

Dear IAH Members, Meet Bob Hardie, your new Programs Committee Co-chair



After a career that took us to nine locations in three countries, Gail and I selected I'on as the place to finally settle down in 2011. We were impressed with its ambiance, amenities, diverse age groups, and opportunities to get involved in the community. Early on, we took advantage of the I'On Trust activities including the Community Garden, First Friday, and Potluck.

We joined I'on at Home when it was established a few years ago, and I have enjoyed serving as a volunteer handyman, as well as a member of the Programs Committee, which I will cochair this year. From this work, I've grown to appreciate the wealth of experience and talent among our members. The Program calendar is packed with interesting and fun events, offering something for everyone.

Outside of I'On, our Golden Retriever, Bodie, and I volunteer as a therapy dog team. We've visited schools, colleges, and summer camps, but our main focus is our weekly visits to both MUSC University Hospital, and their Pediatric Specialty Clinic in Mt Pleasant, logging 165 volunteer hours in 2021. For this work, Bodie was awarded the 2021 Healthcare Hero Award in the Service/Therapy Animal category. Being on the other end of his leash is a truly rewarding experience!

Here's what's happening in February

Monday, Feb 7 at 4PM - 5PM Great Decisions Discussion Group - Outer Space

Zoom Event





How should the United States approach the new crowded outer space?

The launch of Sputnik 1 in October 1957 marked the beginning of the space era and of the space race between the United States and the Soviet Union. in the 21st century, there are many more participants in space, including countries such as India and China, and commercial companies such as SpaceX. How will the United States fare in a crowded outer space?

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book, watching the monthly video and meeting via Zoom to discuss the most critical global issues facing America today.

Steve Degnen will be leading this discussion.

Thursday, Feb 10 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.

Thursday, Feb. 10 at 2PM Galentine's / Valentine's Day Flower Arrangements!

39 Montrose Road





Come Celebrate Valentine's Day and/or Galentine's Day...a day in which women celebrate their female friendships. See Parks and Recreation, Season 2, episode 16!

Join us at our host Barbara Fowler's garage, 39 Montrose Road, for an event filled with fun and friendship.

All you need to bring is a vase. We'll buy the flowers and other greens so you can create your floral masterpiece.

COVID RESTRICTIONS: Vaccinated Participants Only.

Friday, Feb.11 at 2PM - 3PM Chocolate Truffles Cooking Demonstration

Zoom Event





Please join Tom Martin, our chef of many delicious things, to learn how to make chocolate truffles. Homemade chocolate truffles sound so much fancier than they are to make and Tom will show you how.

Ditch the boxed chocolates! These deeply indulgent chocolate treats are a perfectly delicious gift for Valentines Day.

Kathie Haas is the sweetheart behind this event.

Monday, Feb. 14 at 11AM - 12PM IAH Programs Committee Meeting

Zoom meeting



Tuesday Feb. 15 at 9AM - 10AM IAH Hiking Group / Isle of Palms Walk

Meet at the corner of 14th Street and Ocean Blvd





The beach is a good place to walk and social distance if Covid cases are still high. We will meet at the benches on the corner of 14th St. and Ocean Blvd.

There are many available street parking spots.

Lori Feehan is the scout leader of this event.

Tuesday, Feb.15 at 3:00PM to 4:30PM IAH Programs Committee Meeting Zoom meeting



Wednesday, Feb 16 at 2:00PM - 3:30PM Spring Gardening Tips and Organic Gardening Techniques

Zoom Event





Chris Burtt from the Clemson University Cooperative Extension will be joining us once again to provide tips on preparing your garden in the Spring, including pruning, fertilizing and insect control. Chris is a Horticulture Extension Agent with a focus on urban horticulture and he coordinates the Tri-county Master Gardener program.

He will also provide recommendations for "organic gardening" and discuss the use of native plants to benefit the environment.

There will be ample time to ask questions during and after the Zoom presentation.

Joe Fanelli planted the seed for this event.

Thursday, Feb 17 at 8:30AM - 9:30AM IAH Biking Group

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Sunday, Feb. 20 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!

Covid Restrictions: As this event will be held outdoors, any participants who are not fully vaccinated should wear a mask and observe social distancing.

Bocce Queen Kathy Coffman is in charge of this event.

Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 7PM to 8PM Fried's Film Forum - The Movie " Brazil"

Zoom Event





Fred White, our IAH resident film expert and critic, will be leading a discussion of "Brazil", a classic satire released in 1985.

The movie was directed by Terry Gilliam, a member of the Monty Python team. The film was acclaimed as "intelligent, though provoking, visually stunning which provides not only tense drama but also many laugh out loud scenes." It features strong acting performances, including a role by Robert De Niro.

This movie should provide some needed relief from the cold temps and lingering cloud of Covid.

Joe Fanelli is the producer of this event.

Thursday, Feb 24 at 8:30AM - 9:30AM IAH Biking Group

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Friday, Feb 25 at 4:30PM - 6:30AM

Private outdoor spaces, porches and patios



Cocktails and Conversations is a great way for members, especially if you are new to IAH to meet others in the IAH community.

Groups of no more than six people meet for cocktails at a member's private outdoor space, porch or patio. Everyone brings their own drinks and snacks. Seating is arranged to allow for social distancing. It's a safe but enjoyable way to meet new people and enjoy lively conversation.

<u>Please go to the IAH Website and register by Thursday 5PM, the evening before the event to allow for logistical organization.</u> All registered participants will be contacted, by the morning of event, regarding location.

Whether or not you are fully vaccinated, please wear a mask until you are seated and maintain social distancing at all times.

NOTE: We are always looking for members who would like to host a Conversation and Conversation outdoor event at their homes. If this interests you, please contact Kathie Hass, the Cocktails and Conversations coordinator at kaeh49@aol.com.

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 Bob Hardie or Elizabeth Hazard,

your IAH Programs Committee Co-chairs:

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