12)

*Tuesday, May 17 at 6:00—**Calling all Young Filmmakers!!!** Join us for a presentation by the *Side-walk Film Festival* as they gear up for the Young Filmmakers Competition. Learn about the contest and what it takes to see your imagination on the big screen. Special screening of short films by young filmmaker Daniel Scheinert.

***Sign up for the Teen Advisory Group!** Have a say in what your library does! Call or email Rachel—439-5504 or nsyouth@shelbycounty-al.org.

Regular Programming~

Mondays, May 2nd, 9th, and 16th

Toddler Tales @ 10:30 & 11:30 am

For ages 18-36 months. Registration required. You can call the library at 439-5504 to sign-up or put your name

down for the coming weeks after the program.

Wednesdays, May 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th

Mr. Mac (Storyteller Extraordinaire!) @ 10:30 am

Thursdays, May 5th, 12th, 19th, *26th

P. J. Storytime @ 7 pm

*There will be a special P. J. storytime on the 26th—we will be showing a Beatrix Potter short bedtime movie!

Computer Class Schedule for North Shelby Library

by Michelyn Reid, Reference Librarian

All Classes are from 8:30am - 10:00am

Please Call Michelyn Reid at 439-5510 or email at nsref@shelbycounty-al.org for more information.

Internet for Beginners

Tuesday, May 10

Wednesday, May 11

Advanced Searching

Tuesday, May 17

Wednesday, May 18

Word I

Tuesday, May 24

Wednesday, May 25

Word II

Tuesday, May 31

Wednesday, Jun 01

Word III

Tuesday, Jun 07

Wednesday, Jun 08

Excel - Basic

Wednesday, Jun 22

Adult Summer Reading

This summer at North Shelby we will be having Adult **Summer Reading**. **Theme: Southern-Fried Authors**

Dates: Registration - May 16th - June 27th
Program - June 1st - July 8th

Individuals can read ANY book from ANY author from the South. There will be a list available in the library for patrons to choose from. You’ll receive a North Shelby Library Grab Bag just for registering and for every book you read you are asked to fill out a Reader Comment Form. The Comment Form will act as a raffle ticket for prizes drawn at the end of Summer Reading.

For more information please drop by the library and pick up a brochure, or go to www.northshelbylibrary.org and click on Adult Summer Reading. Or contact Michelyn at 439-5510.

Scientist Visit for National Library Week

by Rachel Hodges, Children's/Teen Librarian

On April 12, the North Shelby Library was honored with a visit from scientist extraordinaire, Dr. Larry DeLucas. His many titles include Director of the Center for Biophysical Sciences and Engineering, the Director of the Comprehensive Cancer Center X-ray Core Facility, and Professor in the School of Optometry at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Among his many accomplishments, Dr. DeLucas was a crewmember of Space Shuttle Columbia for STS-50/United States Microgravity Laboratory-1 (USML-1) Spacelab mission in 1992. His job on this mission was to grow crystals that provide useful information in drug discovery research. During his visit at the library, Dr. DeLucas entertained with tales and slides of his celestial adventure, from the sensations of a shuttle take-off during a thunderstorm to what its like to orbit the earth and see it as one beautiful whole, without country boundaries and colored only by the land and oceans. Students learned the proper etiquette for eating soup in zero-gravity (with your spoon held upside down) and that the dirty clothes "hamper" of a space ship is a cozy place for an impromptu nap. Twenty-five students and parents showed up for this wonderful lecture and brown bag lunch.



National Merit Finalist

Adam Carlisle was named as a National Merit Finalist. He is a senior at Oak Mountain High School. Adam has received a four- year scholarship from Auburn University. Adam is the son of Terry & Dorothy Carlisle of Mountain Vista.

Ward Receives Scholarship

Jennifer Ward has been awarded the President's Scholarship in Theatre at the University Of Montevallo where she will double major in Theatre and Mass Communications this fall. The award is for full tuition and Student Government Association fees. Jennifer has been performing in theatre since she was 7 years old and has won many awards including the Mountain Brook Invitational and District and State Trumbauer Award. The Trumbauer Award, named for Walter Trumbauer, is an acting competition sponsored by the Alabama Conference of Theatre (ACT).

Jennifer is a Senior at Oak Mountain High School where she was selected for Who's Who this year as "Most Comedic Girl" and "Most Unpredictable". In January, she was selected as "Miss Congeniality" in the Miss OMHS Pageant.

Jennifer is the daughter of John and Shirley Ward of Indian Forest Trail.

Rozsa Accepted into UAB Honors Program

Andrew J. Rozsa, the son of Dr. Andrew and Mrs. Regina Rozsa of Indian Springs Village, has been inducted into the Oak Mountain High School branch of the National Honor Society. The induction ceremony took place on April 11th.

In addition, Andrew has been accepted into the Honors Program and the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Candidates are selected on the basis of grade point average, standardized test scores (SAT & ACT), community involvement, an essay written on a designated topic, and a series of personal interviews. Andrew was accepted with full scholarship into the Natural Sciences and Mathematics Honors program.

Alabama Symphony

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

The Alabama Symphony Orchestra is coming to town as part of its Gateway Series and will perform at the Indian Springs School on Saturday, May 14, 2005 at 8:00PM. The ASO will present music from a series of American composers including Gould, Copland, Bernstein, Gershwin and others. The orchestra will be conducted by Christopher Confessore. For further information and reservations, please call the ASO box office at 205.251.7727, or check its website at www.alabamasymphony.org.

Fox Den

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Foxes have been sighted in town searching around houses and looking for food. A den of foxes was located on Mountain Park Circle. The owner has small pets and has been advised by Shelby County Animal Control that the foxes can attack and kill their pets.

In this case, a nest with several foxes and probably some young can be seen in the woods behind the house. If you see a fox den, please do not go near. The animals will be defending their home and young, and will view you, your children and your pets as aggressors. As with most wild animals, foxes are not inherently vicious unless they feel threatened, and then they may attack. If you see one or more of these animals, please stay away, and keep your small pets away and safe. Please tell your children the same, and have them stay in a safe place. Foxes may be attractive and cute looking but they are not friendly, carry disease and should not be approached at any time. Please don't try to feed these wild animals. They will just stay in the neighborhood. We are sharing our lives and property with our beautiful natural surroundings in Indian Springs

Church Construction

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor



Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church and School on Cahaba Valley Road announced plans to construct a social center. At a ground breaking ceremony on Sunday, April 17, the pastor, Reverend Raymond Dunnmyer described the work to be conducted. The building will contain facilities for large gatherings and will also have several smaller meeting rooms. Parking around the church and school will be significantly expanded and rerouted. Construction is anticipated to begin immediately and take approximately a year.

Severe Weather Preparedness

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Every year lives are threatened or lost and property destroyed by severe weather, including thunderstorms and tornadoes. Indian Springs Village has had its share of damaging tornadoes and storms

Tornadoes pose the greatest severe weather risk to the residents of central Alabama. Severe thunderstorms can also produce very damaging winds that can cause significant structural damage to buildings especially barns and outbuildings. Hail and rain can also do severe damage. Trees can be broken or uprooted.

Know the terms used to describe a tornado or severe thunderstorm threat:

WATCH – A tornado or severe thunderstorm is possible. WATCH the sky and listen to the radio or television for more information. Be prepared to take shelter.

WARNING – A tornado or severe thunderstorm has been sighted or indicated by weather radar. This is your WARNING to take shelter immediately, turn on a battery-operated radio or television, and wait for the “all clear” announcement by authorities.

How will you know if a tornado has been sighted in our area?

1. Listen to local weather reports on television or radio. They rely on sophisticated radar systems
2. The US Weather Service may issue an emergency message on radio or television.
3. If a tornado is sighted near Indian Springs Village, the Outdoor Warning System will be activated! You should hear the siren if you are outdoors. Seek shelter immediately!

Shelby County Seniors

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

A Health Fair and cookout will be held in Montevallo at Orr Park on May 12 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM for all seniors at least 60 years of age. Lunch will be served but a meal ticket is required. You can reserve your ticket by calling 670-5770 or 1-866-570-2998. Tickets must be reserved by 4:30PM May 5. This event is sponsored by the Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging.



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Mayor Steve Zerkis 733-9935
 5300 Mountain Park Drive

Town Clerk Shirley Church 991-6148
 335 New Hope Mountain Road

Asst. Town Clerk James E. Wyatt 988-0327
 231 Indian Trail

Treasurer Paul Stephens 988-4672
 88 Indian Crest Drive

Admin. Assistant Bart Trammell 988-0094
 681 Valley View Road

Town Council Place No. 1
 Herb Robins 980-9217
 5136 Hollow Log Lane

Area of Resp. - Maintenance of Property and Roads

Town Council Place No. 2
 Brenda Bell Guercio 987-2581
 2970 Cahaba Valley Road

Area of Resp.- Communications & Community Affairs

Town Council Place No. 3
 Brian Stauss 987-9997
 240 Cahaba Oaks Trail

Area of Resp. - Public Service

Town Council Place No. 4
 Jack Mendel 987-1680
 70 Mountain Vista

Area of Resp. - Public Health & Financial Reporting

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 454 Valley View Road

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Wayne Jones 991-0902
 230 New Hope Mountain Road

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Brian Stauss 987-9997

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Benton Baker, Ralph Bodie, Bruce Monical and Steve
 Zerkis

Editor, Village Voice Alison Stigers 981-1750

**Alarm System Installed
 at Town Hall**

by Brian Stauss, Town Council Member

The Town Council is in the process of installing an alarm system at the Town Hall. This system will provide smoke and heat detection for the contents of the Town Hall as well as the structure itself. The system is connected directly to the North Shelby Fire Department via radio transmitter. This type of notification is faster and more reliable than a telephone line, allowing the Fire Department to be more responsive. Please pardon the mess at the Town Hall as we complete this project.

Enforcement of Speed Limits

by Steve Zerkis, Mayor

Many thanks to Sheriff Chris Curry and his deputies for enforcing speed limits on streets in our town. Deputies have been seen on Indian Crest Drive and Valley View Road issuing citations. In addition there was another serious accident on Indian Crest a few days ago when a sports car skidded on dry pavement and crashed into a utility pole, caught on fire and was destroyed. Luckily for the two occupants no one was injured. However this accident occupied the sheriff's department and the fire department for over two hours. A reminder to everyone that the speed limits on those streets and most streets in our town is 25 miles per hour. Also, thanks to Council member Herb Robins' good effort with the State Highway Dept., Cahaba Valley Road (state highway 119) is now 45 mph through Indian Springs Village.