

News and Views

Myrtle Trace

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents

February 2025

BOARD BRIEFS

ANNUAL MEETING – FEBRUARY 1, 2025—The 2025 MTHOA Annual Meeting will be held at 2:00 PM in the Burroughs & Chapin Auditorium located at the Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Conway Campus.

REGISTRATION STARTS AT 1 PM. During the meeting, we will review the Association’s overall operations and elect two (2) Directors to the Board. The Board encourages all homeowners to attend the meeting.

NEW YEAR, NEW SCAMS—Unfortunately, our residents are targeted by scammers. The goal of these individuals is to steal money or sensitive, personal information from unsuspecting homeowners. Please remain vigilant and avoid the scammer’s efforts.

In-Person Soliciting – Beware anyone arriving at your door that was not requested. Remind such individuals that our streets are private property and request that they leave. A person may suggest that they are ‘in the neighborhood.’ They are soliciting and should be asked to leave.

Phone Scams – Government agencies, law enforcement, banks and utilities do not demand immediate payment via phone contact. If you receive a call demanding payment, hang up and contact the organization via a published phone number (phone book, published website or account statement).

E-Mail Scams – Please do not “click” on any website with which you are not familiar. Many e-mails or websites offer winnings to entice you into their scam. Ignore requests for immediate responses as these encourage you to quickly make a mistake.

Remember, no HOA Board nor Committee member solicits for gift cards, contributions or after-hours meetings. The phone and e-mail addresses for Board and Committee members are no longer listed on our website. Residents are directed to the proprietary phone book for our community. However, each year the new Board receives reports of fake e-mails sent to members of the community. Please do not fall prey to such scams.

DEVELOPMENT BEHIND MYRTLE TRACE DRIVE NEAR WALMART—The Board has contacted Horry County Planning as well as Stormwater departments. As of January 20, 2025, there still are no building permits requested, nor issued, for the properties. Planning noted that the properties will be a commercial development, but absent a permit request they cannot provide more specific information. We reached out to Michael Masciarelli, our County Council representative, and expressed our objection to this process. Masking the development from county residents is certainly not transparent government.

2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS—The 2025 Standard Operating Procedures for HOA Board meetings is posted on the Clubhouse bulletin board after the conclusion of the annual meeting. The Standard Operating Procedures includes names and positions of all Board members. After the necessary effort is completed, the 2025 Board organization will be displayed on the Myrtle Trace website.

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TRACERS ON THE GO!

Thursday, February 27

Time: 12 noon

LOGAN'S ROADHOUSE

1136 Oak Forest LN

Myrtle Beach

R O M E O'S

Friday, February 21

Time: 7:45 am

VICTORIA'S COUNTRY

COOKIN

1102 3rd Ave South

Myrtle Beach

Thank You

I would like to thank the Myrtle Trace community for their condolences, kind words and thoughts about Dave Paxson, as well as for the cards and food sent after Dave's passing on January 3, 2025.

We have always appreciated living in this kind, thoughtful and generous community.

Pat Harris-Paxson

COMMUNITY DIRECTORY UPDATES—As of 1/19/25

Additions

Perry, Michelle

217 Wedgewood LN 717-376-4209

Perry, Tom

217 Wedgewood LN 717-376-0230

Changes/Corrections

Elliott, Sandy

302-270-0124

Emails

Elliott, Sandy

Sandy.elliott@juno.com

Perry, Michelle & Tom

mteperry@gmail.com

QUESTIONNAIRE

1. HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER?
2. DO YOU HAVE A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS?
3. IS THERE ANY CHANGE IN YOUR COMMITTEE'S MEMBERSHIP AND/OR RESPONSIBILITIES?
4. FOR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES, IS THERE ANY CHANGE IN CONTACT INFORMATION, DAYS OR TIMES?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THE ABOVE, PLEASE EMAIL UPDATED INFORMATION TO Simba47@sccoast.net. THE INFORMATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY **TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025.**

The information is needed for the April, 2025 edition of the Myrtle Trace Community Telephone Directory.

THANK YOU.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities Committee last met on January 13.

The committee would like to thank Pat Paxson for her previous service leading the Ladies Coffee Klatch. Pat has stepped down and Linda Anghilante and Janet McGrady will be overseeing this event in the future.

Cheryl Manzella and Debi Perry have graciously volunteered to run local excursions and events for the Travel Club.

There will be a *Valentine's Day Dance* on Saturday, February 15, run by new members of the Activities Committee; Dwayne Hall and Susan Martin. Also look forward to *Bingo, Dining Out, Line Dancing, Ladies Koffee Klatch, Will and Estate Talk, Artist of the Month*, and the March MT *Play*.

Activities is planning new events; *\$ Music Bingo* in March, *St. Patrick's Event*, and *Fondue with Karoke* in April.

Do you have any ideas you'd like to see happen in Myrtle Trace? Bring them to the next Activities meeting on Monday, February 10, at the Clubhouse at 7:00 p.m. We value your input!

Let's get out, meet new friends and connect to our community!

Fred Shields

PLEASE NOTE

NO TRAVEL CLUB MEETING IN FEBRUARY

***NEXT MEETING - MARCH 9TH - 2:00 PM**

***LOCATION - THE CLUBHOUSE**

***REVIEW ALL IRELAND TRIP DETAILS**

AND PLAN PANAMA CANAL CRUISE

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Horry County Police Non-Emergency Number
843-248-1520 or call 911

Myrtle Trace Website
myrtletracesc.org

Neighborhood Watch
617-838-5930

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

THE POND DREDGING PROJECT

We expect this project to be completed or nearly so when this article is published. Overall, we are quite pleased with the results of the dredging of the ponds. We were able to complete dredging more of the pond area than was initially projected. Cormorant, our largest pond at just over an acre, had all the shoreline not having new retaining walls installed dredged. The hydro-rake is a very efficient machine to do this work as well as having a skilled operator at the controls. Looking at the mounds of sediment that were removed from the ponds is testament to how much had collected on the bottom of the ponds. Removing this sediment increases the volume of water the ponds can hold that will improve the ability of the ponds to catch excessive rainfall and release it in a steady and controlled manner. In addition, removing much of the organic debris that was laying on the bottom will reduce the nutrient load in the ponds and should reduce the chance of an algae bloom during the summer.

The way forward will be to have a plan that will address all 15 retention ponds in our community to ensure they perform their function of holding excessive rainfall and catch sediment. The ponds are rather unique and the maintenance required for each pond will vary. Funding is in the budget so in future years when dredging is needed it can be performed.

I want to thank the residents for their patience during this project and a special shout-out to Tom Gray who was instrumental in laying out the project plan and pulling together the contractors who performed the dredging and hauling away the waste material. Also, thanks to Bob Ebling who assisted Tom in the day-to-day management of dredging activities.

Joe Bastian

Myrtle Trace Community Telephone Directory
Contact Information For:

- Residents
- Board of Directors
- HOA/Committees
- Activities
- Local Emergency #'s



April, 2025 edition of the Directory will be distributed with the April issue of News and Views

**February Artist of the Month
Vicky Moyer**

Although I've always enjoyed doing artwork, it wasn't until I became a caretaker for my mother in the early 2000's that I had time to consider working on art projects. I began seriously painting in watercolor. When I discovered cropping sections of photos of plants as a new medium, I used them to create a new image, a collage. As a follower of Jesus, I love honoring Him through joyful artwork.



See Vicky's creative work on display in the Clubhouse during the month of February.

MYRTLE TRACE-MART

SELL—Drive Mobility Steel Rollator walker. In good condition. Dark blue—6" wheels, adjustable handle and padded seat. Asking \$50.00. Contact Ethyl at 843-234-2047. (2)

SELL—38 Disney collector pins. \$190.00. 21 rare Disney pins. \$200.00. Willing to sell them in singles or groups. Pandora bracelet with 17 sterling silver charms, antique jewelry, necklaces and earrings. For more information, call Phil at 302-740-1049. (2)

SELL—2 jumbo plastic portable file boxes with handles, letter size, used—\$5.00 each, 1 plastic file tote with snap lid, letter/legal size, used—\$5.00, Green Bay Packers rhinestone heart keychain, new with NFL tag. \$5.00. Braun electric coffee/espresso grinder with hopper & lid, catcher & lid, 14 settings, 60 second timer, white, used. \$8.00. White Westinghouse electric Belgian waffle-maker. Bakes 2 waffles on deep, non-stick coated cooking plates, space saving design, status indicator lights, used, black. \$6.00. Manual lever citrus juicer/press, white enamel finish over steel, 3 pieces includes press, strainer, funnel. Used. \$5.00. Vintage black wood dining chair with rush seat. 33" tall from floor to top of chair back. Floor to seat 18", seat width 16", seat depth 15-3/4", used. \$25.00. Call Catherine at 843-347-5306. (2)

SELL—Bissell power-fresh slim steam mop. Used only once to clean cabinets. \$50.00. Call Mary at 843-347-9165. (2)

SELL—Hotpoint Compact Freezer, 5.1 cu.ft. 28"l x 21" w. \$75.00. Call John at 724-787-3661. (1)

SELL—QVICX Q25 Treadmill. Excellent condition. Regular price \$699.00. Asking \$150.00 Call Joe at 610-417-2729 or 610-417-3196. (12)

SELL—Large coffee table with wood shelf below, beautiful sculpted brass legs and beveled glass top. Willing to negotiate price. Call Diane at 843-234-1499. (12)

SELL—2 blue, Queen Anne chairs—make an offer. Christmas ornaments, glasses and knick-knacks—make an offer. Call 732-859-9328. (12)

SELL—Hardwood oak finish slat Cracker Barrel porch rockers, 2 @ \$75.00 each. Good condition. Call Lynda at 724-301-1424. (12)

BUY—Selling your car? I will buy your car for cash. Call Curtis at 774-291-9291, (2)

BOARD BRIEFS—*continued from page 1*

HOMEOWNER’S INSURANCE—Our Covenants require that each homeowner maintain insurance coverage on their home to 100% of replacement cost and that the homeowner provides proof of this insurance to the Association every time the policy is changed or renewed. Should there be a casualty loss to a property in our community, such as fire, hurricane damage, etc., it is important to the community, as well as the homeowner, to have the damage repaired as quickly as possible and in accordance with Association guidelines. Proof of insurance is particularly important if the owner of the property is an absentee owner or not present in our community at the time of the loss. Required insurance information is kept in a confidential file by our Administrative Consultant – Debi Perry. Please contact Debi if you have any questions about this requirement.

HORRY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE—Our community has generously provided HCF&R with leftover food from events held at the Clubhouse. We recently learned that HCF&R can no longer accept these donations because of safety concerns. The Board recommends that extra food from events be wrapped and distributed to homebound residents. The remaining leftover food should be taken home by the event attendees or disposed into the trash receptacles. Unopened, non-perishable food may be donated to local charities. Several local charities support food pantries. There is also a community kitchen operated by Shepherd’s Table. Please check the respective website for more information. Contact Myrtle Trace residents Gray or Linda Strogon if you have any questions about Shepherd’s Table.

MORE NEWS—At the conclusion of the 2025 annual meeting, I will retire from the HOA Board. I had the pleasure of working with dedicated volunteers on our Board, committees and in our community. We remain in a strong financial position and were able to increase the maintenance and improvement of our roads, ponds and common properties. Viewing residential developments near Myrtle Trace emphasizes the beauty of our community. It was an honor to serve on your Board.

Bob Ebling

A REMINDER FROM THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

We would appreciate your assistance in keeping the Library organized. If you would like to shelve your returned books, please feel free to do so. Hard-covered books and paperbacks are separate on the shelves. Both are alphabetically shelved by author’s last name.

If books on the table have a sign that indicated they have been alphabetized and you go through them, please make sure they remain alphabetized.

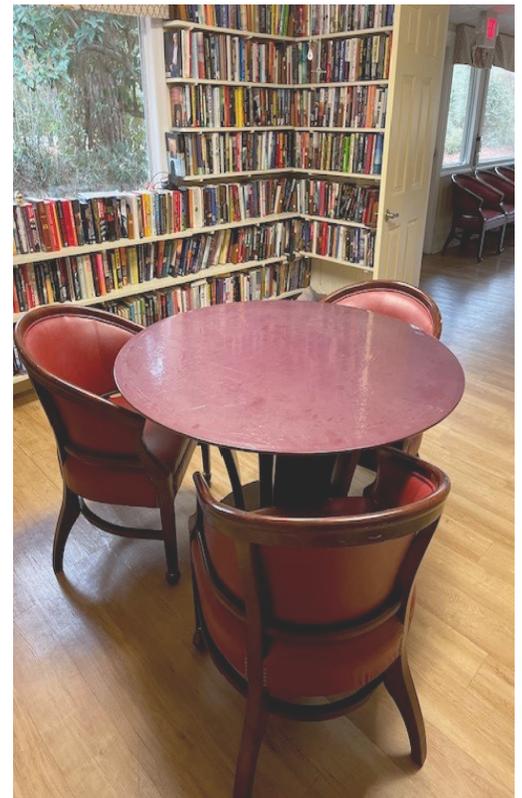
Please DO NOT leave the following:

- Magazines, flyers, calendars, cookbooks, cards and puzzles that have not been taped shut and having all the pieces.

Please respect the appearance of the Library and place books on the table neatly.

Thank you!

The Library Committee



THE MYRTLE TRACE PLAYERS PROUDLY PRESENT A COMEDY:

“THE TRIAL OF



MIZ JUSTICE”

“The Defendant, Derelict Gross is on trial for the murder of his deceased brother, Devious Gross. As the witnesses are grilled by the Attorneys, please pay attention. Because you, the audience, are the Jury who will decide Derelict’s fate.”

SAT. EVENING MAR. 22, 2025

6:00 PM Clubhouse

Doors open 5:30pm

Play starts promptly at **6:00 P.M.**

SUN. Matinee MAR. 23, 2025

2:00 PM Clubhouse

Doors open 1:30pm

Play starts promptly at **2:00 P.M.**

ONLY \$5.00 per seat



During intermission: wine, water and snack will be provided.

Last day to request seating
March 10th.

Seating limited to 70 people.

-----CUT THIS SQUARE OUT -----

\$5.00 each person attending.

Cash or check made out to MTHOA.

Clip coupon square and leave in mailbox to the right of front door: Cathy McElroy 110 Ashwood Circle

Total amount \$ _____

✓ **one box only:**

[] Sat. Evening 6:00pm 3-22-25

[] Sun. Matinee 2:00pm 3-23-25

✓ **if applies:** [] Hearing impaired [] Wheelchair
[] Sight impaired [] 5' and under

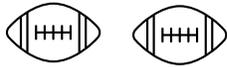
Print each name of people attending. Use back of coupon if necessary.

SUPERBOWL PARTY

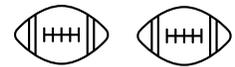
FEBRUARY 9, 2025. 6 PM - Game is Over



Come out and enjoy the game at the Clubhouse with fellow Myrtle Trace residents that enjoy football, good food, and just having a good time. Bring your favorite football food or snacks to share. BYOB (Bring Your Own Beverages).



Best Superbowl Chili Contest



Bring a pot of Chili for all to try. All attendees of the party will receive one (1) ballot to vote for **"Best Superbowl Chili of Myrtle Trace"**. All ballots will be tabulated, and a winner will be announced at halftime. Hot Dogs and some fixings will be provided so you can make Chili Dogs if you desire.



Door Prizes and Football raffles



Please complete this reply ----->
if you plan on attending the event
and/or entering the Chili Contest.
Insert reply in red box on porch of
1214 Loblolly Lane. See you there!

\$ Texas Holdem Table Available \$

SUPERBOWL PARTY FEB. 9, 2025	
I plan to attend and can bring a dish or snack to share. I understand this is a BYOB event.	
Name	_____
Name	_____
I want to enter the Chili Contest	
YES	NO



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 2024 MYRTLE TRACE
HOUSE/MAILBOX DECORATION CONTEST**

WINNERS OF HOUSE DECORATIONS:

**TRADITIONAL: JOHN & LAURA SHANDRA
112 JUNE BERRY LANE**

**WHIMSICAL: TED & DEBORAH BLACK
110 MAY BERRY LANE**

**HUMOROUS: HARRIET SLONIM & PETER DRAGONE
100 WALNUT CIRCLE**

WINNERS OF MAILBOX DECORATIONS:

WE HAVE A TIE WITH TWO HOMEOWNERS:

**EMMA & FRANK COOK, 190 GLENWOOD DRIVE
JAMES & DARLENE BRUZZI, 102 BIRCHWOOD LANE**



Tuesday, February 25

10:00 AM

The Clubhouse

All ladies are welcome....let's get reacquainted and make new friends!

Please bring a breakfast dish to share; eggs, fruit, meat and breakfast breads, etc.

No need to RSVP - just show up and socialize!

Hosts: Linda Anghilante & Janet McGrady

MYRTLE TRACE DINING OUT

Monday, February 10, 2025

12:00 NOON

El Patio Mexican Restaurant
2394 Highway 501, Conway



RSVP to Susan Granger by February 7, 2025

susanverbeke@msn.com or 518-779-8933

Hope you'll join us!

SPRING SHUFFLEBOARD SIGN-UP

Games start last week in March 2025

**Circle Either; Play Day of: Monday & Wednesday or
Tuesday & Thursday**

(you make conflict game changes yourself with
opposing team)

Contact: Linda Anghilante - Phone: 413-433-5004

**You will be notified of a Practice/Learning Clinic before
games begin.**

Drop off with \$10 cash for each player.

To: 197 Glenwood Drive

Signup Deadline is February 25, 2025



Name	_____
Playing Partner	_____
Address	_____
Phone	_____
Email	_____
Day of Play	_____

VALENTINE'S DAY EVENT



When: Saturday, February 15

Time: 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Where: Myrtle Trace Clubhouse

Who: Singles, Couples, Partners

Provided: Coffee, Tea, Soda, Water, Beer, or BYOB

**What to Bring: Appetizers, finger foods,
brownies, cookies**

Bring cash for 50/50 Raffle

Music (50's -90's) provided by Dwayne Hall

Dancing is Encouraged!

RSVP by text or phone to Sue Martin 760.518.2889

MYRTLE TRACE CLUBHOUSE ACTIVITIES		February 2025				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CALENDAR Pat Paxson – 347-1609 Alternate Carol Blonowicz 585-880-8925						1 8:00 Private Function Annual MTG – HGTC – 1p reg, 2p - meeting
2 1:30 Wills & Estate Planning 6:30 Game Night	3 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Bunco	4 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men's Poker	5 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:00 Texas Hold'em	6 9:30 Play Practice 1:00 Grove Poker 6:30 Tracers On The Go Mtg	7 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta	8 9:30 Play Practice
9 6:00 Super Bowl Party	10 10:00 Bible Study 3:00 ARC MTG. 7:00 ACT. COM.	11 9:30 PROP. COM.	12 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:00 Texas Hold'em	13 9:30 Play Practice 1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg	14 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta 7:00 Bingo	15 9:30 Play Practice 6:00 Valentine's Day Event
16 6:30 Game Night	17 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Bunco & Games	18 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men's Poker	19 9:00 MTHOA BD MTG. 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:00 Texas Hold'em 7:00 Bunco	20 9:30 Play Practice 1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg	21 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta	22 9:30 Play Practice 12:30 Hand, Knee, & Foot 1:00 Queen's Book Club
23 6:30 Game Night	24 10:00 Bible Study 3:00 ARC MTG.	25 10:00 MTLCK (COFFEE)	26 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:00 Texas Hold'em	27 9:30 Play Practice 1:00 Grove's Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg	28 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta 7:00 Bingo	