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ISB Network News



2021 "MAI PEN RAI AT THE OASIS" REUNION UPDATE

Update from David Wilkerson, Director of Reunions

It's official! The Tucson "Mai Pen Rai at the Oasis" reunion has been rescheduled and will be held over the weekend of July 23, 2021.

The new reunion room block is good from Tuesday, July 20, to Tuesday, July 27, 2021.

All existing reservations already confirmed for the 2020 reunion will be migrated over to the 2021 revised reunion dates, so there is nothing for anyone to do right now. Reservations will be migrated to mirror the daily stay pattern that you already have. Reservations will be migrated one-year in advance and a new confirmation letter will be sent to you via the email address the hotel has on file for you. After the migration, you will be able to adjust your reservation dates with the hotel.

So what does this mean? All 2020 confirmed reservations in the ISB block will be moved to the 2021 ISB reunion block mirroring the days you chose for the 2020 reunion. For example: If your current reservation was Thursday, July 9 - Sunday, July 11 (check out on Sunday), then your new reservation will be Thursday, July 22 - Sunday, July 25, 2021.

Anyone who does not have a confirmed reservation for 2020 but would like to make a reservation for 2021, please wait until August 1, 2020, to make your reservation. The hotel needs time to create a new reservation module.

Reunion registration fees are in place, so you can register with us anytime at <https://isbnetwork.com/> and follow the reunion links.

For those of you who registered for the Thai dinner, it will now be held Thursday, July 22, 2021.

If you requested a registration fee refund for the 2020 reunion, your refund will be issued by July 15, 2020.

Thank you to all for your patience! See you at Mai Pen Rai @ the Oasis reunion 2021!



Welcome Our New BOD Members

Many members of the Board of Directors have been fulfilling multiple roles since our last reunion in Nashville. We needed more hands on deck to help our growing alumni association. We are pleased to announce changes and additions to the ISB Board of Directors.

Kathy Beaird

Will leave her position as Membership Director and assume the role of ISB Network President

Suzanne Cano Meeker

Has accepted the position of Vice President

Kathie Boslet

Is returning as the Director of Communications

Jameela "Cricket" Fluker Lanza

Will take on double duty as Secretary and Treasurer

Cindy Hunt Leach

Is welcomed to the board as the Director of Membership

Alicia Beaird Hutchison and Chis Hunt

Will serve in the capacity of Directors at Large

David Elder

Has accepted the position of Ambassador to Thailand

We are very excited to announce our new BOD members.

**We thank them for their time, leadership, and
welcome them to the FUN!**

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Become a Member

We greatly appreciate all those keeping up with their network membership and all the new members who have joined over the past several months. As we approach the Reunion, our goal is to reach 1,000 members! If you are not a member, or have let your membership lapse, please give serious consideration to joining or renewing.

The dues are \$40.00 for a TWO year membership and are tax deductible. Your membership dues provide two different types of scholarships for ISB students. More information can be found on the ISB Network website (ISBNetwork.com).

In addition, members receive "perks," such as a lower reunion registration fee, access to all newsletters, discounts to Shop the Shack, and special reunion surprises for members only.

ISB NETWORK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Kathy Beaird, '76

Vice President

Suzanne Cano Meeker, '84

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Director of Communications

Kathie Boslet, '73

Director of Membership

Cindy Hunt Leach, '80

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David Elder, '69

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Directors-at-Large

**Alicia Beaird Hutchison, '80
Chris Hunt, '81**

Keeper of Archives

Jo Hanna Ewing, '69

ALL
GREAT CHANGES
ARE PRECEDED
BY
CHAOS

EVEN'S ARE OUT.
TIME TO GET
ODD!



ISB Panthers, our reunions are being moved to ODD years.
Since 1984, our reunions have been held on even years beginning with the
Atlanta Reunion.

Covid-19, which has been disrupting our lives since March of 2020,
continues to "plague" our plans.

Happy to announce our first ODD reunion will be held in July, 2021, Tucson, AZ.
Our second ODD reunion will be held in 2023 on the East Coast.

The classes of 70 and 72 who expected to celebrate their 50th reunions with their extended
ISB family should hit up their classmates in the classes of 71 and 73 for free drinks.

We are all in this together.



*ISB Network***2020 COMMUNITY
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Montawan Nae Nae
Chairatchaneeboon

The Community Achievement Award consists of \$1500 awarded each year to a deserving student of Thai ancestry.

Montawan (Nae Nae) is the winner of the ISBN Community Achievement Award for 2020. With this \$1500 award, Nae Nae will donate \$300 to the ISB English Service Project and the remaining \$1200 to Habitat for Humanity. She plans to study philosophy, politics, and economics beginning in 2021 at the University of Pennsylvania.

**ISB Foundation Scholarship Pool**

In addition to the community achievement award, the ISB Network Foundation donates \$3,000 per year to the ISB Network Alumni Scholarship Fund which allows ISB to choose worthy recipients.



SHOP THE SHACK

NOW THAT IT IS OFFICIAL AND THE REUNION HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO NEXT YEAR, IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE CLEAR OUT INVENTORY BECAUSE OUR BIENNIAL SHIPMENT FROM THAILAND IS ON ITS WAY.

WE HAVE TO STORE THE NEW SHIPMENT UNTIL THE 2021 REUNION, SO SPACE IS AT A PREMIUM.

ADDITIONALLY WE NEED TO REDUCE OUR OLD INVENTORY FOR CASH FLOW REASONS, SO WE HAVE DECIDED TO HOST VIRTUAL WEEKEND MARKETS BEGINNING IN AUGUST WHERE WE WILL HAWK OUR GOODS AND CUT DEALS.

REMEMBER TO SHOP AT THE SHACK AS ALL PROFITS ARE A PART OF THE ISB FOUNDATION!

CHECK IT OUT:

[HTTPS://SHACK.ISBNETWORK.COM/](https://shack.isbnetwork.com/)

