

Myrtle Trace Activities Committee Report  
Monday – June 8, 2015

Present: Pat Paxson, Charlene Rose, Jeanne Niziol, Cecile Britt, Gary Cooper, Diane McDonough, Carol Shea, Santo Perry, Mary Johnsen, Beth Crow, Beryl Barletta, Judy Panichi, Betty Alexakos, Kathy Gerhart.

The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by Pat Paxson.

Pat Paxson noted that there were no new members present.

The minutes from the May meeting were reviewed, Jeanne Niziol made a correction to the date of Gary Cooper's meeting being May 12th not June 12th, a motion was made by Cecile Britt and seconded by Beryl Barletta to accept the minutes as corrected. All were in favor.

Charlene Rose handed out the Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$2,772.98. Kathy Gerhart made a motion to accept the report, and it was seconded by Cecile Britt. All were in favor.

Board Liaison: Mary Johnsen had nothing to report but gave a big Thank You to Gary Cooper and his crew of volunteers for the successful Strawberry Festival. Those members present agreed that the Festival was enjoyed by all.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

Pot Luck Dinner: Carol Shea reported on the May 18th dinner; 42 attended the event. \$47.00 was given to activities from the 50/50. Next Pot Luck is June 15th.

Bingo: Charlene Rose had no report stating that Bingo will not be held in June, July or August, it will resume in September.

Game Night: Cecile Britt reported for Beth Crow that 12 people attended, 3 tables of 4, on Sunday, June 6th, to play dominoes. Chicken Foot was taught to new members.

Coffee Klatch: Carol Shea reported that 30 ladies attended the May 2nd Coffee. \$20.00 was given to activities from the 50/50. Next Coffee is on June 8th.

Myrtle Trace DiningOut: Pat Paxson reported for Steve Sands, 28 were in attendance at Fatz Restaurant. The next dinner is on June 23rd at Carrabbas.

Club House Movies: Kathy Gerhart reported in Janet McGrady's absence. The May 29th movie was "Unbroken" there were 25 in attendance. There will be no movies for June, July and August, to be resumed in September.

Audio: Pat Paxson reported for Steve Sands. There is a wedding scheduled on June 27th. It was discussed that one of the microphones was in need of repair. Mr. Fox would be contacted.

Meals to Shut-Ins: Kathy Gerhart reported for Janet Mc Grady - five (5) meals were delivered from each of the events: Strawberry Festival; Memorial Day and Ladies Breakfast. It was discussed that Janet needs an updated list of those in need.

Line Dancing: Pat Paxson reported that line dancing will not take place in June or July and will possibly resume in August.

### **Old Business**

Memorial Day Picnic held May 25th, Pat Paxson reported that the picnic was well attended with 120 RSVPs. Pat noted the items left over to be used at upcoming events. Pat also made recommendations for amounts to be purchased for upcoming events making allowances for 'no-shows' as well as limiting desserts. Diet soda should also be considered. Pat thanked all her helpers for their efforts making the event such a success.

Strawberry Social: Gary Cooper reported that 82 responses were paid for with 72 in attendance, there are no refunds given since food is purchased for the head count. Gary thanked his 25 plus volunteers. \$72.00 was given to Activities from the 50/50. \$80.00 was raised from the raffle of three cloth bags embroidered by Pat Paxson. Gary noted a profit from this event.

July 4th - Diane McDonough reported that she has 45 residents and guests signed up to date, and noted that there will be no limit put on the attendance. There was some discussion regarding the purchase of wine boxes for the event, there seemed to be concern regarding arsenic in wine and it was googled (by Betty Alexakos) and found that this ingredient is in most of what we eat or drink therefore ending the concern.

Get Acquainted Social: Janet Mc Grady (absent) no report.

Ugly Holiday Sweater Party: Cecile Britt noted that the team has yet to schedule a meeting since the event is not until January of 2016.

Thanksgiving Dinner: Carol Shea and Cecile Britt reported that this event will be on Thanksgiving Day at 2 PM. No meeting has been scheduled as yet.

Veterans Day Event: Beth Crow made a motion that \$400 be encumbered for this event, Betty Alexakas seconded the motion and all were in favor. This event is to take place on November 8th at 2 PM. A charge of \$5 for non-Veterans, Veterans will be free. The flyer is to be revised by Pat Paxson.

Halloween Party: No report since JoAnn Grove was not present. \$500 had been encumbered.

Pizza Party: In Liz Maass's absence Pat Paxson reported that a Pizza Party replace the Lasagna Dinner. This was tabled and will be brought up at the August meeting.

Ice Cream Social: Pat Paxson reported that this event will be held on August 7th at 7 PM, this event was omitted from the agenda. Pat noted that there would be a limit of 80 in attendance for this event. A flyer will be in the July and August News and Views with an August 5th deadline to sign up. She will allow for a 10% no-show. It will be a 'make your own sundaes' followed by

entertainment by Dandy Don. Pat Paxson asked for six volunteers to scoop ice cream: Charlene Rose, Judy Panichi, Beryl Barletta, Kathy Gerhart, Santo Perry and Cecile Britt would assist as servers.

### **New Business**

Pat Paxson asked if there was any new business to be brought to the floor. The following ideas and concerns were discussed:

Santo Perry asked if a pharmacist would be permitted to come to Myrtle Trace and give free flu shots. Mary Johnsen, board liaison, suggested this be taken to the board due to a possible liability concern. She will get back with a response at the next meeting. Pat Paxson noted that the company providing the service not be publicized.

Cecile Britt asked if a vendor would be permitted to come to Myrtle Trace and offer free shredding of paper for those that do not have access to a shredder. Once again Mary Johnsen would take this request up at the Board meeting and report back.

Pat Paxson received a letter from Cape Fear Mercy Care requesting they come to a coffee and speak, it was discussed that if it was not a promotional discussion but informative it may be approved.

Gary Cooper asked if a Blood Bank had been allowed to come to MT and it was discussed that the hospital often has blood drives and is close enough not to warrant one on site at MT.

Beth Crow asked if a trip coordinator was possible or if there was someone that would be interested in taking on making arrangements for trips out of Myrtle Trace as was done in the past? Some discussion was held.

There was additional discussion regarding people outside the community joining in the Myrtle Trace Koffee Klatches and other events which were assumed limited to residents only. Also discussed was whether people outside the community could join the games which are held in the club house. There was agreement that out-siders who accompany residents/family who need rides to events and those who have company to allow attendance at events. Additionally it was discussed that the activities such as game days/nights should be decided amongst those people attending the games. They are not part of the Activities Committee.

There will **not** be an Activities meeting in July, the next meeting will be August 10th.

Beryl Barletta made a motion to adjourn the meeting; it was seconded by Kathy Gerhart and Judy Panichi, at 7:55 PM the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Secretary, Jeanne Nizio