



# Living in I'On

Monthly Newsletter for the Residents of I'On ... July 2008!!!

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[Click here to visit the I'On Community Website.](#)

## BIG Doins' in I'On ...

### 4th of July CelebratI'On

Word has it that the Community of I'On has one heck of a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration planned. Check out the schedule below and plan to attend as many activities as you can. More specifics are inside ...

- ★ **7:55 am - 5K Run through I'On.** Meet at Boathouse Close a few minutes before 8:00 am. We'll leave promptly at 8:00. No starting gun or timers ... not a race ... just a nice way to start the holiday in I'On.
- ★ **9:30 am - I'On on Parade** (*starts at Perseverance Park*). Bring your decorated strollers, bikes, golf carts, wagons, dogs, etc... Everyone is welcome!!!
- ★ **10:00 am - Salute on the Square.** Includes simple refreshments and some new surprises this year!
- ★ **5:30 pm - Reading of the Declaration of Independence** at Avant Garden Park (*SW Corner of Westlake*). Once a tradition in every community in America ... a reminder of America's revolutionary origins, the importance of community, civic commitment and the intolerable oppressions that forged the American commitment to be free.
- ★ **6:00 pm - BAND BLAST 2008!** At the Amphitheater - featuring "Heart and Soul" - FREE ADMISSION! Picnics, coolers, lawn chairs, tents welcome. Food and beverage vendors also available. FREE jump castle, face painting, and prize drawing!!!
- ★ **And as darkness descends ... FIREWORKS!!!**



Hope to see you there!!!

## Welcome New I'On Neighbors!

**Julie & Bradley Atkins**  
52 Montrose Road

**Alice & Kennett Kendall**  
27 Edenton Road

**James Wesley Martin**  
78 Saturday Road

**Debra & Robert Murphy**  
18 Port Royal Road

**Rebecca & Donovan Phillips**  
134 West Shipyard Road

**Ashley & Frederic Ritter**  
214 North Shelmore Blvd

**Joe Steichen**  
98 Ponsbury Road

**Maria & Chris Streck**  
122 North Shelmore Blvd

**Susan & Steve Trattner**  
58 Sowell Street

**Molly & Steve Valerio**  
50 Hospitality Street

For new and relocating neighbors -  
you need to inform AMCS of your  
new address. Contact Cheryl  
Wilson at [cwilson@amcs-inc.com](mailto:cwilson@amcs-inc.com).

**Don't forget  
to fly your  
flag on  
July 4<sup>th</sup>!!!**

## Around I'On ...

### Conservation Corps Meeting

Tuesday, July 1 1:00 - 2:30 pm

The Conservation Corps will hold its monthly meeting at **Jennifer Richard's** house (18 Prescient Street). **We will be planning for our July 4<sup>th</sup> parade float.** Everyone is welcome to attend. Please also join us at 6:30 pm on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the **Rosengren's** driveway (110 West Shipyard) to build the float – a great activity for the whole family! Interested in riding on the float? Please call **Jennifer Richard** at 884-2925.

### Women's Coffee

Tuesday, July 8 10:00 - 12:00 am

The Women's Coffee is open to all I'On residents and meets from 10:00 to 12:00 am the second Tuesday of each month. Bring your own mug and a new friend. **Coffee is provided by the I'On Trust.** This month's location TBD. If you would like to host, contact **Susan Marlowe** at [susan.marlowe@yahoo.com](mailto:susan.marlowe@yahoo.com). The location will be posted on the **Events Calendar** at [www.ioncommunity.com](http://www.ioncommunity.com).

### Community in ActI'On Project

#### BINGO at Sweetgrass

Thursday, July 10 6:00 - 7:00 pm

We need volunteers to play and to bring snacks. Please contact **Hannah Morris** at [hannahbmorris@comcast.net](mailto:hannahbmorris@comcast.net) to sign up. Kids of ALL ages are welcome!

### First Friday Cocktails

Friday, July 11 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Our famous First Friday Cocktail Party for July ... only ... will take place on Friday, July 11 (yes, the 2nd Friday), hosted by **Carol** and **David Williams**. As always, all I'On residents are invited to 185 North Shelmore. BYOB, a glass and an appetizer to share. Call Brooke Niznik at 216-3475 or [bniznik@comcast.net](mailto:bniznik@comcast.net) with questions or if you would love to host a party. How about August, anyone?

### Community of I'On Artists Workshop

#### "Plein Air" with Emmy Bronson

Wednesday, July 16 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Community of I'On Artists is holding a "Plein Air" workshop at the Creek Club conducted by local artist Emmy Bronson. Plein Air simply means painting in the outdoors. Emmy Bronson will demonstrate tips and techniques of how to "capture" the subject outdoors, and bring it indoors (where it's a little cooler!) to paint. You can read how to sign

## Around I'On ... *continued*

up for the workshop by visiting [www.ionartist.com](http://www.ionartist.com). **The Artist Community would also like to encourage new painters to attend by offering the first hour of the workshop at no charge**, just to check it out. Oil painting is an approachable hobby that many can enjoy. Members of the Community of Artists will be on hand to act as mentors to answer questions and even offer a brush and some paint. Folks who want to come for the free hour need to make a reservation by contacting **Pam Schussel** at 216-7755, or [devoncraft@comcast.net](mailto:devoncraft@comcast.net).

### I'On Potluck Supper at the Creek Club

Wednesday, July 16 6:00 pm

Our hosts will be **Annie** and **Barry Bonk**. As always, we meet at 6:00 pm to socialize. Supper will begin at 6:30. If you haven't been to one, it's a great way to meet your neighbors and visit with new or familiar faces. **All you have to do is show up with a dish to pass** (*there is no rule that your dish to pass has to be made in your kitchen*), **your beverage of choice, glasses, plates, napkins and flatware**. Since this is a do it yourself event (*no staff*), we hope that everyone who participates will not mind helping to set up and clean up (*folding the chairs and tables*). No reservations required! **All I'On residents are welcome**. Questions ... call **Annie Bonk** at 881-7601 or [abbonk@msn.com](mailto:abbonk@msn.com).

### Yarn Buddies

Wednesday, July 23 10:00 am

Yarn Buddies will meet at the home of **Carolyn Pelletier**, 90 Ponsbury Road, from 10:00 till 11:30 am. All skill levels are welcome. Questions ... call Carolyn at 856-3212.

### Lunch Bunch ... *Goin' Green*

Thursday, July 24 10:00 am till ...

Our monthly Lunch Bunch includes both men and women this month. Meet at I'On Square at 10:00 am. The Conservati'on Corps is organizing this one. We'll carpool to several locations near Park Circle (*North Charleston*) to tour some cutting edge "**green**" projects, followed by lunch at Madra Rua (*Irish pub, owned by I'On neighbor, Stephen O'Connor*). RSVP to **Cynthia Rosengren** ([cynth31@comcast.net](mailto:cynth31@comcast.net) or 856-8239) or **Bud Wofford** ([woffordbruce@bellsouth.com](mailto:woffordbruce@bellsouth.com) or 388-0053) by July 20th. For emerging details, [click here](#).

Calling all  
skateboarders, roller  
bladers and scooter  
riders!

Think you're too old to ride your bike in the parade? The Conservation Corps of I'On needs a brigade of tweens and teens to follow our July 4<sup>th</sup> float and pass out ice to the spectators. It will be fun - we promise!!!

Questions, contact **Jennifer Richard** at 884-2925 or [craigjen@aol.com](mailto:craigjen@aol.com), or **Cynthia Rosengren** at 856-8239 or [cynth31@comcast.net](mailto:cynth31@comcast.net).

Sent in your PROXY  
yet???

If you haven't mailed in your Proxy - approving the **Transfer Amendment** as presented at the **HOA Mid-Year meeting** - you can hand it in at the I'On Trust tent during the Band Blast at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration (*at Westlake Amphitheatre*). If you want more information about the **Transfer Fee**, as well as the ability to download the Proxy form, visit the I'On Community Website ([you can do so by clicking here](#)).



## 4<sup>th</sup> of July CelebratI'On!

- ★ 9:30 am – I'On on Parade (starts at Perseverance Park)
- ★ 10:00 am – Salute on the Square
- ★ 6:00 pm – Band Blast 2008! (featuring "Heart and Soul")

***Admission is FREE!!!***

One of the most favorite days in the neighborhood will soon be here, and the I'On Trust hopes lots of folks are planning to celebrate Independence Day right here at home. There are new surprises planned throughout the day.

- ★ **Our traditional parade will line up near the fountain at Perseverance Park** and proceed to I'On Square. Dress up your kids, dogs, golf carts, wagons, bikes or scooters and plan to participate. Themed floats and groups are encouraged to join the fun – the more creative and sillier the better! The parade will be led this year by a military color guard.
- ★ **The Salute on the Square** will celebrate our country's birthday with patriotic activities and simple refreshments provided by the Trust.
- ★ **Late in the afternoon, our holiday concert will kick off at the Westlake Amphitheater.** "Heart and Soul," the group we enjoyed so much last year, is returning with classic rock, Motown, beach music, etc. Fun for children and adults.
  - Picnics, coolers, lawn chairs, blankets, and tents are welcome.
  - Food and beverages will also be available from vendors: Mr. Koolie (*ice cream*), O'Brion's (*beer and wine*) and Shane's Rib Shack (*sandwiches, sodas, water*)
  - Free jump castle and face-painting for the younger set!
  - Free prize drawing and give-aways!

**The I'On Trust is delighted to offer Band Blast 2008! – part of our 4<sup>th</sup> of July CelebratI'On, as a gift to the neighborhood and the broader community this year.** Admission will be free, thanks to generous support from I'On Realty and the I'On Assembly Homeowners' Association. We appreciate this collaboration to make July 4<sup>th</sup> a wonderful occasion. Encourage your friends and family to come celebrate in I'On!

We also have it on good authority that neighbors are planning spectacular fireworks after the Trust events conclude.

Special thanks to **Phil Ayers, Andrew McLester, Dawn and Fred McIntyre** for coordinating the planning for the day.

**"Remember to fly your Flag on July 4<sup>TH</sup>!!!"**

# The I'On Trust's New Image!

Our Membership Development Committee has been excited to unveil the new “seal” that the Trust is now using to identify events, activities, and members, etc. The seal was on the invitations to the SC Aquarium event and is on flyers and the banner at the I'On entrance announcing the July 4<sup>th</sup> plans. And it became visible during the evening at the Aquarium ☺.



So, now we want to have some fun with this image! **The committee is planning a neighborhood “Seal Hunt,” during each month from July through December.** The seal will be hidden on the day before the first of the new month somewhere in the neighborhood, in a public area, and I'On neighbors are invited to find it.

**Monthly prizes** (*gift certificates from businesses in I'On, Shelmore Village and the Bi-Lo center*) will be given to the first person who contacts Anne Register at 881-7541 or [aregister@theiontrust.org](mailto:aregister@theiontrust.org). There will also be a **grand prize drawing**, with the winner chosen from all the monthly winners, at the end of the Seal Hunt.

When you find the seal, contact Anne with your name, phone number or e-mail and the details of the location where you found it. **Don't move the seal from the spot** – just report to us that you have found it. (*The seal on the sign in the Square announcing July 4<sup>th</sup> activities does not count.*) The seal you are looking for will be about 3 inches in size – similar to the picture.

**We'll announce the winner's name in the next community newsletter.**

And this is only the beginning of some new surprises from the Trust!

## Membership News

**We had over 250 people of all ages at the SC Aquarium on June 16.** It was a really fun evening! Thanks to everyone who came and to the SC Aquarium and SunTrust for welcoming us and sponsoring the occasion.

We initiated a **discount membership offer** that evening – join the Trust for 2009 at an event between now and the end of October and save 10% on the regular fee. Come to the Trust tent on July 4<sup>th</sup> and sign up!

Our Membership Development Committee is chaired by **Louise Rainis** and includes **Meghan Alexander, Phil Ayers, Don Higgins, Carol Morgan, Dave Niemann, and Melinda Wrenn**. They are working very hard!

Trying to get rid of old cell phones? Here are two websites you can go to get FREE shipping labels printed to unload those old phones. Do it today!

[www.shelteralliance.net/cell-phone-donations/index.cfm](http://www.shelteralliance.net/cell-phone-donations/index.cfm) and

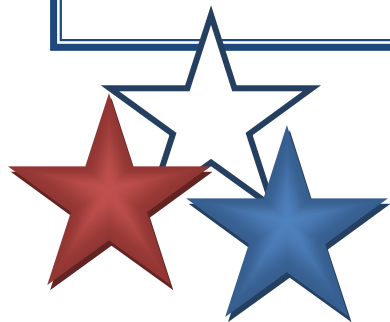
[www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com](http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com).

## Neighborliness Matters ...

In newsletters past, we use to have a section dedicated to neighborhood issues - specifically the kind of issues that arise when folks of all different ages live within a fairly close proximity .... kind of like I'On ... who may need an occasional reminder of good neighbor behavior. Like neighborhood manners. Well... I've been asked to revive this section for a few specific issues this month, as well as offer to you - fellow residents of I'On - the opportunity to write to me with your concerns. So, here we go...

- ✚ **Under-age kids driving golf carts.** I know we live in this self-contained community where you probably think its safe for the kids to take the cart for a ride. Just to the club, or around the block. But it's not. It's dangerous, and it's against the law. The city of Mount Pleasant requires that golf carts be driven by licensed drivers. They also have a pretty hefty fine should they find one that's not. Rather than waiting for a tragic accident to happen, please take responsibility for your kids. (If you'd like to see the current law, go to [www.townofmountpleasant.com](http://www.townofmountpleasant.com) and type "golf carts" in the search box.)
- ✚ **Check your outside lights.** This one may be under the radar, but tonight as you turn on your lights, give some thought as to how they're seen by your neighbors. They may be a little too bright, or shining someplace they shouldn't. Often times, garage lights are left on all night that shine into a neighbors' window. Tonight as you turn them on please take a look.
- ✚ **Trash and Recycling.** Trash pick-up is every Monday; recycling is every other Thursday (*this newsletter and the website list the specific dates*). Other than those times, these receptacles should be out of site. Please don't bring them out too early or put them away too late.
- ✚ **Street Parking.** We now have all those little white "t's" on the street and the object is to park between them. Those open spaces are needed for cars to pull over to let the car in the opposite direction pass. Please pay attention to where you park and ask your guests to do the same.

As I said earlier, I'd like to hear from you if you have topics of concern you'd like me to print. Please send them to Barbara Fry at [brbfry@comcast.net](mailto:brbfry@comcast.net). Oh, yeah: Dog Owners ... pick up the poop ... *please* ...



Have a Fabulous 4<sup>th</sup>!!!

