



News and Views

Myrtle Trace

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents January 2023

BOARD BRIEFS

ANTI-SEMITIC LITERATURE

Several weeks ago, residents in Myrtle Trace found Anti-Semitic literature enclosed in a sandwich bag weighted down by rice or kernels of corn in their driveways. The Myrtle Trace Board of Directors is making the following statement regarding this event:

Recently, residents of several communities in Horry County awoke to find Anti-Semitic literature on their driveway. Ours is one of those communities. The frequency and the scale of these actions are rapidly escalating. The individuals or group of extremists hide themselves under the cloak of darkness when distributing this hateful material.

We cannot allow these acts to define us as a people and a nation. And we cannot condone them. We need to raise our voices and loudly condemn these acts. We also need to pressure the lawmakers in South Carolina to quit stalling and pass long needed hate crime legislation.

Anti-Semitism, like racial or cultural discrimination has no place in the United States. If we, the people, allow this to continue we risk a repeat of history. It is imperative that we stand united against these hateful acts.

SLATE OF CANDIDATES

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce that Pat Hosford, Cathy McElroy, Debbie Rebocho, Darryl Rhodes and Gray Stroger are candidates for the Board of Directors. Their photos and resumes are included in the Annual Meeting packet. The candidates will be introduced at the Board meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

ANNUAL MEETING PACKETS

The Annual Meeting packets will be assembled and delivered to home-owner residents on Saturday, January 7, 2023, weather permitting. If you will not be able to retrieve your packet on either January 7th or 8th please call either Joe Martin at 843-347-2823 or Mary Johnsen at 843-347-6897 to make other arrangements. Packets will NOT be available on the day of the Annual Meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING

Reminder, the Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Horry Georgetown Technical College (HGTC). Registration starts at 1:00 p.m. For those residents who are voting proxies for other homeowners we encourage you to pre-register. Pre-registration will be held at the Clubhouse on Friday, February 3, 2023 from 4pm to 6pm.

HARDEE CONTRACT

The Board has signed a five year contract with Hardee Maintenance. We believe Myrtle Trace is very fortunate to have a maintenance crew who cares about Myrtle Trace as if it was their community. We truly appreciate their willingness to respond so quickly after, and some times during, a major storm to remove debris and ensure roads are passable for emergency vehicles.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR KINDNESS

We would like to remind pet owners of a couple of things: pets when outside are to be on a leash or in

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TRACERS ON THE GO!

Janusry 25, 2023

10:00 AM

WOODEN SPOON EATERY

828 Surfside Drive

ROMEO'S

January 20th - 7:45

VICTORIA'S COUNTRY

COOKIN'

Mytle Beach

Masks Not Required



MYRTLE TRACE

WEBSITE

www.myrtletracesc.org

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities Committee met on Monday evening, December 12th. All of our recent events have been well-attended and successful. Upcoming events for you to put on your calendars include:

January 22 at 2:00 the Bluebird Society will give a presentation at the Clubhouse to help us care for our bluebird population. In February we will have a presentation by a Clemson University horticulturist who will advise us on our plant life in Myrtle Trace. These lecture series will continue in the future with various topics of interest to our community.

Potluck Dinners will be held the 3rd Monday of January, March, May, August and October, starting with January 16th. March's potluck will be an "open mike joke and funny story night." Look for further announcements.

In October of 2023 Myrtle Trace will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of our HOA community with a number of special events like a parade, special social events and other events. The Board of Directors and an ad hoc subcommittee of Activities will jointly do the planning. Jean Hohenberger is chairing this committee and if you want to be involved in the planning, let Jean know.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Two of the expensive clubhouse round glass table tops have been broken recently when the heavy extenders have been placed onto the tops or taken off. From now on, the extenders must each be put on or taken off by two people. They are heavy enough to be hard to handle without accidents.

YAPPY HOUR: Pat Paxson will need volunteers to help her with Yappy Hour. Please contact Pat

MYRTLE TRACE LOGO POLO SHIRTS & SWEAT SHIRTS

Orders may be placed by contacting Ted Ackley by phone (843-602-1991) or by e-mail (tedack@sccoast.net). He has a chart of available colors.

MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

ADDITIONS & CHANGES

As of December 29, 2022

Additions:

Polkiewicz, Cynthia	155 M T Drive	315-373-1840
Polkiewicz, James	155 M T Drive	315-952-0642
Thamsen, Robert & Joan	1219 Loblolly Lane	9845-649-5807

Changes/Corrections:

E-mail:

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Polakiewicz, James	jamespolakiewicz@gmail.com
Thamsen, Robert & Joan	jmfellmer@yahoo.com
Wilcox, J. Michael & Joanna	wilcoxjj102@gmail.com

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

CLUBHOUSE: Please move all our glass top tables by the wooden base only. The tables have wheels and will move easily if you push or pull the wooden base.

The very heavy table extenders are to be put on and taken off by two people. We have had 2 broken glass table toppers in 2022.

GATES: Our gates are programed to stay up for 15 minutes when an Emergency Vehicle, Fire or Police Vehicle beeps their Sirens.

TREES: Residents needing to report a leaning or dead tree on HOA Property, call your Phase Rep. If on your Personal Property, please contact ARC.

NOTE: Please look at your Property and ARC Guideline references to the taking down or trimming of trees.

ROADS: If you see a **post** that has been knocked down, please let your Phase Rep. know. All of the **posts** have reflectors on them for easy visibility for those who are out during the evening hours.

Liz Maass

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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The candidates will be introduced at the Board Meeting on Wednesday, January 18. and will have an opportunity to make brief comments at that time.

The Annual Meeting Planning Committee will be assembling the meeting packets on Saturday January 7, 2023. The packets will be distributed to the owner-resident black newspaper tubes that same day, weather permitting. If you will be unable to retrieve your packet on the 7th or 8th please call either Mary Johnson 843-347-6897/email RPM-MARYJ@AOL.COM or Joe Martin 843-347-2823/JJM109@YAHOO.COM to arrange delivery.



ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

We have recently received some complaints regarding Dusk to Dawn lighting or spot lights left on all night. These lights often are high wattage and can be unpleasant for neighbors. We ask all homeowners who have night lighting to be aware of the direction the lights are shining and of the intensity of the lighting. Please be good neighbors and respectful of the distances between properties.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy new year.

Pat Hosford



The Myrtle Trace Chorus, led by Bill Fox, presented another outstanding holiday performance to the delight of a full house of Myrtle Trace residents.

ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2023

The MTHOA Annual Meeting will be held in the Burroughs and Chapin Auditorium at Horry-Georgetown Technical College. The meeting will start at 2 PM on February 4th 2023. Registration starts at 1 PM. For those voting multiple proxies there will be an early registration in the Clubhouse on Friday February 3rd from 4 to 6 PM.

MYRTLE TRACE-MART

I WOULD LIKE TO.....

SELL - Brand new carry-on Computer Travel brief case issued by J. P. Morgan Chase with multiple storage compartments. Please call Peter at 843-516-9803 (11)

SELL - Banker Boxes with lids. \$2 each. Dehumidifier rarely used \$30 Please call Lisa at 703-299-3298 (11)

SELL - Delta hand shower w/7 spray functions. Touch clean nozzle, brushed nickel. Never used - in original package. Asking \$35. Over-sized teal green glass dish for display. Asking \$20. Four dark teal placemats - woven basket design \$5. Please call Ann at 617-838-5930. (11)

GIVEAWAY - Back brace and outdoor Christmas lights. Please call Harry at 843-347-7667 (11)

SELL - Walkers - never used. \$40 Please call Harry at 843-347-7667 (11)

BUY - Stationary bike for exercise. Please call Steve at 843-995-0764 or 843-347-1407 (11)

FIND - Golfers, male or female, who enjoy playing nine holes. Just want to get out and hit a few. Please call Paula at 231-922-1825 or email prhartmann1@sccoast.net (11)

SELL - Never used Kitchen Aid 10 speed Artisan 5 quart mixer. Model KSM150PSOB Onyx Black with stainless steel bowl, 3 attachments and pour shield. \$175.00. Please call Dennis at 843-421-6853. (12)

MYRTLE TRACE-MART

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BOARD BRIEFS (cont'd)

or in their dog run. Recently we have received several phone calls of dogs running through residents' property or up and down Myrtle Trace Drive. Dogs are not to be on the golf course at any time per golf course signage. We have a good working relationship with the golf course personnel and we would like that relationship to continue. Also, if your dog tends to be a barker, we know dogs bark; please consider your neighbors and if the dog is barking incessantly, bring him/her inside.

In the November issue of the News & Views suggestions, such as leaving on exterior lights or installing dusk to dawn and motion detector lights, were offered to discourage prowlers. It seems some home owners have not considered the proximity of their neighbors and are using high wattage bulbs. We ask that you check with your neighbor to see if the wattage is so bright that the light is creating a problem with their sleep. If so, please switch out the bulb to a lower wattage. The effect for deterring prowlers will be the same.

AREA HOA MEETING

Several presidents, of area HOA's met on Wednesday, December 14th to discuss topics of common concerns. The topics included: paving of Burning Ridge Road, noise abatement, exiting, or trying to exit onto Myrtle Ridge Drive and lighting on Burning Ridge Road. The noise from truck traffic coming from construction of the new housing development, and the increase of traffic on Myrtle Ridge Drive is becoming a problem to residents in several development communities, Myrtle Trace being one.

A second issue is the problem getting out onto Myrtle Ridge Drive. The number of cars on Myrtle Ridge Drive is rapidly increasing and will only get worse once the Ridgefield development is completed. We would like to know if a traffic light will be installed at some point or how the traffic problem will be addressed. We don't believe the roundabout being built will benefit the traffic situation in any respect. We hope to get some help and answers from our new District 8 County Councilman, Mikey Masciarelli. He did attend a portion of our meeting and told us about himself and his involvement when he served on the county planning board. However, due to prior commitments of several HOA representatives we did not have an opportunity to express and discuss our concerns.

The area HOA's have been meeting for the last three years. I know this year there will be some changes in leadership in at least two of the HOA Board of Directors. I hope this group continues to meet and take on issues of common interest and concern because a group voice is more powerful and has a stronger influence than one HOA.

Nancy Southard

Happy New Year !!!

NEW RESIDENTS ORIENTATION

The Council of Past Presidents would like to invite our newest residents to the upcoming New Residents Orientation on Sunday, January 29th at 3:00 p.m. in the MT Clubhouse. This program will provide follow-up and additional information to that supplied by the initial Myrtle Trace greeters. It will be a time for you to ask questions that have arisen since your move to Myrtle Trace.

The Board President and the Chairperson of each of the standing committees will give a brief presentation of their committee's responsibilities and operation, followed by your questions and conversation. A personal invitation will be delivered to you a week or so prior to the event.

Also, if you are a resident who was never able to attend a previous event or didn't receive an invitation in the past, and would like to attend, please call Mary Johnsen at 843-347-6897.

MT Travel Club



The next Travel Club Meeting will be held on Sunday,
January 8, 2023 at 2:00 PM in the Clubhouse.
Everyone is welcome and invited to attend.

We are currently planning activities for next year, so please let us know if you have an activity that would be fun for the Travel Club.



Riga-Tony's Murder Mystery Dinner Show

On January 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm, we will take a trip to the 1930's mobster-themed speak-easy dinner show at 1329 North Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach. We will spend the night trying to figure out the who, where and why. It's a killer good time!!!!
Tickets are \$49.99 + tax and can be purchased at <https://rigatonysdinnershow.com/>

Bon Voyage Party for the Carnival Cruise

Please plan to attend the Bon Voyage Party before we embark on the Carnival Cruise on Sunday, January 29, 2023 from 12 to 2 PM in the MT Clubhouse. Please bring a appetizer to share.



Carnival Cruise - Bahamas

This a five-day cruise on The Carnival Sunshine departing from Charleston SC on February 4 to February 9, 2023. With ports of call in Bimini and Nassau, Bahamas. This one is coming up quickly – only 35 days before the cruise starts.

Carnival Cruise – Eastern Caribbean

The next cruise is a 10-day discovery cruise on The Carnival Sunshine departing from Charleston SC on January 15 to January 25, 2024. With ports of call in St Thomas, St Maarten, St Kitts, St Croix and San Juan.

Pricing for both cruises is determined by type of stateroom. If you would like more info, please contact Fred Shields at 828-308-5826.

Keep an eye out as more information about activities will be announced in our next travel club meeting and on the Myrtle Trace Chatter Facebook page.

CHILI COOK OFF

POTLUCK

MONDAY, JANUARY 16TH AT 5:30 PM at the Clubhouse

Enter a chili for competition or just come and CHOW DOWN!

Chili cook-off entries will be judged and prizes will be given

1st Place: \$15.00, 2nd Place: \$10.00. 3rd Place: \$5.00

YOU WILL BE THE JUDGES!!!

ADMISSION IS FREE!



- **Crackers, bread and bottled water will be provided**

Yessiree, Cowpoke! Bring yer own pot of chili to share and be judged! Do yer damdest to make it as good as yer can! Remember, it don't HAVE to be a TEN ALARM Texas chili to be good but if that's what yer hankerin' to do, go for it. Impress the boots off all of us cowboys 'n cowgirls!



**STAND BACK, PARDNER!
'M ENTERIN' MY POT OF
CHILI**

NAME _____

Bring this to Mr. Bob or Miss Cathy at 134 Myrtle Trace Dr. 'n stuff it in the red lockbox at the door! THANKY

NATURE ENTHUSIASTS



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Myrtle Trace is a haven for many types of wildlife
one of which is the Eastern Bluebird

Bluebird populations have decreased over the years
due to many different infringements of their habitat

Join us on Sunday, January 22nd at 2:00 pm at the clubhouse
to learn how we can attract and care
for these birds to increase their population

**Presentation by Glen & Gail Hendry
of the South Carolina Bluebird Society**

Everyone is welcome!

Please contact Jean Hohenberger to confirm your attendance – 843-349-8395

SAVE THE DATE



**Spring is quickly approaching and before we know it
it will be time to start thinking about our yards**

Come to the clubhouse to learn and ask questions on

Sunday, February 26th at 2:00 pm

Brad Fowler, Urban Horticulture Agent, Clemson University

will be talking to us about lawn care, pest control and a host of other subjects

Please look for the flyer in the February Newsletter to reserve your seat!



DANCE, DANCE, DANCE!

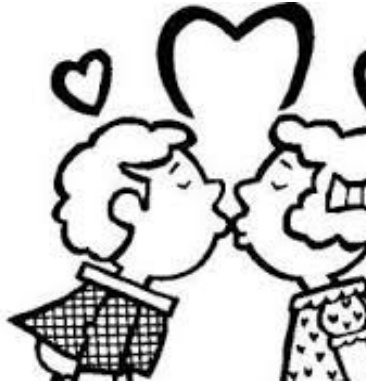
To the exciting jazz sounds of
the Jeff DiMaio Combo

Sunday, February 12th, 2023

11:00 am to 2:00pm at the MT Clubhouse

FINE SELECTION OF DELICIOUS FOODS!

Sloppy Joe sliders, Chicken Salad sliders, ham and cheese sliders, chips, macaroni salad, dessert snacks, water,
soda, beer and BYOB



ADMISSION \$15.00 PER PERSON

Please fill out the RSVP form to the right, cut out the form, place into an envelope and bring to the red lock box at the front door of Bob and Cathy Smith at 134 Myrtle Trace Dr. Checks should be made payable to Myrtle Trace Activities.

MT residents reservation deadline: Friday, February 3rd.

Outside guest reservations by Wednesday, February 8th.

Refunds cannot be issued after Sunday, February 5th.

Please join us for a fun event!

RESERVATION FORM

NAME: _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE: _____

Total Admission: \$ _____



MYRTLE TRACE DINING OUT

Monday, January 30, 2023

12:00 pm



Crafty Rooster

1125 3rd Ave

Conway SC

843-438-8330



JOIN YOUR FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

PLEASE DROP OFF

WHITE DINING OUT MAILBOX NEAR FRONT DOOR

RESERVATION BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 26TH



Please drop this reservation off to

Sue Rudnicki

138 Myrtle Trace Dr

843-347-5757

Name: _____

Number of People: ___ X \$2.00 = ____

Phone Number: _____

Money will be refunded at restaurant.

Myrtle Trace Ladies Coffee

Saturday, January 21, 2023

10:00 AM

Myrtle Trace Clubhouse



All Myrtle Trace Ladies Welcome

Please bring your favorite brunch dish to share

We will have 50/50

**Hosted by Janet McGrady,
Betty Halbert and Pat Fisher**

