

MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 25, 2008

Present: Dick Sievers, Beth & Ron Crow, Joanne & Ron Grove, Alice Landry, Terri & Robert Macker, Cathy McElroy, Suzanne Owens, Pat Paxson, Charlene Rose, Francine Tuohy, Jack Von Deck, Jim Wilkison and Mary Frances & Bruce Williams.

- The **Meeting** was called to order promptly at 7:00 PM by Dick Sievers, Chairperson.
- **New Members and Guests** – Fran Tuohy, Rob & Terri Macker are new members of the Activities Committee. Dick Sievers introduced and welcomed them to the committee.
- The **Minutes** of the June 23, 2008 meeting were submitted and Jack Von Deck moved and Beth Crow seconded that the minutes be accepted as submitted. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Charlene Rose reported that the balance in the treasury as of August 25, 2008 is **\$2,549.54**.
Income - \$42.00 Pot Luck 50/50 (August 18th). **Total Income \$42.00**.
Expenses - None
Encumbered Monies - \$200.00 Get Acquainted Social in September; **\$200.00** Bingo Start-Up. **Total \$400.00**.
Alice Landry moved and Cathy McElroy seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as submitted. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Board Liaison** – Jack Von Deck is the Board liaison representing the Homeowners Association Board. Jack informed the committee that the Board felt that a donation to the Fire Department in appreciation of their services was not necessary and a thank you would suffice.
- **STANDING COMMITTEES**
- **Myrtle Trace Artists** – Tom Dubauskas is the coordinator for the Myrtle Trace Artists. This month's artist display at the Clubhouse are oil and acrylic paintings by Deborah Broad. Tom informed the committee that he will be stepping down as clubhouse art display co-coordinator after December and would be happy to assist whoever will take over the position. Fran Tuohy announced that she may be interested.
- **Flag Report** – Charlene Rose reported that the Myrtle Trace flag was lowered since our last meeting in memory of Thomas Gregory, 139 Myrtle Trace Drive who passed away July 14, 2008. The flag was not lowered at the request of their families for Elaine Vecchione, 114 Cedar Ridge Lane who passed away on July 11, 2008 and Dolores Tyler, 105 Mayberry Lane who passed away July 25, 2008.
- **Bulletin Board** – Charlene Rose is in charge of the Bulletin Board which is now the responsibility of the Activities Committee.
- **Crafters** – Crafters meet every Thursday at 9:00 AM at the Clubhouse. A new craft was introduced and taught by Cathy McElroy in the art of crocheting purses, tote bags, etc. out of recycled plastic bags. Everyone is welcome.

- **Pot Luck Dinners** – Our thanks to Ed & Maureen Lowndes who have chaired the Pot Luck dinners this past year and the committee also wish to extend our thanks to David & Rosemarie Smyth who co-chaired the July & August Pot Luck Dinners. A short video of Ray Hoffman's granddaughter's performance at a recent dance competition provided the entertainment for the August dinner. Rob & Terri Macker will be the new chairpersons for future Pot Luck Dinners. The next Pot Luck dinner will be held, Monday, September 15, 2008 at 5:30 PM at the Clubhouse.
- **Bingo** – Dan Briggs and Charlene Rose are co-chairpersons for the Bingo games. The next Bingo will be held on Friday, September 12, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse.
- **Game Nights** – Game Nights are held on Sundays from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. 18 persons attended last Sunday's games. Everyone is welcome.
- **Horry Georgetown Tech Luncheon** – Mary Frances and Bruce Williams are co-hosts for the luncheons. A decision was made to hold the next luncheon during the month of February.
- **Christmas Gift Collection for Children of Hospice Patients** – Lynn Peachey is the Chairperson for this event. Lynn will put a notice in the November News & Views informing the community of this worthy charity.
- **Newcomers Club** – Kitty Kenney is the chairperson of the Newcomers Club. The next Newcomers Dinner will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at the Bonefish Grill in Surfside at 5:00 PM. All Myrtle Tracers are welcome.
- **Caregiver Group** – This group is under the leadership of Cathy McElroy, S.C. licensed psychotherapist. The group meets at Cathy's home, 110 Ashworth Circle at 3:00 PM on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Cathy informed the committee that everything is going well.
- **Calendar** – Pat Paxson reported the following:
 - Number of New Monthly Activities for June 0
 - Number of New Monthly Activities for July 0
 - Number of One Time Events for June 0
 - Number of One Time Events for July 2

NEW BUSINESS

- **Board Meeting** – Suzanne Owens/Mary Frances Williams
- **Guest Speaker for Pot Luck Dinner** -Suzanne Owens announced that there will be a guest speaker on Monday, September 15, 2008 at 7:00 PM after dinner. Ben Powell from Clemson Extension will be speaking about the storm run-offs and retention ponds.
- **Carolina Opry** – Suzanne Owens informed the committee that many persons responded to the passport package to the Carolina Opry that was offered to Myrtle Tracers at a discount price.

- **Beginner's Computer Classes Offered at the Clubhouse** – Jim Wilkison informed the group that he will begin to hold computer classes for beginners at the Clubhouse beginning on Monday, September 8, 2008 at 7:00 PM. Classes are open to everyone in the community. If there is sufficient interest and attendance, Jim will hold two sessions per month. The committee agreed that if this group has sufficient attendance, the classes would be under the auspice of the Activities Committee.
- **Mission Statement** – Jim Wilkison spoke to the committee the need to establish a mission statement and guidelines for the Activities Committee.
- **Equipment** – Jim Wilkison requested that the committee consider the purchase of a projector for use at the Clubhouse at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00. To be discussed at a future meeting.
- **Myrtle Trace Ladies Coffee Klatch** – Pat Paxson requested that the Myrtle Trace Ladies Coffee Klatch be part of the Activities Committee. The ladies meet once a month at the Clubhouse and all the ladies in the community are welcome. Jim Wilkison moved and Jack Von Deck seconded the motion that the Myrtle Trace Ladies Coffee Klatch would be under the auspice of the Activities Committee. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.
- **Portable Microphones** – Bruce Williams requested that the committee purchase wireless portable microphones for use at the Clubhouse at a cost not to exceed \$100.00. Pat Paxson moved and Fran Tuohy seconded the motion to purchase the microphones. All in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

UPCOMING DATES FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

September 22, October 27, November 24.

- **Get Acquainted Social** – Beth Crow will chair this event which will be held on Sunday, September 14, 2008 from 3 to 5 PM. John Potter will provide the music. Set-up for this event will be Saturday, September 13, 2008 at 4:00 PM. Fran Tuohy will be making a poster consisting of collage of the many past activities of the Activities Committee.
- **Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Nite** – Cathy McElroy and Mary Frances Williams are co-chairing this event which will be held Saturday, October 25, 2008 at 7:00 PM at the Clubhouse. The first rehearsals will be held Sept. 7th at the Clubhouse at 3:30 PM. The following rehearsals will be held Sept. 21, 28, October 5 and 19, 2008. News & Views flyer deadline: September 15, 2008.
- **Luminaries** – Luminaries will be held again this year. Charlene Rose will chair this event which will be held Saturday, December 13, 2008; rain date Sunday, December 14, 2008. News & View flyer deadline: November 15, 2008.
- **New Year's Eve Celebration** – Maureen & Ed Lowndes are co-chairing this event which will be held Wednesday, December 31, 2008 at 7 PM at the Clubhouse. News & Views flyer deadline: November 15, 2008.

The next meeting of the Activities Committee will be held Monday, September 22, 2008 at 7:00PM at the Clubhouse.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Submitted by Alice Landry, Secretary