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I'ON AT HOME NEWS

Member Newsletter for April 2019

HAPPY SPRING!!

Have you ever wished you could give honest feedback to I'On At Home, and offer it anonymously? Well, you're about to get an opportunity to tell us what you really think. In the next several weeks, all of our members will receive an e-mail from IAH with a link to a simple online survey (constructed using Survey Monkey). It should take you less than 10 minutes to complete. We really do want to know what you think, and your answers will guide our decisions about programs, services, communications, and other aspects of IAH.

Many, many thanks to the 43 households of you who have renewed your IAH memberships this year! And we are also grateful to our eight households of new members! We welcome you and invite you to get involved by attending events, requesting services, and even volunteering. Both new and renewal memberships ensure that we can continue to provide the programs that not only offer us entertainment and learning, but also strengthen the relationships that help make it possible for us to successfully "progress in life." Of course, your memberships also ensure that I'On At Home services are available when you need them.

I welcome your questions and comments. Hopefully I'll see you soon, at an IAH

event or around the 'hood.

Becky

[Becky Van Wie](#), President

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IAH EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

The 14 interesting and varied events I'On At Home has planned for April include talks, tours and tastings. During the Tech Talk event, you'll learn how technology will change how we age. The Hopsewee Tour promises to be beautiful and rich in history, and The "blind" wine tasting event may introduce you to a new favorite wine. Check out all the opportunities listed below and register on the website.

Events below are Members Only unless otherwise noted.

One new pop-up event still open for March, and then quite a selection for April.

- [Who Let the Dogs Out?](#) (March 30)—Open to All
- [5 Ways Tech Will Change How You Age](#) (April 2)—Open to All
- [Getting to Know You—Talk Time](#) (April 3)
- [Creating and Deciphering George Washington's Mount Vernon](#) (April 3)
- [Volvo Car Tennis Tournament](#) (April 4)
- [Fred's Film Forum—The Makioka Sisters](#) (April 5)
- [SC Ports Authority Tour](#) (April 10)
- [Getting to Know You—Tea and Conversation](#) (April 11)
- [Travel Tips and Tricks](#) (April 12)
- [Happy Hour at The Shellmore](#) (April 16)
- [Trip to Hopsewee Plantation, Georgetown County](#) (April 17)
- ["Blind" Wine Tasting Contest](#) (April 18)
- [Scrapbook Event](#) (April 22)
- [Documentary—The Farthest: Voyager in Space, A NASA Film](#) (April 23)
- [Spring Fling](#) (April 28)

Follow the links above for more information on our website and to register. If you see that an event you're interested in is full, please email ion@ionathome.org or call 843-284-3590 to let us know you'd like to attend. Sometimes our numbers can be stretched a bit, or there may be a cancellation.

The Program Committee is setting up a **Member-to-Member Communication Program**. Many of you may be looking for friends to

organize into golf foursomes, bike rides, book groups or other get-togethers. If you'd like to be in touch with similarly-minded IAH members, email [Cheryl Pitts](#) and we'll help you make contact with others to set up your group or outing.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

This month we're happy to add Jan Laabs and Linda Rinaldi as new members this month! Please welcome them all if you meet them in the neighborhood! Linda is the first new member under our Non-Resident Supporting Member pilot program.

As we described last month, we've started a pilot program for a new membership category: Non-Resident Supporting Member. It's for former IAH members who've moved out of I'On and for nearby residents who'd like to meet and mingle with I'Onites at our various social and cultural events. We're going to try this out for a year and see how well it works for IAH and the members. If you or someone you know would like to try out this new membership, please contact [Barbara Cole](#).

The Membership Committee holds several information sessions each year. If you are interested in coming to one, please contact Barbara Cole, brcole60@comcast.net. If you would like to know more about IAH before one of those sessions is to occur, one of the Membership committee members is happy to come visit with you. Again, please contact Barbara.

IAH WELCOMES A NEW BUSINESS SPONSOR

IAH is proud to welcome Debra Nelson, Charleston Financial Planning Consultants, as its third Business Sponsor. Debra, an I'On resident and IAH member, has been providing individuals with personalized, coordinated investment, tax planning, asset preservation strategies, retirement, and estate planning services for over 30 years. Debra's motto is "Plan Today – Relax Tomorrow." You can learn more about Debra's practice at her website, www.charlestonfp.com.

Our business sponsors are local businesses in or near the I'On community that believe in and want to support IAH's mission. Business sponsorships are beneficial to both IAH and participating businesses. For a set fee paid to IAH annually, sponsors provide a revenue resource for IAH. In return, IAH provides its sponsor's ongoing visibility, name recognition, and positive publicity at an

affordable rate.

VOLUNTEERS

From time to time, I'On At Home would like to recognize those individuals who give their time and talent to help their neighbors, which is at the heart of IAH's mission. One does not have to be an IAH member to volunteer in our organization, just a willingness to give back to our community.

This month, we would like to single out Bob Hardie, aka Bob Handy! When a household chore is requested, Bob responds. In fact he has made about 20 visits to over a dozen households—doing tasks like repairing, replacing, lifting, changing, adjusting, unjamming, mounting and preparing for hurricanes. If it's not working, Bob's your man. And he always arrives with a smile.



Thank you, Bob. You continue to make our community and homes a better place. We are most grateful.

MAKING A TAX-ADVANTAGED GIFT TO IAH

Did you know that you may make a gift to IAH directly from your IRA account? Making a Qualified Charitable Distribution directly from your IRA account allows the donor to avoid paying income tax on the amount donated. Please consult with your tax adviser for more detailed information.

PREFERRED PROVIDERS

One of our goals is to maintain a list of service providers in our area you've used and would recommend to others. If you'd like to share some names, please forward the contact information to [Arlyn Stoy](#).

RESOURCES AND INTERESTING INFORMATION

In this section, we include links to articles about issues related to “advancing in life.” If you see something that you think IAH Members and friends might find of interest, please send it to [Deborah Bedell](#).

- Robert Weisman, [“For some seniors, a cultural shift and a vital volunteerism,”](#) (*Boston Globe*, July 7, 2018)
- Adina Solomon, [“The ‘Golden Girls’ trend could be a golden opportunity for retirees facing isolation”](#) (*Washington Post*, January 24, 2019)
- [Intergenerational Design Opinions](#) (Techenhancedlife.com)

RECENT IAH EVENTS

Happy Hour

Coordinated by Peggy Watt



Documentary - "California Typewriter"

Hosted by Barbara Fowler



Wine and Grits

Hosted by Cathy Mooney and Joe Fanelli



Drayton Hall Lecture

Coordinated by Sheri Elliott



Drayton Hall Tour

Coordinated by Harriet Ripinsky



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