



Indian Lake Estates Community News

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COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Owners:

The long, seemingly never ending heat of the summer took longer than usual to leave. October, normally a delightful month, was hot, humid and disappointing. Now that better weather is arriving, we look forward to the return of the Snowbirds from up north. Some have already arrived. This is always a great time for us all. There is more hustle and bustle, more activity, and the opportunity to greet old friends.

The first thing on everyone's mind when they return is the vote on the maintenance increase. How many votes do we have, how many votes are needed, what are we doing to bring in more? The simple answer is that we are doing everything we can to reach the necessary number of votes. So far, we have 48% of the votes that are necessary. While short of the mark, we expect that number to increase considerably with the second mailing of ballots. We anticipate that project shortly. It is an expense and I wish it weren't necessary. The truth is that it is both serious and necessary.

It would be nice if the next maintenance billing going out could be based on the increase.

Since it does not look like this is feasible, we will have to rely on our owners to do the right thing. I am suggesting that when you pay your maintenance you voluntarily increase your payment to reflect the proposed increase. As one of our owners said, "Let your conscience be your guide". Most of you realize how inexpensive our fees are. Most of you know how much others pay in similar communities. And, most of you realize that there is no way we can continue without this increase. For many of you, it would only be a \$50 increase. For those with the more expensive properties, homes and/or lots, it may be more. Please do what you know is the right thing.

Remember that in 1994 it took 18 months to get sufficient votes for that increase. I surely hope it doesn't take us that long but if it does, we will all celebrate that day together.

Thanksgiving will be here shortly. There is much for which I am grateful. I wish you and yours a happy holiday season, lots of good food and happiness.

Susan H. Sohni
President

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Parkways

Your maintenance fees are being put to good use. Lightning hit 9 street lights in one storm and 7 in another. Also, cameras at both the Guard Shack and the Bath House at the marina were hit and the keypad which controls door access at the bathhouse. This year was the worst year in a decade for lightning damage to our common property and amenities. Falling trees on our roadways were common during the rainy season which is now over. Because of all the rain, our trencher was busy clearing out the ditches in front of residents homes so we could get the standing water to flow to the drainage ditches. A section of roadway was washed away during a severe downpour which caused a culvert to collapse. Two new culverts were used along with hardpan, shell rock, broken tile and asphalt to complete repairs. The retaining wall at the marina has been undermined with all the rain, too, so parkways did repairs where needed by bringing in fill. This is only a temporary fix. A permanent fix is needed which will be very expensive. By the time this newsletter goes to press, this topic will have been discussed at a Board Meeting.

Broken guard rails at the fishing pier have been addressed. Boat trailers were getting hung up at the boat ramp due to undermining there and fill was used there, also. The gate at the Guard Shack has been hit once again by a motor vehicle. Parkways has worked to get the arms working on the mechanism so it will function properly. Periodically, Parkways

works on road disturbances caused by trash trucks throughout the community.

The above are just some of the work Parkways does during the course of the day. Mowing will slow down and we will fill pot holes and work on our drainage ditches as soon as they dry out. The two beach areas are being disked now that they are no longer holding quite so much water.

Funds are tight due to the decrease in property assessments which affect our maintenance fees. We expect this to continue into the coming year and thereafter. Things will be tough in ILE, even tougher than they have been. A YES vote on the proposed maintenance increase is needed to maintain this huge subdivision with over 8100 lots and over 100 miles of roads with the largest fresh water pier in the state of Florida, golf course, clubhouse, ballroom, boat ramp, pavilion, and administration offices.

Welcome back Snowbirds and a Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. As bad as things seem everywhere, we still can find a lot to be thankful for. Enjoy the turkey.

Your neighbor,
Dick Dureault

GOLF OPERATIONS.

EARLY HISTORY: — The community of Florinda, Florida, was founded on a part of Indian Lake Estates (on Route 630 near the sawdust pile) back in 1916. Then in 1918 the Seaboard Railroad extended a track between Lake Wales and Florinda, plumb thru the center of Indian Lake Estates site. There was a school, a few homes, a railroad station, four section hand houses at Florinda. The tracks extended five miles farther south of Florinda to Nalca. Passenger trains made one trip daily to Florinda. Freight trains hauled away turpentine, timber, pineapples and sweet potatoes produced here. Today every vestige of Florinda and the railroad tracks has vanished.

The article above was submitted by Karen Wolzanski and was first published by the Indian Lake Times, Vol. 1, Number 1, August 1960

Weather permitting, over-seeding and top dressing of the tees and greens should be in full swing by the time you receive this newsletter. These areas will be watched carefully for the next 10 days or so. If temperatures are cool, this will be great.

The back 9 greens were looking very good the 1st of September until all the rain arrived. With a root length of only 1½ inches (4 inches is ideal) they developed fungus. We now have this under control. The greens are starting to fill in again.

We are still without a golf course mechanic on the payroll. Thanks to Jack Robinson, one of our resident volunteers, for offering his time, knowledge and ability to keep our aged equipment running. Jack shows up between 6 and 7 a.m. every day to help keep this equipment running.

Due to the lack of funds, we will have to continue patching what equipment we have for as long as we can. The golf operations budget is very tight and again I want to thank all the members who have donated funds to the budget this year for our special projects.

Archie Meyers

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

November 26 from 11:30 until 3:30 PM

At the 19th Hole Restaurant

Tickets go on sale on 9 November and will be available in the ILE office or the 19th Hole Restaurant, with a cutoff date **no later than 20 November.**

Cost is \$12.00 per person.
Meal includes buffet style dinner with dessert, tea or coffee.

Soda, Beer and Wine available at cost.

You're Invited!

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The Garden Club News

SOCIAL

The final "indoor picnic" for 2009 was held on Labor Day and was a big success with over 70 tickets sold. Beginning with Memorial Day, a total of five "indoor picnics" were held throughout the heat wave months and all were well attended. The Social Committee's schedule of events will keep you busy having fun all year round!

Betty Ward
Social Committee

Our Halloween Party is on the 30th of October, with the Brothers Good providing the music. It's going to be a dance and costume party, with heavy snacks and costume judging. There will be set ups provided and its BYOB. Tickets are \$10.00 each, from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!!! There's a flyer on the webpage and tickets at the ILE office. Then on Saturday, we'll have the Trunk or Treat for the kids from 6:00 to 8:30. Free hot dogs and soda for everyone. Please have your vehicles in place at the clubhouse parking lot by 5:30, full of candy for the children and decorated. There will be judging for the best decorated trunk!!

The Social Committee's last event for the year will be the New Year's Eve Party, on December 31st. Last year we had 115 party goers and we were entertained by 'DJ Marco Polo' who kept the revelers on the dance floor until midnight last year! This was quite remarkable. Let's do it again. Look for the flyer, we haven't decided on a price yet or the food, but we will post it as soon as possible.

Joanne O'Neil, Director
Social Committee

The Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive will be accepting donations at the Post Office November 9 thru the 13th, 10:00 am till noon. Take advantage of 'buy one get one'. All items will be boxed by The Salvation Army and distributed to local area needy families.

We are meeting in the Ball Room on November 16th @ 1:00 Pm for -"Poisons in the Garden" presented by JoAnn Chambers, RN Poison Control Center, Tampa General Hospital, 1-800-222-1222 Call Florida Poison Information Center for consultation with a toxicologist. They are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Coffee and Desert will be offered after the presentation.

We are taking a trip to Orlando Nov. 18th for shopping at the Millennia Mall. This trip will get the Garden Club Membership in the Christmas sprit and we will be ready to decorate the Club House on November 30th.

We'll be checking out all the creatively wonderful decorations in the neighborhood this season to choose Holiday House of the year. The community always looks so festive. OH What Fun It Is!

On December 15, Lakeland Center is presenting the Imperial Orchestra Concert "Simply Christmas". A group of members are gathering to enjoy this evening production.

We hope everyone has a wonderful Holiday Season and enjoys our Deck the Hall Decorations in our Club House.

Vanessa Thrall

SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS		2009 ADJUSTED BUDGET PROJECTION	2009 ACTUAL THRU 09/30/09	% OF ADJUSTED BUDGET
<u>INCOME</u>				
	Maintenance Fees	625,700	585,287	94%
	Miscellaneous	52,388	55,729	106%
		<u>678,088</u>	<u>641,016</u>	95%
	Contingency	0	0	
	To Reserve	0	0	
	Prior Year Carryover	8,290	8,290	100%
	Total	<u>686,378</u>	<u>649,306</u>	95%
<u>EXPENSES</u>				
	Administrative	258,807	144,161	56%
	Clubhouse	84,469	63,188	75%
	Roads & Grounds	303,668	209,952	69%
	Pier, Beach, Marina, Canals	22,735	15,978	70%
	Security	16,699	11,135	67%
	Total	<u>686,378</u>	<u>444,414</u>	65%

CIVIC	<u>INCOME</u>	7,100	6,952	98%
	<u>EXPENSE</u>	7,100	3,843	54%

BINGO	<u>INCOME</u>	12,000	5,101	43%
	Bingo Prior Year Carryover	2,595	2,595	100%
	Total	<u>14,595</u>	<u>7,696</u>	53%
	<u>EXPENSES</u>			
	Total	14,595	4,419	30%

RESTAURANT	<u>INCOME</u>	68,142	34,563	51%
	<u>EXPENSES</u>	68,142	40,206	59%

GOLF OPERATIONS	<u>INCOME</u>	428,789	290,038	68%
	Prior Yr Carryover ('09 Memb. Pd in Dec. '08)	15,718	15,718	100%
	Total	<u>444,507</u>	<u>305,756</u>	69%
	<u>EXPENSES</u>			
	Golf Shop	130,977	99,264	76%
	Golf Course	313,530	237,056	76%
	Total	<u>444,507</u>	<u>336,320</u>	76%

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for the Jan/Feb issue of the
**Indian Lake Estates
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must be submitted to the Business Office
no later than December 15, 2009.

Please keep your article brief and to the
point,
no longer than 350 words.

Please include your Name and Phone #.

For more information, please call the
Business Office at (863) 692-1433

Churches

First Baptist Church
1561 Park Ave.

Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Service: 11:00 AM

ILE United Methodist Church
6910 Deland Ave.

Sunday School: 9:15 AM
Service: 10:45 AM

Capernaum Ministries
6911 Deland Ave.

Sunday Service: 10:00 AM
Wednesday Prayer: 6:00 PM

B * I * N * G * O

Another season is under way and going strong. The addition of the 6 week club rewards players for their patronage and the snack bar is well stocked with a good variety of treats (and sinfully delicious desserts by Barb Kelleher).

Please remember that Bingo will be closed the following dates:

Tues, November 3	Election Day
Tues, November 24	Thanksgiving Week
Tues, December 22	Christmas Week
Tues, December 29	New Year's Week

Please mark your calendars accordingly!!!!!!!!!!

Bingo brings more than just fun to your community. It brings badly needed funds. These funds are used to enhance your clubhouse. The most recent upgrade included new paint and carpet. Happy Holidays to you and yours

Shirley Dureault and Betty Ward

Library News

November 11th is Veteran's Day. In honor of all those men and women who have served in our military there will be an array of books and new VHS tapes at the library this month. Next month we will feature items related to the Christmas holiday and, of course, January's theme will be diet and self-help books and tapes. If anyone has a collection or interest that they would like to share, please let me know. We have a small, lockable, glass cabinet that can be used to display items. Our last exhibit featured dolls representing some of the Presidents' wives and presidential biographies. The dolls were loaned by Marguerite Diehl and two of the books, written by President Obama, were donated by Helen and Brendt Hill. Thank you, Marguerite, Helen and Brendt!

The ILE Library board meets at the library from October until May on the second Saturday at 9AM. Our annual meeting, as required by our bylaws, will be on November 14th. At that time we will vote on a change to our bylaws and new members for the board. ILE residents are always welcome to attend board meetings.

The Polk County Bookmobile has changed its visitation hours. It will be parked by the Clubhouse from 1 until 2:30 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. You can get a library card; borrow books, tapes and DVDs; return items that were borrowed from any Polk County library and pick up items that you ordered on the internet. Almost anything that you can do at a county library can be done at the Bookmobile!

Karen Wolzanski
Library Board President

Golf Pro Shop

The pro shop is gearing up for the coming season. The staff is in place and ready to serve the wonderful people at Indian Lake Estates .

Both the Men's and Women's Golf Association are up and running. Welcome from both groups to the snowbirds who have already returned.

The Women's group opened with a wonderful buffet luncheon . It continues to amaze us as to how Diana manages to serve so well. Thanks Diana and the 19th Hole.

Janice is busy signing up group play for the coming season. Archie and Norm Leslie and Wayne Greer's group are still working hard on a volunteer basis to keep the course and the golf carts in good shape It takes a lot of their time. Thanks again.

Thanks to Arlene Ambuehl for the generous donation of dozens of golf balls.

There has been much discussion as to the rates to be charged for the 2010 Membership. The Golf Committee finalized the schedule of rates at their September meeting and forwarded them to the Board of Directors for approval. After much discussion the Board approved the committee's recommendation. Subsequently, at a later meeting of the Golf Committee in October, they wished to revise their decision. After meeting with the committee representatives and further discussion, the Board decided to uphold their earlier decision of the already approved rates.

A warm welcome to all the snow birds. We will see you either on the course or in the pro shop or enjoying lunch after a round. **HAPPY GOLFING**

Anita Whitesell
Board Representative

The 19th Hole Restaurant

As most of you know already, we reopened the 19th Hole Restaurant on Mon, Oct. 5th. We had new carpet installed the week prior to opening and we added a fresh coat of paint and a chair rail. A very special thank you to all the volunteers who made the project happen. Thanks to their efforts, the restaurant really looks bright and almost like new.

Welcome back to all our friends from the North. Hope each of you had a very nice summer, wherever you might have been. We would also like to invite everyone to stop in for lunch and check out our newly decorated facility. We think you will enjoy our new look and also try out our new lunch menu. Hope to see all of you there soon.

The 19th Hole staff is considering hosting a Thanksgiving Day Brunch. We have not established a cost yet, but feel this would benefit everyone, but especially, those residents that are alone for the Holidays. I will keep you posted on this event.

Jack Kelly

Yacht Club

Our meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month, at 7:00 in the ballroom. We need your support in the Yacht Club. Please try to attend the next meeting on the 12th of November.

The Yacht Club will be sponsoring the Christmas Dance, which will be held on December 5th this year from 8:00 to 11:00 with Two Smooth (Dave and Ellen Holder) as our entertainment. Watch for flyers.

Bob Miller
Commodore

ILE Station #14 Fire Dept

These next two months are the best of the year. It's the season of love and good will and Santa Claus coming to our community. Residents will soon be real busy decorating, not only indoors in their homes, but also outside. Pumpkins and lawn figurines for Thanksgiving displays. This will be followed by Christmas decorating, plus lights on trees and inflated Christmas scenes. All will be alight as you drive around in the evening to admire.

Please check for worn or uncovered wires on your strings of lights before placing them on your trees, etc. Do not place your Christmas tree too close to your curtains or drapes as they may catch fire. Heat from bulbs may ignite the material and cause a fire. Check your fire extinguisher, see where it is located and charged in case of an emergency. Never leave your tree lights or a display on if you are not home.

Welcome back snowbirds, hope you had a wonderful summer up North, etc. We still drive around watching for any illegal burnings - still need a fire permit to burn rubbish, etc.

We welcome a new Lieutenant to Station #14 Fire Department., Lt. Greg Bogart who is in charge of team "C". Happy to have you.

Since our last report to the community newsletter, we have responded to the following 911 calls:

Medical	36
Structure fire	2
Fire Alarm	1
Public Arrest	6
Vehicle fires	5
Total	53

We, the firemen at Station #14, wish all of the residents at ILE a Happy Thanksgiving, a

Merry Christmas and a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year in 2010.

Ed Wilke
692-9036

CAP Update

There are a few snow birds back already. We are glad to see you. Sure hope this heat is gone by the time this newsletter comes out. It sure would be nice to have some cooler weather. We've had some patrol car problems for a short time, but considering how much use they get, I guess we can expect that sometimes. We want everyone to know the CAP patrol cars are out there seven days a week. We have a great group of dedicated people who give us a lot of their time and sometimes overtime, plus they give time to the security gate and Bingo and whatever else is asked of them. So, the next time you see them, tell them "Thanks for doing a good job".

Our Sep-Oct update did not get in the newsletter, but we wanted you to know that the Aug 4th National Night Out was a great success, about 200 people came. What a surprise! We received the following message from our CAP Supervisor: "Congratulations to all CAP volunteers. Your hard work and dedication has resulted in the Polk County Sheriff's Office, Citizen's Assisted Patrol (CAP) program being honored as the Outstanding Crime Prevention Program of the year by the Florida Crime Prevention Association (FCPA). Thank you for your commitment to making Polk County a safe community and for allowing the Polk County Sheriff's Office the honor of receiving this award. We could not have done it without all of you."

Since this is our last newsletter until after the new year, we wish you all a safe and happy holiday season.

Robert & Marguerite Diehl
CAP Coordinators, ILE

2009 COMMITTEES

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>Director</u>
Animal Control	Richard Barnett	Greg Gilchrist
Bingo	Shirley Dureault-Betty Ward	Greg Gilchrist
Canals	Richard Dureault	Richard Dureault
Clubhouse	John Robinson	J.W. Kelly
Covenants	Leo Lyttle	Joanne O'Neil
Elections	Archie Meyers	Archie Meyers
Fire Department**	Ed Wilke	Greg Gilchrist
Garden Club**	Vanessa Thrall	Joanne O'Neil
Golf	Norm Leslie	Archie Meyers
Golf	Norm Leslie	Anita Whitesell
Lakefront	Richard Dureault	Richard Dureault
Library**	Karen Wolzanski	Joanne O'Neil
Marina	Richard Dureault	Richard Dureault
Newsletter	Pat Landy	Joanne O'Neil
Parkways	Richard Dureault	Richard Dureault
Restaurant	J.W. Kelly	J.W. Kelly
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Social	Barbara Kelleher	Joanne O'Neil
Yacht Club**	Bob Miller	Greg Gilchrist

** Indicates private organizations that work in conjunction with ILE Inc., but does not report to the Board. Board Representative is simply a liaison.

Indian Lake Estates

Volunteer Opportunities • Community Clubs • Activities

Neighborhood Watch

Volunteers Needed

For More Info: John Hudson 692-9788

Yacht Club Meeting

2nd Thursday each Month • 7:00 PM

For More Info: Bob Miller • 692-0067

Garden Club Meeting

3rd Monday • Ballroom • 1:00 PM

New Members and Guests Always Invited

ILE Library

Monday • Wednesday • Friday • Saturday

10:00 AM to Noon

Bookmobile • Clubhouse Parking Lot

For More Info: Karen Wolzanski - 692-0038

Bingo

Tuesday Nights 6:30 PM

Clubhouse Ballroom

Doors open at 5:30 PM

Ladies Golf

Tuesdays • 8:30 AM

Mens Golf

Wednesdays • 8:30 AM

Bridge

Monday & Friday • 9:30 AM

Wednesday • 9:00 AM

For More Info: Sally Cameron • 692-2705

Tuesday Breakfast Club

Everyone Welcome

Women's Christian Fellowship

1st Thursday • 9:30 AM

Methodist Church • Deland Ave.

All Ladies are Welcome

Exercise Room

Available to all Residents

Key in ILE Office during regular business hours

Approved by the Board of Directors 01/15/2009

Board Meeting	November 19, 2009	10:00 AM
Election Meeting	December 3, 2009	7:00 PM
Board Meeting	December 10, 2009	10:00 AM
Reorganization Meeting	December 10, 2009	3:00 PM

**2009 ILE BOARD & GENERAL MEETING
DATES & TIMES**

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