Living in I'On

Neighborhood Happenings for the Month of July 2014

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Coming In August

8/18 Charleston County Schools welcome back students

4th of July CelebratI'On

On Friday, July 4th, a great day of activities is planned in I'On for the entire family to enjoy. It is a perfect time to be both an American and a resident of I'On!

It kicks off at 7:30 a.m. with the **I'On Club's Firecracker 5k** run. Put on your most patriotic outfit, and enjoy winding through the streets and trails in our neighborhood. The race is free and open to all residents of I'On and members of the I'On Club. In addition, the Club will provide a complimentary breakfast for race participants and other I'On residents from 7:30 until 9:00 a.m. at the I'On Club. To pre-register, visit www.theionclub/firecracker5k.com.

Following the 5k, the **Parade on I'On**, sponsored by the I'On Trust, will line up near Perseverance Park on North Shelmore. Everyone is encouraged to participate or come out and watch this traditional Independence Day event. Decorated bikes and golf carts, children and dogs are all welcome. And creativity, including special guests, is welcome. The parade will start at 9:30 a.m. and travel from Perseverance Park to the Square. Again this year, we are delighted to have the Engine Truck from Fire Station 3 participating. We will welcome the Honor Guard from the Air Force to lead the parade in appropriate patriotic fashion. These service men and women will also lead the **Salute on the Square** which begins at 10:00 a.m. The Naval Nuclear Power Training Command Choral Group will participate as well.

Then, at 6 p.m., the CelebratI'On Concert at the Amphitheater, again sponsored by the I'On Trust, will begin, featuring the music of **Plane Jane**. Bring your picnics, blankets and chairs and plan to enjoy the evening. The music will continue until 9 p.m. O'Brion's and Lowcountry Fun Foods and Mr. Koolie will be on hand with food and beverages. The kids will be eager to enjoy the Giant Slide and Face-painting.

Of course, all of these great events need volunteers. Please think about helping out, and contact Margaret Summers at msummers@iontrust.org for more information.

Parking Considerations for the 4th

If you live on N Shelmore between Perseverance and the Square, please move your car off the street by 8:30 am on Friday the 4th, and please put up your Stars and Stripes.

West Shipyard will be closed from 5:30 to 9 pm during the picnic and concert. Please help us make certain emergency vehicles have proper access by not blocking the ends of the street closure with cars, golf carts, or bikes.

Welcome New Neighbors

Sam & Elle Haynes
68 Joggling Street

Phillip Davis & Angel French-Davis
19 Prescient Street

Dana Streep
67 Joggling Street

Christopher & Melissa LeFave
118 West Shipyard

Cynthia & Carrie Vaccarelli
91 Latitude Lane

Robert Bruce
31 John Galt Way

Terry Monell
18 Frogmore Road

Steve and Joan Zaleski
179 Ponsbury Road

Moving around I'On

Robert Adams
305 North Shelmore Blvd

Max & Meg Carroll
183 Civitas Street

If you are, or know of, a new or relocating neighbor who hasn't been properly welcomed, please inform Jessica Gosnell with SCS at (843) 388-7547 or jgosnell@scs-carolina.com about your new address so she can share your information with everyone.

Around I'On…

I'On Design Committee (IDC) Review
Tuesday, July 1st and July 15th

All design changes must be submitted to the I'On Design Committee before scheduling any exterior work, including landscape changes. The IDC meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month, if the need arises. The submittal deadline is one week prior, making the submittal dates July 8th for the July 15th review and July 29th for the August 5th review.

July 4th CelebratI'On
Friday, July 4th,
7:30 am I'On Club's Firecracker 5K,
9:30 am Parade from Perseverance Park to I'On Square,
10:00 am Salute on the Square,
6:00 - 9:00 pm Picnic and Concert on Westlake

4th of July is always a big celebration in I'On. The I'On Trust has a great day of activities planned. Come to one or all and feel free to bring family and friends. For more information about the I'On's Trust's events or to volunteer, please contact Margaret Summers at msummers@iontrust.org. Information on the Firecracker 5K can be found at www.theionclub.com/firecracker5k.

I'On Women's Coffee
Tuesday, July 8th, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
97 North Shelmore Boulevard - Sally Raver's Home

Please stop in for some coffee and conversation. Look for the blue Trust sign in front of Sally's house. Bring your coffee cup and spend a lovely morning with your neighbors. All ladies are welcome. Call Linda Rinaldi at 388-5209 or Jan Laabs at 284-8799 if you have any questions.

Potluck Dinner
Tuesday, July 15th, 6:30 pm
Creek Club

Becky Van Wie and Anne Register will be hosting our July potluck dinner. All you need to bring is a dish to share with everyone - fresh from your kitchen or the local take-out….along with your own plate, utensils, and drink. It is always a lovely evening with the best of food and the most wonderful dinner companions. Do hope you will join us - and bring a neighbor. There is room for all. See you at the Creek Club! For more information, contact Gail Hardie at gailphardie@hotmail.com.

Yarn Buddies
Wednesday, July 23rd, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
286 North Shelmore Boulevard - Judy Chisholm's Home

Whether you have a needlework project you are working on or not, we guarantee a fun morning with lively conversation and help with a project for anyone needing it. If you have questions, contact Delores Rosebrock at 881-1693 or deloresrosebrock@comcast.net

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Lunch Bunch
Thursday, July 24 19th, 12:00 noon
Bistro Toulouse - 1220 Ben Sawyer Boulevard
Bistro Toulouse is a wonderful Parisian-style bistro in the Sea Island shopping center. Email Brooke Niznik at bniznik@comcast.net for reservations by Thursday, July 17.

I'On Birdwalk
Saturday, July 26th, 9:00 am
Pitt Street Causeway
We will meet at the beginning of the causeway. Please RSVP to Craig Richard at craig.Richard@me.com.

I'On Assembly Board Meeting (our HOA)
with Homeowners' Forum at the beginning, Thursday, July 24th, 6:00 pm
159 Civitas Street (back entrance) Second Floor Conference Room
Look for the agenda on the I'On Community Website a few days before. All homeowners are welcome.

Be InVOLved in I'On

July 4th: It is not too late to volunteer for July 4th. Lots of help is needed and the time commitment is not too much. Volunteering is uniquely American! Celebrate our country's 238th birthday by helping out a bit in the midst of enjoying all the festivities. Contact Margaret Summers at msummers@iontrust.org – young folks can help as well as adults.

Looking Ahead: Several Unique Opportunities

- Do you like to write and organize – how about helping with the monthly I'On Community Newsletter?
- Do you like to take photographs of people and scenery – how about becoming a "photographer on call" to help with capturing special pictures of what's happening in the 'hood and other images that are unique to I'On?
- Is Halloween a fun time of the year for you – how about helping with our own Halloween in the 'Hood carnival next fall? You'll need a costume and a willingness to have fun and eat hot dogs and candy.
- Do you get excited each November as the holidays approach and festive lights and decorations begin to fill your thoughts – how about helping I'On put on its holiday face by hanging wreaths and garland and enjoying hot chocolate and cookies with your neighbors? This could be a fun morning for the entire family.

If any of these pique your interest, please let us hear from you. I'On doesn't just happen because it is full of great homes, great folks, and special amenities. As wonderful as it is, we don't have good fairies and magicians who make the I'On spirit real. It takes a commitment of time and energy and skills on the part of some neighbors who are willing to jump in and help. Often the inVOLvements create friendships and opportunities you might not think possible. To learn more, contact Anne Register (aregister@bellsouth.net).

Website

If you have not already signed up, go to www.ioncommunity.com, click "Sign In", click "Sign Up" under new user, pick a username and password and then you are registered to use the website! Or to make it even easier, you can e-mail Jessica Gosnell at jgosnell@scs-carolina.com, provide her with your I'On address as well as your preferred username and password; then she will set you up on the website!

Congratulations I'On Graduates!!

Medical School

- Dr. Grace Conant Banner MD, daughter of Susan Conant and Trip Banner, graduated from Jefferson Medical University in Philadelphia and will start her Ob/Gyn Residency at Rush Hospital in Chicago.

Masters Degree

- Becky Countryman, daughter of Vickie and David Countryman received her Masters degree in psychology from The Citadel.

College

- Whittaker Grey Gowder, son of Mendy and Andy Gowder, graduated from the College of William and Mary with a double major in History and Film/ Theater.
- Kendall Headden, daughter of Paulette and Gary Headden, graduated from Clemson University and will be starting medical school at MUSC in the fall.
- Julia Olson, daughter of Amy Olson, Ray Olson, and Michael Silver graduated Cum Laude from the College of Charleston majoring in International Business with two minors in German and Spanish.
- Claire Smithy, daughter of Cindy and George Smithy, graduated in May from Furman University and will stay there to complete her Masters degree.
- Carol Ann (Sunny) Streep, daughter of Dana Streep, graduated Cum Laude from Bucknell University.
- Emily Yoho, daughter of Duval and Tom Acker and wife of Andy Yoho, graduated from Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy with a PharmD. doctorate and will be working at Beaufort Memorial Hospital.

High School

- Joseph Ayers, son of Jennifer Ayers-Millar, graduated from Porter-Gaud and will be attending the College of Charleston to study Computer Science.
- Harry Barnes, son of BJ and Joe Barnes, graduated from Wando High School and will be attending New York University in the fall to study Film.
- Hannah Clarke, daughter of Phil and Angie Clarke, graduated from Porter-Gaud and will attend Auburn University in the fall.
- Summer Estee, daughter of Rick Estee, graduated from Wando High School and will be attending Temple University in the fall.
- Merritt Headden, daughter of Paulette and Gary Headden, graduated from Porter-Gaud and will be attending Clemson University in the fall.
- Amanda Kasman, daughter of Alex and Laura Kasman, graduated as Valedictorian for the Charleston School of the Arts and will be attending the University of Delaware to study Art Conservation in the fall.
- Andrew Proctor, son of Ellie and Chris Proctor, graduated from North Cross School in Roanoke, Virginia and will be attending the University of Virginia in the fall.
- Kyle Stephenson, son of Terry and Brian Stephenson, graduated from Wando High School and will be attending the University of South Carolina in Columbia in the fall.
- Mary Elise Williams, daughter of Denise Williams, graduated from Porter-Gaud school and will be attending Berklee College of Music in the fall.
- Davis Wright, son of David Wright, graduated from Wando High School and will be attending the University of South Carolina in the fall.

Middle School

- Max von Asten, son of Claudia and Johann von Asten, graduated from Mason Preparatory School (8th grade) and will attend Academic High School in the fall.

Feedback from the June 17th Neighborhood Town Hall

Thanks to everyone who came out and participated at the Assembly's mid-year Town Hall Forum. We received over 100 comments, suggestions and recommendations from our neighbors with our "Express Yourself" exercise on the Creek Club porch. Comments shared are listed below. If you didn't get a chance to leave your comments, you can still do so www.ioncommunity.com and add a note through the HOA mailbox tab.

I really appreciate.....

- My neighbors stopping by.
- I'On's Visionary Founders!!
- Volunteers (this got a Ditto).
- Less (no) chickens.
- Our common areas.
- The landscaping.
- Lee Ann and Brad for fighting for our docks.
- Community Garden. (hear, hear!).
- Beautiful I'On.
- The quality of life in I'On.
- Landscape committee.
- HOA board. (I second that.) (This got a Ditto)
- I'On + HOA.
- How beautiful I'On is.
- I'On's spirit.
- Father John at Holy Ascension Church.

Let's bring back.....

- The house tour (2).
- Dave & Cynthia Rosengren.
- BBQ's, fish fries and oyster roast at the Creek club.(this got a Ditto)
- Summer weeknight concerts at the amphitheater.
- Teenager activities – dances, movies, pool party.
- Organized boating on the lakes for kids.
- CSO concerts and College of Charleston plays.
- Fish fry at Creek Club.

Why can't we do...in I'On?

- The board have less executive session time.
- Chickens. (2)
- No chickens (2) anywhere in I'On.
- If a home has parking behind the house, send a letter encouraging them to park in the back and leave the street parking for guests and maintenance people.
- Leave Compliance Committee duties up to Property Management.
- No blue signs in windows for repairs.
- Host political candidate forums to get a better understanding of who is running and their platforms. It happened here in the past and was moderated by the League of Women Voters. Would be a good thing to do again - a good public service. I'On is the size of Sullivan's Island, and this would provide an important opportunity for candidates to reach this community on the same podium, rather than the solo events we've evolved to.

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I'd like more of...

- Website public page - More info (or a video) on our amenities and neighborhood.
- Marked, raised crosswalks at I'On Square.
- Dance parties :) . (2)
- Fixing alleys and hairpin turns in I'On.
- Concerts.
- Stop sign at Sowell and Shelmore.
- NO dogs off leash.
- More dogs off leash.(3)
- Roadway space...too little is causing people to gun it when they can go.
- Chickens!!! (2)
- Off-street parking for ADU's, e.g. not like Latitude Lane.
- People picking up after their dogs. (2)
- One way sign on Rialto at the end of John Galt.
- Restaurants in the Square.

I'd like less of...

- Shelmore Boulevard car jousting
- Less of our Old Park neighbors on Cistern Ally dumping their weekly yard debris piles in the public parking spaces on Eastlake Road every week. It is public property!
- Speeding.
- Cars parked on streets – use your garages and driveways.
- Dogs off leash! (2)
- Fewer on-street parking places.
- HOA dues - Reduced landscaping. No maintenance of the strip between street & sidewalk .
- Trash being put out before Monday AM.
- Noise - No leaf blowers.
- Dead bugs in the tree lights.
- People who have parking behind their homes...encouraged not to park on street.
- No chickens.
- So sick of all the chicken talk – Let's be done with it all – Board said No. NO.

I wish I'On had...

A lecture series.
A bocce court.
Outdoor chess.
Better (any) cell service.
Outdoor/pool movie nights.
Summer chess tournament.
More diversity & tolerance.
A regular dock party for families.
A reliable working fountain in Perseverance Park and at Joggling Park.
A Thai Chi garden.
A capture the flag game.
Jazz at the Creek Club.
A lecture series on SC history.
Carter's back.
Weekend boat event at Creek Club.
Back-to-school dance for teenagers.
Dog park. (9)
Allow chickens.
Keyed mailboxes.
Badminton tournament and court.
More pet stations (3)
Book group - Joan Zaleskie's.
A junior dock fishing tournament.
Complete the dog park!
Book group - Marilyn Colen
More book clubs, poker games, and introductions to golf foursomes.

I'On Assembly Board News

I'On Assembly Board July Litigation Update

The I'On Assembly learned in late June that Judge Stephanie McDonald will be presiding over a new trial now scheduled to begin on July 28th. The I'On Company and the I'On Club filed an additional lawsuit relating to the provisions of the Recreational Easement that governs the Creek Club and other community facilities, but it now appears that the judge has decided to combine that suit with the current Creek Club suit, and address these issues as part of the original litigation.

Lease Agreement for the Creek Club

Under the partial settlement of the Creek Club litigation, the Assembly purchased the Creek Club for $495,000, and leased the building, the lawn and three parking spaces back to 148 Civitas, LLC to operate as a wedding venue. Under the lease terms, we have capped the number of weddings, restricted dock closures, improved parking access for boaters, created a revenue stream for the Assembly based on dock closures beginning in 2015, improved the services available to the Assembly and Potluck dinner group, and provided for a substantially discounted rental rate for I'On residents to hold special events at the Club on a space-available basis. The Assembly entered into this settlement primarily to ensure that, regardless of the outcome of any litigation, the Assembly would have full ownership of the deep water docks, a valuable community amenity.

The availability to I'On residents is intended for family non-wedding events, provided the Club has not already been booked thirty days in advance. I'On residents may rent the facility for $600 (normal rates are over $2,000), plus an additional fee if they wish to bring in their own caterer. While it might be possible that community activities could book the Creek Club on a space-available basis, at a reasonable cost, subject to discussions with the Creek Club operator, the Creek Club cannot be considered as a community center for the neighborhood at this point.

As further clarification on this last matter, in years past, the Board reserved and paid for additional use by various community groups. However, as use declined or disappeared, the Board moved to reduce its financial commitment to funding the Potluck and Assembly meeting dates only. If many residents can show a big demand for additional time, the Board would be willing to explore such an option with the Club operators.

In addition, under the Lease Agreement, the Assembly will receive, at no additional cost, ownership of Lot CV-5, the overflow parking lot, at the end of the first lease term, and has a right of first refusal on Lot 275, the residential lot next to the Creek Club along the marsh path.

Express Yourself

Express Yourself: We started a new way to collect comments and questions from I'On neighbors at the Town Hall Forum on June 17. If you'd like to add your thoughts, go to the website – www.ioncommunity.com , find the HOA Mailbox tab, and send along your ideas. The Communications Committee is collecting all of these. *(Note the ideas that were posted at the Forum in this newsletter.)* If we don't hear from neighbors, we won't know what your wishes and hopes are for I'On as well as the things you aren't so fond of around here.

THE I'ON TRUST PRESENTS

I'ON CLUB'S FIRECRACKER 5K

register at www.theionclub.com/firecracker5K

4th of July CelebratI'On

7:30 am I'ON CLUB'S FIRECRACKER 5K — A complimentary breakfast will be served to participants and residents. For details www.theionclub.com

9:30 am I'ON ON PARADE — starts at Perseverance Park

10:00 am SALUTE ON THE SQUARE

6:00 pm CONCERT — featuring Plane Jane at the Amphitheater

PICNICS, COOLERS, LAWN CHAIRS & TENTS WELCOME!

ALSO AVAILABLE
O'Brion's, Lowcountry Fun Foods and Mr. Koolie

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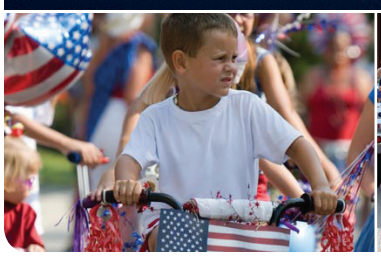
Call **843.881.7541** or visit **www.iontrust.org** for more information.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED & APPRECIATED — CALL 843.881.7541

I'On Community Garden

They're bugging us again!

As we start harvesting crops from our garden, one of the big challenges is preventing annoying fruit fly infestations in our kitchens.

Back, by popular demand, is the I'On Community Garden simple and safe solution to get rid of these pests.

Here's what you'll need to do battle:

- *4 oz jar -- can be slightly larger or smaller*
- *1/4 cup of water*
- *1 to 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar*
- *a few drops of dish soap*

The vinegar draws them in, the soap traps them and they're history!

Gardening Tips & News

Hey…where did all those fruit flies come from?

The fruit fly's #1 job is to find fermenting fruit and veggies. They have a keen sense of smell and are small enough to get through screens and door jambs. Most of the time, they simply hitch a ride on produce that you bring into your kitchen from your garden or the store.

Once indoors they reproduce fast, going from an egg to a full adult within a week. Before you know it, you've got a swarm.

They also love sink drains, sponges and anything damp that's a home for food particles.

So if you've got 'em… it's time to get rid of them!

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