

LIVING IN 'ON

It's a way of life, not just a place to call home

You're Invited

- 6/6 Grub On The Green
- 6/7 First Friday Cocktails
- 6/11 Women's Coffee
- 6/12 Ladies' Movie Group
- 6/13 Women's Lunch Bunch
- 6/19 Potluck Dinner
- 6/20 Grub On The Green
- 6/26 Yarn Buddies

Other Important Dates

- 6/4 IDC Review
- 6/6 Recycling Pickup
- 6/18 IDC Review
- 6/19 Board Meeting, 6:00pm
- 6/20 Recycling Pickup

Creek Club Dock Closures

- 6/2 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 6/7 5:25 - 5:55pm
- 6/8 5:25 - 5:55pm
- 6/15 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 6/16 5:25 - 5:55pm
- 6/21 5:25 - 5:55pm
- 6/30 4:55 - 5:25pm



Your Community Is Calling

The word volunteer as defined by the dictionary: (noun) a person who freely offers to take part in an enterprise or undertake a task; (verb) freely offer to do something. The word volunteer as defined by volunteers: "to give freely of yourself in service to a cause with a desire to do good and to promote a positive change". No matter how you define it, volunteers are what give the I'On community life! They are working behind the scenes so you have lovely gardens, social groups, fun monthly events, annual holiday decor and gatherings, a newsletter and website, preservation of I'Ons beautification, and so much more! Without volunteers the things you love most about your community cannot happen.

So why not volunteer? A lot of research has been done in the area of volunteering and there are three reasons people say they don't - "I don't have enough time, the schedules are inflexible", "not enough information or it isn't interesting to me", and "no one asked me". Well, in I'On, there is an answer for all of these!

- Time need not be a problem - there are volunteer needs that range from one time individual events to joining a committee, and everything in between
- A list of volunteer opportunities are on page 6 of this newsletter AND the are on the community website - something for everyone
- YOU are needed - will you volunteer?





Do You Have A Graduate?

Submit An Announcement

If you have a recent high school or college graduate and would like to include an announcement in next month's newsletter please send your submissions (photo optional) to [Leah Simmons](#), by the end of the day Thursday, June 27th.

Will You Sign Up?

Communications Committee

Two community member seats are currently available. One seat is for the Newsletter Editor. If you want to give back through keeping neighbors connected contact [Chris Colen](#) or [Mary Fraser](#). Click [here](#) to review the Newsletter Editor role.

Holiday Decor

Two to three volunteers are needed to take over the annual holiday decorating and wreath fluffing. This tradition cannot be continued without them. Contact [Susie](#) or [Connie](#) for more information!

I'On Design Committee

There is currently a community member seat available. If you are interested in serving by preserving the look of I'On please contact the Assembly Board's IDC Liaison, [Julie Hussey](#)! More information can be found [here](#).

I'On Trust

Without volunteers many great events would not be possible. To volunteer at any of their events contact [Margaret Summers](#).

An Individual's Impact



I'On was designed by a founder with extraordinary vision but as we enter our 21st year, the neighborhood's evolving needs require constant care and commitment by dedicated and talented volunteers. We say thank you to these exemplary volunteers for their time and bringing passion to their individual roles.

Thank you, Steve Degnen!

After serving for over five years on the I'On Design Committee Steve Degnen has decided to resign. He has shared his design and communications background in order to preserve the heritage of our community. His thoughtful analysis of building proposals and the consistent goal of maintaining the design integrity of the neighborhood that we are all so proud to call home has set an outstanding example. During Steve's time with the IDC he raised awareness of the need for project oversight by writing a monthly update in the I'On newsletter which is still being enjoyed by readers today. In addition to serving on the IDC, Steve envisioned, initiated and coordinated our Community Garden that is flourishing today. Steve is a graduate of Pratt Institute and his professional experience in visual design has been of great benefit to this community. His dedication combined with his expertise, time, and energy deserve recognition for a job well done! The IDC sends their heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Steve.

Thank You, Pam Gabriel!

One of the many reasons we've all come to I'On is its timeless architectural design and beautiful landscape. We can thank Pam Gabriel, who after over 10 years of being on the I'On Design Committee's Neighborhood Coordinator has decided to retire in August. As the liaison between homeowners, their architects and builders, and the IDC committee, Pam has diligently worked to protect the consistency of I'On's lowcountry vernacular design that sets our community apart. Her design knowledge and care for our residents have allowed her to successfully address homeowner's personal style while conforming to I'On's established design standards. In addition to her IDC role, Pam has authored several books and magazine articles on Charleston's history and architectural heritage. Her book, 'The Unique Charleston Single Home' is a great guide to the history and homes of downtown Charleston. Few understand the history of I'On as well as Pam. Her recent Walking Tour of I'On for our I'On at Home group was a big hit and an additional tour is planned for the fall.

Pam, while you will miss helping homeowners realize their dreams we know you'll enjoy having more time with your family and continuing writing the history of the lowcountry and its architecture. We thank you for all of your hard work and hope you'll come back often to visit the community you helped design!

Thank you, Meegan Graham!

Upon arrival in I'On Meegan eagerly joined the communication committee and spent the next five years dedicating her time to bringing the community together through words. She served as the Newsletter Editor for four of those years and could be found at almost all the monthly events - snapping photos to share the experiences in the newsletter. She has been a wonderful addition to the Communications Committee providing knowledge and thoughtful solutions. It is why we are sad to see her step down from the committee in order to pursue other adventures. We are comforted in knowing she will still be seen around I'On adding her flair for life to each event. Thank you for all you do, Meegan!





Keep Your Eye On...

I'On Trust's July 4th Parade

Thursday, July 4, 9:30am
Starts at Perseverance Park
Click [HERE](#) to VOLUNTEER!

I'On Trust's July 4th Concert

Thursday, July 4, 6:00 - 9:00pm
Westlake Amphitheatre

Community Docks

Summer is here, so let's go boating y'all! But first - a few reminders about the Community Docks. All boats must be registered with the I'On Assembly Manager at the office (located at 159 Civitas Street, Suite 211). Registration is \$25 and you will receive a dock key and boat decal. Boats are not to be docked for more than 48 hours at a time in order to make room for other boats. Please be mindful of this as you are using the docks this summer. And finally, remember to have fun and be safe!!



Geese by Lake on Eastlake Trail
Photo by: April Gordon, taken May 4, 2019

You're Invited...



...First Friday Cocktails

Friday, June 7, 6:00 - 8:00pm
193 Ponsbury Road; Hosted by Bob and Susan Fitzgerald
For I'on residents, their family, friends, and guests!
Please bring an appetizer to share, a choice of beverage, and your own glass!
For questions or to host contact [Kathy Chambers](#), 843-469-8432 or [Karen Rathbun](#), 843-936-6590

...I'On Trust's Grub On The Green

Thursday, June 6, 5:30 - 7:30pm and Thursday, June 20, 5:30 - 7:30pm
Maybank Green with Musical Entertainment to be announced
A special treat is planned for the kids to celebrate their last day of school!
Food Trucks On Site: [Damiano's Wood Fire Pizza](#); [Herd Provisions](#); [Wally Gyros](#); [Woof! Woof!](#) will be on site for your four legged friends as well!

Check out iontrust.org for an up to date list of events and sign up for e-mails if you aren't already.

...Ladies' Movie Group

Wednesday, June 12, late afternoon
Go for a late afternoon movie followed by a stop at a local gathering place for drinks and a bite to eat! An informational e-mail will be sent out the weekend before.
Not on the e-mail list? Contact [Jan Laabs](#) to be added!

...Potluck Dinner

Wednesday, June 19, 6:00 - 7:30pm
Creek Club; Hosted by Jaimie Flack and Jennifer Welham
Bring a dish (with serving utensil) to share, plus your own plate, utensils, and beverage.
You do not have to cook what you bring, just grab a yummy dish from one of the many great local options!
For more information contact [Lydia Engelhardt](#).



...Women's Coffee

Tuesday, June 11, 10:00am - 12:00pm
43 Krier Lane; Hosted by Barbara Wade
An easy and enjoyable way to meet interesting women in your community. Bring your cup for coffee or tea!
Women's Coffee is sponsored by I'On Trust and is coordinated by [Nance Nixon](#), 908-507-6680 and [Eileen Moore](#), 571-723-9733. For more information contact Nance or Eileen.

...Women's Lunch Bunch

Thursday, June 13, 11:30am - 1:00pm
Long Island Cafe, 1515 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms; Hosted by Lydia Engelhardt
To be added to the reservation call or e-mail [Lydia](#), 843-884-8400. RSVPs must be made by June 11th to be included in the reservation.
Long Island Cafe is a longtime favorite of locals and regular IOP visitors. It offers delicious local seafood and salads in a casual atmosphere. This outing presents a great opportunity for a pre-lunch beach walk with friends!

...Yarn Buddies

Wednesday, June 26, 10:00am - 12:00pm
97 North Shelmore Boulevard; Hosted by Sally Raver
If you have an interest in hand needlework - crocheting, needlepoint, rug hooking, even jewelry-making, then you need to be at Yarn Buddies! They share ideas and tips, offer assistance, and have lots of fun conversation!
E-mail [Delores Rosebrock](#) for more information.



IDC Resources

Preserving the look of I'On

Prior to beginning any new construction or landscaping project, please contact the Neighborhood Coordinator [Pam Gabriel](#), 843-606-6366, to get the information needed to expedite the review process. Pam's office hours are Mon - Fri, 11am - 3pm.

All projects **must have written IDC approval and permit prior to starting any work**. Failure to do so could result in delays and possible sanctions for non-compliance.

Click [here](#) to visit the I'On Design Committee page and click [here](#) to view a full copy of the Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, and Rules.

Nearing IDC Review Meetings

Tuesday, June 4

Tuesday, June 18

Tuesday, July 2

Tuesday, July 16

You Can Help

Do you have a new neighbor?!

Introduce yourself and then reach out to the I'On Ambassador Coordinator, [Mary Kaplan](#), 843-388-4489.

We want all our new neighbors to be greeted as soon as possible!



This Month With I'On's Design Committee

Tips for Choosing House Colors in I'On

While your neighbor's house can give you color ideas, don't copy it exactly. Choose paint colors that set your house apart, without clashing with nearby buildings. Harmony is very important in I'On where homes are close together.

Select three colors: the exterior siding will be your main color, then the trim color, and an accent color. When choosing colors, be sure to take into consideration the color of your roof and other existing materials, such as roof edging and railings. A distinctive and bolder accent color for doors and shutters is great, but don't go overboard. A copper red or a deep gold might look great on a front door, but using that same color on shutters could be very unattractive.

A safe and effective way to choose overall house and trim colors is to stay in the color family. Use a paint color strip and pick two colors just a few shades apart. Either the lighter or the darker shade could be used for the body and opposite for the trim.

Remember the visual effect you want for your house. A slightly lighter or brighter color will make it stand out. Light colors also make a house look larger. Conversely, darker ones can make your house appear to recede. More intense colors are more likely to fade and dark colors absorb heat and suffer more moisture problems than lighter shades.



For inspiration take a look at the Colors of Historic Charleston, developed by The Historic Charleston Foundation and Sherwin-Williams. It has a great palette with complimentary colors for trim and doors. Still stuck for inspiration? These books and online articles are excellent references for helping you with color selections:

- Exteriors, by Inger McCabe Elliott
- House Colors: Exterior Color by Style of Architecture, by Susan Hersham
- Paint In America: The Colors of Historic Buildings, by Roger W. Moss, Jr.
- The Perfectly Painted House: A Foolproof Guide for Choosing Exterior Colors for Your Home, by Bonnie Rosser Krims
- [Perfect Southern Paint Colors](#), by Garden & Gun
- [What Color Can I Paint My Home in Historic Charleston?](#) (this one is just fun!)

I'On Ambassador

Welcome, New Neighbors!

A big welcome to the newest I'On families! Make sure to stop by, introduce yourself, and invite them to our fabulous community events!

- Lynne and Rand Eyberg, 17 Prescient Street
- Priscilla and Stephen Killeen, 189 N Shelmore Boulevard
- Beth Maass and Marilyn Quethera, 115 Civitas Street
- Jed Roberts and Suzanne Szeccilla, 174 Ionsborough Street
- Audrey and David Shaw, 201 N Shelmore Boulevard

*A good neighbor
increases property
value.*

-Czech Proverbs



The I'On Trust: Great Events To Know About Now

July 4th Parade and Concert

Please plan to join the parade which gathers at 9:15am at Perseverance Park and then makes it way up North Shelmore Boulevard to The Square. Anyone who wishes to participate in the parade is welcome on bicycles, foot with dogs, and golf carts.

There will be a contest for decorated golf carts as well as the most patriotic dog! If there are any groups that would like to perform, please



contact Margaret at The I'On Trust to be sure to get in the parade line up. It's a wonderfully festive day in I'On and it takes a lot of VOLUNTEERS to make this terrific parade happen. The I'On Trust is very grateful for help from community volunteers. There are many ways to help - to see how click [here](#).

The Concert will be 6:00 - 9:00pm at Westlake Amphitheater. There will also be a giant slide and face painting for the kids. Pack a picnic dinner and join the celebration!



The Giving Lights of I'On

This is a great fundraising project coordinated during the holidays. Luminary kits are sold to support a local non-profit. If you are passionate about a particular charity that



addresses a basic human need in our tri-county area, and are willing to head up the volunteer effort, please click [here](#) to find out more.

I'On's Community Garden

Is Switching It Up

Sadly, First Friday at the garden in May was cancelled due to the threat of rain. Since then, Mother Nature has pulled back with dry, hot weather. It is disappointing for community gardeners, who were feasting on their tender green lettuce and other cool weather crops and expecting to enjoy them for weeks to come. Unfortunately, even with diligent watering, most of our lettuces and other greens are signaling the end of their reign. It is time to turn over their space in the plots to heat loving plants that thrive in Charleston's hot summers, like: tomatoes, beans, and corn. This process is underway and, despite the unwelcome heat wave, we are anticipating bountiful harvests ahead.

For more information regarding the Community Garden contact [April Gordon](#).



Gardeners working diligently to turn over plots for the summer

I'On's Butterfly Garden 🦋

Welcomes New Visitors

The BG (Butterfly Garden) is open for business and welcoming flower loving butterflies, bees, and humans - among other guests. Current visitors include multiple Monarch butterflies, even (we hope!) four that were raised as caterpillars in a protective cage by Libby Eble and Mallory and Gray Norvell. Those butterflies emerged from the chrysalis stage and were released in the garden in May. Welcome to I'On Monarch family!



Note the orange and black wings of this Monarch emerging from its chrysalis

I'On's Yard of The Month

May Winners

Congratulations to Janine and John Belanger of 101 Ponsbury Road and Kim Hopkins of 236 Ponsbury Road, May's Yard of the Month Winners!



The Belangers have completely transformed their large corner garden with the help of Paul Mulkey from The Tree Clinic. Their "old tired yard" was reworked and "opened up to showcase its beauty". The garden is full of color with hydrangeas, camellias, leopard plants, Japanese Maples, and Crepe Myrtles! Their secret? The soil - "out with the old, in with the new"!

Kim has worked almost daily to bring her beautiful garden to life since moving in a couple years ago. Once the giant gum tree was removed she single-handedly designed and planted the garden "to have year-round interest"

with "high fragrance" camellias, gardenias, roses, hydrangeas, and tea olives. It is a work of art and a joy to behold.

A huge thank you to this month's sponsor, [The Shellmore](#), for providing gift certificates to the winners of May's Yard of the Month! Next month we will be recognizing two of I'On's prettiest porches. To nominate a porch for the next Yard of the Month contact [Michele Wilson](#) by May 21st.





I'On Board

Board Meetings 2019

February 18
 March 18
 April 15
 May 20
 June 19, mid-year meeting
 July 15
 August 19
 September 16
 October 28
 November 18
 December 16

Communications Committee

Members

Chris Colen
 Communications Chair
 Leah Simmons
 Living In I'On Editor
 Mary Fraser
 Southern Community Services
 Jessica Gosnell
 Southern Community Services
 Cameron Conway
 Mary Kaplan
 Michael McLaughlin
 Margaret Summers

Comments or Questions?

E-mail The Editor

The Communications Committee wants to hear from you! Click [here](#) to submit your questions, comments, and requests.

I'On At Home

Welcome New Executive Director

As June quickly approaches, I'On At Home prepares to bid farewell to Arlyn Stoy, IAH's Member Services Coordinator for more than two years. We have learned to count on her conscientious attention to detail and her kind, reliable presence behind the scenes of our operation, and we will miss her.

With this, I'On At Home is pleased to announce that Sarah Fischer has joined the team as the new IAH Executive Director. Sarah comes to IAH with a great deal of experience in communications, nonprofit program planning and management, case management, and technology. Of equal importance, she is full of positive energy and enthusiasm for the IAH mission. Sarah will be meeting with IAH committee chairs, attending committee meetings, and participating in events, as time allows. IAH is looking forward to welcoming her!

First-Ever Member Survey Conducted

I'On At Home's first member survey had an excellent response rate of 54%. Respondents' most significant reason for joining is to attend social, cultural, and educational activities with other seniors. A close second is having the "insurance" of knowing IAH and its services will be around when in-home services are needed. Currently offered services are meeting members' needs and a majority is comfortable asking for them. About three-quarters of members are willing to pay modest amounts for events, and close to 90% will pay even more for special events. Events are well-attended; non-attendance is usually due to members' busy schedules. IAH communications, in particular the weekly emails, are widely read and well-received.

All I'On residents over age 55 are welcome to join I'On At Home. For more information, contact [Kathryn Murray](#), Membership Chair.

