



ILOA Newsletter

P.O. Box 808 Smithville, Texas 78957

July 1, 2025

Welcome July

July is the seventh month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Its length is 31 days. It was named by the Roman Senate in honor of Roman general Julius Caesar in 44 B.C., being the month of his birth. Before then it was called Quintilis, being the fifth month of the calendar that started with March known for its blooming flowers, unpredictable weather, and vibrant spirit of renewal, April is a month that bridges the warmth of the sun with the freshness of new beginnings.



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.



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



Neighborhood Events / Happenings



The ILOA Annual Membership Business Meeting will be held on July 26, 2025, at the Smithville First National Bank Meeting room starting at 10:00 AM, please make arrangements to attend.

The ILOA Board is asking for donations for Door Prizes, if you would like to donate any items as Door Prizes, please reach out to a Board Member and let them know. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Membership Business Meeting in July.

The ILOA Board will be serving a meal at this meeting, any member wishing to bring a covered dish would be greatly appreciated.



Pool News

The Pool has been extremely busy this summer, the ILOA Board is pleased to see that everyone is enjoying their summer in the pool.

The Pool area is in need of outdoor furniture, preferably durable chairs, chaise loungers etc; if you have any or know of anyone wanting to donate to the pool, please let the Board know, it would be greatly appreciated.



We have noticed that someone continues to place graffiti on the new Fishing Pier/Dock, please be aware that ILOA will prosecute anyone caught defacing ILOA property, this is our community, let's be proud of it and take care of it.



Pool noodles are fun toys in the water, but they're also incredibly versatile and can be useful all around the house as well.

https://www.familyhandyman.com/list/pool-noodle-hacks/?_cmp=diytipshintsnl&utm_source=email&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=&utm_audience=&_mid=777811&ehid=24cffe6d2b48ef36040b97caa187a45c7cc153f&PermHash=0d9e2817eec9876274933743278c24e7f31a02168bd4b49506796b9cfaf1c9fb&tohMagStatus=NONE



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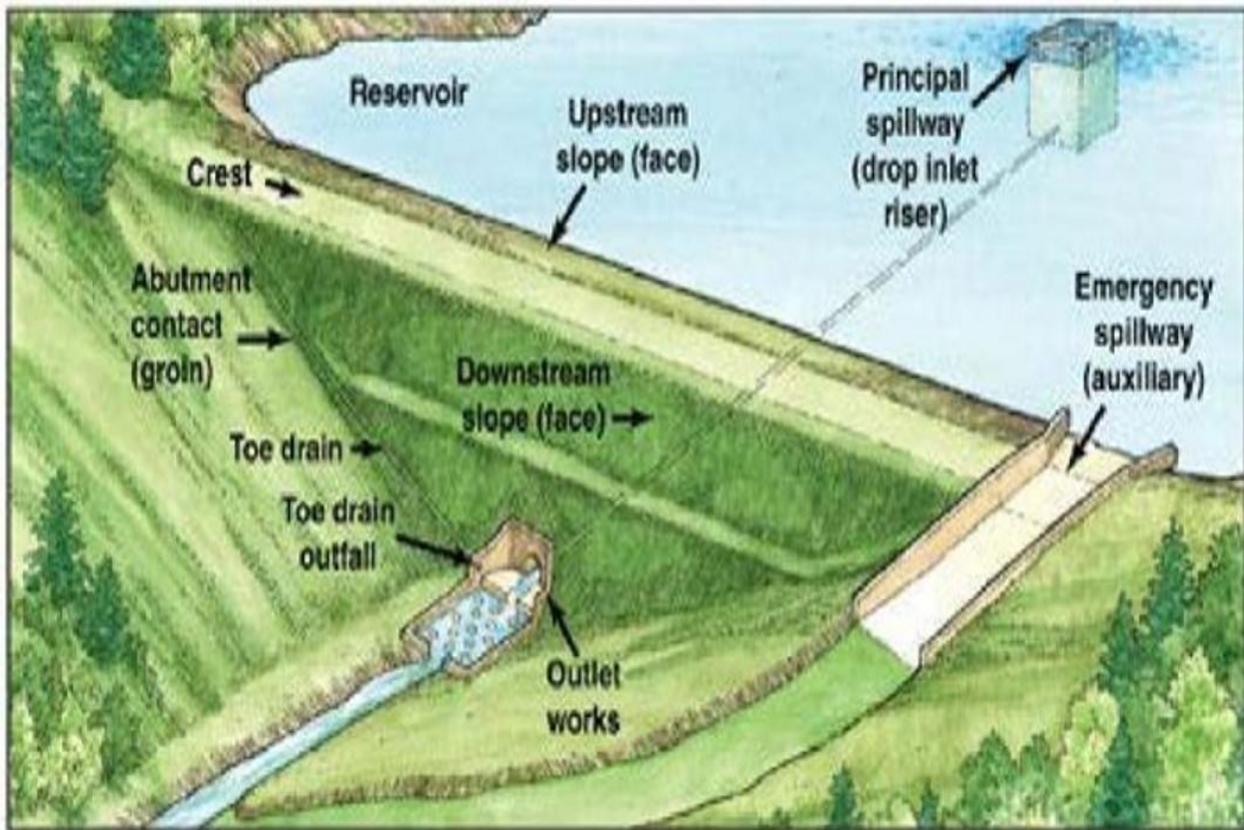
This item was found at the ILOA Boat Ramp on 6-22-2025, if this belongs to you, please contact the ILOA Office at 512-237-8500.



Please watch this video.

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 and how to care for it.

https://youtu.be/OH_TVGP5ik





- Did you know more than 1 in 5 children struggle with hunger in Texas?
- When school cafeterias close at the end of the academic year, students lose access to those daily, nutritious meals.
- The Summer Meal Programs help ensure Texas children have the food they need for an active, healthy summer.

The Summer Meals Program provides no-cost meals in low-income areas to the following:

- Texas students who are 18 years old or younger
- Enrolled Texas students up to the age of 21 with disabilities

Visit The Summer Meals Program that provides no-cost meals at the following below:

<https://squaremeals.org/Programs/Summer-Meal-Programs/Summer-Meal-Site-Map>

Share the news with friends and family and enjoy the benefits of a fun and healthy summer.



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.



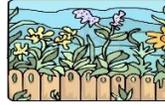


[New ILOA Website](#)

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.**

The Bastrop County Commissioner who arranges the mulching of the Indian Lake brush pile, says only natural materials are appropriate for the brush pile: **brush, shrubs, twigs, branches, small tree trunks.**

Not appropriate: is any processed wood materials treated lumber, lumber with nails, etc. These products are hazardous to the environment and may damage the mulching machinery.

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. Juan & Izamar Cordova (Deer Run)
2. Welcome home Brennan Duran (Big Bow)



Property for Sale in Indian Lake

This will be posted quarterly as I don't want to duplicate the same information.

These listings can also be found at www.HAR.com



106 Caddo	Sec-1 Lot #87	\$350K
209 Big Bow	Sec-3 Lot #201	\$20K
211 Big Bow	Sec-3 Lot #200	\$20K
Peace Pipe	Sec-2 Lot #464-465	\$50K
118 Peace Pipe	Sec-2 Lot #459-460	\$279.9K (New Build)
Peace Pipe	Sec-4 Lot #13	\$114.9K
Chickasaw	Sec-2 Lot #238	\$30K
Chickasaw	Sec-2 Lot #174	\$18K
Chickasaw	Sec-2 Lot #167	\$27K
Wigwam	Sec-3 Lot# 87-88	\$49.9K
Deer Run	Sec-2 Lot # 292	\$22K
118 Laguna	Sec-3 Lot # 159	\$89K
120 Laguna	Sec-3 Lot #161	\$159K (Home)
107 Chief	Sec-2 Lot #411-412-413	\$249.9K (Home)
106 Pueblo	Sec-3 Lot #67-68	\$400K (Multiple Homes)
133 Deer Run	Sec-2 Lot #268-269-270	\$180K (Home)
441 Tom Tom	Sec-2 Lot #441	\$25,250K
Deer Run	Sec-2 Lot #292	\$22K
417 Big Bow	Sec-2 Lot #113, 114, 115	\$350K
Big Bow	Sec-1 Lot #49	For Sale by Owner
155 Deer Run	Sec-2 Lot #280-281	\$80K

Smithville/Bastrop/La Grange Events 2025

Chipotle Mexican Grill opened its first Bastrop spot in May.

Chipotle offers create-your-own, Mexican-inspired food including burritos, tacos, salads, bowls, quesadillas and more.

In addition to dine-in options, Bastrop's location has a "Chipotlane," where customers can pick up their digital orders.

- Opened May 21
- 707 Hwy. 71 W., Site 8B, Bastrop
- www.chipotle.com



Take a trip to the 1920s to CASA's annual casino fundraiser in Smithville

CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties will host its annual casino night to raise funds for the organization as well as the Smithville Chamber of Commerce.

The details: The event will take place from 5:30-10:30 p.m. **July 19** at the Smithville Recreation Center.

Tickets are \$85 per person or \$150 per person and include dinner. Tickets will be available at the door after 7 p.m. and will not include dinner for \$65 per person.



Small-town charm, big-time celebration!

Smithville, Texas, is going BIG this 4th of July for a full day of patriotic fun, from bike parades and downtown strolls to water slides, BINGO, and a sky full of fireworks! Start your day in Downtown Smithville with decorated wheels and a classic parade, then head to the VFW for live music, family games, and FREE dinner (yes, really!). End the night under the stars with a spectacular fireworks show.
July 4th | 9am - 10p...



4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION *Smithville, TX*

JULY 4TH | 9AM - 10PM
DOWNTOWN SMITHVILLE

Happy 4th of July



We think of July 4, 1776, as a day representing the Declaration of Independence, America's revolutionary Charter of Freedom, and the document upon which the nation's founding principles were established. But July 4 wasn't the day that independence was declared. Nor the day that the Declaration was officially signed. This holiday commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by delegates from the 13 colonies on July 4, 1776. On the 4th, the Continental Congress approved the final wording of the Declaration of Independence. This is the day we celebrate the birth of the United States of America.

We hope that everyone has a safe and happy 4th of July celebration.

On a Healthy Note,

How Texas heat and humidity poses heat-related risks for people with diabetes

High temperatures can pose higher health risks for people with diabetes, experts have found. With Texas heat and humidity, people with diabetes can struggle to cool down, facing a greater chance of experiencing heat-related illnesses.

For a person without medical problems, the body adapts to heat in two ways, said Dr. Natalie Williams, family medicine doctor at Austin Regional Clinic.

One way the body prevents overheating is through sweat production, she said. The sweat, which contains salt and water from the body, comes up to the skin, gets evaporated and helps the body cool down.

The body also deals with heat through processes happening in the blood vessels. Blood vessels can expand or shrink, reacting to chemicals that are present when people have heat in their body, she said. The blood vessels then disperse the heat throughout the body, such as bringing the heat up to the skin instead of keeping the heat internally.

However, because people with diabetes have excess sugar in their blood, that can disrupt the body's natural cool-down mechanisms, Williams said.

People with diabetes are more likely to get dehydrated because of the excess sugar, meaning there may not be enough water in the body needed for sweat production. Additionally, some people with diabetes can have damaged blood vessels, preventing them from effectively cooling the body, she said.

Wearing light, loose-fitting clothing and sunscreen can be good for managing health effects from the heat.

For diabetic patients, she said some medicines such as insulin are heat-sensitive and can lose effectiveness when exposed to heat. Equipment such as pumps, monitors and glucose test strips can be damaged by heat, she said. Glucose test strips can also go bad in the sunlight.

Williams also recommends talking with a doctor about any tips for managing the heat and addressing any risks of heat-related illnesses.

“Have conversations with your doctor about how to take care of yourself in the heat because every condition has something else that you may need to keep an eye on,” she said. **Always stay Hydrated.**

Know the warning signs of Type 1 Diabetes

You just might save a life!

- Extreme thirst • Fruity odor on breath
- Frequent urination • Nausea or vomiting
- Sudden weight loss • Drowsiness, lethargy
- Increased appetite • Heavy, labored breathing
- Sudden vision changes • Stupor, unconsciousness



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Recipe of the Month:



Buffalo Chicken Sliders

Ingredients:

1 tablespoon vegetable oil
2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
1 tablespoon dark brown sugar
2 teaspoons of paprika
1/4 teaspoon cayenne
1 cup hot sauce, such as Frank's Red Hot
12 small rolls, such as Hawaiian or Parker House rolls, buttered and griddled
Ranch dressing, for serving
1 cup blue cheese crumbles
Tomato slices, for serving
Green leaf lettuce, for serving

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.
2. Heat a 12-inch ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Add in the oil. Sprinkle both sides of the chicken with salt, pepper, brown sugar, paprika and cayenne. Sear both sides of the chicken until golden, for about 4 minutes. Add the hot sauce to the skillet. Bring to a simmer and then place in the oven to finish off, and the chicken registers 160 degrees F on an instant-read thermometer.
3. Let the chicken cool and then pull the meat with your hands. Adjust the seasoning if necessary and then place back in the oven at BROIL until crusty and caramelized on top, about 4 minutes.
4. Sandwich Build: Place some chicken on the bottom buns, top with ranch, blue cheese crumbles, tomatoes and then lettuce. Serve.



Inspirational Quote:

July: “July is the month when the world feels alive, and the days seem endless.”

July is a month filled with sunshine, fireworks, and the sweet, slow pace of summer. It’s a time when we embrace the warmth of long days, the joy of beach trips, and those quiet, magical moments spent under a canopy of stars.

