

# LIVING IN I'ON

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

### You're Invited

All social events are cancelled due to COVID-19.

In these anything but normal times, social distancing has meant the cancellation of the events that help us function as a community.

When activities can be resumed, an email blast will be sent and this will be posted on the website.

### Other Important Dates

- 10/06 IDC Review
- 10/08 Recycling Pickup
- 10/20 IDC Review
- 10/22 Recycling Pickup

### Creek Club Dock Closures

- 10/02 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/04 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 10/08 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/10 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/17 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/19 4:55 - 5:25pm
- 10/22 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/25 4:25 - 4:55pm
- 10/31 4:55 - 5:25pm

### I'On Board Meetings 2020

On the following dates at 6:00pm

- October 19
- November 16
- December 21



**Calling all witches, goblins and ghosts... The I'On Trust will be your host!**

**Saturday, October 31 at 4pm  
Westlake Amphitheater**

- Costume Parade - 4pm**
- Pumpkin Carving Contest - noon to 4pm**
- Scavenger Hunt - mid October**
- "hunt" cards sent via eblast**
- Halloween Photo Fun - week of halloween**
- look for details via eblast**

See page 3 for all the details.

**So put on a costume and fly on in.  
We're so excited for the fun to begin!!**

**Click here to volunteer!**

**\*This event will be a safe gathering. Volunteers, spectators & participants will be responsible & courteous of others by wearing masks, staying 6ft apart, & children will be accompanied by a grownup.**

## Annual Yard Sale - Cancelled

Unfortunately, due to health concerns surrounding COVID-19, the Board will not be sponsoring the Annual Yard Sale this year. If homeowners would like to hold a yard sale, they are welcome to do so but only on their personal property. No yard sales or gatherings are permitted to be held on common areas. The HOA will not be sponsoring or advertising for this event as they have done in previous years.

## YOU CAN HELP

### *Volunteers Needed*

Do you love the lighting of the Maybank Green Christmas tree and seeing all the beautiful wreaths hung on the light posts in the neighborhood? To make that happen, the HOA needs your help! The Decorating Committee is looking for a few more neighbors to volunteer and help with the annual wreath fluffing and hanging of wreaths in I'On! Kiki Luesebrink headed up the committee last year and has graciously agreed to head up the Decorating Committee again this year! We still volunteers to help fluff and hang wreaths in November! Please let [Jessica Gosnell](#) know if you are interested in joining the Decorating Committee.

## Are you interested in serving on the I'On Board of Trustees?

In January 2021 we will hold our annual HOA meeting where there will be four seats coming open on the I'On Assembly Board of Trustees. If you think you may be interested in serving on the I'On HOA Board, we encourage you to attend one (or more!) monthly Board meetings prior to the election in January for an understanding of how the Board works as well as the functions of the various Board Committees. In November we will have candidate application/questionnaires available for residents to complete and submit back to the HOA if they are interested in running for the Board in the January 2021 election. To learn more about Board service, contact **Tom O'Brien**, Board President, **Jessica Gosnell**, HOA Manager, or any current Board member listed on the [I'On community website](#). Serving on the Board is hard work, but a very rewarding experience and a great opportunity to help address the issues facing the I'On community in both the short and long term.

## DON'T FORGET

Submit any changes of contact information for the 2021 directory to [Mary Fraser](#) by October 9.

## I'On's Favorite Halloween House Award



The Yard of the Month Committee will be looking to present the award for **I'On's Favorite Halloween House** at the end of October. The award will be given to one home with the most popular Halloween decorations. Ghouls, Goblins, Witches, Black Cats, and Pumpkins, along with lights and animation, are encouraged. Judging will take place during the last week in October.

Please send your nominations to Michele Wilson at [tenprowcc@gmail.com](mailto:tenprowcc@gmail.com) by October 30th.

**Happy Trick or Treat, I'On!**



## Giving Lights

The Giving Lights of I'On annual fundraiser kicks off this month. Co-chairs Cindy Smithy & Harriet Ripinsky along with committee members Elisabeth Burch, Carol Degnen and Vicki Gillis have been hard at work recruiting volunteers in preparation.

We are delighted this year's recipient is Communities in Schools and are looking forward to another successful year!

Dates to keep in mind.

### **Friday, November 13** -

Deadline for luminary orders

### **Saturday, November 21** -

Luminary kits will be assembled & volunteers will begin to be drop them off at participating homes.

### **Sunday, December 6**

Luminaries are lit in celebration of the Giving Lights campaign & the Holiday Festival of Giving

You may find information about this year's recipient CIS at [www.cischarleston.org](http://www.cischarleston.org)

Information about the Giving Lights may be found at [iontrust.org](http://iontrust.org).

## This Month with The I'On Trust...

### Halloween in the Hood



#### **Costume parade - Westlake - 4pm**

Participants should line up on the Fernandina side of the lake (facing West Shipyard) on halloween themed "stepping stones" placed 6ft apart from one another. All participants should be accompanied by an adult and family members should walk together. Everyone is asked to wear mask, if that is part of your costume an extra mask is not required. Parade will end on the Latitude side with goodie bags for our halloween gremlins to take with them as they leave.

#### **Pumpkin Carving Contest - Avant Garden - 12 to 4pm**

Participating neighbors should carve/decorate their pumpkins at home and bring them to Avant Garden to be displayed for all to enjoy. Pumpkins may be dropped off starting at noon and no later than 4pm to be considered for judging. Pumpkins should be picked up by 5pm. If not, they will be sent to their grave.

#### **Scavenger Hunt - Mid October - clues sent via eblast**

The hunt will be on! Explore the neighborhood while finding all sorts of fun and spooky Halloween treasures. The hunt can be completed with family or friends when the time suits you.

Winners of the costume contest and pumpkin carving will be announced via eblast to the community.

### Parent/Student Directory

We hope the many neighbors that have signed up for the directory are finding it a useful tool. As mentioned, this information is for those that wish to participate and will not be printed or distributed publicly. If you are interested in participating in this listing please [click here](#) to access the form.

## I'On Community Garden

### I'On Community Garden Growing Food for Needy Charleston County Students

During the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, many people including I'On residents have turned to gardening as a way to provide some fresh produce for their families and avoid going to grocery stores when possible. Our neighborhood Community Garden has helped to meet that demand for some of our residents. But a number of our gardeners are looking beyond their own consumption to helping families outside of our affluent neighborhood. Unlike us, poorer South Carolinians face not only the threat of Covid 19 but the loss of jobs and income that are unfortunate byproducts of this disease. Along with other misfortunes, hunger is a growing concern for many. One person tackling these problems is Community Gardener Jason Kreutner. Jason is familiar to many of us in his role as Head of the University School of the Lowcountry which has endeavored to support Charleston County students in need by providing donated shelf-stable food, school supplies, clothing, and other necessities. Inspired by USL's efforts, Monika Bonn-Miller contacted Jason, fellow Community Gardeners and me about contributing healthy fresh produce from our garden to this cause. So far an empty garden plot has been dedicated to growing fall and winter crops for distribution to needy families. Planting has just begun; Monika has added compost and broccoli, and Jason has recently sown spinach, lettuce, and kale seeds. If this initiative is successful, we hope it will be an ongoing Community Garden project. If you are interested and would like to help USL's overall project or our Community Garden project (by contributing ideas, money, a garden plot, labor, or fresh produce) contact Jason ([jkreutn@aol.com](mailto:jkreutn@aol.com)) or Monika ([utem37@gmail.com](mailto:utem37@gmail.com)). For those interested in obtaining a garden plot for 2021, get more information in the November and December newsletters.

April Gordon, Community Garden Coordinator ([dr.aprilgordon@gmail.com](mailto:dr.aprilgordon@gmail.com))

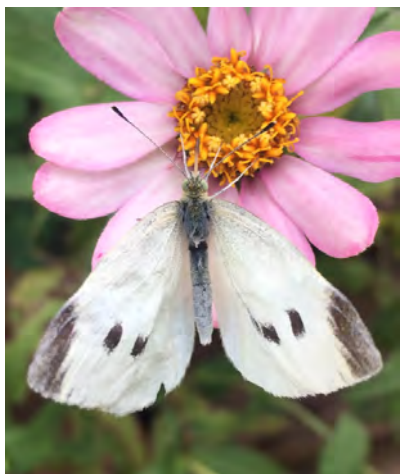


Monika Bonn-Miller waters while Jason Kreutner plants garden seeds

## Butterfly Garden

### Sulphurs Put on a Show in the Butterfly Garden

Among the most visible butterflies this time of year in South Carolina are the ubiquitous and colorful Sulphurs. Sulphurs are in the family Pieridae, and they range in size from 1.5"-3". You may have noticed them with their various sizes and shades of yellow and orange and their habit of congregating around muddy puddles, which provide them with vital minerals. Although there are about 1,100 members of the Sulphur family, only a few are common in our area. The ones I will mention here are three that we are likely to see and recognize at the butterfly garden: the Cabbage White, Cloudless Sulphur, and Sleepy Orange. Cabbage Whites are a medium-sized, pretty white butterfly that is a bane of gardeners and farmers who raise crops in the cabbage family (including the Community Garden). As many of us have experienced, their caterpillars can turn the leaves of your favorite kale and broccoli plants into Swiss cheese. Cloudless and Sleepy Orange Sulphurs share many similarities, however there are differences. The Cloudless Sulphur, solid yellow with spots, is the largest of the Sulphurs. Sleepy Oranges are smaller and have a brown border around the edge of their wings. Both can be observed in the butterfly garden nectaring on our Mexican Sunflowers, Scarlet Salvia, and Zinnias. Similar to Monarchs, both Sulphurs migrate south to Florida and other southern states. They return at the end of winter to the same breeding site from which they came. Keep an eye out for these brightly colored butterflies the next time you are at the butterfly garden. At a time when many of us can use an emotional uplift, watching the antics of the many Sulphur butterflies can't help but put a smile on your face.



**Cabbage white on Zinnia**



**Sleepy Orange Sulphur on Zinnia**



**Cloudless Sulphur on Mexican Sunflower**

## I'On at Home



**IAH hiking group at Mt. Pleasant track**

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

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### Comments, Questions?

The Communications Committee wants to hear from you! Click [here](#) to submit your questions, comments, and requests. It's always a pleasure to hear from a Living In I'On reader!

## I'On Right of Way (ROW) Strips

Among the many pleasurable aspects of living in our lovely neighborhood are our wonderful tree-lined streets, with large Live Oak canopies that provide shade for walking in the summer heat, and the stunning low-country architecture of our homes and gardens that provide visual interest. As the beautification of I'On continues through the ongoing commitment of our Landscape committee to improve and maintain our common areas, along with many of our residents who go the extra mile by keeping their homes and gardens in spectacular fashion, our focus for the Fall is to encourage an awareness of our neighborhood right of way strips or ROWS. This is the unpaved area located between the sidewalk and the curb. These ROW strips actually belong to the Town of Mount Pleasant, but are the responsibility of the individual homeowner to plant, irrigate and maintain.

Fall is the perfect time to start planning and planting your ROW strip. With the cooler weather, gardening becomes much more enjoyable, especially as the preparation of the soil in the ROWS can be a little physically challenging! The roots of our beautiful oaks must be protected and worked around, but there are many shrubs and plantings that grow well under a shady canopy and actually thrive in that type of environment provided they are given a good start with rich soil and irrigation. Shrubs to consider include: Asiatic Jasmine, Liriope, Flax Lily, and Holly Ferns. For those who prefer to try grass, shade tolerant Zoysia is an excellent choice.

Improving the ROW strips along the streets of I'On helps promote community stewardship of our neighborhood's open spaces and visually enhances our shared streetscapes. In addition, a nicely landscaped ROW strip will do wonders to beautify the overall neighborhood and, most importantly for you, will increase the curb appeal of your home!

Happy ROW gardening, I'On!

## Welcome New Neighbors

- Ashley & Happy Byrd - 178 Ionsborough St
- Susie Carr - 62 Eastlake Road
- Farrah Follman & Harry Farthing - 122 West Shipyard Road
- Susan Ferrara - 46 Sanibel St
- Sowmya Fesenbeck - 76 Sowell St
- Steve & Lise Gulick - 126 Ionsborough St
- Mark Jordan - 39 Krier La
- Vike & Leigh Engh - 70 Saturday Road
- Mary Ann & Aubrey Gladstone - 103 Civitas Street

Your participation ensures happier holidays for families in need.

EAST COOPER COMMUNITY OUTREACH

# FOOD drive

*Pack the Pantry*

Oct. 22  
thru  
Oct. 25

## Porch Drop-Off

- 324 N. Shelmore Blvd. (Coffman)
- 68 Jogging St. (Brokaw)
- 98 W. Shipyard Rd. (Chitty)
- 21 Eastlake Rd. (Remington)

## Needed Items

- Toilet paper, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Soap or Body wash, Shampoo
- Small bags of pet food
- Laundry detergent, Dish soap, All purpose cleaner
- Disposable diapers (sizes 5 & 6)

## Holiday Meal Kit

- Cranberry sauce
- Turkey gravy
- Chicken broth
- Canned green beans
- Brown Sugar
- Canned sweet potatoes
- Stuffing mix
- Instant potatoes
- Canned Pumpkin
- Canned corn
- Rice (1 lb)

## Contact

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Sponsored by I'On Mah Jongg players and Women Inspired Through Stories (WITS).  
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