



# News and Views

Myrtle Trace

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents

July 2013

## BOARD BRIEFS

### TRAFFIC SAFETY

The special Traffic Safety Committee, chaired by Nancy Southard and including Leo Reger, Mike Reynolds, Dave Smyth and Jim Wilkison, presented a comprehensive traffic study to the Board at the June meeting. The conclusions of the study indicate that 96% of the traffic moves at speeds below 28 MPH and the average speed is 20 MPH. Therefore, no further action is deemed necessary. Suggested guidelines prepared by the Committee are included on an enclosed flier. The Committee completed an outstanding analysis.

### SMOKE DETECTORS

A representative from the Horry County Fire Department gave a presentation on Fire Safety at a recent Pot Luck Supper. During the presentation, it was stated that smoke detectors have a useful life of about 10 years. Given the age of our community, it is very likely that we have numerous detectors which have exceeded their useful life. As a public service to Myrtle Trace, Steve Sands has developed a program to assist homeowners in the replacement of inoperative detectors. A flier is included in this issue of the News & Views describing the program. Each of you is encouraged to give careful consideration to this program.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee for the 2014 Annual Meeting will soon be meeting to search for homeowners who wish to be considered for candidacy for a seat on the Board of Directors. Two current board members will be replaced at the February 2014 Annual Meeting. We are looking for homeowners who have a desire to serve our community and help maintain and preserve the lifestyle of Myrtle Trace. If you are interested or have a friend or neighbor who you feel could be considered, please call Judy Beam (347-3463) or e-mail her (mbpro@scoast.net). Any information received will be strictly confidential. All homeowners are welcome to attend any monthly board meeting.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

At the fiscal year midpoint, the Myrtle Trace HOA is in a sound financial position. Net income is slightly above budget, largely due to increased home sales and careful management of expenses. A continuation of this positive fiscal situation will require on-going attention. Considering the aging infrastructure of the community, it is especially important to plan and prepare for expenses which will be incurred as those needs are addressed, just as has been done in planning for the funding of road resurfacing.



Happy Birthday, America !!!



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### BOCCE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations go out to Mary L'Heureux and Dick Sievers. They defeated Dot and Fred Silvernail to claim the title overall champs for the spring 2013 Bocce Ball league play. The weather was cooperative and the playoff match was held on Saturday, June 1, 2013.

An outdoor social was also held at the same time as the match and was attended by 46 Myrtle Tracers. I want to thank Gayne Wray, Carol Duganier, Marie Reger and Kathy Gerhart for preparing the well appreciated snack trays. Thanks also to Joni Kyes, Ron Grove and Trudy Johnson for selling the raffle tickets. Gary Kyes, you did an excellent job officiating and I thank you. Lastly, thanks to Paul and Ginger Sallas for all of your help.

There will be no league play during the summer. As mentioned in the June News & Views, we will restart league play in September. Have a great summer.

*Horace Jones*

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WEBSITE  
[www.myrtletracesc.org](http://www.myrtletracesc.org)

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Hope everyone is enjoying the arrival of summer. The pool is open and the Activities Committee has been busy. Below are the activities scheduled for July.

The 4th of July Picnic & Pool Party will take place at the Clubhouse on Thursday, July 4th from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm; don't forget to bring a couple of dollars with you for the Duck Races.

The Ladies Coffee Klatch will be on Saturday, July 13th at 10:00 am. Hosting will be Joyce Kingsmore, Janet McGrady, Betty Roessler & Bobbie Sands. The Ladies Coffee Klatch is still in need of hosts for the September Coffee so please contact Joni Kyes if you would like to Host/Co-Host.

Pot Luck Dinner will be on Monday, July 15th at 5:30 pm, hosted by Bill & Alta Fox. Myrtle Trace Dining Out will be going to the Cracker Barrel on Tuesday, July 23rd at 5:00 pm for dinner and will be hosted by Bobbie & Steve Sands. NOTE: Starting in July MT Dining Out will move to the 4th Tuesday of the Month.

Movie Night will be Friday, July 26th at 7:00 pm. The movie will be "Hope Springs" and your hosts will be Steve Sands & Janet McGrady. Game Night continues every Sunday evening.

We are thrilled to see so many of our residents coming out to enjoy the events. The Memorial Day Parade & Lunch was a lot of Fun. Thank you to Terri Macker & her committee for all their hard work; even the Firemen stayed to have lunch & pie (they really liked the pie & ice cream). The Pizza Party was well attended and lots of fun with everyone enjoying the music, food & conversation with their neighbors. Thank you to Liz Maas, Janet McGrady, Steve Sands and the volunteers who made it all happen.

The Activities Committee meeting is moving back to the evenings (2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm) starting in August, (no meeting in July) and we are looking forward to seeing more of you come out and get involved. The next meeting will be Monday, August 12th at 7:00 pm. We welcome ALL Residents!

*Kathy Dulhagen*

## MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

### ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS

JUNE 22, 2013

#### Additions:

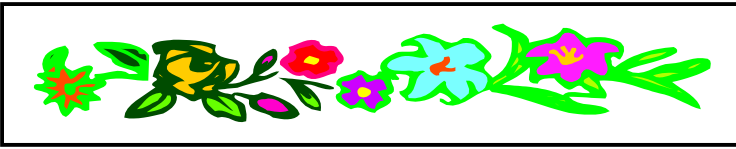
Cain, William & Kathleen	105 Boxwood Lane	508-320-7222 MA, FL
Carter, Peggy	214 Glenwood Drive	347-2582 TN
Hughes, Brent & Joanne	103 Berry Tree Lane	252-413-8100 NC, PA
McFarland, Dennis	134 Myrtle Trace Drive	331-4524 SC
Nichols, Gwen	134 Myrtle Trace Drive	331-4524 SC
Rallo, Anthony & Patricia	129 Hickory Drive	704-991-5418 MA
Robertson, Al & Janet	121 Cedar Ridge Lane	347-0797 NY, VA
Wilson, Tom & Sally	104 Berry Tree Lane	828-674-6371 FL, NC

#### Corrections:

Pears, Ralph & Kathryn	102 Hickory Drive	347-2461
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#### E-Mail:

Carter, Peggy	<a href="mailto:catclay77@aol.com">catclay77@aol.com</a>
Hughes, Brent & Joanne	<a href="mailto:cake_lady2000@yahoo.com">cake_lady2000@yahoo.com</a>
Robertson, Al	<a href="mailto:alfredr@scoast.net">alfredr@scoast.net</a>



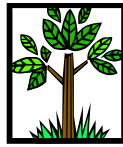
### GARDEN CLUB

As per our usual practice, there will be no formal meetings of the Garden Club during the HOT, HOT months of July and August, so the next meeting shall take place on Thursday, Sept. 5th, 2013 at 2pm in the Clubhouse. However, weather permitting, some light clean-up of the garden will always be welcome – this usually takes place during the cooler hours of the morning on Saturdays by some of our dedicated members –would YOU be one of them?

The recent rains have really helped our landscape and garden plants, but you are reminded to keep a close eye on soil moisture – especially during the hot days ahead of us. As mentioned in earlier issues of the News & Views, please try to do any watering earlier in the day - watering late in the day can lead to serious outbreaks of fungal and/or bacterial diseases.

"There is only one way to fail, and that is to quit." Brian Hayes

*Paul Alexander*



### PROPERTY COMMITTEE

As a result of the heavy rains which have been prevalent this spring, we have received numerous complaints regarding drainage. Although most of the properties drain well within a few hours, several do not. In most cases, the swales between the homes have become blocked by silt and/or foliage. Underground drain pipes have become filled or obstructed by tree roots. Usually, these problems occur on private property and are the responsibility of the adjacent homeowners. The Property Committee will be glad to provide suggestions for handling complicated drainage problems.

We have received several reports of stray cats and small wild animals observed in the community. We are also “blessed” with the presence of many Canadian Geese. In many cases, these creatures are drawn to food sources. Please do not feed them and do not leave food for your own pets outside.

*Malcolm Macphee*

### *Thank You*

Thanks to all our neighbors for their best wishes after our marriage early last month. Janet (Haney) and I intend to stay in this great community so we had to choose between our two homes. I will miss my great neighbors on Candlewood Drive but look forward to meeting new friends on Cedar Ridge. Please change your address books to reflect my new contact numbers listed in this issue.

*Al Robertson*

I just wanted to say a big “Thank You” to everyone for their encouragement and support during Sandy's illness and passing. Wonderful people do live in Myrtle Trace.

*Ralph Billeter*

A great big THANKS to all who participated in the Red, White & Blue Parade and to everyone who worked so hard to make the luncheon a success.

*Myrtle Trace Activities*

*Committee*



### ROMEO'S

#### July Schedule

July 5th

EGGS UP GRILLE

Food Lion Center

Conway

July 19th

BOB EVANS

Rt. 501 @ Waccamaw Blvd.

# MYRTLE TRACE-MART

## I WOULD LIKE TO.....

GIVE AWAY - Two (2) soft sided golf bag & club carriers with wheels. Like new. Great for air travel. First caller gets them. Please call Renzo at 347-6727. (5)

BUY - A good sounding radio. Please call Betty at 347-7977. (5)

BUY - Good used car. Condition and price more important than miles or age. Before you sell it to a dealer, please send details to [jetether3@gmail.com](mailto:jetether3@gmail.com) or call Ted at 843-360-2307 (cell phone). I'm a Myrtle Trace resident but will be traveling for a couple of months. (5)

SELL - Black&Decker electric grass trimmer \$30.00 - Black&Decker 2&1 electric landscape edger \$50.00 - Bolens 22" cut push mower \$40.00. Please call Allen at 347-6455. (5)

SELL - Craftsman 22" electric key start self-propelled lawn mower with bag and mulching port—\$75.00. Please call Ray at 347-1305 (6)

GIVE AWAY - 12 valances 60" long 15" wide. 2 dumbbells 5 kg (11 lb.) Please call Betty at 347-7977. (6)

SELL - Canon color and black ink cartridge set for Canon printers—series S400, S500, S600, S700 and others. \$10.00. Please call Ted at 347-3004. (6)

SELL - Woman's bicycle - GIANT - Farrago model. Multi-speed. 27" wheels. New - \$350... Asking \$115.00. Please call Nona at 347-1959. (7)

SELL - 60" Sony SXR D High Definition TV. Slim design, rear projection w/brand new lamp. Brilliant, like new hi-def picture and color. Redecorating and need wall mounted TV as a replacement. Asking \$500.

Please call Jack at 234-1530. (7)

WANTED - The donation of some end tables and lamps suitable for the tables for the Coastline Women's Center, a crisis pregnancy and family support center which will open in Conway in July. Please call Fran Tuohy at 234-1530. (7)

SELL - 2008 Cruiser RV travel trailer. 21.9 ft. Model 210WBS. Dry weight 3470 lbs. Excellent condition, bathroom, shower/tub, oven, microwave. Hitch, sway bar and weight distribution bars included. Asking \$8,200. Please call Tom at 455-1302. (7)

WANTED - A Myrtle Trace home to rent for a widowed lady. Please call 347-6116. (7)

SELL - 2009 Chevrolet HHR 4 door sedan. 44,000 miles, new tires, mint condition. Must see. \$9,200. Please call Lou at 347-9014. (7)

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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Neighborhood Watch could use a couple more drivers for patrolling our streets. You would be a driver every sixth week from Monday through Sunday. It would take about 20 minutes or so each day for that week. You would select your own time to patrol. Myrtle Trace is divided into 2 patrol areas and you would be assigned to one of them. You would receive a schedule and route assignment quarterly, by joining us you are doing your neighbors a great service. It really is not that time consuming. Please give me a call. We welcome our newest driver Mary L'Heureux of 231 Candlewood Drive replacing June Darville who has been with us for several years. Thank you, June, for your past service.

*John Brunk*



## ARE YOU A MASON???

Steve Sands and a handful of other Master Masons in our community are hoping to connect with other Masons within Myrtle Trace. If you are a Mason and are interested, please call Steve at 331-3180. He'll be delighted to hear from you.

## ***KEEP OUR STREETS SAFE !!!***

The Traffic Safety Committee makes the following recommendations regarding the use of our streets. If we all cooperate, we will continue to enjoy trouble-free traffic!

### **Pedestrians:**

Share the road.

Walkers, alone or with pets, and joggers should walk facing oncoming traffic.

Wear a reflective vest at night and early morning.

Step to the edge of the road when traffic is approaching.

Carry a flashlight at night when walking a pet and make sure the pet is off the road when a vehicle is approaching.

### **Bicyclists:**

Share the road.

Ride with the traffic.

Wear a reflective vest.

Move to the side and let vehicles pass on your left.

Have a working headlight and backlight on your bicycle for use at night and early morning hours.

Obey stop signs.

### **Vehicles:**

Share the road.

Obey stop signs and posted speed limits.

Adjust speed for traffic conditions especially when there is a vehicle stopped along the side of the road and there is oncoming traffic.

# MYRTLE TRACE DINING OUT

Thursday, July 24, 2013

5:00 PM

## Cracker Barrel

1208 Retail Ct

Myrtle Beach SC 29577

(Coastal Grand Mall)

916-8241

**All Myrtle Trace Residents are welcome!**



**Hosted by Steve & Bobbie Sands**

**Drop form and \$1.00 per  
person to Steve & Bobbie  
Sands**

**186 Glenwood Drive**

**By July 22nd**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Number: \_\_\_ X \$ 1.00 = \_\_\_\_\_**

**Money will be refunded at the  
restaurant**



# Ladies Coffee Klatch Potluck

All Myrtle Trace Ladies Welcome  
Bring a dish to share

Saturday, July 13, 2013

10:00 AM

Myrtle Trace Clubhouse

Hosts: Joyce Kingsmore, Janet McGrady, Betty Roessler  
& Bobbie Sands. Bring money for the 50/50 drawing.  
We are continuing to accept canned goods for the needy.  
Please wear your name badges.

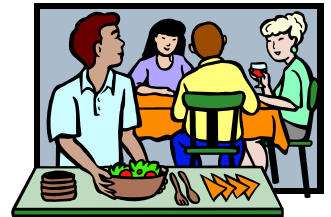
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## POT LUCK DINNER

Monday, July 15, 2013

5:30 PM

Myrtle Trace Clubhouse



Bring your favorite dish as well as your  
own place setting and beverage

Hosts: Rob and Terri Macker

# Important Warning

**The effective life of a smoke detector is ten years according to the Horry County Fire Department.**

**Most detectors in Phases 1 - 7 are at least 20 years old. The detectors in Phase 8 are at least 12 years old.**

**These older smoke detectors should be replaced as soon as possible.**

**The older the detectors are, the less effective they are.**

**Just because the buzzer goes off when you push the button does not mean they are going to detect smoke during a fire.**

**It just means there is power to them.**

**A deal is being worked out with Lowe's to get us new smoke detectors at a substantial discount if we buy a lot of them.**

**Any one who wishes to replace their smoke detectors, please notify Steve Sands. He will make a list of detectors needed, and then get a price from Lowe's.**

**Any one who needs help putting in their smoke detectors will be contacted by the Horry County Fire Department, and they will come over at no charge and replace them for you.**

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**Please reply in**  
**writing or by email only**  
**by**  
**July 31st.**

**Steve Sands 186 Glenwood Dr.**

**ssands3@sc.rr.com**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_  
**How many needed** \_\_\_\_\_



# MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES

# July 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Chorus On Vacation Thru July</p>	<p><b>1</b> 12:30 Mah Jongg</p>	<p><b>2</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker</p>	<p><b>3</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker</p>	<p><b>4</b> 9-11 Crafters <b>1:00 July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> <b>7:45 ROMEOS</b> 1:00 Canasta Duplic. Bridge</p>	<p><b>6</b> 9:00 Garden Club Work Detail</p>
<p><b>7</b> 6:30 Game Night</p>	<p><b>8</b> 12:30 Mah Jongg <b>3:00 ARC MTG.</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>10:00 PROP. COM.</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9:30 PHS. 8 COFFEE 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker</p>	<p><b>11</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg</p>	<p><b>12</b> 1:00 Canasta</p>	<p><b>13</b> <b>10:00 MT LADIES COFFEE</b> 7:00 Bridge</p>
<p><b>14</b> 6:30 Game Night</p>	<p><b>15</b> 12:30 Mah Jongg <b>5:30 POT LUCK</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> 9:00 Singles Brkfast 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker</p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>9:00 MTHOA BD MTG.</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker</p>	<p><b>18</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg</p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>7:45 ROMEOS</b> 1:00 Canasta Duplic. Bridge</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>
<p><b>21</b> 6:30 Game Night</p>	<p><b>22</b> 12:30 Mah Jongg <b>3:00 ARC MTG.</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker</p>	<p><b>24</b> 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker</p>	<p><b>25</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg</p>	<p><b>26</b> 1:00 Canasta <b>7:00 MOVIE NITE</b></p>	<p><b>27</b> 7:00 Bridge</p>
<p><b>28</b> 6:30 Game Night</p>	<p><b>29</b> 12:30 Mah Jongg</p>	<p><b>30</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker</p>	<p><b>31</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker</p>	<p><b>CALENDAR</b> Pat Paxson - 347-1609 Alternate Ted Ackley - 347-3004</p>	<p><b>OPEN BOWLING Tuesday 9:30</b></p>	<p>Water Aerobics M - F 8:00-8:45</p>