



ILOA Newsletter

P.O. Box 808 Smithville, Texas 78957

June 1, 2025

Welcome June

June, the sixth month of the year, marks the transition into summer in many parts of the world. It is a month filled with sunshine, celebrations, and surprises. Let's embark on a journey through the wonders of June and discover the hidden treasures of this vibrant month.

Lavender is the flower for the month of June:



Mail HOA Payments to:

Indian Lake Owners Association

P.O. Box 808

Smithville, Texas 78957

Phone # 512-237-8500

The ILOA Board is still accepting payments via credit card or ACH, if you would like to pay your HOA dues by credit card or ACH bank draft, please call the ILOA Office at 512-237-8500 to make arrangements, there will be a 5% surcharge for paying by credit card and 2.5% surcharge for ACH bank draft.



Next Annual ILOA Board Meeting is July 26, 2025

Current Board Members

Bonny Lynn Joplin-President

Cynthia Prudhomme-Vice President

Crystal Kohanek-Secretary

John Keller-Treasurer

Position Open-Parks & Roads Chairman

Position Open -Lakes & Fish Chairman

James Spell -Pool Chairman

Architectural Committee

Christopher Robbins, Bobby Williamson



The volunteers that serve on the Board are doing a terrific job of keeping the subdivision looking and running great, so when you see one of these volunteers, you might want to say **Thank You** for a job well done.



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 or by calling the ILOA Office phone 512-237-8500. In the event of an emergency, dial 911.





Neighborhood Events / Happenings

A big thank you to Patrick McPherson and Tonya Boess and the many other volunteers that helped with the rebuilding of the Fishing Pier/Dock, this project was done in memory of Douglas Watne, there is a plaque mounted on the Pier/Dock in Douglas Watne's name. This project was all made possible by donations from ILOA Members, thank you everyone that generously donated to this project, this was **NOT** a Board project. The Dedication Ceremony was held on May 17, 2025.





The Indian Lake Pool

The pool had a soft opening on May 17, then the Grand Opening was held on May 24, the Board provided pizza and soft drinks for everyone, the ILOA Board would like to thank everyone that showed up and had a great time.



Membership bands are still available for \$5 each, please reach out to a Board Member to purchase your bands or you can call the Indian Lake phone at 512-237-8500 .

Just a friendly reminder

Help Control Mosquitos!

Those pests only need a teaspoon of water to breed. Besides being annoying and causing itchy bites, they can carry dangerous diseases even here in Central Texas (TX Dept. of Health: West Nile, Dengue, Zika, Chikungunya, St. Louis Encephalitis, and Malaria rarely)

Be sure to empty **any** containers with standing water after every rain or after watering the yard.

That could be:

tires, tray under a plant, cupped rim of an overturned dish or bucket, empty plant pot, bucket, bird bath not freshened daily, tarp, plastic bag or sheeting, pet bowl, lids, toys, etc.



Floating Dock

Thank you, Mark Strong, for everything you do for the community, we now have a floating dock to enjoy while out on the lake thanks to your hard work and determination to get this job done.



HEB Delivery

We have a lot of Senior Citizens that live here in the community that are not able to get out and drive to the grocery store, if we can get enough members to contact **HEB** in Bastrop and request home delivery we can hopefully persuade them to set up for home delivery here in Indian Lake. Let's all make that phone call.

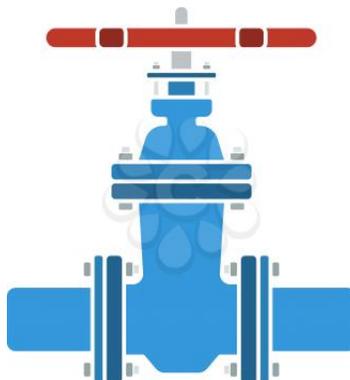
HEB phone number (512-321-1011)



Aqua Water

We seem to have a lot of issues with broken water lines here in the community, as you all know and have seen for yourselves, Aqua Water is here all the time fixing broken water pipes, we all have experienced our water being shut off while repairs are being performed, we all need to ban together and call Aqua Water and complain about all of the constant water line repairs they have to perform, all of the pipes here in our community are old and in dire need of replacement, please contact Aqua Water and voice your concerns and hopefully we can get all of our water lines replaced in our community as well as additional shut off valves added.

Aqua Water phone (512-303-3943)



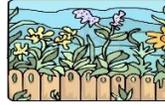


[New ILOA Website](#)

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 will receive 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 iloaoffice78957@yahoo.com if you would like to volunteer your time.

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. None to report



The LPAA Art Gallery

at 206 Main Street in Smithville, Texas

Invites you to attend

“Living in Texas”

An artist reception

June 5, 2025 5- 7 PM

Show Continues Through August

Featuring works by Robin Lively, Maribel Mast, Sally Minter, Jo Watts, Enid Wood, Evonne Winter and other gallery artists.

Come enjoy a glass of wine and light snacks, meet the artists and support your community.

Show continues through August 30th.

Call or text Melodie Schmidt at 512-771-0706 for more information.
Ya’ll come!



*Robin Lively
Barn Swallow
(Soft Pastel)*



*Jo Watts
Hand painted silk scarves,
Stoneware horse hair raku
fired vessels, and much more!*



*Enid Wood
Blues Harp in Pink Light
(Soft Pastel)*



*Sally Minter
Oil Paintings*



*Evonne Winter
Copper Jewelry*



*Maribel Mast
The Catch
(Soft Pastel)*

Free Pet Wellness Services for Seniors

ATM | TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
School of Veterinary Medicine
& Biomedical Sciences

Free PET WELLNESS SERVICES FOR SENIORS

The Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (VMBS) values the importance of the human-animal bond that exists between seniors and their animal companions. In partnership with the Bastrop Animal Shelter, the VMBS provides free pet wellness services for seniors in the area, on the second Friday of each month at the shelter.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Wellness exams
- Core vaccinations
- Heartworm testing (for dogs)
- Heartworm & flea prevention for 1 year

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Limit of 3 animals per visit for wellness exams
- Follow up telemedicine visits are available
- Spay & neuter referrals through Save an Angel
- Other resources & referrals available through Bastrop County Cares

OUR PARTNERS:

CALL TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT!

512.953.3051
BastropPetWellness@tamu.edu
589 Cool Water Dr. | Bastrop, TX 78602

79%...
...of pet owners in the U.S. age 50-80 report that their pets help reduce stress, according to a 2019 report from the University of Michigan's National Poll on Healthy Aging (healthyagingpoll.org).



Soft Pastel Workshop with Melodie Spears Schmidt

"Visions from Within"...

Working with Spirit to find your inner Creator with pastels.

This soft pastel class begins with a meditation & a non-denominational prayer request for peace and guidance. Students are asked to bring a favorite landscape photo that means something special to them.

All supplies are provided, and students go home with a completed, frameable pastel painting.

Wear comfortable clothing.

Aprons suggested.

Saturday, June 28th 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Class limited to 10 students - Cost \$55

Mary A. Nichols Art Center

301 Burleson, at Loop 230

Smithville, Texas 78957



Kick off the new month with a fun evening in downtown Smithville from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM the First Thursday of each month—and enjoy the season’s first Music in the Park event happening the same night!

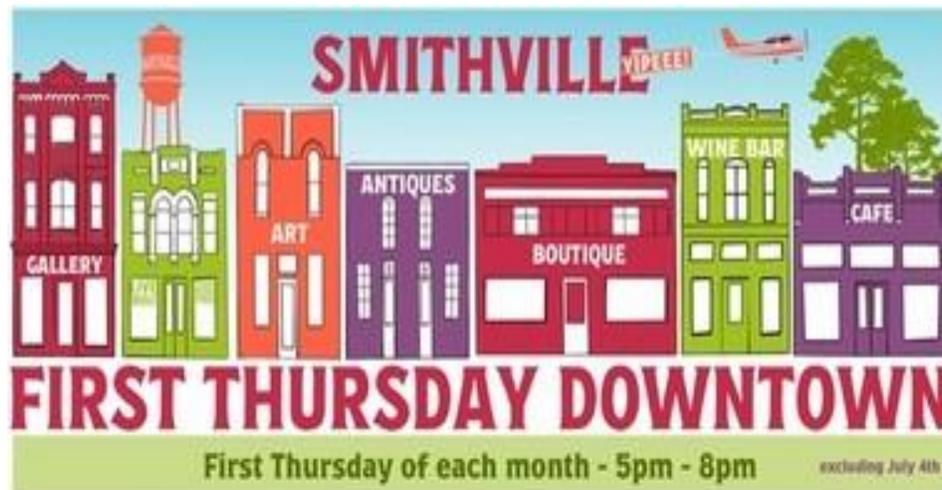
🛒 Your favorite shops stay open late

🌟 New pop-up vendors to explore

🎵 Live music at Music in the Park in the Gazebo

🚶 Everything’s walkable and family-friendly!

It’s the perfect night to shop, sip, stroll, and enjoy live tunes under the stars. Don’t miss it!



Bastrop's Old Iron Bridge project progresses, boosts parks planning

Construction on the long-anticipated rehabilitation of Bastrop’s Old Iron Bridge is set to begin later this year following unanimous Bastrop City Council approval of a contractor and management service on April 29. Officials said the lower-than-expected bid will also allow for additional park improvements across the city.

In a nutshell: Construction company Jay-Reese Contractors Inc. will begin work later this year, with an expected completion of fall 2026.

The details: The project aims to create more pedestrian usage while preserving the historic and cultural significance of the bridge. The bridge will be fully rehabilitated, which includes but is not limited to:

- Adding a concrete deck
- Adding steel truss components
- Installing railing
- Installing decorative lights

What else? Originally set for \$15 million, the construction bid came in at a lower-than-expected price, which allowed for the Parks and Recreation Board to look at other possible park improvements in addition to the bridge rehabilitation project.



\$30M Bastrop H-E-B remodel to bag early 2026 checkout

The \$30 million expansion of Bastrop's H-E-B is on track for an early 2026 completion, according to company officials.

The project includes an 18,000-square-foot addition, featuring a True Texas BBQ restaurant.

Other renovations shoppers can expect include:

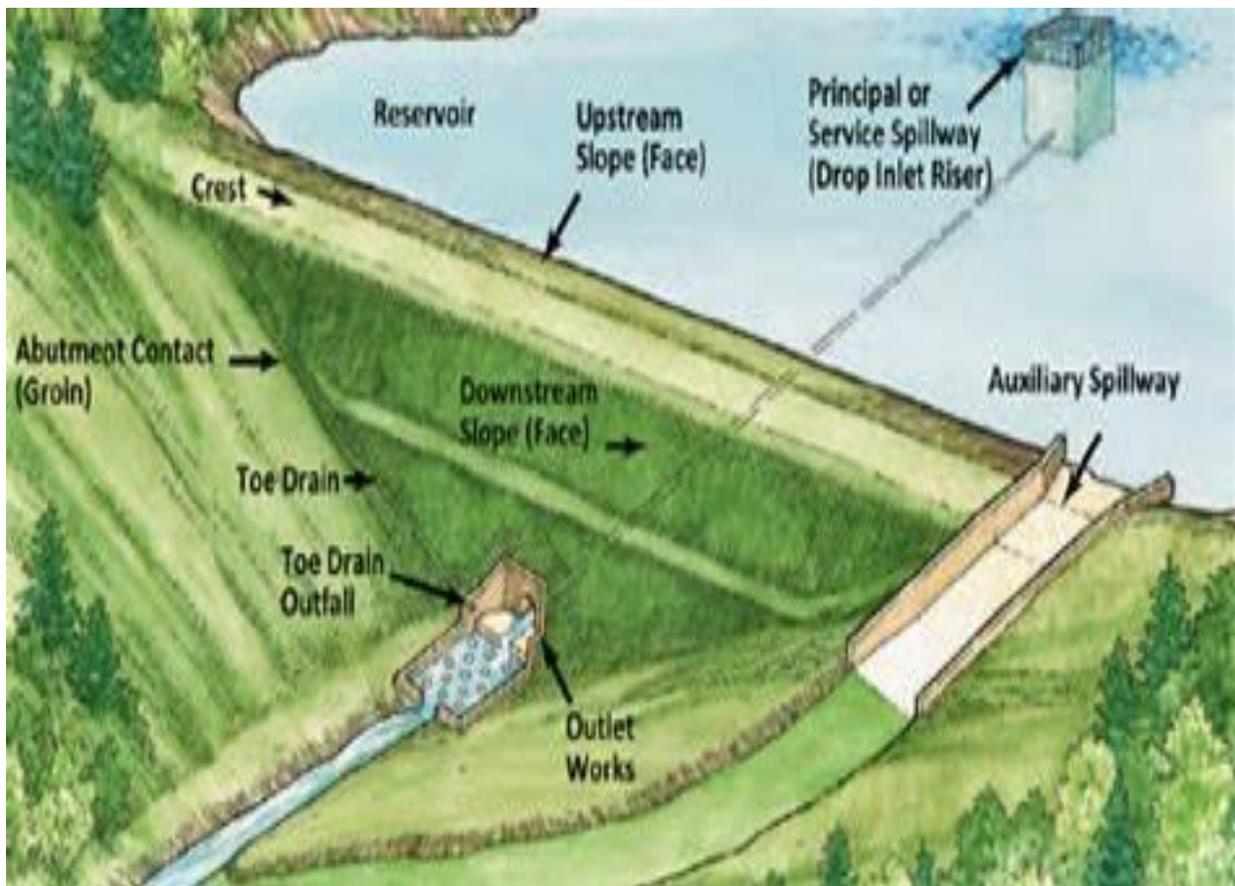
- More pharmacy space
- Expanded produce area
- Renovated meat and seafood market
- Replacement of refrigeration cases
- Expanded administrative offices and break areas for employees

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

DAM Owners Academy (DAM101)

For more interesting facts about DAM Maintenance and Safety, please watch the following video, the HOA Board highly recommends this, so everyone in our community has a better understanding about DAM structure and safety.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0H_TVGP5ik&t=57s



Happy Father's Day

Sunday June 15, 2025

Father's Day is an occasion to mark and celebrate the contribution that your own father has made to your life. Father's Day is a relatively modern holiday so different families have a range of traditions. These can range from a simple phone call or greetings card to large parties honoring all of the 'father' figures in a particular extended family. Father figures can include fathers, stepfathers, fathers-in-law, grandfathers and great-grandfathers and even other male relatives.



Why You Should Plant Local

Summer is officially here, and all this sun may have you thinking about what you want to plant in your garden come fall. Native plants are the move and let us explain why: Native plants have **everything**. They're often drought-tolerant, need less water, are resistant to diseases and pests, provide habitats and food for local birds, insects and other wildlife, and need barely any fertilizer or pesticides.

What Plants Are Native to our area:

- Black-eyed Susan 'Goldstrum'
- Red bird of paradise
- Yellow bird of paradise
- Cast iron plant
- Upright rosemary
- Texas sage
- Crape myrtle
- Desert willow
- Mountain laurel
- Mock orange

For a larger list of native plants to our area click on the link below.

https://services.austintexas.gov/watershed_protection/publications/document.cfm?id=198301&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2025527_Newsletter_Austin&utm_term=Austin



Recipe of the Month:



Cheesy Chicken Tetrizzini

Ingredients:

8 ounces spaghetti
2 cups cooked chicken, shredded or diced
2 tablespoons unsalted butter
8 ounces mushrooms, sliced
1/2 cup chopped onion
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup of all-purpose flour
2 cups of chicken broth
1 cup milk
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
Salt and pepper, to taste
Chopped fresh parsley, for garnish (optional)

Directions:

Preheat your oven to 375°F (190°C). Grease a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Cook the spaghetti according to the package instructions until al dente.

Drain and set aside.

In a large skillet, melt the butter over medium heat.

Add the mushrooms and onions, and cook until softened, about 5-7 minutes. Add the minced garlic and cook for an additional 1 minute.

Sprinkle the flour over the mushroom mixture and cook, stirring constantly, for 1-2 minutes.

Gradually whisk in the chicken broth and milk until smooth.

Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook, stirring frequently, until thickened, about 5 minutes.

Remove the skillet from the heat and stir in the cooked chicken, cooked spaghetti, grated Parmesan cheese, and shredded mozzarella cheese until well combined.

Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Transfer the mixture to the prepared baking dish and spread it out into an even layer.

Bake in the preheated oven for 25-30 minutes, or until the top is golden brown and bubbly.

Remove the tetrizzini from the oven and let it cool for a few minutes before serving.

Garnish with chopped fresh parsley, if desired, and serve hot.

Prep Time: 15 minutes | Cooking Time: 30 minutes | Total Time: 45 minutes

Servings: Makes about 6 servings



Inspirational Quote:

June: “Let the sunshine of June energize your soul and inspire you to chase your dreams with new vigor.”

Juno is the ancient Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth. And the month of June is still a popular month for weddings today! As a natural extension of marriage, Juno was also the goddess of childbirth. Another interpretation of the origins of “June” says that the name came from the Latin *juvenis*, “young people,” who were celebrated at this time.

