



News and Views

Myrtle Trace

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents December 2017

BOARD BRIEFS

2018 ANNUAL BUDGET

In order to preserve and maintain Myrtle Trace, the development of the 2018 MTHOA budget involved giving careful consideration to current and future needs. In addition to daily operating expenses, we evaluated projects which need to be done and the necessary funding for those projects as the needs arise. For example, our lakes are not as “healthy” as they should be due to their age and they need to be dredged; we have outfalls and other pipes which are aging and potentially will require replacement. To address these situations, additional funds are going into the Lake Renewal and the Infrastructure Funds. Last year after Hurricane Matthew, the question was asked why wasn’t there a disaster fund for such events. The Board heard you and a Disaster Fund was established. Fortunately, we did not have a repeat of a hurricane this year hitting our area. However, additional funds have been included in the 2018 budget to build up a reserve to cover potential clean-up costs in the event of another disaster be it a hurricane or an ice storm.

The budget also includes funds for construction of retaining walls in 2018. The Lake Banks committee has reassessed the lake banks, prioritized the areas by need and has submitted another five-year plan. We, the members of the Board, believe the 2018 MTHOA budget will continue to provide what is necessary to preserve Myrtle Trace, benefit the community and at the same time stay financially sound without a dues increase for 2018.

LISTENING SESSION

The Board of Directors held a Listening Session on Tuesday, November 7th. Approximately sixteen people attended and some of the questions and concerns related to: infractions and complaints; swales; Neighborhood Watch; bicycle safety; and review of the covenants. Each individual in attendance received a written response to the questions and concerns raised.

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The Board of Directors wishes everyone Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays!!!



If you are traveling, stay safe and come home soon.

News & Views

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MOVIE NIGHT

There will be no Movie Night in December. Our Producer will be on vacation!!

ROMEO'S December Schedule

December 1st
MARTIN'S REST.
7200 N. Kings Hwy
December 15th
I-HOP
Route 501



MYRTLE TRACE
WEBSITE
www.myrtletracesc.org

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

We hope all the residents had a great Thanksgiving. The Veteran's Day Tribute was acknowledged as very well organized and executed. Many compliments were voiced by Veterans and Non-Veterans. Much thanks to Beth Crow and her committee.

Our Thanksgiving Day Dinner was also received well. Nelson Fisher and his committee are owed much thanks for running this well attended yearly event.

BINGO IS LIMITED TO RESIDENTS ONLY AS ARE ALL ACTIVITIES IN MYRTLE TRACE UNLESS OTHERWISE DESIGNATED.

December brings many activities. They include Luminaries (see the flier) and the Mailbox and House Decoration Competition on December 16th. **HOME DECORATIONS MUST BE VISABLE FROM THE STREET IN ORDER TO BE JUDGED.** Awards will be given to the winners on or about 12/16/17.

The New Year's Eve Party will be held on December 31 (see the flier). RSVP early as this activity will fill up in a few days.

Our next MTAC Meeting will take place on December 12th at 7 PM. Please come and bring new ideas you are willing to work on.

Pat Paxson

MTAC Holiday Decoration Competition

Each year a competition will be held for the best exterior decorations (Must be viewable from the street) in four categories.

Each year a competition will be held to judge mailbox decorations by phase.

There should be judges for exterior decorations and judges for mailbox decorations from previous year's winners.

Judging will take place 1-5 days prior to luminary night.

Each winner will receive a \$10.00 certificate and a ribbon.

Pictures of the winning houses and mailboxes should be given to the MT Website Chairperson

A previous winner is exempt from future competition for 5 years (ie: 2016 winners are not eligible to win again until 2021)

MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

ADDITIONS & CHANGES

As of November 22, 2017

Additions:

Hayes, Jim	207 Candlewood Dr	843-347-7161
Horton, Averil & Joyce	101 Bentwood Cir	843-251-6831 NY
Kimmel, Barry	106 Myrtle Trace Dr	609-781-9200 NJ
Williams, Michele	106 Myrtle Trace Dr	609-802-1032 NJ

Corrections:

Moyer, Jeff	206 Beechwood Ct	<u>803-288-4161</u>
Moyer, Vicky	206 Beechwood Ct	<u>803-288-4160</u>
Uzmann, Richard	101 Dogwood Cir	<u>843-331-1465</u>

E-mail:

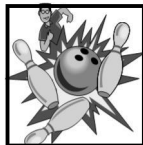
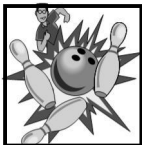
Burdiss, Peggy	pburdiss@sccoast.net
Kimmel, Barry	Kimmelbb@yahoo.com

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

As another year draws to a close the Property Committee wants to wish all of our homeowners and their families, a Happy and Healthy holiday season.

I want to personally thank all who volunteer their time to keep Myrtle Trace the vibrant community we all enjoy living in with pride. Happy Holidays!

Rich McEvoy

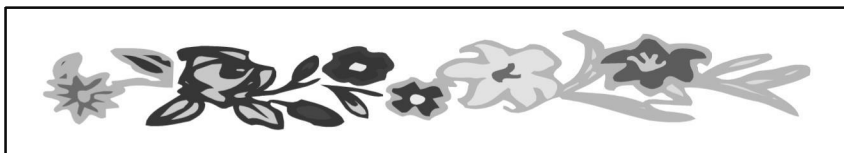


MYRTLE TRACE BOWLING LEAGUE

Winning 17 of their final 21 points of the first schedule segment, the Silver Foxes (George Thompson, Janet McGrady & Nelson Fisher) secured a berth in the season-ending rollofs. Guys & Dolls (Carol Shea, Mike Reinhart & Mickey Jarossy) also finished strong and wound up in 2nd place followed by Lucky Strikes (Maureen Lindenberg, Lois Totura & Mike Lakatos) in 3rd place.

High scores have been bowled by Tony Maturi (228, 596), Al Wellman (554), Nelson Fisher (552), Bob Bastian (549), Ted Ackley (513), Jerry Campbell (513), Irene Dexter (511), Ken Stiegler (508) and Pat Benson (507). High averages are being maintained by Tony Maturi (187), Al Wellman (182), Bob Bastian (167), Annette Krapf (151), Sue Lyons (146.53) and Irene Dexter (146.40).

Ted Ackley



GARDEN CLUB

Now is a good time to perk up your azaleas and camellias by giving them a dose of Epsom Salts (magnesium sulfate). Drench the root zone with a mixture of 1 Tablespoon per gallon of water. For best results, do this once in the fall and again in early spring.

If you are fortunate to receive an Amaryllis and don't want to keep it, please consider donating it to the Garden Club. We will plant it in the Amaryllis garden. It doesn't need to be in bloom, just green. If you have a donation or a question, you may email Judy Beam at mbpro@scoast.net.

Due to the Garden Club sponsored Holiday décor event on Saturday, December 9th (see flyer for details), the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, January 11th at 1 pm in the Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

Sandy Ream

MERCY HOSPICE

Just a reminder – we are still collecting for the Mercy Hospice Christmas Gifts for the children with parents in Hospice care. Please contact Carol Duganier (843-347-0682) or Janet McGrady (843-347-7652).

BOCCE

The Myrtle Trace Bocce Ball League has completed the Fall season. A party was held at the Clubhouse and the winners were recognized. The Division 1 winners were Mary L'Heureux and Linda Guest, and the Division 2 winners were Flo and Charlie Conklin. A play-off between the division winners was held and Mary and Linda became the Fall champions.

Information regarding the Spring season will be announced early next year in the News & Views. Please join us for a good time and a chance to make new friends.

HELP WANTED

The False-cetto Play needs one male to play a female pirate along with 4 other males. Not a lot of lines - no experience necessary. Must be willing to laugh and improvise when necessary.

Rehearsals are January and February, 2018, 2 hours each Saturday and each Sunday. The play is scheduled on March 9th, 10th & 11th. Please contact Cathy McElroy at 843-347-5360 or CATHYLCSW@scoast.net

**SINGLES
BREAKFAST
December 27th
EGGS UP GRILLE
Rt. 501**

MYRTLE

TRACE-MART



I WOULD LIKE TO.....

SELL - Ashley dining room suite including pedestal table, 6 foot buffet and eight (8) chairs including 2 captains chairs. Please call Gerry at 570-578-7174. (10)

SELL - Assorted hand made Afghans - 20 different colors. \$20.00 each. Call Billy at 843-347-7169. (10)

SELL - CharBroil Patio Bistro Electric \$35, good condition. TV Corner Stand, holds up to 45" TV - 3 shelves, black frame/2 black glass shelves \$50, like new condition. Please call Gail at 517-897-7145 (10)

SELL - Unopened John Wayne DVD's - many in sets. Men's left-handed golf club with a golf bag and extras. Please call Eileen at 843-347-5380. (11)

SELL - Four (4) oriental wall pictures 1ft X 3 ft. Can be mounted as series or singles \$10 each or \$30 for all. Stationary Leg exerciser \$20. Please call Patricia at 843-455-1511. (11)

SELL - (2) Daisy Girl Scout Handbooks-new-\$15 each-makes a nice Christmas gift for Kindergarten through first grade girls. Braun Coffee Bean Grinder-electric-originally \$34.99, used, will sell for \$10. Battery operated window candles-each uses one AA battery (not included)-25 cents each. 4-Twin packs of sensor light bulbs for battery operated window candles-25 cents per pack. Please call Cathy at 843-347-5306. (11)

SELL - 6 small red glass holders for candy or candles - new \$1.00 each. 4 red and white polka dot dessert or serving plates - 7". New - \$6.00. Set of 4 flip-flop shaped appetizer plates. New - still in the box. Paid \$19.99 - sell for \$9.00. Pretty 2 piece serving set. Black with bold, colorful flowers. Bowl & plate like new. \$10.00.

30" X 30" wall mirror with wood trim from World Market. \$20.00. Dinnerware set for 4. 12 pieces. Like new \$10.00. Set of 4 black coffee cups. New \$4.00. Cute stationary with "L" printed on it. Several different pieces. New \$1.00 each. Christmas card set with "L" \$1.00. Tabletop centerpiece for 5 tea-light candles - 8,9,10,11,12 inches high. New \$5.00. Ladies olive green all-weather jacket with plaid fleece lining and hood. New. Paid \$24.96 - will sell for \$10.00. Please call Sally at 843-283-8864. (12)

BUY - Large wall mirror for dining room. Approximately 26" X 62" or 38" X 48" or something around that size. Please call Phil and Marj at 843-591-0001. (11)

SELL - Ladies royal blue polo shirt with embroidered Myrtle Trace logo - size medium. New, never worn. \$15.00 Please call Ted at 843-602-1991 (12)

SELL - Dual Action Swivel Stepper with Bar - like new \$75. Please call Carol (843) 347-7131. (12)

SELL - Byers Choice Collectible Carolier Dolls. All are hand made in PA and no two are alike. Large are \$15.00 ea. Small are \$7.50 ea. Please call Jane at 843-347-5167 (12)

SELL - New ladies/girls 24" purple 2 wheel bicycle with helmet. Never ridden, never worn. \$100.00 Please call Mary Ann at 843-234-0456. Please leave message if no answer. (12)

SELL - Dan Marino NFL Collectibles, '95 - 2 shirts (1 never worn still in bag), 1 hat never worn, 1 pin and 1 card with Certificate of Authenticity #343 still in box. P. Buckley Moss Members Only Prints: Joyful Harvest '96, Lovers Ride '99, For the Love of the Children '98, Love & Joy '97 - all triple matted, Love & Joy framed - all numbered. HESS trucks - Mini's in box - '98 Tanker Truck, '99 Fire Truck, 2000 Hess First Truck. Full size toy truck still in box - '89 Fire Truck, '91 Toy Truck & Racer. Full size toy truck not in box and played with '84 Green Gasoline Truck, '90 White & Green gasoline truck, '86 Fire Truck. Call Sue or Dave at 843-347-5757 & make Best Offer (12)

SELL - 2003 Saturn Ion LE in Very Good Condition with only 37,800 miles! It has a Kelly Book Value of \$3,559 but will sell for \$2,200. "as is". Pentax Optio E10 Digital Camera still in the box for \$150. Yashica 35 mm camera w/zoom lens for only \$50. Please call Peter at 843-234-2315. (12)

SELL - Jordan Mark Cherry Wood Photo Box-4x6, 60 picture display file rack, new in original box, paid \$24, will sell for \$10. Quick Stand 7.5 Poly Christmas Tree Stand-Fast set up, holds 7.5' tall tree with up to 4" diameter trunk, 1.5 quart water reservoir, 4 stabilizing bolts, used, paid \$11.99, will sell for \$5. Again & Again multi-cell battery charger-SAFT model cc-1 #4625, nickel-cadmium, charges AA/C/D/9V batteries, used, \$5. Please call Cathy at 843-347-5306. (12)

BOARD BRIEFS (CONT'D.)

We thank all residents who attended this listening session. As stated in an earlier edition of the News & Views, the monthly Board of Directors meeting now includes a time for public participation. During this time, residents can raise questions or express their concerns. This format allows the Board to hear from residents and investigate their concerns and respond in a timelier manner than holding a listening session once every six months. Therefore, separate additional listening sessions will not be necessary.

MTHOA GUIDELINES & POLICY NOTEBOOKS

The 3-ring binder notebooks containing MTHOA ARC and Property Guidelines, Board Policies and Article VII of the Master Covenants have been distributed. Thank you, to everyone who volunteered their time to help assemble and/or deliver the MTHOA Guidelines and Policy notebooks. Your help was greatly appreciated. If by some chance you did not receive your copy please contact Nancy Southard at (843) 347-3885.

BICYCLE SAFETY

Bicyclists are reminded that they are to: stay to the right; ride with the direction of traffic; and to obey all the rules of the road. This includes stopping at all stop signs. We know our streets are narrow and must be shared by cars, trucks, bicycles and walkers. It is important for the safety of yourself and others that you stay alert to your surroundings.

ANONYMOUS COMPLAINTS

The Board of Directors, the Architectural Review Committee or Property Committee do not respond to or take actions on anonymous complaints. However, a signed written complaint will be addressed when it is received and the name of the complainant is kept confidential.

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

There is perhaps no single endeavor that the Board of Directors works on harder and for a longer period of time than preparing the annual budget. This was true this year and after much work we completed the 2018 budget and passed it at our November Board meeting. The best news for all homeowners is that there is no dues increase in the 2018 budget. Even so, the budget should meet all our normal operating expenses and projects which need to be done. We also included funding for Lake Renewal and Infrastructure Funds, continued funding of a "Disaster" Fund and funding for our Road Replacement and Repair and Replacement (sometimes referred to as Designated) funds.

We also continue to be financially sound for 2017 and now have funds available to put money into the Road Replacement and R&R accounts that were delayed from 2016 (which normally would have been invested into CD's at the beginning of 2017). With only a month and a half left in 2017 as I write this, we should finish the year in fine shape, barring any unanticipated calamity.

Darryl W. ("Dusty") Rhodes

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is continuing its search for qualified candidates to fill the one position that will become open and be voted on at the 2018 Annual Meeting in February. We will continue to keep you apprised of our efforts.

ILLUMINATE OUR COMMUNITY

TO CELEBRATE

THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Date: Saturday, December 16, 2017

(Rain Date: Sunday, December 17, 2017)

Time: 5:00 PM

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

Let's work together to get 100% participation this year.

This is a great time to get together with your neighbors, friends, and relations for a street, block or house gathering to begin the celebration of the season.

Bags should be set up on each corner of your driveway or line the yard. TOPS OF BAGS SHOULD BE TURNED OVER TWICE (approximately 1") WHICH WILL PREVENT BAGS FROM CATCHING FIRE. Please extinguish your candles by 10:00 PM or upon retiring for the evening.

Candles, Bags, and Sand may be purchased from Bonnie Longnecker @ 253 Candlewood Dr., Roe Smyth @ 180 Myrtle Trace Dr., or Pat Paxson @ 219 Wedgewood Dr.

**Cost: Package (1c Sand, 2 candles, 2 bags) @ \$.75,
OR Bags - 10 cents each; Candles – 25 cents each;
Sand – 15 cents a cup**



Hey, it's getting Chili
outside and Bobbie
& Steve Sands are
having a Souper
party



Wednesday, December 13, 2017
4:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Come and see all Steve's changes to his display and enjoy
some Homemade Soup and Christmas Goodies

Beef Stew, Tomato Basil and, of course, Chili

Beer, Wine and Soda will be provided

If you would like to bring
your favorite soup or a
Christmas Goodie, please
feel free to do so and email
Bobbie at
EnglishcopSC46@gmail.com
or call 843-331-3180 to let her
know what you are bringing.



Can't make it on 12/13, we
will continue to show display
every Mon. & Wed. from
6PM to 8:PM. Please RSVP to
Steve to set up a time.

CCKidMA44@gmail.com
or call 843-331-3180

Make Your Own Holiday Centerpiece or Swag



11:00 AM Saturday, December 9th at the Clubhouse

Sponsored by the MT Garden Club

John Drohan, Instructor

\$23 per Person

RSVP by December 3rd

Limit 20 people

Bring a glue gun, scissors,
and pine cones

RSVP by December 3rd to: Anne Kongvold
103 Linden Circle
843-347-7454

Name: _____

Phone: _____

#Attending _____ X \$23 = _____ for supplies.

Make checks payable to: John Drohan. Check must
accompany reservation.

The Myrtle Trace Community Chorus

Presents

“YULETIDE MEMORIES”

Friday Evening,

December 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Saturday Afternoon,

December 16, 2017 at 4:00 PM

Myrtle Trace Clubhouse

\$5.00 Donation Per Person



Limited to 65 persons per performance

Deadline for Reservations

Tuesday, December 12th

Refreshments Served
During Intermission



Reservations to

Gerry Holley

112 Myrtle Trace Drive

Name(s): _____

Phone #: _____

Mark (X) performance preference

Friday, December 15, 7:00 PM _____

Saturday, December 16, 4:00 PM _____

Number Attending _____ X \$5.00 = _____

Deadline Tuesday, December 12th

MYRTLE TRACE NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2017



9:00 PM - 1:00 AM

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY WITH



Hors D'oeuvres, Beer, Wine and Soda Included

(BYOB)

\$25.00 Per Person



Limit of 80 Attendees Casual Upscale Attire

Champagne Toast at Midnight Balloon Drop

RESIDENTS ONLY:

RSVP by December 15th

GUESTS of Residents

RSVP from Dec. 16th

Until December 20th

RSVP to

Mickey Jarossy

192 Glenwood Drive

Name: _____

Address: _____

Number ____ X \$25 = _____

Make check payable to:

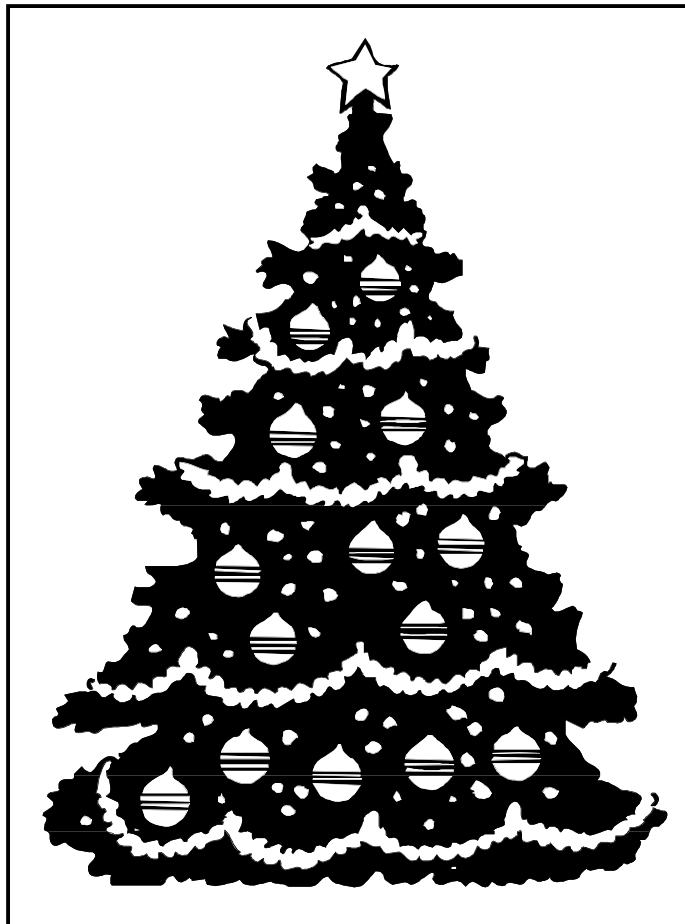
Myrtle Trace Activities Committee

Ladies Coffee Klatch

All Myrtle Trace Ladies Welcome
Bring a dish to share

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
10:00 AM
Myrtle Trace Clubhouse

Hostesses: Betty Roessler, Janet McGrady & Helene Wilkison



MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES

December

2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CALENDAR Pat Paxson – 347-1609 Alternate Ted Ackley – 347-3004	LEAGUE BOWLING Thursdays 10:00	EXERCISING - CLUBHOUSE T - Th 7:45 - 9:00	Chorus Thursdays 3:30pm		1 7:45 ROMEOS 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta	2 2:00 Cookie Swap 7:00 Bridge
3 6:30 Game Night	4 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:00 Mah Jongg	5 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Canasta 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Tatum's Poker	6 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker	7 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 6:30 Singles Mtg	8 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta 7:00 Bingo	9 11:00 Reserved Holiday Creation
10 6:30 Game Night	11 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:00 Mah Jongg 3:00 ARC MTG. 7:00 ACT. COM.	12 9:30 PROP. COM. 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Canasta 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Tatum's Poker	13 9:30 PHS. 8 COFFEE 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker	14 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Garden Club 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg	15 7:45 ROMEOS 10:00 Line Dancing 12:00 Reserved 7:00 Chorus Concert	16 12:00 Reserved 4:00 Chorus Concert 5:00 Luminaries & Decoration Competition
17 6:30 Game Night	18 9:30-11 Bible Study 12:00 Mah Jongg	19 10:00 MT LADIES COFFEE 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Canasta 5:30 King's Poker	20 9:00 MTHOA BD MTG. 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker	21 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg	22 10:00 Line Dancing 1:00 Canasta	23
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31 _____ New Year's Eve Party						