

# **ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT**

## **FOR MYRTLE TRACE ANNUAL MEETING 02/04/2023**

The Activities Committee is a financially independent committee for planning, implementing, buying foods, drinks, supplies and decorations for all Myrtle Trace events that need funded. Activities are not funded through the Myrtle Trace Board of Directors Treasury and therefore admissions to events cover the costs of foods, drinks, entertainment, decorations and any other expenditures. Part of the planning process is estimating how many people will attend the event and what the per-person admission should be in order to meet projected expenses. The Committee Treasury funds are encumbered in advance to cover the estimated expenditures. In this way, the event chairpersons may be immediately reimbursed for expenses out of pocket. It is necessary that expenditures do not exceed the amount encumbered by the committee. The system works very well and eliminates the risk to the event chairpersons.

Some events at Myrtle Trace do not need the assistance of the Activities Committee, such as card clubs and recreational activities like bocce ball and shuffleboard. They do not need to answer to the committee but if a special need arises that our committee can assist with, we will.

In the year 2022, the Activities Committee has managed over 62 events including:

- New Years Eve Dance and Party with entertainment & catering
- St. Patricks Day Dance and Party with entertainment
- Valentine's Dance and party with entertainment
- Jazz in the Park Dance and Party with entertainment
- Kentucky Derby Party with food and drinks
- Thanksgiving Dinner provided to Residents at no charge
- 4 Potluck Dinners
- 24 Bingo Nights
- 10 Dining Out Events
- 12 Ladies Coffee Klatches with a special December catered one.
- Lobster Food Truck dinner
- Jazz Breakfast with entertainment
- Casino Night
- Veterans Day Ceremony
- Memorial Day Picnic
- Fourth of July Picnic
- Many Travel Club Events

The ideas for Myrtle Trace events come directly from the residents. People necessary to chair and assist with events are the residents of Myrtle Trace. Volunteers necessary to set up and tear down for events come from the community. This is somewhat unusual for HOAs because we do not depend on a management company to do these things for us. We love our independence and low HOA fees and have been successfully independent for forty years so the system is proven to work as long as we have plenty of people willing to chip in and help in some capacity. Please come to our meetings the second Monday of each month at the clubhouse and watch for our announcements of upcoming events in the community News and Views newspaper. Please also volunteer to help us.