

Myrtle Trace

News *and* Views

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents Feb. 2007

NOTICE

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE
IMPORTANT MEETINGS

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 6TH @ 6:00 PM

MTHOA ANNUAL MEETING FEBRYUARY 17TH @ 2:00 PM

**COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 20TH @ 6:00 PM
FINAL READING GATE ISSUE**

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY DUE TO PARKING AND SEATING

JANUARY 17, 2007

TO ALL MYRTLE TRACE RESIDENTS

YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS WISHES TO THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 16TH. WE HAVE NEVER BEEN AS PROUD TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS WE WERE LAST NIGHT, SUPPORTED BY THE HUGE ATTENDANCE, AND PRESENCE OF OUR RESIDENTS. THE EXPERIENCE OF DEFENDING THE MAJORITY OF OUR RESIDENTS WISHES, TO RETAIN THE GATE ON MYRTLE TRACE DRIVE, HAS BEEN MADE EASIER BY YOUR OVERWHELMING SUPPORT OF OUR POSITION.

WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO AND WE MUST ENDURE TWO MORE PUBLIC HEARINGS, BUT YOUR INITIAL RESPONSE WAS A POWERFUL VISUAL STATEMENT TO US IN SUPPORT OF YOUR BOARD, AND WE BELIEVE, THE COUNCIL FELT IT ALSO.

IF WE STAY THE COURSE AND MAKE OUR NEXT PRESENTATIONS FACTUAL, COMPELLING AND WITH DIGNITY, WE FEEL THAT WE WILL SURVIVE THE LATEST ASSAULT ON OUR SAFETY AND WELL BEING.

OUR PRESIDENT, BILL FOX, HAS TAKEN THE LEAD IN THIS BATTLE, AND IF WE CONTINUE TO DILIGENTLY FOLLOW HIS LEAD, AND DIRECT OUR RESOURCES AND ENERGIES TO THIS ISSUE, WE CAN SUCCESSFULLY MAINTAIN THE LIFESTYLE THAT BROUGHT US TO MYRTLE TRACE.

SINCERELY,

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MYRTLE TRACE HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

News & Views

Editor

Ted Ackley 347-3004

March Deadline -2/22/07

THE CANDIDATES



TOM DOVEY



TOM GRAY



BOB LEXA

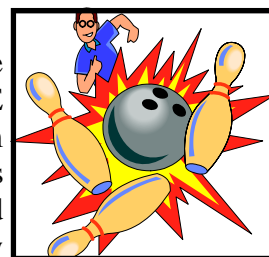
BOARD BRIEFS

WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE YOU to attend our Annual Meeting on Saturday, February 17, 2007 at Carolina Forest High School at 2 pm. Registration will begin at 1:15 pm. We must have a quorum to conduct the meeting which will include the election of two Directors and a discussion of important issues facing our community.

If you are unable to attend the meeting you may still participate in the election of Directors and be counted in the quorum by giving your PROXY to a friend or neighbor or by signing your PROXY statement and dropping it in the MTHOA slot at the Clubhouse. As always you may use the sample ballot to communicate your choices to your proxy representative, in which case, please sign the sample ballot and attach it to the Proxy Statement. **Your participation either in person or by proxy is very important to the continued success of our community.**

BOWLING

The second half of the Myrtle Trace Bowling League season is underway and B E O's (Harry Caldwell, Maryellen Bess & Jim Sanders) are off to a fast start, winning 18 points out of a possible 21. They are closely followed by J Y P (Yvette Campbell, Pat Fisher & Jerry Campbell) with 16 points. One point further back are We Three (Walt Hansen, Lois Totura & Bunker Chipps) and Here We Are (Pat Searles, Fred Searles & Bob Kirk).



Recent high scores have been rolled by Clayton Williams (583), Tom Marek (223-576), Ted Ackley (215-566), Jerry Campbell (235-545), Charlie Conklin (224-545), Frank Varvaro (529) and Pat Searles (485).

High averages are being maintained by Bunker Chipps (170.85), Joe Paglierani (170.43), Yvette Campbell (154.17) and Grace Hayward (153.78).

MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS

JANUARY 19, 2007

Additions:

Guilbault, Nancy 206 Beechwood Court 347-4537 MA

Corrections:

Delete:

Aliano, Katie 110 Ashwood Circle

E-Mail:

Yuhas, Al & Rose yuhasaj@yahoo.com

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Superbowl Pot Luck Dinner will take place on Sunday, February 4th at the Clubhouse. We will have a 74 inch TV. Bring a dish to share and join us. Call 347-1895 to make your reservation. Cost is \$4.00 per person (to pay for the TV rental).

Our next Activities Committee Meeting is on Monday, February 5th at 7:00 pm. Stop by and say hello. We would love to hear your ideas for new activities.

Bingo will be on Friday, February 9th. Come join the fun. This will be followed by the Valentine Lunch at Horry Georgetown Tech on Wednesday, February 14th. Their luncheons are delicious. Be sure to make plans to come. Saturday, February 17th will be the Gift Night & Chinese New Year Party at the Clubhouse. See the fliers for both activities in this News & Views.

Our new chairman for Pot Luck is Bunker Chipps. Join us on the 3rd Monday of each month. The next one is on Monday, February 19th at 5:30 pm. It is a great way to meet your neighbors. Bring a dish to share, your own drink and table service. Many thanks to Bonnie Longnecker for her 9 ½ years of devoted service to the Activities Committee.

Many thanks to our New Years Eve Party Committee - Betty Alexakos, Dan & Marie Briggs, Jean D'Amelio and Charlene Rose. Others who made the evening go smoothly and are truly appreciated were Elaine Adams, Bunker & Carolyn Chipps, Kathy DiMarino, Judy Feldt, Bill & Alta Fox, Eunice Freeman, Mitzi Maass, Al Orth, David Paxson, John Potter and Bruce & Mary Frances Williams. The Spaghetti Dinner on January 20th was a great success due to the hard work of Charlene Rose and her many helpers.

Beth Crow

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that the Gate issue is not new to many Myrtle Trace residents, and that they, and we as a Board, have spent many hours discussing the gates and any possible solution to the concern of having the road opened?

And as members of a very active community of Senior Citizens, consisting of people from all areas of the country, and with diverse backgrounds and opinions, we have united in a common effort to keep our roads safe for the utilization of our residents, as they go about their daily routines.

We do not wish to impede the desire of other communities to have their own neighborhoods protected from traffic, nor do we wish to lessen their needs for the erection of gates, or the curtailment of traffic on their limited access thoroughfares. We only desire to keep our present situation, the gate on Myrtle Trace Drive, which was sanctioned by the County, in place.

Ours is a unique situation, due to the initial construction of the roads, and the lack of pedestrian walkways, and safety. That is evident by the many studies made by the necessary County divisions, and supported by their findings, and the Councils acquiescence to those recommend-ations.

We ask only that each case be judged on its merits alone, and not lumped together with other neighborhoods that may have more amenities than we do.

Our request to Council is based on fact, past history and

MYRTLE TRACE WELCOMING COMMITTEE

Are you a renter or a new 2006 resident who has not had a visit from us? We're Ron & Bonnie Longnecker, Myrtle Trace Greeters, and we want to send a special Myrtle Trace welcome to you. We have important information about the community to share with you. Please call us at 347-2632.

POTLUCK NIGHT - FEB. 19TH

Attendees will be treated to a DVD of today's Viet Nam with photos taken by Dusty Rhodes during his visit to that country last summer. Bring a dish and join us.

FORMER RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

Bob Thorowgood, 87, longtime resident of Myrtle Trace on Boxwood Lane, passed away on December 8, 2006, at his home in White Plains, Kentucky. A World War II veteran of the U. S. Coast Guard, Bob is survived by his wife of 59 years, Marian D. Thorowgood. Burial was in Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West, Hopkinsville, KY, with full military honors.

MYRTLE TRACE-MART

I WOULD LIKE TO.....

SELL - A dog stroller for smaller dog, can also be used as a carrier - \$50.00. Dale Carroll 347- 0329 (12)

SELL - Swivel executive chair, like new - \$35.00 Jim Carroll 347-0329 (12)

BUY - Pre 1960 electric trains in "O" gauge and "O-27" gauge manufactured by Lionel, American Flyer and Marx. Also interested in tin and metal toys. Please call Ron at 234-1814. (12)

SELL - Epson Photo Stylus 870 printer. Prints excellent photos. Compatible with all Windows systems. \$40.00. Please call Bruce at 234-1236. (1)

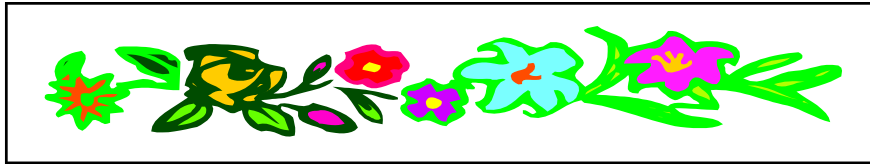
SELL - Year old Sauder computer desk \$20.00 Please call 347-7975. (1)

GIVE AWAY - Ladies 3-speed bicycle. Please call Ted at 347-3004. (2)

SELL - Beautiful lace tablecloth for a large dining room table. Please call Jean at 347-9461. (2)

SELL - Computer desk 53" X 29" with detachable hutch and matching side shelves. \$35.00 or best offer. Please call Arlene at 347-2055. (2)

SELL - Twin bed like new, white metal headboard. \$100 or BO. Call Connie 347-0224. 110 Hickory (2)



GARDEN CLUB

At the January meeting of the Garden Club, two new members were welcomed: Tom Dovey and Joe Los - they are certain to prove valuable to our continuing efforts to provide Myrtle Trace with a touch of beauty.

It is hard to believe that we are entering our fifth year of working with the garden and that we have finally achieved one of our goals - to provide plants in bloom every month of the year!! It is also appreciated that some of our residents have taken the earlier suggestion that, when visiting the garden, to pick up some of the pine cones, fallen branches, etc. as they stroll through the garden. Many thanks to such caring people.

For those of you who may have received living plants as presents during the holidays and really don't know what to do with them after they have finished blooming - just contact the Beams (347-3463) or Paul Alexander (347-1717). There may a good spot in the garden where those plants may thrive and continue to provide enjoyment for others.

A "walk-through" of the garden was made by members present so that an evaluation could be made with respect to the need for pruning, adding new plants or moving older plants that had outgrown their location. Plans were also made for the spring planting season and we hope to add several new plants to the right and rear of the Clubhouse.

Professor Emeritus Ed Zahler of Horry-Georgetown Technical College will be our featured speaker at the February 1st meeting. If you are an "indoor gardener" and would like to learn more about the "does and don'ts" of growing (and enjoying) African violets, be sure to plan on attending this meeting. As always, your suggestions and/or comments are welcome.

"There are no gardening mistakes, only experiments." Janet K. Phillips

Paul Alexander

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Three approaches to the repair of the pool deck are being considered. The least expensive would be the replacement of the rotting timbers. We are considering the installation of a complete new timber deck and also replacement with a concrete deck.

The tree planter on Cricket Court is being refurbished and this month we plan to replace the wood edging with red decorator blocks. A total of 450 blocks will be required.

We have received a request from a resident of Phase VIII to have a "Stop & Rest" area created for walkers. Such an area could be located on Glenwood Drive where the present planter is located. The small palm tree could be relocated and two benches and stepping stones could be added. Our study is continuing.

The Board has approved the upgrading of the plantings on the four corners of the intersection of Myrtle Trace Drive, Loblolly Lane and Candlewood Drive. This work will begin as soon as weather permits.

Proposed plans for the expansion of the Clubhouse parking lot have been presented to the Board for its consideration. The removal of several trees will probably be necessary.

In accordance with an Executive Order from President Bush, we have been flying our American flag at half staff since former President Gerald Ford's death in December. The flag will be raised to the top of the pole on January 29th. During this time, we have removed the Myrtle Trace flag rather than have it positioned at half staff. Had a resident passed away, we would have flown the Myrtle Trace flag at half staff for the appropriate period.

Ron Crow

2007 MYRTLE TRACE DIRECTORY

The 2007 edition of the Myrtle Trace Community Telephone Directory will be published during March 2007. Additions, changes and corrections should be forwarded to Nona Mattson (347-1959) no later than March 9, 2007. The Contact Persons of the Scheduled Activities listed in the directory should make sure the present information is accurate and advise Nona of any changes or corrections – also by March 9th.

WANT AN EXTRA MYRTLE TRACE DIRECTORY ??

This year extra copies of the Myrtle Trace Community Telephone Directory will be made available to residents who wish to purchase them. The price will be \$1.00 each payable in advance to Ted Ackley. The deadline for ordering will March 3, 2007 and receipts will be issued. This will give us time to order the extra paper required. Free copies of the new directory will be distributed to each resident along with the April issue of the News & Views. The extra copies will be delivered shortly thereafter.

Thank You

Dear Myrtle Tracers,

Many thanks to our Myrtle Trace friends and neighbors for your many prayers, cards and thoughtfulness during Leo's illness. He is feeling a little better each day.

May God bless you and your families and all of us who live in this caring Myrtle Trace community. Gratefully,

Leo & Rita Weaver

Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Thank you for your expressions of sympathy concerning my Dad who passed away on Christmas morning. Your phone calls, visits, flowers and cards are truly appreciated. Sincerely,

George Ruff

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

February

RAILROADS

Models by Bill Bredbeck

Photos by Ted Ackley



CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Saturday, March 17th
at the Clubhouse

Watch for the flier in
the March issue of
News & Views

MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES

FEBRUARY 2007

CALENDAR
Pat Paxson 347-1609
Alt. - Ted Ackley 347-3004

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	CLUBHOUSE EXERCISING MON. - FRI. 8:00 - 9:00 AM	NEWCOMERS' DINNER YAMATO STEAKHOUSE THURSDAY, FEB. 8TH 5:00 PM		1 9 - 11 Crafters 10:00 BOWLING 1:30 Scrabble 2:00 GARDEN CLUB 6:00 T-N-T MTG.	2 1:00 Canasta Duplicate 1:00 Bridge	3 9:30 Open Bowling
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The Activities Committee Presents:
**"Valentine Lunch at Horry-Georgetown
Technical College"**

Wednesday, February 14, 2007

12:00 noon



This delicious meal will be planned, prepared and served by students of the Culinary Department

Cost is \$9.00 per person



Wednesday, February 14, 2007

*Soft Shell

*Pepper Pot Soup

*Tomato and Asparagus
w/Fresh Mozzarella

*Sliced Lamb Rack w/Mint &
Cilantro Au Jus Spicy

*Spicy Shrimp & Scallop Saute



Tables are set for 4 persons. Space is limited to only 30 Myrtle Trace diners, so early reservations are suggested!

Gratuity is optional

For more info: Mary-Frances & Bruce Williams 234-1236

Lunch at Horry-Georgetown Technical College

Wednesday, February 14, 2007

Name: _____

(please type or print clearly)

Number attending: _____ X \$9.00 ea. = \$ _____

Make your check payable to "Activities Committee" and deposit it and this form into the basket at 239 Candlewood Drive,
AND PICK UP YOUR PARKING PASS.

NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 9, 2007



CELEBRATE THE CHINESE NEW YEAR AT A GIFT EXCHANGE PARTY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2007

5:30 PM

MYRTLE TRACE CLUBHOUSE

\$6.00 PER PERSON



Bring a wrapped gift - one per household
Gifts could be Christmas presents that are in the
attic, white elephant gifts that are part of your
household, or a gift certificate wrapped in a big box
- the fancier the wrapping paper, the better.



Chinese food, sodas and beer will be provided

Hosted by Myron Chomko

Make checks payable to "Myrtle Trace Activities Committee"
and drop it off at 126 Birchwood by February 11th.

Name(s) _____

Check amount: \$6.00 per person: _____