

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

January was a very busy month for Indian Lake Estates. Our friends and neighbors from up North have returned to Enjoy the warmer weather. The Golf Course and 19th Hole Bar and Grill are both seeing increased business. Large numbers of golfers from all over are showing up daily. Revenue for January may still hit a record despite the unusual amount of rain and cooler temperatures resulting from the "El Nino" weather pattern happening this year. We can expect warmer weather shortly, I'm sure.

The Business Office has been busy closing out the business of 2023 and focusing on getting out statements for 2024 License Fees. Unexpectedly there has been a large number of residents and lot owners with concerns about not receiving their statements. Please contact the Business Office if you have not yet received yours.

I have accepted full responsibility for a lack of clear procedure of how a member runs for the Board. I assumed the nomination process that was always used was correct. However, it is not stated that way in our By-Laws thereby changing the eligibility of one potential Board Member. So, our Election for vacancies has been rescheduled for February 15th. Also, a "Meet the Candidates" is rescheduled for Feb 8th. As with every election Proxy Forms and Absentee Ballots are available at the Business Office. Please allow yourself ample time to get this done if need be.

The Board of Directors continues to do the work that they were charged to do. Adding to the long list of improvements throughout Indian Lake Estates. The Parking lot lights at the Clubhouse have been approved for repair and I expect that work to start early this month. The repair of the Golf Course maintenance barn has been approved at \$70,000 less than authorized in our Capital Budget. This Board has saved tens of thousands of dollars through their due diligence in finding the most cost-effective way to complete these projects. I am looking forward to working with the Board in 2024 to continue our success in doing just that.

In closing I again implore all residents to check that they are registered and eligible to vote at the General Membership Meeting. Aside from the election for the Board there is also our 2024 Budget and a Road assessment proposal to consider. I understand that there are those who are concerned how this will work. Detailed plans have not yet been proposed until we see if residents are receptive to this plan.

Thanks again for allowing me to serve another year on the Board of Directors. I am looking forward to another great year. Have fun, get out and enjoy all the many activities and amenities Indian Lake Estates has to offer. I hope to see you around.

Al Oliveri President Board of Directors

### **ILE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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#### 2024 ILE Board & General Meeting Dates, Times and Posted By

Type of M eeting	Dates	Posted By	
Board M eeting	January 25, 2024, 6 p.m.	January 18	
Board M eeting	February 22, 2024, 6 p.m.	February 15	
General Meeting	February 15, 2024, 7 p.m.	January 14	
Board M eeting	March 28, 2024, 6 p.m.	March 21	
General Meeting	April 18, 2024, 7 p.m.	March 17	
Board M eeting	April 25, 2024, 6 p.m.	April 18	
Board M eeting	May 23, 2024, 6 p.m.	May 16	
Board M eeting	June 27, 2024, 6 p.m.	June 20	
Board M eeting	July 25, 2024, 6 p.m.	July 18	
Board M eeting	August 22, 2024, 6 p.m.	August 15	
Board M eeting	Sep tember 26, 2024, 6 p.m.	Sep tember 19	
General Meeting	October 17, 2024, 7 p.m.	September 16	
Board M eeting	October 24, 2024, 6 p.m.	October 17	
Budget Presentation	November 7, 2024, 7 p.m.	November 1	
Candidate Deadline	November 19, 2024, 4 p.m.	October 28	
Board M eeting	November 21, 2024, 6 p.m.	November 14	
Candidates Night	December 5, 2024, 7 p.m.	November 21	
Annual/Election	December 12, 2024, 7 p.m.	October 28	
Reorganization Mtg	December 17, 2024, 10 a.m.		
Board M eeting	December 19, 2024, 6 p.m.	December 12	

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GENERAL MEETING 30 DAYS PRIOR TO MEETING DATE

SPECIAL MEETING 48 HOURS

# Newsletter Subscriptions Newsletter Subscriptions to the Indian Lake Estates Community News

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**United States - \$21** 

Non-U.S. - \$25

E-Scribe - Free

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Business Office or by mail. Make checks payable and send to:

Indian Lake Estates, Inc. P.O. Box 7395 Indian Lake Estates, FL 33855-7395 (U.S. Funds Only)

**Newsletter Submissions** 

News articles must be submitted to the Business
Office no later than the 20th of each month.

adminasst@ilefl.com

Please keep your article brief and to the point, no longer than 350 words. Please include your name and phone number. ILE reserves the right to edit or decide which articles will be placed in the ILE Newsletter. For more information, please call the business office at (863) 692-1433.

**Emergency Call: 911** 

Polk County Sheriff's Office: 863-298-6200 Polk County Animal Control: 863-499-2600

For Owners/Guests to operate gate: (Prior to use, resident must contact office and have their phone number added to the security program) Scroll to your name. Key in the four digit code. Phone will ring, answer, dial 9 then hang up.

If you are going out of town and would like your house watched, please fill out a CAP form in the office. (Polk County Sheriffs/Citizen's Assisted Patrol.) CAPS is currently in need of volunteers, if interested, applications are available in the office.

\*Please note, if you have any police emergency such as theft or burglary, you must contact the Sheriff's office directly and file a report.

# ILE Volunteer Opportunities Community Clubs & Activities

Please check before trying to attend

- Hand & Foot Cards Tuesdays 12 PM
- Euchre Tuesdays Terrace Room 7 PM
- Men's Golf- Wednesdays Golf Conference 8:30 AM
- Bridge- Wednesdays Terrace Room 9:30 AM
- Mahjong- Wednesdays Library 1 PM
- Ladies Golf Thursdays Golf Conference 8:30 AM
- Art Class Thursdays- Terrace Room 1 PM

For info: Lois (863) 514-3901 or Marcia (518) 366-0882

- Yacht Club Meeting- 2nd Thursday each month 6 PM
- Dominoes Fridays 12 PM
- Citizens Assisted Patrol (CAP)- <u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>

For info: Gale Nitz 407-729-7816





### **ILE Utilities**

Office: (863) 692-2600 ileuinfo@ilefl.com

Water Plant Operator: (863) 232-7563

ileuoper@ilefl.com

### 2024 ILE UTILITIES CALENDAR

JANUARY 3, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2024	10AM	SPECIAL MEETING / ELECTIONS
FEBRUARY 7, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
MARCH 6, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
APRIL 3, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
MAY 1, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
JUNE 5, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
JULY 3, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2024	10AM	BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2024	10AM	ANNUAL MEETING / ELECTIONS

The times may be changed to accommodate Board Members who are working. Special meetings may be called to address business concerns out of the ordinary.

# In Honor of Black History Month

### The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was poor black tobacco farmers whose cells were taken without her knowledge in 1951; and became one of the most important tools in medicine, vital for developing the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, and more. Henrietta's cells have been bought and sold by billions, yet she remains virtually unknown, and her family couldn't afford health insurance.

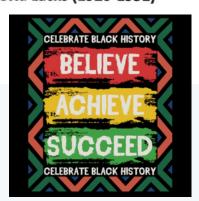
Diagnosed with cervical cancer she died in 1951. Before she died a surgeon at John Hopkins took samples of her tumor and put them in a petri dish. Scientist's had been trying to keep human cells alive in cultures for decades but the cells all eventually died. Henrietta cells were different, they reproduced an entire generation every twenty four hours and they never stopped. They became the first immortal human cells ever grown in a laboratory. Her cells were part of research into genes that cause cancer and those that suppress it; they helped develop drugs for treating herpes, leukemia, influenza, hemophilia, and Parkinson's disease; and they have been used to study lactose digestion, sexually transmitted disease, appendicitis, human longevity and more.

Henrietta Lacks changed the course of modern medicine. The cancer cells in her body helped unlock break through treatment that is still saving lives to this day. The history of Henrietta Lacks cells raises an important issue regarding science, ethics, race, and class.

Seventy years after her death her family reached a settlement with Thermo Fisher for the use of her cells. John Hopkins applauds and now participates in efforts to raise awareness of the life and story of Henrietta Lacks. The Congressional Gold Medal was awarded posthumously to Henrietta Lacks in 2022/ in recognition of her immortal cells which made invaluable contribution to global health, scientific research, our quality of life and patient's rights.



Henrietta Lacks (1920-1951)



















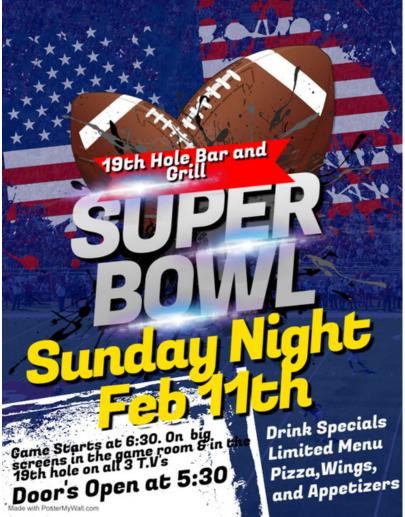






Reserve your space, Call or Text "Line Dance Lyn" - 561-385-5800 Pay Lyn - Jan. 10 at first class Indian Lake Estates



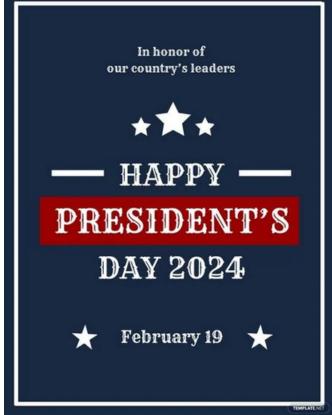
















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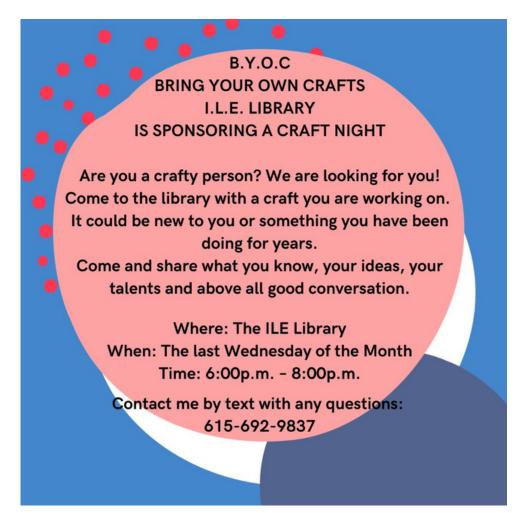
**ILE Library** 

Roses are red, violets are blue; We've got a book that is just right for you. February is, "Love of Reading" month and we have got some good reasons to do so. Our shelves are packed with new adventures of your favorite genre, author, or title. Perhaps discover a new book or author you have never read before. Whether you are single or married come to the library for a blind date – with a book. Our book dating experts will pick the right book for you. Whether you have been to the library before or it will be the first time, come and enjoy all we have to offer from newly published books, audio media, large print, puzzles and more. Also remember we have a large array of children's books. Teaching a child the love of reading is a gift that can never be taken away. If you want to sweeten your February with a book from the library our hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10-12 or if you need a different time contact me at 615-692-9837 by text message and we can make arrangements for a time convenient for you.

B.Y.O.Craft – Remember Bring Your Own Craft is at the library the last Wednesday of the month. February 28 from 6:00 – 8:00 will be a great opportunity to come by and work on something while spending time with other crafty people. Some say they start a project but find it difficult to finish. This will give you incentive to follow to the end on those projects you really loving doing. What if you don't have anything to work on? Stop by anyway. You can work on the puzzle or just sit and chat. This might be the encouragement you need to pick up an old craft again or inspiration to try something new. Hope to see you there.



We need your help! The library has started collecting the soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Look for locations throughout the club house or place them in a plastic bag and slide them in the library book slot during off hours. Thank you for your support.











# Indian Lake Estates International Night

Noche International





Potluck

Pavilion Feb 17<sup>th</sup> 2024 7:00 pm – 11:00pm

Traer su bebida preferida

Traer comida para compartir

Don't forget to bring your dancing shoes!

No se Olvide los zapatos para bailar!

Salsa Bachata y Mucho mas!



Line Dancing Jazz And much more!

### **GOLF NEWS**

Danny Lunceford, Golf Superintendent, reported on golf course conditions. The golf course is in the best shape in many years. Many players are coming to ILE to play because of course conditions and price. Danny has added additional seed and sand to some tee boxes because of the volume of play. His team has rolled the greens twice since the overseeding. He has spread additional seed and fertilizer on greens. Danny is still down one staff person.

Danny reported on equipment that was already approved. He is still waiting on a fairway mower and greens mower to be delivered. Equipment orders are backlogged but he has been told by Global Equipment supplier that the fairway mower should be here by March. Al Oliveri will check with the office manager on the status of the purchase order. Pump for the golf course has been repaired however the motor is being replaced while still under warranty. Should arrive within the week.

Robin Samson, Pro Shop Manager, reported that outside group play has increased. Our pricing is best in the area. Players have praised how the golf course has improved and are bringing in new players each week. Golf revenue exceeded the budget for 2023. A wonderful year.

Robin plans to have a tournament each month. The first was played on Sunday January 7, with 52 players competing in rain and wind. The 19th hole benefited also because Ashley prepared lunch for the players. Everyone agreed, with the weather, that the delicious buffet Ashley prepared was the highlight of the day.

On January 25th a fun event of "Night Golf" is planned. Nine hole play begins at 5:30pm. Cost to non-members is \$21. Glow balls may be purchased in the Pro Shop.

Polk County Women's Golf Group will play here on January 31, 2024. This group of ladies travel to various courses in Polk County each month. The fact that they have agreed to play here attests to the course improvements seen.

Seasonal golf carts were delivered on December 26th. Replacement fleet will be delivered in June. Additional range balls have been purchased. Edic Dearfield encourages someone to step up and chair this committee.

Next Meeting will be February 13, 2024 at 1:30pm







WGA Golf Program October 1 – April 30

Membership in the WGA is open to anyone who has an established GHIN handicap from any USGA organization. We have 18-Hole and 9-Hole groups. Players do not have to be a member of Indian Lake Estates Golf & Country Club. Prior to joining, guests are welcome to play two times to try it out.

All events tee off at 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays, unless otherwise specified.

Players are required to check in by 8:30 a.m.

**WGA Membership Fees:** 

We look forward to playing with you!

President: Georgeann Caine

Registration Forms with detailed information are available in the Pro Shop.

For more information contact Tournament Co-Chairs: Edie Dearfield edie0860@msn.com or Janice Masotti-Davison janicemasotti@verizon.net

			As of		2023
Maintenance Operations		12/31/2023		Budget	
Income					
License Fees		\$	2,516,097.35	\$	2,089,779.00
Administrative		\$	380,292.13	\$	71,390.00
Civic (Social)		\$	13,139.00	\$	9,500.00
Bingo		\$	5,798.00	\$	4,100.00
Pro Shop/Golf		\$	508,429.48	\$	338,600.00
Restaurant		\$	357,024.80	\$	190,000.00
TOTAL		\$	3,780,780.76	\$	2,703,369.00
Mano	datory 1% Reserve			\$	(21,611.69)
	SUBTOTAL	\$	3,780,780.76	\$	2,681,757.31
Expenses					
Administrative		\$	475,064.28	\$	430,591.00
Bingo		\$	19,693.25	\$	4,100.00
Civic (Social)		\$	15,644.28	\$	9,500.00
Clubhouse		\$	397,396.84	\$	223,196.31
Golf		\$	498,969.45	\$	475,260.00
Pro Shop		\$	187,081.26	\$	157,525.00
Restaurant		\$	519,698.82	\$	290,305.00
Roads & Ground	s	\$	788,887.57	\$	1,008,280.00
Lakefront		\$	113,729.58	\$	61,500.00
Security		\$	33,433.17	\$	21,500.00
	Total	\$	3,049,598.50	\$	2,681,757.31
Maintenance Cash Balance		\$	731,182.26	\$	•





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