

LIVING IN I'ON

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

You're Invited

- 5/3 First Friday Cocktails
- 5/10 Ladies' Movie Group
- 5/11 Women's Lunch Bunch
- 5/14 Women's Coffee
- 5/22 Potluck Dinner
- 5/22 Yarn Buddies
- 5/26 Memorial Day Picnic

Other Important Dates

- 5/7 IDC Review
- 5/9 Recycling Pickup
- 5/20 Board Meeting, 6:00pm
- 5/21 IDC Review
- 5/23 Recycling Pickup

Creek Club Dock Closures

- 5/3 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 5/4 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 5/5 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 5/12 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 5/18 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 5/19 5:25 - 5:55pm
- 5/26 4:55 - 5:25pm



Sandra and Kevin Frank, 39 Robert Mills Circle



Brooke Niznik, 82 Ponsbury Road

2019's First Yard of the Month Recipients

The beautiful spring weather is upon us, and the I'On landscape is coming to life! The Landscaping Committee is thrilled to announce the two first Yard of the Month winners for 2019.

Sandra and Kevin Frank moved into their gorgeous home at 39 Robert Mills Circle overlooking the marsh in 2015. They immediately set to work on their garden and have transformed it into a beautiful sunny, colorful spot. With a lush lawn providing the canvas, the Frank's flower beds and containers are awash with vibrant annuals that are continuously rotated through the seasons.

Brooke Niznik built her home at 82 Ponsbury Road in the year 2000 when Ponsbury was a dirt road and there were just 50 finished houses. Evolving over the years, Brooke's "secret garden" is a green, serene oasis with an ever-present cooling breeze. It is Brooke's "respite from the world", where she gladly "loses all track of time".

This month's sponsor for Yard of the Month is [Crushed Fine Wine](#). A huge thank you to them for their generous donation of a \$50 gift certificate to each winner! A special thanks to our winners and to all those who took the time to nominate their favorite yard.

To nominate a yard for the next Yard of the Month contact [Michele Wilson](#) by May 25th.





Keep Your Eye On...

Upcoming Events

Grub On The Green

Food Truck events are almost here!

June 6, 5:30 - 7:30pm

June 20, 5:30 - 7:30pm

Maybank Green

Hosted by I'On Trust

Women's Lunch Bunch

Thursday, June 13, 11:30

Long Island Cafe

Hosted by Lydia Engelhart

Traffic Alert

Sunday, May 26 West Shipyard between Hopetown and Moultrieville will be CLOSED to traffic from 3:30 - 7:30pm for the safety of those attending the Memorial Day Picnic.

Service Opportunities

Looking for a way to get more involved with your local I'On community? There are lots of ways for you to give back through volunteer opportunities. These are available for everyone from students to adults.

Bonus for Student Volunteers: Your volunteer time can be counted to log your service hours!

Without neighborhood volunteers, many of the great events you know and love aren't possible. Current opportunities available to students and adults are: Newsletter Editor, Holiday Decorating, I'On Trust events, I'On At Home, and more. The various opportunities are detailed on page 5 with contact information!

You're Invited...



...First Friday Cocktails

Friday, May 3, 6:00 - 8:00pm

Community Garden on Eastlake; Hosted by I'On's Community and Butterfly Gardens 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 Memorial Day Picnic

Sunday, May 26, 5:00 - 7:00pm

Westlake Amphitheater, Entertainment by Charleston duo Tyler Ross and Bill Carson (W Shipyard between Hopetown and Moultrieville will be closed to traffic 3:30 - 7:30pm) Kick off summer with a neighborhood favorite. Bring a dish to share and spend the evening by the lake with your neighbors and friends.

The I'On Trust will provide fried chicken and lemonade, as well as tables for your dishes to share, paper plates, napkins, utensils. Don't miss this terrific event!

...Ladies' Movie Group

Wednesday, May 10, TBD

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, May 22, 6:30 - 9:30pm

Creek Club; Hosted by Mary and Don Wilbur

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](#) or call, 843-884-8400.



...Women's Coffee

Tuesday, May 14, 10:00am - 12:00pm

46 Hospitality Street; Hosted by Mary Kaplan

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, May 11, 12:00 - 2:00pm

Henrietta's, 334 Meeting Street, Charleston (downtown); Hosted by Lori Feehan

To be added to the reservation call or e-mail [Lori](#), 973-525-4611

[Henrietta's](#) at The Dewberry Hotel offers an "upscale, stylish eatery serving Southern-influenced French fare". Complimentary valet provided by the hotel!

...Yarn Buddies

Wednesday, May 22, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Bishop Gadsden, 1 Bishop Gadsden Way, Charleston; Hosted by M.P. Wilkerson

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, May 7

Tuesday, May 21

Tuesday, June 4

Tuesday, June 18

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

Maintaining your home is critical to preserving the look of I'On.

Your I'On Design Committee is constantly reviewing new construction materials that withstand the high humidity/hot sun environment of the Lowcountry. To be considered, new alternate materials should closely match the aesthetic appearance of the natural product they are replacing.

As an example, the IDC now approves Hardie Artisan fiber cement siding based on its superior protection against outdoor elements as a substitute for wood siding. The IDC has heard from many of you regarding the difficulty in maintaining wooden garage doors due to humidity damage resulting in warping and wood rot. While the I'On Code specifies "wood" for garage doors, the IDC may grant variances for alternate material garage doors based on new developments in the design and manufacturing techniques. These synthetic products must maintain the high quality and appearance of the original wooden garage doors. Metal and vinyl garage doors have long been the standard in tract developments. The IDC's consideration of alternate materials is not a move to allow low cost garage doors in I'On.

Like all new building or renovation projects in I'On, your garage door selection must be approved by the IDC. Your door design choice should match the architectural style of your home. Only carefully selected panel design together with high quality hardware can replicate the look of a real wood door.



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!

- Suzanne Howard, 136 Civitas Street
- Barbara Meskill, 46 Sanibel Street
- Susan and Paul Womble, 75 Secession Street

A good neighbor - a found treasure.
- Chinese Prover



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

Supper Club

It is exciting to report there has been a great support for the Supper Club. The first weekend in May will see 15 groups kick off Supper Club with their inaugural supper! Hopefully, throughout the year, these groups will continue to meet and enjoy making new connections. Thank you to all those who have supported this idea - bon appétit!

Grub On The Green

Due to the dog days of summer the food trucks will only be back in June (the 6th and 20th) this year. There will be a special back to school Grub On The Green event in August. Make sure to come out in June to show your support for the local food vendors so they will keep coming! Additional information will be included in the newsletter and an e-mail will be sent closer to the events.

July 4th Parade and Concert

It's never too early to start planning for a parade! And the annual July 4th Parade will be here before you know it. Whether you want to volunteer or participate click [here](#) to learn more about how you can be involved!

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.

Street Signs to Support A Cause

There are still street signs available for purchase. They are \$40 each and proceeds support Hurricane Relief at [One SC Fund](#). Click [here](#) to order yours!

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I'On's Community Garden & Butterfly Garden 🦋

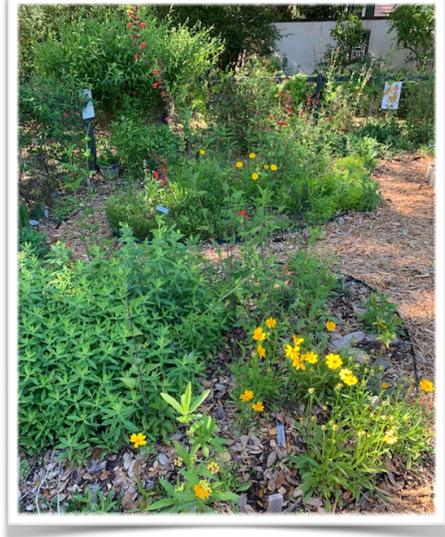
Are teaming up for First Friday

The I'On Community Garden and Butterfly Garden are for the first time co-hosting First Friday in the garden on Eastlake Road, Friday May 3 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Spring is a wonderful time to be outside at the garden! The weather is mild and the garden area is full of vegetables, herbs, and flowers lovingly cultivated by community gardeners and butterfly garden volunteers. Everyone is excited to have you visit and see "how our garden grows."

Strolling the garden area, relaxing in an informal setting, and enjoying the sights and sounds of nature is a unique way to experience the food, drink, and company of friends and family at First Friday. As a bonus, no one has to apologize for spilling their wine or food on their hosts' rugs or furniture!

Arrive early enough and you might see one of several Monarch butterflies that have spent recent days in the garden enjoying the plentiful flower nectar and their favorite nursery plant – milkweed. Let's hope they lay lots of eggs and their caterpillars grow to be the next Monarch generation.

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



I'On's Butterfly Garden in early spring

I'On At Home

Salutes A Volunteer

I'On At Home's volunteers are at the heart of IAH's mission and success and want to recognize those individuals who give their time and talent to help their neighbors. One does not have to be an IAH member to volunteer with them. They only need a willingness to give back to the I'On community!

This month, IAH would like to single out Bob Hardie, aka Bob Handy! When a household chore is requested, Bob responds. In fact, he has made about 20 visits to over a dozen households – doing tasks such as repairing, replacing, lifting, changing, adjusting, unjamming, mounting, and preparing for hurricanes. If it's not working, Bob's your man. And he always arrives with a smile!

Thank you, Bob. You continue to make the I'On community and homes a better place. I'On At Home and the I'On community are most grateful for your continued service and dedication.



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
- Meegan Graham
- 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.



Little Free Library

Books Abound

Thanks to all of the donations you have made over the last four years to The Little Free Library (LFL) it now has more books than can be used!

The good news: Everyone has done well supplying the LFL by taking a book and putting in a book. The not-so-good news: The books being dropped off at Kay Chitty's house as a donation are, unfortunately, being given to the used book store because there is no more space for them!

The LFL asks that you find a new home for your books. Moving forward, any books left at Kay's house will be recycled. Some of them are beautiful books that deserve a proper new home.

Thank you for the amazing support of the Little Free Library. Hopefully, you'll continue to use and enjoy it!

Your Help Is Needed

Holiday Decorating Around I'On

Susy Teale and Connie Altergott have for the last four years organized the holiday decorating and wreath fluffing. They have done a wonderful job leading the charge, but they are looking for two to three volunteers willing to take it over in 2019. The neighborhood wouldn't be the same during the holidays without the garland trimming the Westlake bridges, wreaths hung from the lamp posts, and lights being hung on the Christmas trees at Maybank Green and the Boathouse. If you are interested in taking over this great tradition please contact [Susie](#) or [Connie](#).

I'On At Home

First, Arlyn Stoy has submitted her resignation as IAH's Member Services Coordinator. She would like to dedicate more time to the upcoming activities surrounding her daughter's senior year in high school and college preparations! Arlyn's dedication to IAH has been a critical part of the success IAH has had and she will be dearly missed. Everyone at IAH wish her and her family the very best!

IAH's strategic plan for the last two years has been to have an Executive Director. This change will improve the organization's sustainability as it transitions from the founding Board of Directors. They took on many duties that traditionally would belong to paid staff. With this, IAH is now searching for someone to fill this important role. If you or someone you know is interested please click [here](#) to view the full job description and apply. You will find the red link on the right just under the green job announcement title.

I'On Communications Committee

The Communications Committee is dedicated to delivering current events to the I'On Community through the newsletter, Living In I'On. To keep this newsletter published each month a group of talented volunteers and an editor is required. The current editor, Leah Simmons will no longer be a resident of the I'On community and a new editor is required. If you are interested in being a volunteer on the Communications Committee and in being the new editor of Living In I'On please contact [Leah Simmons](#). She is happy to answer your questions regarding the position and will help transition you into this fun and dynamic role!

I'On Trust

Many great events are hosted by the I'On Trust throughout the year. This could not be done without the great help of volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering at any of their events please contact [Margaret Summers](#).