

Ike-Ivery Family Reunion 2021
July 8-11, 2021

Beaufort, South Carolina

Dear Family Members:

We hope that this letter finds you in the best of health and spirits.

With just over 12 months to go, we are truly looking forward to the 22nd (bi-annual) Ike Ivery Family Reunion! We are so excited to get everyone together, share our history, and create new memories. We are honored (and humbled) to plan/host our family reunion and are sure this will be a very memorable event. We have worked very hard to put together a weekend of activities and entertainment that all will enjoy.

We're going to have a "**Lowcountry Boil!**" Get ready to have fun in the sun while we party, relax and learn more about our family's history than you could have ever imagined. As you are aware, the 2021 reunion planning committee has selected Beaufort, South Carolina as the host location for next year's Family Reunion. Beaufort County is rich in history, culturally diverse, and home to a pristine natural outdoor environment, registered historic districts, three military installations, award-winning educational systems, fine dining, shopping, and so much more! Our Friday evening **Welcome Ceremony** will feature a "down home" Fish Fry with an original-recipe "Hoppin John" prepared by **Anson Mills** made from their own, farm-fresh Carolina Gold rice. We will top off the night with an after party hosted by Charleston's own, DJ Chuck Anthanio. Our Gala will have a semi-formal, Lowcountry flair, and a Mardi Gras theme, with attire inspired by the artwork of South Carolina's celebrated son, Jonathan Green (See page 11 below for sample gala attire and catalog information.)

Beaufort, South Carolina boasts a wide array of fun activities and attractions, including cultural tours, outlet shopping, museums, water sports and much, much more. We have an amazing agenda planned, with activities and entertainment for attendees of all ages.

In this family reunion registration packet, you will find:

- Hotel/Resort Information
- Room pricing and reservation information
- Floor Plans
- Directions
- Schedule at a glance
- Registration/Activity/T-shirt fee pricing and forms

We look forward to seeing you all in Beaufort next year...right where it all started.

Your hosts,

Bruce and Lady June Cole

HOTEL/RESORT INFORMATION

The Hilton Garden Inn has been chosen as the 2021 Family Reunion headquarters. It is located at 1500 Queen Street in Beaufort, SC. Free Wi-Fi and parking are among the amenities available for our guests at the non-smoking Hilton Garden Inn Beaufort. Hotel guests will find their own comfort level on self-adjusting mattresses at this four-story hotel with 115 rooms. They will watch in-room movies on 32-inch, flat-panel LCD TVs and sit in ergonomic chairs at spacious work desks while surfing the web with free Wi-Fi. All accommodations include microwaves, refrigerators, coffeemakers, iPod docking stations and free newspapers.

Food fans will enjoy a complimentary serving of fluffy scrambled eggs for breakfast and juicy burgers and more for dinner at the on-site restaurant. Exercise lovers kick up the cardio in the fitness center, while business professionals kick out some paperwork in the on-site business center. The hotel also has a sparkling seasonal outdoor pool, bar and 24-hour guest pantry.

Hilton Garden Inn is located in Beaufort Town Center, close to 10 restaurants, fitness facilities, and a park! Beaufort Town Center is uniquely positioned along Highway 21 / Boundary Street, in the heart of the City's redevelopment district, where it is adjacent to the City and County Government Centers and the Intracoastal Waterway. Both the Technical College of the Lowcountry and the University of South Carolina Beaufort are less than a mile away. Hunting Island State Park and beach is only a 25-minute drive away.

Under the reunion block, one king and two-queen rooms are available. We successfully negotiated one low "blended rate" of **\$105 per night** (plus tax) for the entire reunion. Anyone familiar with the Hilton Garden Inn knows that the resort charges a higher rate for weekend stays than they charge during the week. While the official reunion date is July 8-11, the hotel will honor the discounted rate through July 16 (checking out on July 16), so feel free to come early and stay late! This negotiated rate will be honored until the cutoff date of 6/20/2021.

Instructions When Making Room Reservations:

- Call (888) 728-3027 or (843) 379-9800 to make your reservation at the discounted group rate. Please ask for the Ivery Family Reunion Room Block, Group Booking ID: **IFF**
- **Cut-off Date:** Reservations made after April 30, 2021 will be provided on a space-available basis at prevailing rates. Rooms have been known to sell out fast!

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via email at: IveryFamilyReunion2021@gmail.com or via telephone at: (864) 207-6781

This information can also be found online at: www.ike-iveryfamily.org. Family members can call the hotel direct or toll free reservations number. Please use the group code provided when making all reservations.

Directions to the Hilton Garden Inn Hotel, Beaufort, SC

Physical address: 1500 Queen Street, Beaufort, South Carolina 29902

Driving

From Philadelphia and Points North

Follow I-95 S, NJ Turnpike South/I-95 S to Yemassee, SC. Take exit 38 from I-95 S. Take Old Sheldon Church Rd and US-21 S/Trask Pkwy to Queen St in Beaufort County. 10 h 54 min (749 mi)

From Florida and Points South

Follow I-95 N to US-278 E in Hardeeville. Take exit 8 from I-95 N. Take exit 8 to merge onto US-278 E toward Beaufort. Follow US-278 E, Argent Blvd and SC-170 E to Queen St in Beaufort County

From Atlanta and Points West

Follow I-75 S and I-16 E to from I-95 N. Take exit 8 from I-95 N to US-278 E in Hardeeville. Follow US-278 E, Argent Blvd and SC-170 E to Queen St in Beaufort County

Airports Servicing Beaufort, SC:

Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport (SAV) - <https://savannahairport.com/flights/airlines/> 914-964-0514. Drive from Savannah I-95 N to US-278 to SC-170 E to US 21. Distance from hotel: 45 miles. Driving time 54 minutes.

Charleston International Airport (CHS) - <https://www.iflychs.com/Flights/Destinations>. 843-767-7000 via US 17S to US 21S. Distance from hotel: 70.5 miles. Driving time 1 hour 21 minutes.

Hilton Head Island Airport (HXD) - <https://www.hiltonheadairport.com/>. 843-255-2942 via Drive from Hilton Head Island US-278 W to SC-170 E to US 21. Distance from hotel: 37 miles. Driving time 1 hour.

Schedule at a Glance

Day	Time	Event	Location
Thursday 07-08-21	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Reunion Registration	Hilton Garden Inn
	12:00 Noon – 7:00 pm	Free Time – Non-hosted activities. Group arrangements made based on interest.	TBD. Prices will vary.
	7:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Hospitality Suite	Hilton Garden Inn
Friday 07-09-21	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Reunion Registration	Hilton Garden Inn
	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Free Time Gullah Marketplace Sea Island Tour Workshops	Schedule and location of free-time events to be provided
	6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Meet and Greet/game night and a surprise activity	Hilton Garden Inn
	10:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Hospitality Suite	Hilton Garden Inn
	10:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Youth Hospitality Suite	Hilton Garden Inn
Saturday 07-10-21	8:00 am – 11:00 am	Reunion Registration	Hilton Garden Inn
	9:30 am – 11:00 am	Family Business Meeting	Hilton Garden Inn
	12:00 noon – 4:00 pm	Family Picnic	Penn Center, St. Helena Island
	7:00 pm – Midnight	Family Gala – Lowcountry Boil/Mardi Gras Theme	Beaufort Inn, Beaufort, SC
	Midnight until	Hospitality Suite	Hilton Garden Inn
Sunday 07-11-21	9:00 am – 11:00 am	Family Brunch and Church Service	Henry Chambers Park
	Noon	Check-out	Hilton Garden Inn
	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Family Day at the Beach Non-hosted activity. Group arrangement made based on interest.	Hunting Island State Park

2021 Ivery Family Reunion Registration Form Instructions

Standard Registration fees:

Children and adults 13 years old and older: \$125.00 per person
Children 4 to 12 years old: \$95.00 per person
Children 3 years old and younger: free

Secure your space and lock in your Standard Registration Fee (of \$125 per adult and \$95 per child) with a **pre-registration of deposit of \$25 per adult and \$10 per child by April 30, 2021**. Registration fees will increase after April 30, 2021. Standard fee will only be honored if both the registration form AND fee submittal are postmarked by April 30, 2021. Please send form and fees together.

Late Registration Fees (registrations received after April 30, 2021):

Children and adults 13 years old and older: \$140.00 per person
Children 4 to 12 years old: \$110.00 per person
Children 3 years old and younger: free
Deposit amounts remain \$25 and \$10 for adults and children, respectively.

Deposits will be accepted through April 30, 2021. After April 30, 2021, only full payments will be accepted and only until May 31, 2021 – The deadline to register for the 2021 Ivery Family Reunion is May 31, 2021.

Again, **PAYMENT IN FULL** for all attendees must be submitted to the hosting committee by **May 31, 2021**. (mailed payments must be postmarked by May 31, 2021 and electronic payments must be initiated by May 31, 2021).

We would really like to emphasize the above. While we would love to accommodate as many family members as possible, we are unable to adequately plan activities without sufficient lead time. Both the venue and other vendors require a headcount to secure pricing and other logistics. The hosting committee requires sufficient time to place orders and prepare for your arrival. Please share this information with any family members that you think we may have missed. Thank you!

Mailed Payments	Electronic Payments
<p>Please send your check or money order (made payable to: Ike Ivery Family Reunion 2021) along with your completed registration form to:</p> <p>The Ike Ivery Family Reunion 2021 c/o The Greener Institute 1201 Main St., Suite 1980 Columbia, SC 29201</p>	<p>Payments may also be accepted electronically via XpressPay. Please contact us by phone at (803) 748-1239 at the Greener Institute, from Monday to Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am – 5:00 pm or pay directly through XpressPay online at:</p> <p>https://pay.xpress-pay.com/org/A662415F8BF2415</p> <p>Please note, registration forms will still need to be completed and mailed or emailed by the deadline when using an electronic payment option.</p>

Inquiries may be directed via email to iveryfamilyreunion2021@gmail.com or via telephone/text to (864) 207-6781.

2021 Ivery Family Reunion Registration Form (Please Print or Type)

Please provide a contact person/head of household in case we have any questions regarding your registration form:

Contact Name	Phone Number	Email Address	Home Address

Fee Schedule:

	Adults 13 and above:	Children 4-12:	Children 3 and under (at time of the reunion):
By April 30, 2021	\$125	\$95	Free
After April 30, 2021	\$140	\$110	Free

Please list information for ALL family members attending the reunion (including contact person):

#	Last Name	First Name	Date of Birth (Month/Year)	Age at time of reunion. If 13 or older just indicate "adult"	Deposit/Amount Included:	Date Submitted:
					Total Cost	
					Balance Due	

T-Shirts

#	Last Name	First Name	Size	Cost	Paid
Total Cost					
Balance Due					
<u>Contact Name</u>		<u>Phone Number</u>		<u>Email Address</u>	

Please use the same contact person/head of household used on the registration form.

T-Shirt Pricing

Infant 6 months to 24 months	\$7	(6, 12, 18 and 24 month sizes)
Toddlers 2T to 5/6T	\$8	(2T, 3T, 4T, 5/6T sizes)
Youth Small to Youth X-Large	\$10	(YS=size 6-8, YM=size 10-12, YL=size 14-16 and YXL=size 18-20)
Adult Small to X-Large	\$12	
Adult 2XL	\$14	
Adult 3XL	\$15	
Adult 4XL	\$15	

Please send your check or money order (made payable to The Greener Institute) along with your **completed** form to:
The Greener Institute, 1201 Main St., Suite 1980, Columbia, SC 29201 or call (xxx) xxx-xxxx to make an electronic payment.

PLEASE NOTE: In good family faith so that we can be uniform and all on one accord, please support the hosting family and purchase the t-shirt offered when you register. Do not print your own t-shirt. If printing your own t-shirts is a practice you would like to see instituted, please submit it as an agenda item for discussion at the Saturday morning family National Business Meeting. Your consideration and understanding are greatly appreciated with blessings. Let us proudly display unity and support in the family by cooperating with this request. Thank you!

Activities of Interest and Allergies Questionnaire

Please show the number of people in your party who will participate in one or more of the activities listed below:	
Day trip to Charleston	
Outlet shopping	
Sea Island plantation tour	
Beach day	
Black film festival	
African American artisan's market	
Historical black cemetery tour	
Golfing tour	
Boat tour	
Horse and buggy tour of Old Beaufort	
Other (Please list)	
Please number the class you would like to take in order of preference (1 is the most preferred).	
Wealth building seminar	
Estate planning seminar	
Black history seminar	
Traditional arts and crafts workshop	
Traditional cooking class	
Lowcountry art seminar	
Other (Please list)	
Please list all allergies you or a family member have (e.g., seafood, medicines, insects, etc).	
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Welcome to Beaufort, South Carolina!

The history of Beaufort is a mosaic of many people who have labored, loved and lived together over the centuries to create today's colorful tableau. A coastal city blessed with wonderful Bed & Breakfasts and excellent restaurants. The city and the surrounding Sea Islands also have a rich African-American heritage. Come and learn about the Gullah culture or the Penn Center, the first school built for former slaves. Known for its outstanding golf courses, beaches, and outdoor adventures, Beaufort has a variety of activities and events to partake in and enjoy. See <https://www.beaufort.com/> for more information.

Beaufort is part of South Carolina's "Lowcountry", a region which extends from Georgetown County in the north to Beaufort County in the South. It is home to Gullah/Geechie culture. The Gullah people survived the Middle Passage to America as enslaved Africans who were captured from the rice-producing regions of West Africa. The Gullah People of Beaufort came from various areas of West Africa. In the Sea Islands of South Carolina they lived in isolation for hundreds of years.

Lowcountry Cuisine

Lowcountry cuisine is the cooking traditionally associated with the South Carolina Lowcountry and the Georgia coast. While it shares features with Southern cooking, its geography, economics, demographics, and culture pushed its culinary identity in a different direction from regions above the Fall Line. With its rich diversity of seafood from the coastal estuaries, its concentration of wealth in Charleston and Savannah, and a vibrant African cuisine influence, Lowcountry cooking has strong parallels with New Orleans and Cajun cuisine.



Frogmore Stew is considered a classic Low Country South Carolina dish. This dish is also known as Lowcountry boil, Tidewater Boil, and Beaufort Boil. Frogmore Stew gets its name from Frogmore, the mailing address for the residents of St. Helena Island just off the South Carolina coast.

Frogmore Stew features two main ingredients, fresh shrimp and freshly-shucked yellow corn, but most anything that is good boiled (such as crabs, redskin potatoes, and even crawfish) can be added. One thing I do know for sure is the fact that it is good!

Frogmore Stew has become a current favorite at some fancy restaurants in Charleston and

some of the resorts along the Carolina coast. This seafood boil is usually served on paper plates around newspaper-covered picnic tables outdoors, with plenty of ice-cold beer.

Films Made in Beaufort

Beaufort has served as the backdrop for films such as *Forrest Gump*, *The Great Santini*, *The Big Chill*, *GI Jane*, *Platoon* and *Daughters of the Dust* – to name just a few! Film buffs can spend an entire day touring the area, discovering where their favorite movies were shot.

Daughters of the Dust is a 1991 independent film written, directed and produced by Julie Dash and is the first feature film directed by an African-American woman distributed theatrically in the United States. The film was selected for the Sundance 1991 dramatic competition, where director of photography, Arthur Jafa won the top cinematography prize. In 2004, the film was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant."

Other films shot in Beaufort include: *The Prince of Tides*, *A Perfect World*, *The War*, *The Jungle Book*, *Chasers*, *Something to Talk About*, *White Squall*, *Last Dance*, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*, *Gone Fishin'*, *Animals*, *Rules of Engagement* and *the Legend of Bagger Vance*.

Historic Sites

Re-live the past through the narration of our professional guides and the clippity-clop of Beaufort's horse-drawn carriages. Learn Beaufort's Civil War history, how Robert Smalls captured



of a Confederate ship and see where Union General William Tecumseh Sherman read his famous Special Field Orders No. 15, that allotted land to freed families, in plots no larger than 40 acres (the famous "40-acres and a mule" proclamation). Go on a ghost tour, or see Beaufort's beautiful antebellum homes and Hollywood movie sites. Tours last about 50 minutes and leave frequently from the Waterfront Park area between 9:40 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday thru Saturday.

Beaches

Hunting Island State Park and Beach is South Carolina's single most popular state park, attracting more than a million human visitors every year. Also attracted to the semi-tropical barrier island is an array of wildlife, ranging from loggerhead sea turtles to painted buntings, barracudas to sea horses, alligators, pelicans, dolphins and deer and raccoons. The state's only historic, publicly accessible lighthouse, dating from the 1870s, the Hunting Island Lighthouse shoots 170 feet into the air, giving those who scale its heights a breathtaking view of the sweeping marshland and the Atlantic Ocean. While you're there, feel free to walk through the marine museum, fish from the pier or take a crabbing class.



The Artwork of Jonathan Green

Born in Gardens Corner, South Carolina, Jonathan Green attended the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. He received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1982 and continued independent studies in the United States and abroad for the next eleven years. Throughout his career, Green



has earned acclaim for his paintings that reflect his upbringing in the Gullah community of Gardens Corner. His work celebrates the cultural traditions of South Carolina's Lowcountry and interpersonal relationships that influenced his development during childhood. Green has exhibited widely and his work is included in numerous public and private collections, including the Gibbes Museum of Art. Jonathan Green is known for his skills in capturing flowing colorful fabrics in the breeze honoring the subjects in his paintings. When in France, his painted silk shirts were featured in the fashion shows for the House of Pierre Balmain and his designs have been incorporated into high-end fashion dresses for the Valentino Boutique in Naples, Florida and ballets throughout the country. For more information, see <https://jonathangreencollection.com/>.

“I exploit Afro-American dishes every chance I get...A bowl of collard greens does for me what a bowl of chicken soup does for others.”

Verta Mae Grosevenor