

LIVING IN I'ON

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

You're Invited

- 3/14 I'On Trust Grub On the Green**
- 3/20 I'On Trust Artist Market**
- 3/24 Yarn Buddies**
- 3/27 I'On Trust Bunny Hop**

All other social events are cancelled due to COVID-19.

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

Other Important Dates

- 03/02 IDC Review
- 03/11 Recycling Pickup
- 03/16 IDC Review
- 03/25 Recycling Pickup

Creek Club Dock Closures

- 03/06 4:55 - 5:25 pm
- 03/12 5:25 - 5:55 pm
- 03/13 4:55 - 5:25 pm
- 03/19 5:25 - 5:55 pm
- 03/20 5:25 - 5:55 pm
- 03/21 12:55 - 1:25 pm
- 03/26 5:25 - 5:55 pm
- 03/27 4:55 - 5:25 pm
- 03/28 4:55 - 5:25 pm

I'On Board Meetings 2021

On the following date at 6:00pm:

- March 15 Nov. 15
- April 19 Dec. 20
- May 17
- June 21



You're Invited!

Come celebrate our innovative and creative neighbors!

1st Annual I'On Artist Market

Hosted by The I'On Trust

Saturday, March 20

Maybank Green **9am - 1pm** **Food Trucks**

Come out and support your I'On Neighbors!

ARTS. CRAFTS. CLOTHING. JEWELRY. FOOD. PAINTINGS. HANDMADE GOODS.

You're Invited...

...Yarn Buddies

Wednesday, March 24, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (rain date, March 25)

Terraced park in I'On Square

Yarn Buddies, is planning an outdoor meeting. As in the past, we are meeting on the fourth Wednesday of the month. This month it will be March 24th at 10 A.M. in the small terraced park in front of the Square Onion. We will be spaced outside, and if you want to wear a mask, please do so. You may bring a beverage, and of course, any item/piece you are working on or have finished.

Kiki Lusebrink has donated a beautiful book by Kaffe Fassett, *Dreaming in Color*, to be given to a lucky person in a free drawing. Be sure to come and look at this beautiful autobiography.

Everyone with an interest in stitching, knitting, crocheting, embroidery, is warmly welcome to come. Any questions? [Email: bebecoyle@comcast.net](mailto:bebecoyle@comcast.net).

I'On's 25th Anniversary Memory Book Update

Request for photographs

Work on I'On's 25th Anniversary Memory Book (to be published Spring 2022) is currently progressing at full steam. Behind the scenes, a team of talented writers, photographers, artists and advisers have their creative juices flowing and are producing some remarkable work for the book. I feel truly privileged to have such a wonderful team of I'On's "best" on board with me, striving toward a common goal - a project to commemorate I'On's quarter century!

However, at this time the book is missing one important element - photos of our residents enjoying life in I'On. Many wonderful photographs have been submitted for consideration, but so far they are almost exclusively scenes of I'On's landscape, lakes and architecture. Some are truly exceptional, and I will have a very difficult task narrowing them down to a short list.

Several chapters of the book will be devoted to what I believe is the "heart and soul" of I'On - the people that live here. We have an incredibly diverse community - young professionals, families and retirees - who regularly participate in all that our wonderful neighborhood has to offer. Therefore, I would like to feature photographs of our residents enjoying everything from participating in the July 4th Parade, Halloween in the Hood and the Easter Egg Hunt to simple things like riding bicycles on our trails, walking the dog, having a picnic on the banks of Westlake or tending a vegetable plot in our community garden. Really, anything goes!

So, I am appealing to you to search through your archived photos from the past 2-3 years to see if you have any photos that you would like to share with me for consideration to be included in this beautiful keepsake book being created for I'On.

Time is of the essence as the initial layout of the book will begin early March. So please submit any photos you might have to Michele Wilson at: tenprowcc@gmail.com or text them to her at: 843 327 6357 as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your help with this very exciting project.

Michele Wilson



This Month with The I'On Trust...

Grub on the Green



Cook on Sunday?
- that's so 2020

Come out and support our local food trucks while enjoying some great food!

Sunday, March 14
Maybank Green, 4pm - 7pm

Braised In the South
The Pita Stroller

&

Sweet Lulu's

will be available for your evening fare.

Click on the logos below to see menus & the possibility of ordering ahead.



Plan a pickup for home or with nice weather, a picnic in the park.

Saturday, March 27
beginning at 9:30am



Bunny Be Hoppin'

Don't miss your opportunity to catch the Easter Bunny when she Hops to a Stop near you.

Keep your eyes peeled for a Bunny eBlast filled with Bunny's route, stops, & details.



Come see our potters, painters, and candlestick makers.

I'On Trust's Artist Market
Saturday, March 20
9am - 1pm
Maybank Green

I'On at Home



"Re-Envisioning America" Ben Tennille, Brady Anderson and Bill Sage conducted a very informative panel discussions on the transition of power with a new administration and the challenges facing our country today. This marks the start of a series of events featuring IAH members who are accomplished in a particular field.



Ben Tennille



Brady Anderson



Bill Sage



We toured **McLeod Plantation**, established in 1851, this important Gullah/Geechee heritage site has borne witness to some of the most significant periods of our nation's history and has been carefully preserved in recognition of its cultural and historic significance.

Chris Burt of the Charleston County Clemson Extension Service presented tips for pruning, fertilizing and spring planting. This is the first in a series of gardening seminars that will cover Lowcountry gardening, lawn care and pest control.



This month, in addition to our regular bike riding, hiking, zooming and other activities, Mary Wilbur will help us celebrate St. Patrick's Day by sharing her Irish Scone recipe and show us how to make them for our favorite leprechauns.

If you're 55+ we invite you to join I'On At Home and become a part of our exciting adventure: <https://ionathome.helpfulvillage.com>

I'On Design Committee

Have you seen the I'On Design Committee's new Guidelines and Checklists resources page? Come here for the documents you'll need for making improvements to your home. Log in to the I'On website and click Applications under the I'On Design Committee tab: <https://ioncommunity.com/ion-design-committee/applications-homeowner-agreement/>

You Can Help....

Do you have computer skills?

The Communications Committee is looking for someone with computer skills, especially website maintenance, to help with keeping our website attractive, pertinent and user-friendly.

If you have these skills and would like to help, please contact [Mary Fraser](#).

The I'On neighborhood sends our condolences to I'On's former Property Manager, Mike Parades, his daughter and son-in-law, and his three grandsons who are grieving the loss of Mike's wife Cissy who passed away on February 3. Mike and Cissy were married for 51 years and everyone who knew Mike knew of his love for Cissy and her strength, joy, generosity, kindness, and patience. Her obituary can be found [here](#). The I'On Assembly has made a donation to the Parkinson's Foundation in her name.



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Butterfly Garden

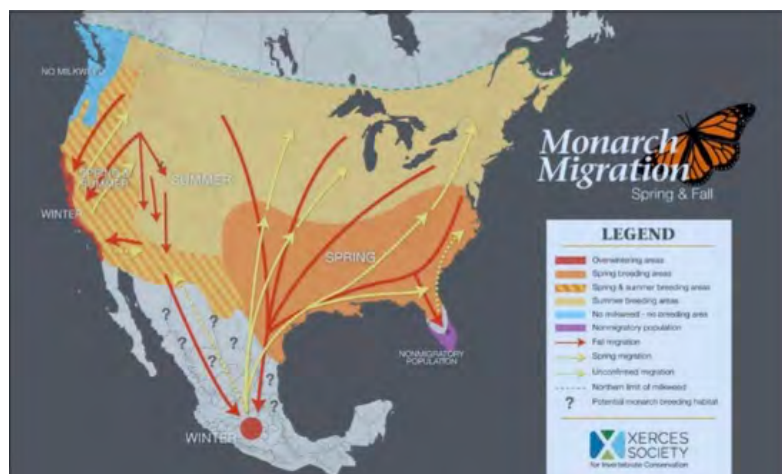
Monarch Butterfly Migration Starts in March

After spending the winter in the oyamel forests of Mexico, Monarchs who migrated last Fall will begin their Spring migration back to the United States in March. The legendary migration of Monarch butterflies in the Fall is as long as 3,000 miles. Once they leave their mountain home in March, most enter the United States via Texas. After stopping to feed and reproduce, successive new generations move north through the Midwest and the South and eventually arrive as far north as Canada.

So when can we see Spring migrating Monarchs in Coastal South Carolina? We have had Monarchs at our butterfly garden as late as December and caterpillars as early as April. These are unlikely to be migrants. A little known fact is that there is a small non-migratory population of Monarchs that overwinters along the coast from Hilton Head to Georgetown. These unusual sightings at our garden are likely to be from this population. The Spring migratory population typically arrives here in significant numbers by May. (This newsletter will let you know when!)

The I'On Butterfly Garden is preparing now for their arrival. As a certified Monarch Waystation, we plant and maintain numerous varieties of mostly native plants that produce flowers that attract adult Monarchs and milkweed plants for their caterpillars. An abundance of milkweed plants is critical for Monarch survival because milkweed leaves are the only food their caterpillars can eat. Want to help Monarchs survive? Plant milkweed and support conservation efforts to grow milkweed along their migratory route including here in South Carolina.

Contact April Gordon (dr.aprilgordon@gmail.com) to learn more about the butterfly garden and join our team of neighborhood volunteers.



The Spring Monarch Migration North Begins in March

Welcome New Neighbors

A big welcome to the newest I'On families! Make sure to stop by, and introduce yourself.

- Roy & Kristen Anderson - 26 Fernandina Street
- Bob & Brenda Vrugink - 85 Jane Jacobs Street

Moving around I'On

- John & Gail Paul - 11 Unwin Way

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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 Community Garden

March Madness Community Gardener Style

Sorry sports fans, you no longer have a monopoly on the term "March Madness." We gardeners, at least here in the South, consider late February and March to be the months when many Spring crops are planted. Here at the I'On Community Garden, mild temperatures in March increasingly edge out cold, rainy weather and beckon us to get down in the dirt to plant some tender lettuces and greens, sweet peas and carrots, as well as nutrient-rich brassicas such as broccoli and kale. Other garden favorites to plant at this time are quick-growing radishes and cool weather herbs such as cilantro and parsley. Such an abundance of good things to eat!

To prepare the garden for the new gardening year, pathways are freshly mulched, beds are weeded, and soil amendments are added to give our crops a healthy boost. Straw is available to mulch our plants as needed to discourage weeds, retain water, and eventually break down into compost. All that is needed now are new transplants and seeds, water, and TLC as our crops grow and mature for harvest.

Bon appetit, y'all!

For information about the community garden or how to get a garden plot, contact April Gordon at dr.aprilgordon@iongarden.com



We are fortunate to have a mild climate where many Spring crops can overwinter after being planted in the Fall