

## CIVITAS AWARD 2013

**It's my honor to announce the recipient of the I'On Civitas Award for 2013.**

**The Civitas Award was created in 2004 by two neighbors who recognized in this unique community of ours there are individuals within the I'On Community who provide outstanding community service to make our neighborhood a better place to live. Often times, the work isn't obvious, but it's needed and constant and makes a significant contribution to the betterment of I'On.**

**The first Civitas Award was given that year to a neighbor whose course of action and leadership enhanced this amazing community through projects and initiative in the areas of civic, cultural and social life.**

**Our community has many volunteers...and we need them to keep I'On running smoothly. This year's award recognizes an individual who goes above and beyond the call to assist. Not just one occasion, but several, over many years.**

**This year's recipient joined our community in the early years of development and has been giving to our community for some time.**

**In 2000 he and his wife opened their home on one of the first Holiday Home Tours.**

**Another year opened their home at the culmination of the Holiday Home Tour by welcoming the I'Onissimo Singers to perform a concert on their porch, while luminaries blazed along the lake.**

**Many years ago this individual served on the HOA board. And after that term was over he continued board service on the finance committee. He's a watch dog when it comes to our communities' money...."What we spend, Where we spend it." He asks questions and follows through month after month.**

**He's served as an Elder with his church, worked with the Charleston County election commission, hosted a political fundraiser. He's part of the social fabric of our community.**

**Please help me in honoring this man of character...Ed Clem.**