



Myrtle Trace

# News and Views

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents December 2013

## BOARD BRIEFS

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The MTHOA Board of Directors is pleased to wish each of our residents a happy, healthy and safe holiday season.

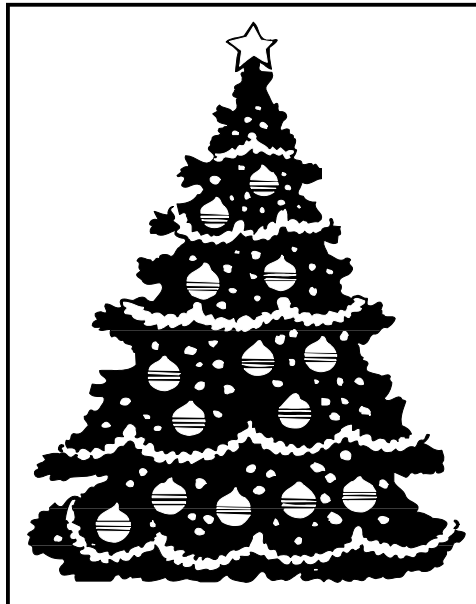
### CLUBHOUSE CLOSURE

Commencing on February 24, 2014, the Clubhouse will be closed to all activities for approximately five weeks for the implementation of the first phases of the Clubhouse Refurbishment Plan. During this period, the flooring and draperies will be replaced, the walls will be painted, sound panels installed and new furniture will be purchased.

### 2014 BUDGET

The 2014 budget for the MT Homeowners' Association was adopted at the November meeting of the Board of Directors. A copy is enclosed with this newsletter. The budget reflects a combination of carefully managed annual operating expenses and the need to address the current and future needs of an aging community infrastructure.

Under operating expenses, utility and insurance costs along with lake and pool expenses are rising.



In recognition of the aging infrastructure needs, the budget incorporates funding to continue initiatives started during the past year including building additional lake bank retention walls, replacing trees removed from common property, and resurfacing roads as needed. Also included is funding for the initial phases of the Clubhouse Refurbishment Plan. The budget also begins planning for future needs including repairs to the pool area and replacement of lake pumps. This future planning is outlined on the enclosed repairs and replacements schedule.

In order to meet the

current infrastructure improvements and anticipated future projects, the Board approved a dues increase of \$5 per month, raising the member obligation to \$70 per month or \$840 annually.

### CLUBHOUSE ALARM SYSTEM

The alarm system in the Clubhouse is set up to be armed daily from 11:00 pm until 6:00 am the next morning. Any movement or activity in the Clubhouse between those hours will alert the police unless the system is manually disarmed. This will result in a phone call to the Clubhouse to confirm that there is not a problem.

### AL HARDEE MAINTENANCE

Al Hardee's maintenance staff receives its direction from Al Hardee who, in turn, receives his direction from the Property Committee.

From time to time, a resident may have a question or an issue with the duties performed by the staff. Such concerns should NOT be discussed with the maintenance staff. They should be referred to a Phase Rep. or to the Chairperson of the Property Committee

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January Deadline - 12/20/13

January Delivery - 1/2/14

### BOOKS ARE FUN

The Auxiliary of Conway Medical Center is holding a fundraising event. We are sponsoring BOOKS ARE FUN on December 5th, from 7am to 5pm and December 6, from 7am to 3pm. The sale will be held in the dining rooms across from the cafeteria at CMC. BOOKS ARE FUN will offer: gifts, cookbooks, best sellers, stationary, scrapbooking, children's books, toys, educational products and Christmas ornaments.

The Auxiliary appreciates the support it gets from the residents of Myrtle Trace and looks forward to seeing you at the sale. This is a good chance to get ready for Christmas.

### ROMEO'S

#### December Schedule

December 6th

J & J CAFETERIA

4th Ave., Conway

December 20th

MAMMY'S KITCHEN

11th Ave. & Kings Highway



MYRTLE TRACE  
WEBSITE

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

### ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Veterans Day celebration was well attended with many of our veteran residents from all branches of the service being recognized and honored with a pinning/certificate ceremony courtesy of Mercy Care Hospice. Thank you to Mercy Care Hospice - they did a beautiful job honoring our veterans.

The Ladies Coffee Klatch will be Tuesday, December 3rd at 10:00 am, Bingo will be Friday, December 13th at 7:00 pm, Pot Luck will be on Monday, December 16th at 5:30 pm (Christmas Theme), Myrtle Trace Dining Out will be on Tuesday, December 17th at 5:00 pm (see flier), Movie Night will resume in January 2014, Game Night continues every Sunday evening 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Clubhouse.

"Illuminate Our Community" on December 7th at 5:00 pm. (rain date will be 12/8) Luminary supplies (candles, bags & sand) may still be purchased from Charlene Rose, Bonnie Longnecker or Rosemarie Smyth.

The Myrtle Trace Play dates have changed to February 21 - 23, 2014. Watch the News & Views for more information.

Our next Activities Committee meeting will be on Monday, December 9th at 7:00 pm in the Clubhouse.

*Kathy Dulhagen*

## MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

### ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS

NOV. 23, 2013

#### Additions:

Blevin, Jim	108 Ashwood Circle	331-1135
Gillard, Ted & Anne	158 Myrtle Trace Drive	585-993-6400 NY
Hoffman, Scott	114 Laurelwood Lane	843-597-9068 MI
Hogan, Richard & Patricia	112 Boxwood Lane	591-0073 VA
Monahan, Stephen & Patricia	161 Myrtle Trace Drive	845-537-1122 NY
Palmer, Bob & Sandra	101 Bentwood Circle	864-414-8465 VA/SC
Pappas, George & Carol	120 Cedar Ridge Lane	617-5227 OH/SC
Webb, James & Peggy	226 Candlewood Drive	331-1234 OH
Wojtko, Carol	105 Moss Circle	716-425-0618 VA
Wood, Anne	114 Laurelwood Lane	843-597-9068 MI

#### Corrections:

Gayer, Tom	<a href="mailto:tomgsr1@aol.com">tomgsr1@aol.com</a>
Grabarz, Maryellen	219 Candlewood Drive

#### E-Mail:

Gardiner, Walt	<a href="mailto:waltgsr@gmail.com">waltgsr@gmail.com</a>
Hogan, Richard & Patricia	<a href="mailto:beachbum30@sc.rr.com">beachbum30@sc.rr.com</a>
Palmer, Bob & Sandra	<a href="mailto:sanpal48@att.net">sanpal48@att.net</a>
Von Deck, Janet	<a href="mailto:jvondeckjr@scoast.net">jvondeckjr@scoast.net</a>

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee would like to thank the individuals who came out on Saturday, November 2nd and helped clean and store the pool furniture. A committee has been formed as a sub-committee to the Property Committee with the task of developing a "master plan" for the pool. The sub-committee is assessing a number of things including the pool leak, the decking, the cabana and the pool furniture. The sub-committee will present its plan and recommendations to the Board by June 2014.

George Thompson, Bill Gascoigne, Dick Sievers and Gary Kyes have resigned from the Property Committee. George, Bill and Dick served as Phase Representatives for Phases 5, 6 and 8, respectively. Paul Sallas will now be the Phase 5 representative; Bill and Dick have agreed to be on call until replacements have been appointed. Gary served as the Coordinator of Pool Monitors. We thank each of these individuals for the time and years of service they have given to the Myrtle Trace Community.

*Nancy Southard*

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## ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The ARC has recommended and the Board of Directors has approved Adjustable Louvered Patio Covers for use in Myrtle Trace. These covers may be opened during the day and provide a water resistant surface when closed. They are available in four standard colors and may be ordered in custom colors to match your home. For more information, brochures are available in the ARC cabinet in the storage room of the Clubhouse. As always, a Project Request Form must be submitted to ARC and approved prior to beginning the installation of this patio cover.

There will only be one ARC meeting during December and it will be held on December 16th.

*Pat Hosford*

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## SAVE THESE DATES !!

As a result of the Clubhouse Refurbishment Plan, the production of "The Cane Mutiny Caper" (an original comedy about con artists) by the Myrtle Trace Players has been rescheduled to February 21st, 22nd and 23rd. The Friday and Saturday shows will commence at 7:00 pm and the Sunday show will be a 3 pm matinee.

The Clubhouse will be closed to all activities from 9:00 am Thursday, February 20th, through 10:00 pm Sunday evening.

As usual, we are asking for donations of small props such as dancing figurines, hearts, small houses, billiard balls, chickens and artificial eggs. They don't have to be in good condition. You may call me at 347-5360 or drop them off at 110 Ashwood Circle.

We also need to borrow 8 or 10 bar stools with backs. Please let me know what you might have for our use. We promise not to abuse them!

*Cathy McElroy*

## *Thank You*

Thank you for all of the cards and condolences during the loss of my brother, Billy. Our very best friends are right here in Myrtle Trace.

*Rob & Terri Macker*

I want to thank everyone who donated outdoor Christmas decorations to Myrtle Trace. Especially, the estate of Jeannine Taylor, formerly of Birchwood Lane and George & June Chebro of Berry Tree Lane.

*Ron Grove*

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make the Myrtle Trace 30th birthday party a rousing success. To our Myrtle Trace Bakers, the Myrtle Trace Chorus, those who helped set up and cleanup, Marie and Leo Reger, Roe and Dave Smyth, Steve and Jan Notte, and Judy Beam, a special thanks for all the extra efforts. To all Myrtle Tracers who attended who helped us celebrate - you made it a party to remember!

*The Activities Committee*



## MERCY HOSPICE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Just a reminder. I'm still collecting money for the children of Mercy Care patients. We try to bring a little joy into their lives as they are dealing with the loss of a loved one. Please do this as soon as possible. Thank you.

*Lynn Peachey*

# MYRTLE TRACE-MART

## I WOULD LIKE TO.....

SELL - Hand-made king size bedspread with 2 shams. Light gold with burgundy trim on the edges. \$60.00  
Please call Margie at 302-542-3413. (10)

SELL - Beige WeatherTech rear cargo liner for Honda Odyssey. Like new: cost \$149.00, will sell for \$70.00  
Please call George at 347-5167. (11)

BUY - A lawn mower - gas, electric or manual. Please call Richard at 234-1168. (11)

GIVEAWAY - A 5 year old male cat. "Cricket" is a house cat who likes people. Declawed and neutered with all meds up to date. Giveaway includes remaining dog food, cat hutch and a cat carrier. Moving to an apartment - can't take Cricket. Please call Dick or Lorraine at 347-2067. (12)

SELL - 54" medium brown, wicker television stand. Brand new - never used. Cost \$600.00 - asking \$450.00.  
Please call Bruce or Bonnie at 504-259-6958. (12)

SELL - Golf cart cover, full size, two zippers per side, easy on and off. Folds into a carry bag. Excellent Christmas gift! Price: \$50.00. Please call Ray at 347-1305. (12)

SELL - HP/Compaq Presario laptop computer. Excellent operating condition. Three years old, Windows 7-64 Ultimate, Intel Dual Core processor. Wide screen (15.6"). \$150.00. Please call Jack at 234-1530. (12)

SELL - Hewlett-Packard scanner. Excellent condition. \$25.00. Please call Ted at 602-1991. (12)

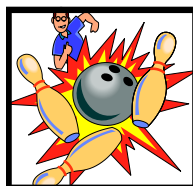
GIVE FREE BRIDGE LESSONS - Starting on January 4th. Please call Doris Wolford at 347-2802. (12)

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## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

The Neighborhood Watch program needs a driver to replace long time driver Eunice Freeman who is retiring. We need someone who can Patrol her area of Myrtle Trace. You would be needed for one week every six weeks. You would start at the end of December. Call me or one of my faithful drivers, Herb Baraga, Mary Frances Williams, Colleen Carter, Fred Krause, Nelson Fisher, Elizabeth Maass, Janet Haney Robinson, Charlie Conklin, Al Orth, Jennifer Jenemann or Patricia Brunk. We thank Eunice for her past work and appreciate all she has done. We also continue to appreciate our current drivers. The Neighborhood Watch program would not survive without the support and efforts of our Myrtle Trace residents and we still need a volunteer or two.

*John Brunk*



## BOWLING

With three weeks to go in the first half of the schedule, the Crackerjacks (Jack Peachey, Jeannie Maturi & Tony Maturi) are enjoying a one point lead over the Silver Foxes (Janet McGrady, Dick Sievers & Steve Sands). The Outsiders (Jerry Arnold, Don Benson & Tom Dexter) are in third place four points behind the Crackerjacks. Two points further back are the Alley Cats (Betty Stiegler, Ken Stiegler & Bob Kirk).

High scores were rolled by Jerry Arnold (236, 620), George Thompson (224, 597), Al Wellman (216, 587), Bob Bastian (224, 579), Don Benson (213, 566), Tony Maturi (563), Jerry Campbell (219, 560), Bonnie Cranstoun (172, 493), Millie Van Slaars (167, 464) and Pat Fisher (164).

High averages so far are being rolled by Jerry Arnold (189), Bob Bastian (185.22), Don Benson (185.08), Yvette Campbell (137.53), Bonnie Cranstoun (137.06) and Pat Fisher (133). The winning team in the first half will bowl for the league championship in April.

**REMINDER!!**

**ILLUMINATE OUR COMMUNITY**

**TO CELEBRATE**

**THE HOLIDAY SEASON**



**Date: Saturday, December 7, 2013**

**(Rain Date: Sunday, December 8, 2013)**

**Time: 5:00 PM**

**(Set up: 4:00 PM, Lighting of candles 5:00 PM)**

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**MYRTLE TRACE PAPER WEIGHTS**

A Momento of Myrtle Trace's 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday

\$3.00 each with order



Return order with Check payable to:

Myrtle Trace Activities Committee to

**Cecille Britt**

**100 Berry Tree Lane**

**By December 31, 2013**

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

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# COME AND CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE



With your friends and neighbors

Myrtle Trace Clubhouse

December 31<sup>st</sup>

9:00 PM until.....

Bring an appetizer to share

BYOB

Plenty of FUN!!!

Plenty of GOOD MUSIC!!!



Reply to

Steve & Bobbie Sands

186 Glenwood Dr

By December 29<sup>th</sup>

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

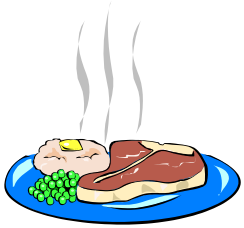
Number Attending : \_\_\_\_\_

A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

# MYRTLE TRACE DINING OUT

Tuesday, December 17, 2013

5:00 PM



## Tavern in the Forest

Carolina Forest

Myrtle Beach SC



**All Myrtle Trace Residents are welcome!**

**Join us for good food and conversation with your neighbors.**



Hosted by

Joyce Remaly

Drop form and \$1.00 per person to

Joyce Remaly

133 Hickory Dr

By December 15th

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

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

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

Money will be refunded at the restaurant





The Myrtle Trace Community Chorus  
Presents

“WELCOME TO CHRISTMAS”

A Program of Sacred and Secular Christmas Music

Saturday Evening, December 14, 2013 7:30 PM

And

Sunday Afternoon, December 15, 2013 4:00 PM



Admission - \$5.00/Person  
(Seventy-five (75) reservations  
will be accepted for each  
concert)

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

Circle One of the Following Dates:

Saturday, December 14, 7:00 PM

Sunday, December 15, 4:00PM

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons \_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_

If performance selected is sold out you will  
be called.

Make check payable to MTCC and drop  
reservation along with check or cash in the  
basket at 115 Timberline Drive, the home of  
the Foxes.







# Ladies Coffee Klatch Potluck

All Myrtle Trace Ladies Welcome  
Bring a dish to share

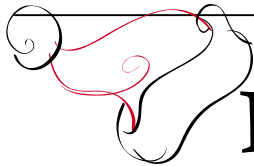
**Tuesday, December 3, 2013**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Myrtle Trace Clubhouse**

Hostesses: Gwen Nichols, Joyce Kingsmore, Annie Kongvold

LET'S GET FESTIVE! Wear your favorite Christmas Sweater or Top  
Please bring a \$5.00 gift for the Gift Exchange

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, December 16, 2013**  
**5:30 PM**  
**Myrtle Trace Clubhouse**



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

Host: Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus

Bring a \$1.00 wrapped gift for Santa's Bag (Gift Exchange)

# MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES

# December 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 6:30 Game Night	<b>2</b> 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg	<b>3</b> <b>10:00 MT LADIES COFFEE</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker	<b>4</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker	<b>5</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 2:00 Garden Club 7:00 Singles Mtg	<b>6</b> <b>7:45 ROMEOS</b> 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta Duplic. Bridge <b>7:00 BOCCE BALL MEETING</b>	<b>7</b> 9:00 Garden Club Work Detail <b>12:00-9:00 RESERVED CHORUS</b> <b>5:00 LUMINARIES</b>
<b>8</b> <b>9:00-9:00 RESERVED CHORUS</b>	<b>9</b> 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg <b>7:00 ACT. COM.</b>	<b>10</b> <b>10:00 PROP. COM.</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 Merry Rounders	<b>11</b> 9:30 PHS. 8 COFFEE 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker	<b>12</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Mah Jongg	<b>13</b> 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta <b>7:00 Bingo</b>	<b>14</b> <b>CLUBHOUSE CLOSED</b> <b>CHORUS PROGRAM 7:30PM</b>
<b>15</b> <b>CLUBHOUSE CLOSED</b> <b>CHORUS PROGRAM 4 PM</b>	<b>16</b> 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg <b>3:00 ARC MTG</b> <b>5:30 POT LUCK</b> <b>X-MAS Theme</b>	<b>17</b> 9:00 Singles Brkfst 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker	<b>18</b> <b>9:00 MTHOA BD MTG.</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker	<b>19</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Mah Jongg	<b>20</b> <b>7:45 ROMEOS</b> 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta Duplic. Bridge	<b>21</b> 9:00 Garden Club Work Detail
<b>22</b> 6:30 Game Night	<b>23</b> 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg	<b>24</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta 3:00 Caregivers Grp 6:00 King's Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker	<b>25</b> <b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>26</b> 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 1:30 Scrabble 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Mah Jongg	<b>27</b> 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta	<b>28</b> 7:00 Bridge
<b>29</b> 6:30 Game Night	<b>30</b> 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg	<b>31</b> 1:00 Mah Jongg Duplic. Bridge Canasta <b>9:00 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY</b>	<b>CALENDAR</b> Pat Paxson - 347-1609 Alternate Ted Ackley - 347-3004	<b>OPEN BOWLING</b> Tuesday 9:30 Leag. Bowling Thursday 10:00	<b>EXERCISING - CLUBHOUSE</b> M - F 7:45 - 9:00	<b>Chorus Thursdays</b> <b>3:30pm</b>