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IBE NEWSLETTER
MARCH 20TH, 2020



SAFE TRAVELS TO ALL. SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!



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EASTER SUNDAY
IS APRIL 12TH

There are no scheduled events planned for Easter.



- Golf League Party on Thursday, March 26th
- Imperial Olde Spokes party on Wednesday, March 25th.

- Domino Awards Night on Thursday, March 26th.
- Village Annual Picnic on Tuesday, March 24th.
- Yellowstone-Marathon-Mallard block party on Sunday, March 22nd
- Pauline Drive block party on Sunday, March 29th.
- Bridge Luncheon on Monday, March 23rd
- Hoenie Block Party on Saturday, March 28th.
- Fire Safety Presentation on Tuesday, March 24th.



SUMMER BINGO is **tentatively** scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 5th.

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of
LINDA RYALL
and
ELENOR BECK



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COVID 19 UPDATE FOR IBE – MARCH 19, 2020

Effective immediately all IBE amenities are shut down. This is a decision the Board of Directors have been wrestling with for several days. After much consideration and staying abreast of health and safety notices, they have made the difficult decision to shut down all facilities to safeguard our residents. Here are excerpts from the March 19th notice from the Co-op Board of Directors:

- Founders’ Hall, the rec hall and the pool are locked down.
- Restrooms and laundry facilities will remain open with key cards.
- The ice machine is shut down.
- The office is locked down but will continue to serve you by phone at (239) 992-0511
 - There is a **text only** telephone number that you can contact the office, (239) 287-5352. This number cannot receive phone calls.
 - Trash and yard waste will be picked up on Friday, March 20th as usual. Note: There are dumpsters available, adjacent to the dog park and maintenance area, should the maintenance staff be advised to stay home in the future.
 - Newsletters will **not be home-delivered** and **will not** be available in the office for the last issue coming out.
 - The newsletter will be posted on the IBE website at imperialbonitaestates.com between March 20th and March 23rd on the home page, left-hand side (you may need to scroll down)

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NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE.....

Due to the coronavirus, and for the health and safety of our residents, the Village Board strongly urges lot owners to refrain from attending the April 9th meeting. The minutes of the meeting will be available to any lot owner who wishes to have a copy by contacting any board member.

Don’t forget that the \$425.00 for next year’s amenity passes must be paid by June 1, 2020. Cash, check or credit card will be accepted.

SUMMER NEWSLETTERS

RECREATION DEPARTMENT.....

As the season comes to a close please be safe in your travels. The last meeting of the month, March 25th has been cancelled for obvious health and safety reasons. There is no doubt that this monster virus has affected all of us. We have all pulled together again to combat this monster in our community. Your diligent efforts are paying off with no reported cases here so far. Let's keep it that way!!

If you are traveling home by car we suggest packing your own food, keep your restroom breaks short, call ahead for a hotel or campground reservations and wash, wash, wash and sanitize!!

Again, be safe and we'll see you next year.

Betty Huff, Rec. Board Director

LIBRARY NEWS

Nathan Baylor's book "Overcoming the Fear of Death" adds a new genre and diversifies our IBE authors section of the library.



Since we're not going anywhere for a while, now is the time to find a good book and enjoy the time to relax and read.

Gail Miller



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR.....

This is the last newsletter for the season (and what a great season it has been!!). During the

summer months, when a newsletter is published, watch Facebook and the park sign for details for when and where they will be available.

I would like to say thanks so much for the kind words I have received regarding the newsletter. I really do enjoy typing it up each week, interacting with so many of the great people at IBE and know that people actually read and appreciate my efforts.

Thanks to Annie Douglas who copies them and organizes the home delivery carriers and is great to work with. Also, to Frank Gaylord who e-mails the newsletter to many residents who may not get them. Safe travels to all who leave this beautiful park for the summer.

Jane Braga

For those folks who would like to receive e-mail copies of the summer IBE newsletters or who have changed their e-mail address since the fall, please send a note to Frank Gaylord at fgaylord3@juno.com. If you did receive the newsletter during the past summer you will not need to send a note.

If you wish to not continue to receive a summer newsletter please send a note. I expect to begin sending to everyone on my lists sometime in April.

Thanks to Jane Braga for keeping this informative and attractive publication coming again this year!! Have a great summer.

Frank Gaylord

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I would like to thank all the line dancers for the gift.

I am looking forward

to seeing you all back dancing next season. I would also like to thank the dancers that helped teach some of the dances.

Carla Muddiman

We would like to thank all of our wonderful ice cream workers. You are the best!!! Also, a big thank you for everyone who attended and supported us every month. See you next season!!

Pam & Stan Walton

To all the newsletter delivery people..... I am so happy with all your help once again this year. With Jane Braga's awesome ability to write up all this information and scores, to all of you special people who are so willing EVERY week to go out there no matter the weather and spread the news!! Thank you – you are awesome. I couldn't do my part without all of you.

To Michele, Michelle & Stacy, I thank you for putting up with my hogging the copier on Friday mornings. You gals in the office are the best ever!!

I will be sending out information as the middle of December rolls around once again for setting up another year of great service to our park. Have a safe trip home when you go and BE HEALTHY!!

Annie Douglas

Thank you, (con't):

- We want to thank everyone who helped make our IBE Community Church happen this season. Thank you to Carol Bader, Jeannie Temby and Art Peterson for leading us in worship. Also, to all the ushers and greeters and the area Pastors who spoke. And to all the persons who attended our services.

A special thank you to Jane Braga who faithfully week after week puts out the amazing, informative IBE community newsletter. Each week we are in the know of events, activities and are kept up-to-date on all that is happening here at IBE. We have been so blessed by all of you and will miss you. We are praying for everyone. Psalm 91:3-4 "He will keep you safe from all hidden dangers and from all deadly diseases. He will cover you with His wings: You will be safe in His care: His faithfulness will protect and defend you." Larry & Susan Fannon

- Thank you to Richard Ball for the pizzas he donated for a great lunch. Much appreciated.
The Bubble Club and Maintenance Staff

- Delighted and surprised was my reaction!! Thank you, thank you to all the choir members for your generous gift. It was fun!!! Let's make a joyful noise again next year!!!
Debbie Davis

- I want to thank everyone who made Bingo thank you a huge success this season. A BIG THANKS to all the volunteers that helped. There is \$100.00 of added money from the rec. board that will be returned to the treasurer. See you next season on January 5th !!
Dan Elmore



IBE BOWLING BIRDS.....

The Bowland Beacon bowling alley is closed for health and safety

reasons. Prior to them closing we had requested our prize money from them so we could distribute it to our teams. As of this writing the check has not been received. We will continue to work on this; however, we cannot give you a definitive answer as to when the prize money will be distributed. Thanks for your patience.

Ellen Murray & Jane Braga



- **GOLF:** This week was our last scheduled regular golf outing for the 2020 season. We had 36 golfers sign up for our third scramble. However, due to the Covid-19 virus it was felt we should join all of the other IBE activities and shut down just to be on the safe side. Our annual year-end party at the Tiki Hut has been re-scheduled for next year and the extra money collected this year will be applied to next year's party.

A big thanks goes out to Jane Braga, our newsletter editor, even though she was sometimes very creative with the space she gave us!!! The newsletter is by far the most effective way of communicating to the vast number of golfers we had play this season.

On behalf of Tom Werner, John Ankrom and myself we want to thank every golfer that participated this year and wish everyone a safe and healthy summer. Hopefully we will see you all next year. The Primrose Hotel is now closed.

Bill "Snake" Ballinger



TENNIS TOURNAMENT – MARCH 14TH

Grand Champions: Jean St. Pierre
Denis Lefebure

Runner-up: Rocky Irons & Janette Glading
Challenging matches were enjoyed by all the enthusiastic participants and spectators. Thanks to all for a successful and fun tournament.

Diane Byrne, Chairperson

PENNY BINGO

2/14 Cover all: Joyce Tobiason
Loser Stand up: Mary Malsch

BRIDGE

3/12 1st Carole Malone
 2nd Gene Anspach
 3rd Randy Burr

CRIBBAGE

3/11 1st John Carson
 3rd Al Keough
 4th Clarence Peddle

EUCHRE

3/12 High: Carol Werner
 Al Decoteau
 John Butts
 George Reising
 Loners: Al Keough
 Maryanna Hoke
 Low: Judy Gray

BY GEORGE

3/14 Game 1 Freda Belanger
 Game 2 Mary Marino

DOMINOES

3/12 Table 1 Judy Carratura
 Table 2 Deb Wildonger
 Table 3 Mary Ann Morgan
 Table 4 Bob Criss

BOCCE

3/12 Ben D'Amelio Tony Garrison
 Bob Mann Jack Leedham
 Jeff Pumphrey Ron Matthys
 John Storey Bill Marshall

HAND & FOOT

3/12 1st Maryanna Hoke
 2nd Bob Mann
 3rd Earl Anspach
 4th Barb King
 5th Linda Beauchamp
 6th Dan Beauchamp

SHUFFLEBOARD

Ladies Thursday Shuffle
 3/12 1st Joanne Nilssen – Barb King
 2nd Linda Beauchamp – Carole Neary
 3rd Judy Richter – Bruce Donnar
 4th Bridgite Spruyt – Joyce Tobiason

BOWLING – 3/13

Women Scratch Series
 Barb Gottschamer 509
 Rose Hoffman 427
 Marilyn Melillo 400

Scratch Game
 Betty Briggs 181
 Linda Leonetti 167
 Cecile Fouquette 149

Handicap Series
 Hazel Ewing 631
 Theresa Goben 604
 Sandy Hogue 604

Handicap Game
 Mary Haskins 230
 Carol Werner 208
 Jane Braga 202

Men Handicap Series
 Steve Trumbull 647
 Charlie Coleman 638
 Everett Parker 619

Scratch Game
 Tom Sayle 212
 Greg Katchmark 197
 Lynn Brown 179

Scratch Series
 Alan Senior 605
 Joe French 519
 Larry Eaglen 508

Handicap Game
 Jerry Merritt 242
 Snake Ballinger 236
 Glen Kettlebar 210

FINAL SEASON STANDINGS:

1 st	Cardinals	9 th	Blue Jays
2 nd	Hummingbirds	10 th	Eagles
3 rd	Bluebirds	11 th	Pelicans
4 th	Orioles	12 th	Gulls
5 th	Woodpeckers	13 th	Hawks
6 th	Robins	14 th	Flamingos
7 th	Kingfishers	15 th	Mockingbirds
8 th	Sandpipers		

RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

AS PER THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS, THIS IS THE 3RD NOTIFICATION OF THE FOLLOWING:

- PERSONS RUNNING FOR THE REC. BOARD
- NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

BETTY HUFF, (Director): I'm Betty Huff and I'm hoping to be re-elected as Director of the rec. department. I started as a member-at-large several years ago, moving on to becoming the secretary, assistant director and now director. I wish to be re-elected so I may continue my unfinished goal of strengthening the bond and communication between the Co-op board and the rec. board. I enjoy working with people and look forward to "giving back to the community" in any way I can. Most of all "I love IBE"! Thank you for your support and I promise to work hard for you.

FRANK SIMON (Member-at-large): I have enjoyed my year serving on the rec. committee and would consider it an honor to continue to do so. I have been an active participant in many of the activities and events in the park. I am currently president of the RV Association and a member of the committee in charge of pickleball.

- **NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES:**

This is notification of the proposed by-laws changes. There have been copies posted in Founders' Hall and the recreation hall for the past three weeks for residents wishing to review the changes. Also, there were several copies available in the office for residents to check out and review.

PEGGY EILERS (Secretary): Hi, I'm Peggy Eilers and the current secretary of the rec. board. I am running for a second term. The past two years I have learned how many of the activities and events are organized as well as learning about some of the long-standing traditions in IBE. My challenge was to learn how to manage the calendar for all the activities and events. It is an ongoing process as this park is ever changing and presenting new challenges in scheduling. I have enjoyed meeting the wonderful volunteers who are the real backbone of IBE recreation. If elected, I hope to streamline the calendar process and learn to post it on the IBE website. I will join my fellow rec. board members to continue to find ways to support our chairpersons.

THERESA GOBEN, (Member-at-large): I think I would fit in very well. I am now a full-time resident and have some experience working with and for the people.