

# Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

May 2020



*Banner Photo by Bill Hite*

## **IHHA President's Message**

Spring came early this year, and so did the rain. The plants liked the wet weather and were beautiful. While we have been staying in and social distancing, a lot of us have been working in our yards. The county dump reports an increase in trash. With the weather turning warmer, this is a good time to clean up our yards. Remember to also do the side and back yards that your neighbors can see!

Runk & Pratt put several good articles in this newsletter. They talk about the lake, the golf course, the pool, and the Ivalace development. R&P is a good neighbor and is doing a lot for our neighborhood.

I cannot believe Krogers is rearranging their store. I can't find anything and have to go up and down every aisle. It takes me twice as long to shop. Maybe, one day, I will be able to find things again.

Many local businesses are making changes due to COVID-19. Please support them.

This is the time of the year to join the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association. The article on page 6 of this newsletter shows what your dues support. However, we need your continuing support to perform these functions. We only have 224 members so far this year out of over 600 families in the Ivy Hill community. We must do better. We are here to help you. You can contact me anytime (525-4229).

Please read and review the Ivy Hill Reservations & Restrictions. They can be found on our web site [ivyhill-forest.org](http://ivyhill-forest.org) under Planning/Homeowners Associations/Ivy Hill/Ivy Hill Restrictions. New construction and any exterior renovations need to be approved by the Architectural Committee before work starts.

There has been another dog attack on Hitching Post. Be careful, if you walk in this area.

With the mild weather, children not in school, and some government restrictions being lifted; more people will be walking on the streets. Remember that the speed limit in the neighborhood is 25 mph. I hope you have an enjoyable summer. Be safe. Social distancing and masks work!

Tom Haertel, IHHA President

## **New Neighbors**

Please welcome the following new residents to the Ivy Hill community:

- Matthew Adkins & Amber Thornes – 107 Deer Track Lane
- Deborah & Dan Branda – 104 Eastwind Drive
- Chad & Jennifer Duncan - 104 Quail Ridge Drive
- Gaylyn & John Pantana – 1423 Lakepointe Drive
- Robert & Deborah Ritz – 1118 Lake Meadow Lane
- Patricia & Christopher Vandergriff – 104 Deer Track Lane

*If you know of a new resident in Ivy Hill, or a house that has changed hands, please contact the IHHA at [IvyHillForest@gmail.com](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com) so we can update our database and arrange for them to be greeted.*

## **Ivy Hill Ladies Association**

Greetings to all the lovely ladies of the Ivy Hill Ladies Association!

Long time no see, or hear from me. I've been home like everyone else and finding it not so horrible. I really miss everyone and especially giving them a hug. But I won't try to hug you, I promise.

Our plan is to have our spring meeting on June 11, Thursday at 10:00-11:00 at the clubhouse on the patio. I thought the morning best in case it's a hot day. The rain date will be June 16, same time same place. We will have a snack and a cold drink for all.

If you are interested in joining our Ivy Hill Ladies Association, please come to our meeting. We welcome all new ladies. We have 4 events per year and 2 meetings, in the spring and fall. We have fun and it's a good way to get to know your neighbors. Our dues are only \$30 a year and will be due at this meeting. You may also mail your check payable to the IHLA to our treasurer Barb Walton at 102 Lake Ridge Drive, Forest, VA 24551. Please be sure to include your phone number and email address with your payment.

Cheers,

Vicki Sharrett, IHLA President





## Ivy Hill History

The first reported case of Spanish Influenza in Virginia occurred on September 13, 1918 at Camp Lee near Petersburg. The pandemic spread rapidly from the army camp to nearby Richmond and then westward from there.

Southwest Virginia was heavily impacted. The Spanish Flu hit the young and the fit particularly hard. The average age of death was 33. Almost no one over 45 died, most likely because they had residual immunity from a milder H1N1 strain that swept through Virginia 25 years previously.

On October 5<sup>th</sup> Richmond closed "all churches, public and private schools, theaters, motion picture houses, dance halls, pool rooms, side shows; in fact all public indoor gatherings." Roanoke followed suit a few days later.

The pandemic peaked in mid-October and then rapidly declined. Schools and churches reopened in Richmond on November 6<sup>th</sup> and in Roanoke on November 11<sup>th</sup>. There followed a few weeks of relative calm, and then the second wave hit in December and continued through the winter of 1919. Most area schools were closed for an additional 4 weeks at the beginning of the year.

There were 326,000 reported cases of the Spanish Flu in Virginia out of a population of about 2,300,000. Of these, 17,064 people died in the last 4 months of 1918 and the first 6 months of 1919. Local death totals included Bedford-109, Lynchburg-276, Roanoke-226, Appomattox 24, and Amherst-87.

*From the News & Advance Archives*

### For Safety Against Spanish Influenza

The following suggestions for avoidance of Spanish influenza infection have been issued by Dr. William C. Woodward, health commissioner of Boston, in which city the epidemic has secured its strongest hold:

- Keep out of places where people are.
- Do not let any one cough or sneeze into your face.
- Keep your mouth shut.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Avoid getting tired—go to bed early.
- Eat your meals regularly and slowly. If compelled to eat away from home, see that the dishes are clean.
- Keep where the air is fresh.
- Keep away from any place where the disease is.
- If you must go into the presence of those sick, cover your mouth and nose with a mask—a handkerchief is better than nothing. Wrap up a used mask in paper and boil it before using again, or burn it.

*If you have any old photos or interesting historical information about Ivy Hill and the surrounding area that you would like to share with the community, contact the Editor at [IvyHillForest@gmail.com](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com)*





**Open  
Saturdays  
9am to 11am**

PREORDER AND  
ONSITE SALES  
15583 FOREST ROAD

*Your  
favorite  
market with  
a different  
look*

To order online, find vendor  
information at  
[www.forestfarmersmarket.com](http://www.forestfarmersmarket.com)





*Ads in the IHHA  
Newsletter are only \$25  
per issue and reach more  
than 600 Ivy Hill  
households. Contact the  
Editor at  
[IvyHillForest@gmail.com](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com)*

## **Architectural Committee**

The Ivy Hill Architectural Committee wants to remind all Ivy Hill property owners once again that the time to seek Architectural Committee approval of both new construction and any “building, fence, outside lighting, screen planting, or other improvements” on your property is before construction begins. It is always much more cost effective to get your plans approved before you start building than to have to make changes when the work is in progress. Also, be sure to review both the general Ivy Hill Restrictions and any additional restrictions that are applicable for your specific neighborhood when you are drawing up your plans. Copies of the restrictions for most neighborhoods can be found on the Ivy Hill website (<http://ivyhill-forest.org>) under Planning/Homeowners Associations/Ivy Hill/Ivy Hill Restrictions. Contact Ivy Hill Architectural Committee Chairman Rene Koch at 525-2935 or [renekjr@msn.com](mailto:renekjr@msn.com) if you have any questions.



---

# AROUND THE CLUB

---



## Updates to Covid-19 Restrictions

First of all, we want to let each of you know how much we appreciate your support of Ivy Hill Golf Course during the uncertainty of the pandemic and all its effects. Moving forward with golf, we do plan to continue to practice social distancing, cleaning protocols, and safety programs that are currently in place. As the governor works us through multiple phases of his plan to reopen Virginia businesses, we too will take steps to carefully return the club toward normal. In the meantime, we ask that you please continue to hand sanitize or wash your hands as often as possible and refrain from sharing clubs or golf balls. We are committed to safety first with our club and its members and want to let you know we are pro-actively thinking of what heading back toward normal could look like for Ivy Hill Golf.

## Ivy Hill Pool Closed for 2020 Season

We have given a lot of thought and consideration on how to move forward with the Ivy Hill Pool summer 2020 season. Unfortunately, the pool does not make sense to be open for a partial season with partial pool access. This would be virtually impossible as we would have to then figure out how to work out fair pool access for all members. Then we also consider the expense of starting up the pools, getting them ready, and not knowing for what part of the summer we will be authorized to be open. With all these challenges and the uncertainty of the health of our staff and members, we have decided that the pool will remain closed for the summer of 2020. If we as a company are going to error in this situation, we are going to do so on the side of caution, and we appreciate your understanding.

## Ivalace - New Homes on the Golf Course

We are beyond excited to announce the newest Ivy Hill Community, Ivalace. Ivalace is consisted of custom-built, luxurious homes located right on the Ivy Hill Golf Course and surrounded by the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains. These modern homes will feature one- and two-story duplexes with clean sightlines, high ceilings, vinyl flooring, and customizable floor plans and features to meet any and all needs. Designed with seniors in mind, Ivalace has maintenance and landscaping services available as well as medical care nearby at Runk & Pratt Senior Living Communities. This community is ideal for the retirement population and also allows residents to enjoy access to the Ivy Hill amenities such as the community pool, Ivy Hill Cafe and Pro Shop, community events, golf tournaments, pickleball courts, and more!

## What's happening at Ivy Lake?

As of 4/8 Ivy Lake has been closed to all traffic indefinitely. The use of the lake was announced to be for Ivy residents only, but unfortunately there have been many issues with trespassers and vandalism since. Until further notice, unless you have property adjacent to the lake, all fishing, boating, swimming, or other water activities are prohibited. Thank you for your compliance and understanding.





# Join the IHHA!

Your financial support is needed to continue the various projects of the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association.

**Your membership of only \$40 per year supports activities such as:**

- Landscaping and mowing at entranceways
- Mulching, seeding, pruning, and weed control
- Maintenance of entranceways
- Lighting at the entranceways
- IHHA Newsletter, Ivy Hill Community Directory, IHHA Website, and IHHA Insurance
- Holiday decorations at the entranceways
- Email hot line for lost & found items, wayward pets, and community information & alerts.

We would very much appreciate your support in 2020.

Also, if you do not think that you have received your copy of the 2018-2020 Ivy Hill Directory, check the last box in the form below when you join or send us an email at [ivyhillforest@gmail.com](mailto:ivyhillforest@gmail.com). We will be glad to get a copy to you if our records agree.

You can now pay your membership using PayPal. Follow the *IHHA Membership* link under *Planning* at <http://ivyhill-forest.org>. You may also use the convenient "Bill Pay" feature of your on-line banking to remit your membership payment.

Lastly, your check is always welcome. Fill out the form below and mail it along with your check to the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association at the address at the bottom.

**We would also gladly accept donations in any amount at any time during the year!**



Name(s)	
Address	
Phone	
E-mail	



**IHHA**

**Be sure to provide your current e-mail address  
if you did not receive this Newsletter electronically.**

**Please check one or more of the following:**

☐  
☐  
☐

**2020 Dues \$40**

**Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

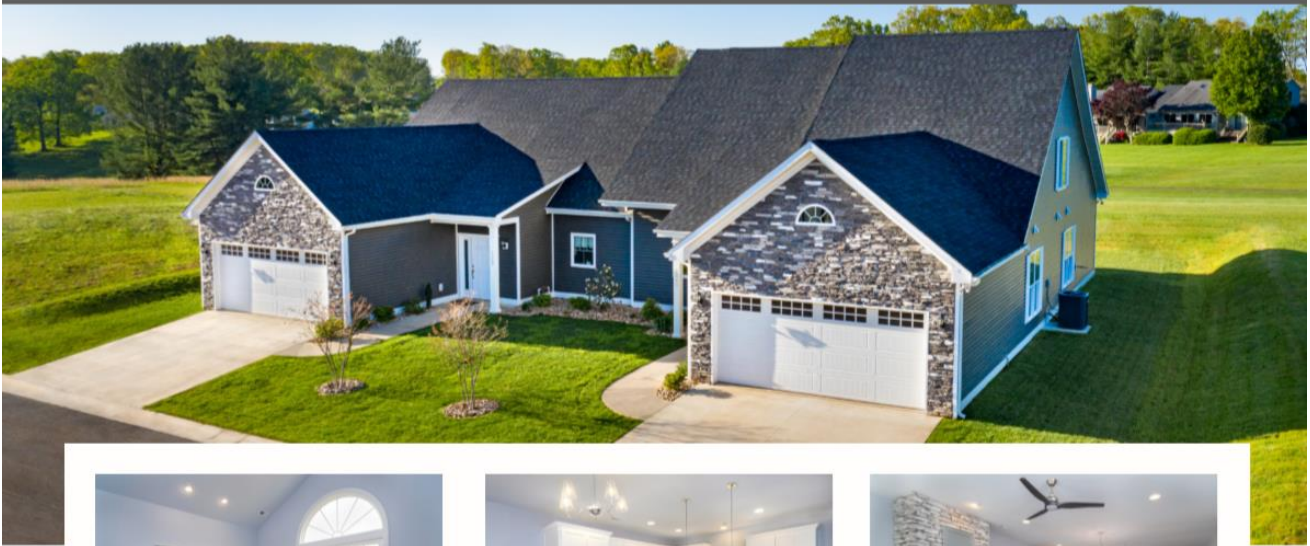
**I don't have a copy of the 2018-2020 Ivy Hill Directory**

**Mail to IHHA, PO Box 353, Forest, VA 24551**

# IVALACE

BY THE GREENS  
A RUNK & PRATT COMMUNITY

**CUSTOM-BUILT, SINGLE-STORY HOMES  
AT IVY HILL GOLF COURSE!**



**CUSTOMIZABLE FEATURES INCLUDE:** FLOORPLANS, STONEWORK,  
APPLIANCES & FINISHES, FLOORING, & MORE!

At Ivalace by the Greens, homeowners enjoy the ease of single-story living with all the perks of life on a golf course. As a community of new homes on holes 1 and 2, Ivalace is an ideal location for those looking to downsize, retire, or even just to be closer to the greens.

Ivalace homeowners enjoy private access to Ivy Hill Golf Club and all its amenities, with tiered rows allowing for stunning views of the course all year round.

And best of all, you can stay in the area you already love!

**Visit [Ivalace.com](http://Ivalace.com) for more information.**

**CALL TO SCHEDULE A SHOWING:**  
JUDY WOTEN, *Realtor* | (434) 385.8568

**kw**  
KELLERWILLIAMS.



### **IHHA Board of Directors (2020)**

**Tom Haertel, President**

**525-4229**

**Susan Nicholas, Vice President**

**525-7376**

**Lew Walton, Secretary & Digital Media**

**525-0459**

**Bob Harvey, Treasurer**

**525-8247**

**Barb Walton**

**Jeff Wishon**

**Karen Schwabe**

**Rene Koch**

**Sandi Caldwell**

*Lost a pet or found a stray animal? We can help. Contact [IvyHillForest@gmail.com](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com) or any IHHA officer or Board member.*