



ILV Newsletter

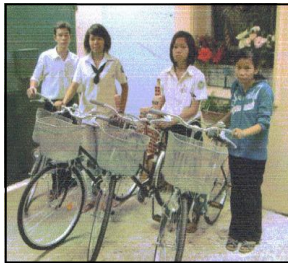
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A Big Thank You

Recently, the Board received a kind note from Sr. Marie Le Thi Thao, executive director of Friends for Street Children's Association, for the bicycles donated by ILV. In synopsis,

"We received your kind and generous support of eight bicycles for eight FFSC children at Binh Trieu, Binh Tho and Le Minh Xuan Development Centers. It is a great opportunity for our disadvantaged children to have opportunities to go to their schools every day. On behalf of the children, we would like to extend our deep thankfulness to the International Ladies of Vietnam. Your support is not only meaningful to the children but also to us. It is a motivation and encouragement for us as



Receiving the bicycles

well. We know that we are not alone in achieving our mission, which is to bring better lives for disadvantaged children. It is wonderful for us to know your ILV Club and to work with all of you – people who are humanitarians with kind, open hearts."

Reminder



All weekly
ILV Morning Coffees
will be held in the
2nd Floor Meeting
Room of the Rex until
further notice.

High Tea

Caravelle Hotel
April 21st, 3pm
~280,000 ++/pax

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Upcoming events:

- Apr 21—High Tea
- May 6 – Member to Member Bazaar
- May 9 – Mother's Day
- May 12 – Evening ILV
- May 29 – Summer Send-Off Party

Editor's Note by Suzanne Miller

This month the newsletter takes on a slightly different look, thanks to the work of our resident graphic designer, Shannon. We hope it will be a little more "reader-friendly." In the next few months, you will see additional changes as we try to compile the activities into an easier format for those who are interested in participating.

The April newsletter will be emailed to all current members, so if you are **NOT** interested in receiving it via email, please let me know at ilvnews@hotmail.com and we will remove your name. Also, if you are the contact person for an activity, please let me know if the contact information, date, place or time has changed so that I may include the correct information in the newsletter. Pictures are always welcome!

Welcome to Ho Chi Minh City

We are pleased that new ladies are arriving to HCMC and joining the ILV. Here are the newest members to join:

Nidhi Mithal, Mahalakshmi Rangaswamy, Giang Le-Dand, Annie Hansen-Bartel, Jacqueline Birt, Paula Wolden, Ji Yoon Choi, Joan Mary Black, and Marguerite Moreno.

If you see them around town, please help to make them feel welcome and encourage any other new ladies to also join the ILV.

BABY AND TODDLER PLAY GROUPS

Let's all play together

Please contact **Lauren Scott** for all information on parent groups all over the city:
laurensco75@rocketmail.com

For all kinds of information for families here in Ho Chi Minh City, go to:
groups.google.com/group/vietnam-parents-network/topics

ILV Board Positions Still Available!

There's still time to to join the board!...If you have a little spare time, a good sense of humor, and want to help build another great year of the ILV, then why not join the Board?

Positions still available are:

Activities coordinator and Link Ladies Coordinator.

Any questions, please contact any Board member.

The annual ILV 2010 Summer Send-Off

May 29th
An Phu, D2



This event will include spouses!

The buffet dinner is being prepared by "The Caterers". Stay tuned for more information in the May newsletter and at the morning coffees.

Attention Newcomers

The next **Newcomer's Coffee Morning** will be
Wednesday, May 5th, 10am
At the home of **Sherry Groen**
Please contact her at 0908 546 015 for details

Member to Member Bazaar

May 6th Coffee Morning

The Bazaar is open to any current ILV member in good standing, who doesn't own a business, and would like to sell their crafts. Tables will be provided by the Rex hotel.

Cost is 100,000/pax for a table.

Please contact Colleen Miller if interested at polarslippers@me.com



Evening Book Club

Apr 15th at 4pm

Colleen Miller's house:
#431 111 Nguyen Du St.

Book: *9th Life of Louis Drax*

All are welcome, even if you haven't read the book. Come and enjoy some wine and discussion.



Wednesday, May 12th

Time 7:30pm

Rachel Greig's House

ILV Evening ~ May

Come along and enjoy a glass of wine or a cup of coffee and meet new friends. Take this opportunity to socialize, expand your network and learn more about everything ILV has to offer.

Contact Rachel, 0918 730 880, or Shannon 0903 816 420.

Admission is 100,000 VND.

We look forward to seeing you all. Invite a friend. Bring a neighbor.

REMINDER: NO Evening ILV in April due to Easter Holidays

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ILV Weekly Activities



Swedish Gin Rummy

Fridays 1:30pm

Mekong Merchant, D2

Contact:

Shannon

0903 816 420



BADMINTON

Mondays and

Fridays 8:45 a.m.

Dist 2, Contact:

Carmen at 08 3514 4384

or **Kim Li** at 0937 712 230



BRIDGE

Duplicate Bridge

Mondays 6:15pm

Vasco's

Open to Husbands/partners...

Light supper during evening

Contact:

Alexander at 0903 909 111

Begin/Improvers Bridge

Tuesday

10-12:00pm

Norfolk Mansion,
2nd Floor next to pool

Contact:

Keiko at 0903 332 821

Beginners Bridge

Wednesday

10-12:00pm

Contact:

Keiko at 0903 332 821

Duplicate Bridge

Thursday

1:30pm

Vasco's

Contact:

Alexander at 0903 909 111
Looking for new players to join!

CARDS



Fridays 1:30pm

Norfolk Mansion,
2nd Floor next to pool

Contact:

Doreen

0908 443 079



Line Dancing

Fridays 10:30am

Pacific Garden

594 Ba Thang Hai, Ward 14, D10

Contact:

Keiko at 0903 332 081



UNO

Wednesdays
10:00am–1:00pm

Mekong Merchant, D2

Contact:

Irene at 0908 311 218



Mahjong

Tuesdays

10:00am–12:00pm

Norfolk Mansion,
2nd Floor next to pool

All levels of players welcome

Contact: **Irene** 0908 311 218

ILV Activities

If you are interested in starting any new ILV sponsored activity, please contact:

Suzanne Miller

0908 903 613





APRIL at a glance

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 ILV Coffee Dup. Bridge	2 Badminton Line Dance Swedish Gin Rummy Cards	3
4 Easter	5 Badminton	6 Bridge Mahjong	7 Newcomer's Coffee Uno Beg. Bridge	8 ILV Coffee Dup. Bridge	9 Badminton Line Dance Swedish Gin Rummy Cards	10
11	12 Badminton	13 Bridge Mahjong	14 Uno Beg. Bridge	15 ILV Coffee Dup. Bridge	16 Badminton Line Dance Swedish Gin Rummy Cards	17
18	19 Badminton	20 Bridge Mahjong	21 High Tea Uno Beg. Bridge	22 ILV Coffee Dup. Bridge	23 HOLIDAY	24
25	26 Badminton	27 Bridge Mahjong	28 Uno Beg. Bridge	29 ILV Coffee Dup. Bridge	30 HOLIDAY Badminton Line Dance Swedish Gin Rummy Cards	