



# ILOA NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 808 Smithville Texas 78957

**August 1, 2024**

August is the eighth month of the Gregorian calendar and is the last month of summer. It is a month filled with warm weather, fun activities, and a time for relaxation. August's birth month flowers are the gladiolus and poppy. The gladiolus is a tall and elegant flower that symbolizes strength, honor, and moral integrity. The poppy, the beautiful red bloom made famous from the poem centuries ago, is often associated with remembrance and is used as a symbol of respect for fallen soldiers and veterans. Like May, August also has two birthstones. The birthstones for August are peridot and sardonyx. Peridot is a green gemstone that brings good luck and protects against nightmares. Sardonyx is a reddish-brown gemstone that brings courage and happiness.

Birthstone for August

*August Birthstone*

· Peridot ·

Symbolizing dignity, fame, and prosperity. **Peridots** have been used in jewellery through the ages to achieve peace and success, and to attract love and good fortune. Hawaiians believe the traces of peridot found in volcanic ash are the tears of the volcano goddess, Pele.

Mail HOA Payments to:

**Indian Lake Owners Association**

**P.O. Box 808**

**Smithville, Texas 78957**

Phone # 512-237-8500

**Current Board Members**

Douglas Watne-President

Doug Wilson-Vice President (New Member)

Tonya Boess-Secretary (New Member)

John Keller-Treasurer

Michael Segura-Parks & Roads (New Member)

Adron Eyhorn and Larry Eyhorn- Darrell Brissett - Lakes & Fish (New Members)

Bonny Joplin (New Member) & Karen Williams-Pool Committee

**Architectural Committee**

Christopher Robbins, Bobby Williamson, Cynthia Prudhomme





## Neighborhood Events / Happenings

It's summertime, let's all get out and enjoy the beautiful Swimming Pool while the weather is great, remember to be courteous to everyone while in and around the pool area, watch for Bonny-Lynn Joplin to post her water aerobics sessions on the Indian Lake Smithville Texas Facebook page.

The weather is getting warmer daily, remember if your pets are out in the yard, please make sure they have plenty of shade and water. Never leave your pet chained up with no shade or water.



## Neighborhood Watch

When you are out and about the neighborhood, please be vigilant of your surroundings, if we see something let's say something. Please call the Bastrop County Sheriff's Office at 512-303-1080 if you notice any suspicious activity in the neighborhood, you can also report concerns to your current Board Members by email @ [iloaoffice78957@yahoo.com](mailto:iloaoffice78957@yahoo.com) or by calling 512-237-8500.





## [New ILOA Website](#)

Please go to our new website and register by clicking on the Contact tab at the top of the page <https://indianlakeowners.net> . You can enter your personal information there, by sharing your email address with us, you consent to let the Board send you notifications from time to time. Please share this information with your neighbors so that they can sign up also.





## **Brush Pile**

The Brush Pile is open for ILOA residents the first Saturday of each month with weather permitting. When dumping, please pull to the back of the pile before dumping your brush/debris. **Members must have their dues paid in order to use the Brush Pile.**

Open from 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon





## Volunteer Your Time

The ILOA Board Members are always looking for volunteers to assist with things to do in our neighborhood, please send your information to [lloaoffice78957@yahoo.com](mailto:lloaoffice78957@yahoo.com) if you would like to volunteer your time. The Board needs volunteers to help around the community, please step up and volunteer your time, the Board could really use your help. Become a Board Member.

Pool/Pavilion Playground Area

Brush Pile Area

Lawn Care

Lake/Fish

Architectural Committee Member



Welcome to the Neighborhood



We would like to welcome the following new neighbors to Indian Lake.

1. Jakob Anderson (Laguna)





**Smithville/Bastrop/La Grange Events 2024**

**Back - to -School Bash /August-1st from 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Towers Nursing Home.** There will be live music, games, food, and tons of fun! Local families are invited to celebrate the end of a fantastic summer break and gear up for the new school year. School supplies will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last! For more information, please call Melissa at 512-237-4606 for additional information.



**Free School Supplies August 3 - Smithville: - 8:00 am - noon, MLK Park.** School supplies call 512-838-3678. Hygiene bags call 512-786-3163.





**St. Paul Catholic Church BBQ Chicken, Sausage, & Plates To-Go August 4 – from 11am – 12pm**

Drive-thru in alley behind Parish Hall until sold out. BBQ Chicken & Sausage all to-go. Plates \$10; Whole chicken \$10; half-chicken \$5.



**Smithville Farmers Market**

Sundays – 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

James H. Long Railroad Park off Main & 1<sup>st</sup>

A producers-only market is now welcoming SNAP EBT customers. Come out on Sunday's and spend the day with us!

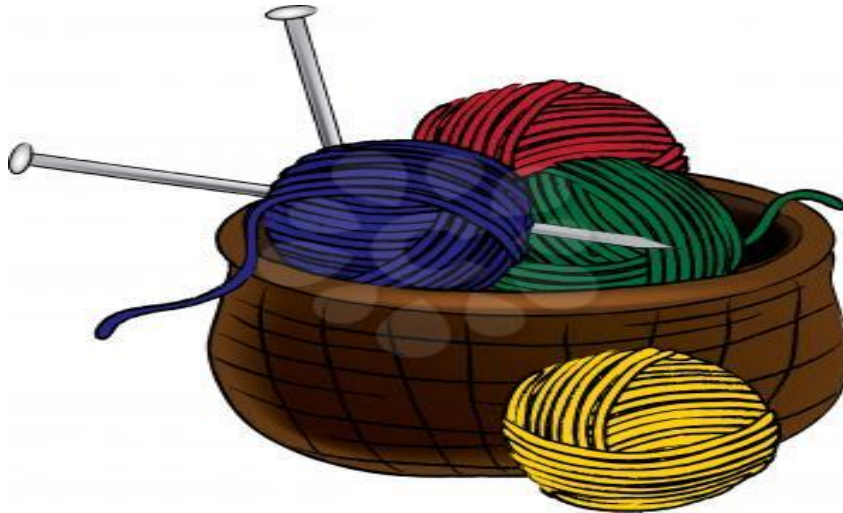


**Craft: Smithville Yarn Bombers**

Every other Sunday

2:00 – 4:00 pm

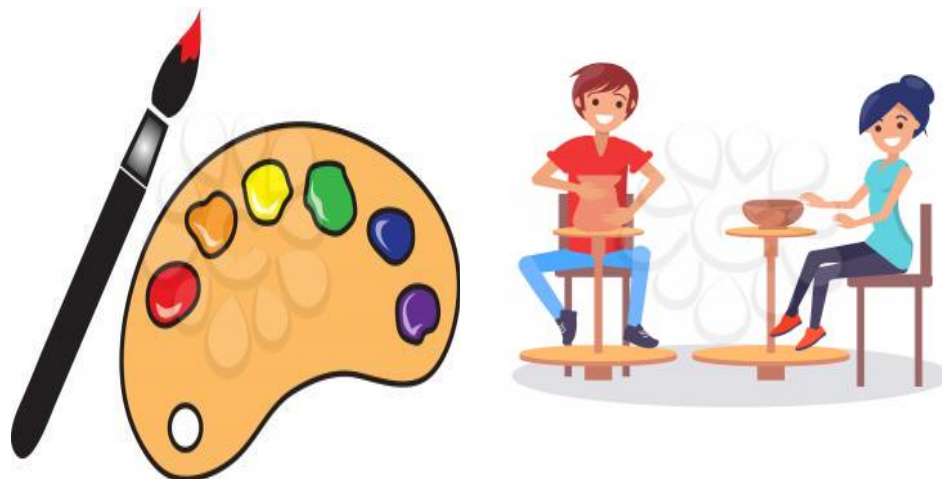
Mary Nichols Art Center - 301 Burleson St



**Mary A. Nichols Art Center, 301 Burleson St, Smithville, TX 78957**

If you are looking for something to do and want to learn about pottery and other crafts, check out this great place, they offer many things to do, it is a great place and they do so much for the community of Smithville as well.

[Art Gallery | Lost Pines Artisans Alliance](#)



## Smithville Downtown Business Alliance

First Thursday Downtown 2024

Don't forget the first Thursday of each month your favorite downtown shops stay open until 8:00pm!

New pop-up vendors to discover!

Specials and discounts to enjoy!

Food and Drink samplings!

Walk to everything!



## Commissioners Court

The Bastrop County Commissioners Court meetings shall be held at the County Seat at the Bastrop County Courthouse, 804 Pecan Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602 in the Commissioners Courtroom, second floor of the annex. Regular terms shall be held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month with the exception of Commissioners Court approved official County Holiday.

Regular terms of court shall be held on:

Monday, March 11 Monday, March 25, Monday, April 8 Monday, April 22 Monday, May 13 Tuesday, May 28 Monday, June 10 Monday, June 24 Monday, July 8 Monday, July 22 Monday, **August 12 Monday, August 26 Monday**, September 9 Monday, September 23. In order for a matter or issue to appear on the court's agenda for any regular meeting of the Commissioners Court a request must be completed , filed and approved by at least one member of the Commissioners Court and/or the County Judge by 5:00 PM Tuesday immediately preceding the next regular meeting of the Commissioners Court, forms can be found online at the following link: <https://www.co.bastrop.tx.us/page/com.information>, it's always important to attend the Commissioners Court meetings to be seen and heard.

## Upcoming live music events happening in and around Bastrop in August

Check out these upcoming live music events in Bastrop happening in August.

### Copper Shot Distillery

809 Main St., Bastrop

- **Aug. 9:** The Mean Uncles, 7 p.m.
- **Aug. 10:** Chasing Gypsy, 8 p.m.

### Neighbor's Kitchen and Yard

601 Chestnut St., Bldg. C, Bastrop

- **Aug. 4:** Many Rowden, 5 p.m.
- **Aug. 9:** Robert Parker Jr. Trio, 7:30 p.m.



## Bastrop H-E-B Plus \$30M expansion

Shoppers at Bastrop's H-E-B Plus will notice a few changes including a new entrance, a temporary curbside area and more. Be patient with us as we expand to better serve you.

**What's happening:** Located in a portion of the Texas Backyard area—where shoppers can find plants and other outdoor items—a temporary grocery-side entrance was opened on July 21.

In addition, the curbside pickup area was temporarily moved to the pharmacy side of the store.

**A closer look:** Officials with the Bastrop Planning and Development Department confirmed both changes were put in place to construct a True Texas BBQ.

**Looking ahead:** Other renovations shoppers can expect include:

- More pharmacy space
- Expanded produce area
- Renovated meat and seafood market
- Replacement of more refrigeration cases
- Expanded administrative offices and break areas for employees

**When finished, the store will gain an extra 18,000 square feet of space; however, no timeline has been disclosed as of publication.**



## Elon Musk to expand Bastrop footprint with X support center

[The announcement](#) was posted on the social media platform on July 29, noting that officials are looking to hire representatives with a base salary ranging from \$50,000-\$55,000.

In the job description, X Site Lead Roy M. Draa stated ideal candidates should help ensure the platform remains inclusive for users— keeping track of issues such as spam, fraud, child safety and more. Prospects should email their resume to [safetycareers@x.com](mailto:safetycareers@x.com). Interviews will be set for the week of Aug. 5, according to [the career website](#).

This comes following [a post made by Musk on July 16](#), stating he will move the X headquarters from California to Texas as a result of the recent signing of California's [Assembly Bill No. 1955](#).

The bill mandates school officials to develop resources "for the support of parents, guardians, and families of LGBTQ pupils and strategies to increase support for LGBTQ pupils," and prevents officials "from enacting or enforcing any policy, rule or administrative regulation that requires an employee or a contractor to disclose any information related to a pupil's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression to any other person without the pupil's consent," per [the bill's summary](#).

"This is the final straw," Musk [said in his post](#). "Because of this law and the many others that preceded it, attacking both families and companies, SpaceX will now move."

X officials could not immediately be reached for further comment.

- Opens TBD
- Hyperloop Plaza, 865 FM 1209, Bastrop





Let's always support our Local Business's in the area, this helps our Merchants grow by leaps and bounds.

**Thought's for the month:**

Tip your server

Return your shopping cart

Pick up a piece of trash

Hold the door for the person behind you

Let someone into your lane

Remember, small acts of kindness have a ripple effect. That's how we change the world.



**Recipe of the Month:**



## The Perfect Pot Roast

### By Ree Drummond

#### Ingredients:

Salt and freshly ground black pepper.  
One 3- to 5-pound chuck roast  
2 or 3 tablespoons olive oil  
2 whole onions peeled and halved.  
6 to 8 whole carrots, unpeeled, cut into 2-inch pieces.  
1 cup red wine, optional  
3 cups beef broth  
2 or 3 sprigs fresh rosemary  
2 or 3 sprigs fresh thyme

#### Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 275 degrees F.
2. Generously salt and pepper the chuck roast.
3. Heat the olive oil in large pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Add the halved onions to the pot, browning them on both sides. Remove the onions to a plate.
4. Throw the carrots into the same very hot pot and toss them around a bit until slightly browned, about a minute or so. Reserve the carrots with the onions.
5. If needed, add a bit more olive oil to the very hot pot. Place the meat in the pot and sear it for about a minute on all sides until it is nice and brown all over. Remove the roast to a plate.
6. With the burner still on high, use either red wine or beef broth (about 1 cup) to deglaze the pot, scraping the bottom with a whisk. Place the roast back into the pot and add enough beef stock to cover the meat halfway.
7. Add in the onions and the carrots, along with the fresh herbs.
8. Put the lid on, then roast for 3 hours for a 3-pound roast. For a 4 to 5-pound roast, plan on 4 hours. The roast is ready when it's fall-apart tender.





### **Inspirational Quote:**

August is a month of transition. For many people, it marks the end of summer and the start of a new school year.

It can be a time of both sadness and excitement, as we say goodbye to carefree days and hello to new challenges. The beginning of the month always feels full of potential, like anything is possible. And as we move closer to September, there's a feeling that we can make these final weeks count.

Whatever you're facing in August, remember that it's a month of hope and possibility.