Myrtle Trace Activities Committee Report Monday – August 8, 2016

Present: Pat Paxson, Jeanne Niziol, Charlene Rose, Nancy Southard, Carol Shea, Santo Perry, Debi Perry, Betty Alexakos, Lynda Smith, Kathy Gerhart, Beth Crow, *Marie Tims, Dianne McDonough, Millie Van Slaars, Cecile Britt, *Alice Tingler, Jane Caterina, *Mary Ann Gitch, *Joe Gitch, *John Rohan, *Jack Martin, *Marty Tims, Karen Riley, *Pamela Reinhart, *Jeanie Bastian, *Sharon and Tom Borkowski...

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Pat Paxson. Pat welcomed new attendees, identified with a star *next to their name above.

The minutes from the June meeting were approved: Jane Caterina made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Cecile Britt, all were in favor.

Charlene Rose handed out the Treasurer's Report: The report included transactions from June through August 8th, since there was no meeting in July. The current balance as of August 8th is \$2,258.34. With monies encumbered for upcoming activities the balance is \$758.34. Charlene noted that when someone cashes a check written from the Activities Account (BB&T) at a bank where they don't have an account, they will be charged a fee. If the money required is less than \$50.00, Charlene will provide cash instead of a check.

Board Liaison: Nancy Southard reported on the need for a new cleaning crew/person. A notice was placed in the News and Views noting the requirements for the position. The Board is accepting applications until August 15th. A temporary agency is currently doing the job. Board members were stepping in to assist until the agency was hired temporarily until the position can be filled.

Standing Committee Reports

Pot Luck Dinner: Carol Shea reported on the June 20th dinner; 32 attended, \$50.00 was given to activities from the 50/50. The July 18th dinner was attended by 30 residents, \$35.00 was given to Activities. Next Pot Luck is August15th at 5:30 and will be hosted by Ginny and Gary Cooper.

Bingo: Pat Paxson reported for Nelson Fisher, June 10th, 38 attended, \$28.00 to activities; July 8th 59 attended, \$42.00 to activities. The next Bingo will be on Friday, September 9th at 7:00 pm.

Game Night: Beth Crow reported having 12 attending on Sunday, 8/7 at 6:30 pm; going forward this committee will report on all four/ or five Sundays each month.

Get Together: Pat Paxson reported for Steve Sands, in June there were 36 in attendance. 27 have signed up for August 19th.

Myrtle Trace Dining-Out: Pat Paxson reported for Steve Sands. In June, 25 attended at the 2nd Avenue Pier; July hosted 35 at the Highway 55. No one had signed up for August. September 27th the Groves and the Sharps will host at Mr. Fish.

Myrtle Trace Coffee Klatch: Jane Caterina reported, June 18th had 29 in attendance, \$46.00 went to Activities from the 50/50; July 22 had 31 attending, \$53.00 went to Activities from the 50/50. The next coffee will be on August 24th.

Club House Movies: Movies will return in September.

Meals to Shut-Ins: Dianne McDonough reported that food was distributed to the MT shut-ins from the ladies coffee. She noted that there are fewer than ten on her list. Diane requested that if anyone knows of someone who is in need to please contact her.

Line Dancing: Pat Paxson reported that this activity has taken a break in July and August and will continue on Fridays in September at 10 AM.

Old Business

July 4th Picnic: Pat Paxson reported for Steve Sands and Nelson Fisher. Of the 140 residents and guests responding 120 attended. Nelson obtained additional chairs from his church and tents were placed at the Pool. The event was a great success!

Ice Cream Social: Pat Paxson reported that there was still time for folks to sign up. The Low Country Barber Shop Quartet were scheduled for entertainment. She asked those who could help with the set up the time will be 4:00 pm.

Spaghetti Dinner: Charlene Rose reported that 50 have signed up to date, to held on Saturday, August 20th. She asked for help to set up on Saturday morning at 10:00 am. Carol Shea, Dianne McDonough and Marie Tims volunteered to act as servers.

Elvis & Friends: Dianne McDonough has checked with the HOA and has booked the group for February 11th. They have saved this date without having to give a deposit.

Thanksgiving Dinner: To date there is still *no chair* for this event.

New Business

AARP Safe Driving Course: Charlene reported having 30 residents signed up for this class at a cost of \$15.00/20.00 (non-member). Most attendees reported a savings on their auto insurance. Lunch was provided from Subway.

October Fest: Elizabeth Maass is chairperson for this activity, in her absence Pat Paxson asked to encumber \$600.00. Dianne McDonough made a motion to allow, Cecile Britt seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Jeanie Bastian was in attendance to request having an Arts & Craft Festival in the Club House in the Fall. Jeanie suggested having cider and baked goods as well. This would be open only to Myrtle Trace residents. It was proposed that tables could be rented by individuals wishing to show their crafts for sale. Possibly a table could be used to demonstrate the making of various Fall items for home decoration. Jeanie made the motion to host this festival on Sunday, November 6th from 1-4. Millie Van Slaars seconded the motion and all were in favor. It was suggested that a notice be placed in the News and Views in September. Ted Ackley would need the flyer by August 20th.

VCR Tapes: Pat Paxson received a call from a gentleman wishing to bring and show old programs such as Dean Martin's Roasts & Frank Sinatra TV shows. Pat indicated that this activity would need a host. No one stepped forward to chair.

Activity Closet: Pat Paxson explained that Santo Perry is in charge of stocking the Activity's Closet and does not stock the kitchen. Saran wrap and foil wrap is provided by **the MTAC** *not* the Property Committee. Charlene Rose noted that the Property committee supplies staples such as paper towels, trash bags and such. It was suggested that the sponsor of an event check all supplies and request replenishment from the proper committee.

New Year's Eve Party: Pat Paxson noted that Steve Sands had signed up early in the year to host this event as he has done for the last few years. Pat indicated that she had been approached by a resident to also join Steve with a live band as was used at the recent Block Party. The plan is to cater the food, such as finger foods; beer, wine; soda and water. Residents wishing other alcohol would be free to supply their own. Pat suggested that those wishing for this change should approach Steve Sands with their ideas to be included for this year's celebration. Two individuals, John Rohan and Jeanne Niziol agreed to speak with Steve Sands. Since there would be a charge this year it was suggested that notice be sent our possibly in September and then a flyer in the October and November News and Views.

Santo Perry noted that a resident approached him with a proposal to attend a tour of the Duplin Winery at Barefoot Landing. It was suggested to take place in January. There would be wine tasting along with cheese and crackers, possibly additional food. This activity is in need of a chairperson.

Pat Paxson reminded everyone that if grilling with gas/charcoal at the club house was part of an activity approval much be gotten from the HOA Board.

Seeing no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm by Diane McDonough and seconded by Carol Shea, all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Secretary, Jeanne Niziol