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I'ON AT HOME NEWS

Member Newsletter for October 2020



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MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

HELLO, FRIENDS!

I'm very happy to share good news with you about I'On At Home's leadership. **Peg Higgins** will become our new President in 2021, and she is joined on the Board of Directors by four new committee co-chairs – **Eileen Brown** as co-chair of the Membership Committee (with Mary Kaplan); **Janet Harper** and **Cathy Mooney** as coJoe, Peggy, and the members of the Programs Committee continue with their hard work and creativity to bring you interesting and safe IAH events during this COVID time. I especially encourage you to attend the Amphitheater-based <u>Woolfe Street Playhouse's</u> <u>production of "Summer Comfort" on Saturday, September 26</u>, featuring the music of John Denver and Linda Ronstadt. Could there be a more pleasant way to spend a fall Saturday evening than relaxing at our Amphitheater with your own refreshments and music we all remember so fondly? We will be set up with physical distancing, and masks are definitely encouraged. **REGISTER BY CLICKING ON THE Blue LINK ABOVE**. *Note: This special treat is being offered to IAH members and volunteers free of charge in appreciation for your support (in place of the COVID-prevented Fall Fete and holiday*

Bubbles and Bites).

Finally, I **ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 3!** Here is some information that might be helpful:

- First, <u>be sure you are registered to vote at your current address</u>. Deadline to register October 4.
- 2. <u>Request an absentee ballot</u>. Deadline October 30. As of Sept. 16, all state registered voters may vote absentee, as a COVID safety precaution.
- 3. <u>Submit your absentee ballot or vote in person</u>. If voting absentee, ballots may be mailed or dropped off at the Charleston County Board of Voter Registration and Elections (637 Headquarters Rd., Charleston, SC 29505-7402) OR at Seacoast Church (Long Point Road, Mt. Pleasant) starting October 19th. There will be a drive thru lane with a registered election official to take your ballot. Please bring ID and an authorization form if dropping for someone other than yourself. Ballots must be received no later than 7:00 PM on election day (Nov. 3). If you are mailing your ballot, do so as early as possible. If you are voting in person, <u>check your polling place</u> <u>and hours</u>.

FYI, if you are concerned about the post office's capacity to handle the increased volume of mail, I read a suggestion that we avoid sending any regular mail (bill payments, greeting cards, etc.) in the two weeks before the election, to decrease the load for the P.O.

As always, if you have questions or comments, please contact me directly at <u>brvanwie@gmail.com</u> or 843-860-2990. I am grateful for your involvement and support of I'On At Home!

Please take care of yourselves!!! Virtual hugs!!

Becky <u>Becky Van Wie</u>, President 843-860-2990

Hello fellow IAH members,

We continue to crank up our offerings as the weather improves for outdoor activities and there is a busy October coming up:

September 26 - Woolfe Street Playhouse "Summer Comfort"

September 29 - Walking Tour of MUSC Gardens

October 1 - Biking Group

October 5 - Great Decisions Discussion Group

October 7 - Travelogue of the Amazon with the Wilburs

October 8 - Biking Group

October 9 - Eco Tour of Capers Island, Bulls Bay, bone-yard beach

October 13 - Documentary Discussion *The Infiltrators*

- October 14 Happy Hour at Community Table (outdoors)
- October 15 Biking Group

October 17 - Outdoor performance by CHS Opera "Curbside Delivery!"

October 20 - Hiking Group - Laurel Hill Trail

October 21 - Cooking Demonstration: Italian

October 22 - Biking Group

October 22 - 25 - Pre-Holiday Pack the Pantry- ECCO Food Drive

October 23 - Cocktails & Conversation Porch get togethers

October 29 - Biking Group

Some events for October are still in the planning phase. Please check the <u>website</u> for details and signups.

Absentee in-person voting begins on October 19 - November 2 at Seacoast Church from 8:30-5pm daily.

We hope to see you soon! Joe and Peggy, Programs Committee co-chairs

VOLUNTEER NEWS

Indoor services are back!!! The Volunteer Committee is pleased to announce that indoor services will now be available for members who feel comfortable with it. Both the volunteer and the homeowner will be required to wear a mask and respect social distancing. The Board voted to postpone offering transportation services at this time.

Volunteer Committee co-chairs, Janet Harper and Cathy Mooney

DO GOOD



Co-sponsored by I'On Mah Jongg players & WITS (Women Inspired Through Stories)

Join your neighbors in I'On's upcoming *Pre-holiday Pack the Pantry* food drive. We will be replenishing the tapped out pantry at ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach) by contributing holiday foods and other essential items listed below:

- cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, turkey gravy, instant potatoes, chicken broth, canned pumpkin, green beans, canned corn, canned sweet potatoes/yams, rice, brown sugar
- pet food in manageable-sized bags
- toilet paper, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap or body wash, shampoo (unopened hotel sizes are welcome in addition to full sizes)
- feminine hygiene products and incontinence supplies
- disposable diapers (sizes 5 & 6)
- · laundry detergent, dish soap, any type of all purpose cleaner
- brown paper grocery bags

When?

- Thursday, October 22 to Sunday, October 25
- Drop off time is at your convenience on any of these days

Where?

Drop-off locations are the porches of these four I'On homes:

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

Questions?: Call Kay Chitty at 843-881-3451 or e-mail at kaykchitty1@comcast.net

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Often, the elderly handle the pandemic very well. Here's why. <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/elderly-coping-pandemic-despite-isolation/2020/09/18/f397dea8-f763-11ea-89e3-4b9efa36dc64_story.html</u>

RECENT IAH EVENTS

Hiking Group - Mt. Pleasant Track

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