

A community of friends enjoying enriched, vibrant and independent lives together

#### Dear IAH Members,

'Tis the holiday season! May your days be Merry and Bright.



Bubbles and Bites was a smashing success. Jane McLaughlin's home was beautifully decked out and the food and drink were delicious. It was such good fun to meet, mix and mingle with so many of you. I trust a good time was had by all. Many thanks to the committee responsible for all the hours of work and planning.

May you and yours have a good celebration and if you are traveling, please travel safely. (There are all sorts of COVID hurdles out there!)

I leave you with a Winston Churchill quote: "Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing, but of reflection."

Here's to peace in our world!

Cheers! Peg Higgins IAH President



### It's better to give than receive!

Once again, IAH supported East Cooper Community Outreach's (ECCO) annual drive to assist Mt. Pleasant community families who cannot afford holiday gifts for their children. Twenty seven IAH families spread holiday cheer and filled the wish lists of 57 children in our area.









Here's what's happening in December and January

# Thursday, Dec. 30th at 8:30AM - 9:30AM IAH Biking Group

I'On Club parking lot



Hop on your bike and join our IAH biking group. Meet us at the I'On Club parking lot every Thursday morning for an hour ride. All levels are welcome. Please be sure to bring a helmet and water. We will be passing in and out of I'On so participants can stop when they want.

Len Hanson keeps our Bike Group rolling!

The group will depart from the club promptly at 8:30AM.

# Sunday, Jan. 9th at 2:00PM to 3:30PM Bocce & Booze

Avant Garden Park (South side of West Lake)



Come play the ancient game of Bocce. There's a reason the game has endured for centuries. It's easy and fun. We'll meet on the Bocce court in Avant Garden on the corner of Westlake and Latitude.

Bring your beverage of choice. No skill is required but a sense of humor helps! Bocce Queen Kathy Coffman is in charge of this event.

#### Friday, Jan. 14th at 4:00PM to 5:30PM Irish Whiskey Tasting

63 Krier Lane



Please join Don Wilbur and George Watt, our IAH members with extensive knowledge of whiskeys, for an Irish Whiskey tasting. If you have ever been curious about the history, making and types of Irish whiskeys, now is your chance to get informed and taste a sampling of what is available.

With Don and George presenting, the event will be both educational and entertaining. And as a special treat, you will be zoomed in live to a real Irish pub! Join us for the best whiskeys Ireland has to offer and a unique experience.

Yannis & Myrto Tsavalas have graciously opened their home for this event.

As the event will be held indoors in a private residence, our hosts request that all participants be fully vaccinated.

### Tuesday, Jan. 18th at 8:45AM - 9:30AM IAH Hiking Group

Hampton Park





The landscaping in Hampton Park is beautiful and the camellias should still be in bloom. We will walk off the Christmas goodies. It is a 3.1 mile walk if we do the outer loop and the loop in the park. Some of us may choose to do the loop again.

We will meet in the main parking lot, follow Mary Murray Dr. about halfway around the park to the main parking lot on your left. (You will pass a much smaller parking lot on the right but keep going)

I will check sign ups the Sunday before to see who wants to carpool.

Masks are not required for this event. However, if you are not vaccinated, please practice social distancing at all times.

Libby Eble is our trek leader.

# Tuesday, Jan. 18th at 3:00PM to 4:30PM IAH Programs Committee Meeting

Private home / log in to see location



# Thursday, Jan 20th at 4:00PM - 6:00PM BROS & BREWS

O'Brion's Pub & Grille Outdoor Patio





A social event for MEN ONLY.

Join fellow IAH members for drinks, camaraderie, and a toast to the New Year at O'brion's Pub and Grill in I'On. All drinks, including top flight liquors, are one dollar off list during Happy Hour starting at 4 PM.

Weather permitting seating will be outdoors. Bring a mask in case indoor seating is necessary.

Joe Fanelli ginned up this event!

# Thursday, Jan. 27th at 10:00AM - 11:30AM The Art of Book Folding

324 North Shelmore Blvd.



Multi-talented, Kiki <u>Luesebrink</u>, will demonstrate the creative art of book folding. All you need is a book (at least 350 pages long). Come have some fun while you create a unique piece of art for your home or to give to a friend.

### Covid Restrictions: The host has requested that all participants be fully vaccinated.

Kathy Coffman booked this event.

**CLICK HERE** to go to the IAH Website and signup for these and other events and programs.

We're always searching for new subjects and activities that interest you. Please email your ideas to Joe and Peggy, your IAH Programs co-chairs.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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