



# News and Views

Myrtle Trace

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

## BOARD BRIEFS

### HOLIDAY DECORATING

The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank the many Myrtle Trace residents who participated in decorating our community for the holidays. From the entrances – to the luminaries - to the common areas - to the individual homes - the view was spectacular. This was just one more example of what we can accomplish when we work together for a common goal.

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

The Board will entertain volunteers and their spouses at a luncheon on Saturday, January 27, at 12:00 noon in the Clubhouse. This activity is designed to show our appreciation to any Myrtle Trace resident who volunteers in any capacity within our community. If you have volunteered during the past year be sure to complete the registration form located in this issue of News & Views and return it by the date indicated on the flier. This will enable us to have an accurate count in order to plan the menu. Remember this event is for volunteers and their spouses.

### MYRTLE TRACE DRIVE GATES

As reported earlier, the Horry County Engineering and Planning Departments recommended that Myrtle Trace Drive remain closed to thru traffic. The Infrastructure Committee voted to convey this recommendation to the County Council. The next step in the process will be to hold a public hearing. Notices regarding this hearing will be posted in prominent places throughout the community.

### COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTS

Letters of invitation were sent to all past presidents of the Board who still live in Myrtle Trace asking them to become members of the Council. The response was excellent. Each individual contacted has agreed to serve in this capacity. The first meeting of the Council will take place after the beginning of the new year.

### WEB SITE

The Board is in the process of establishing a web site for Myrtle Trace. Jim Wilkison is assisting the Board in this endeavor and will be looking for other interested individuals to help as the project progresses. If you have an interest, please contact Jim (347-6400). This will be another volunteer opportunity for our residents.

### COMMUNITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

At the end of March, a new Myrtle Trace phone directory will be issued incorporating changes and additions of the past year. As usual, each household will receive one copy of the new directory. In response to numerous requests, however, additional copies will be made available for a nominal fee to cover production costs. Specific instructions for ordering extra copies of the directory will be published in the February issue of News & Views.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR !**

## News & Views

Editor

Ted Ackley 347-3004  
February Deadline -1/19/07

### *Thank You*

I want to give a big thanks to whoever donated the wheelchair to the Clubhouse for the use of residents and visitors. I made good use of it when I went to Coastal Grande Mall for my flu shot. I never would have made it standing in line with my bad leg. Many thanks.

*Joan Joy*

Thank you to our wonderful Myrtle Trace neighbors for your care and support following our car accident. Your calls, cards, visits, prayers and other assistance helped us greatly in our recovery, and your thoughtful words brought us consolation and encouragement. God bless you all!

*Fred & Ruth King*

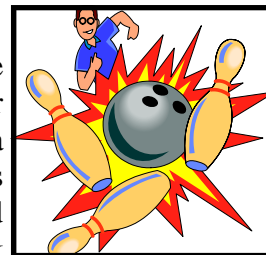


The Conway Medical Center Auxiliary would like to thank the many Myrtle Trace residents who generously supported our very successful "Love Lights" Holiday Tree campaign. All monies collected will benefit women in our area who are less fortunate and cannot afford breast cancer screening. These women must meet certain guidelines as set up by Healthreach Initiatives. Again, thanks. Happy Holidays!

*Joan Perry*

## BOWLING

The first half of the Myrtle Trace Bowling League schedule ended on December 14th with We Three (Walt Hansen, Lois Totura & Bunker Chipps) at the top of the standings with a comfortable ten point lead. Aches and Pains (Hal Mack, Barbara Varvaro & Frank Varvaro) finished second followed by J Y P (Yvette Campbell, Pat Fisher & Jerry Campbell) another point behind. We Three will bowl the winners of the second half for the league championship in April.



Scoring has been down a little since the last report. The leaders have been Tom Marek (224-596), Joe Paglierani (212-566), Ted Ackley (206-530), Jerry Campbell (207-527), Jim Sanders (522), Grace Hayward (190-533), Pat Tenney (189-493) and Barbara Varvaro (185-469). The high average bowlers at this stage of the schedule are Joe Paglierani (172), Bunker Chipps (170), Jerry Campbell (167), Grace Hayward (155), Yvette Campbell (154) and Emma Stone (142).

League play will resume on January 4th with 15 more weeks of matches.

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2007!!! December began with decorating the Clubhouse for the holidays and Pot Luck Dinner on Dec. 11th. Lynn Peachey did a great job collecting \$597 for the Christmas Collection for Children of Hospice Patients. The Activities Committee will meet on January 8th at 7:00 pm. Pot Luck Dinner will be on Monday, January 15th, at 5:30 pm with our new chairman, Bunker Chipps. Many thanks to Bonnie Longnecker who chaired this committee for the past several years. Bring a dish to share, and your own drink and table service. Bingo will be on Friday, January 12th at 7:00 pm chaired by Dan Briggs. Spagetti Night takes place on Saturday, January 20th. Make plans to come. Have fun at Superbowl Sunday Pot Luck Dinner on Sunday, February 4th with our 65" TV - only \$4.00 to pay for cost of renting the TV. These last two events are chaired by Charlene Rose and Ron Crow.

*Beth Crow*

## MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS

DECEMBER 19, 2006

Additions:

Corrections:

Marshall, Jean

104 Linden Circle

347-9670

Delete:

E-Mail:

Marshall, Jean

jm14240@sccoast.net

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Committee is undertaking a study to determine the feasibility and costs of enlarging the Clubhouse Parking Lot. Initial thoughts suggest the addition of 15 to 20 parking spaces.

From time to time, it is necessary to remove a dead or damaged tree from common ground. Such removal is expensive and stump removal is usually not necessary due to the location.

The Five Year Plan for lake fountains and aerators has been implemented. There is a fountain in Lake Oriole and aerators in Lake Sparrow and Lake Hummingbird. The Board has just approved the installation of a fountain in Lake Bunting. A 2 HP Aquamaster will be placed in the same area as the previous unit and it will operate 12 hours daily during the daylight hours.

Someone recently commented that it takes quite awhile for the Property Committee to complete a project. There is a good explanation for this. First, we need to get two or three competitive bids. Then, we need Board approval and the allocation of funds. After that, we have to get the project placed on the successful bidder's schedule. We presently have several projects active. A new mesh pool cover is being installed, the Cabana restrooms will be getting floors replaced and new commodes will be installed. The wooden pool deck requires constant repair and we have two bids for the replacement of the deck and underpinning with treated wood. We are also investigating the use of concrete. The ceiling fans in the men's restroom in the Clubhouse are being checked for possible replacement. Anyone wishing to help with these projects will be warmly welcomed.

Our new lake maintenance contractor is Estate Management Services and our 15 lakes look great. The contractor will be as careful as possible when launching their boat to avoid leaving ruts on the lake banks.

*Ron Crow*

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### *Thank You*

Words cannot express my sincere appreciation to all who sent cards, food or ran errands for me during my recuperation. It's wonderful to live in such a tightly knit community which cares like Myrtle Trace.

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## SPECIAL POTLUCK DINNER

The January Potluck Dinner which will be held on January 15th, will feature a DVD presentation by Lou Robinson showing the photos he took at the Veterans' Tribute in November. In the past, diners have been asked to bring their tableware and drinks. This month, you may bring just a dish (main dish, side dish, salad or dessert) to share and your drinks and pay a dollar for tableware. Coffee will be provided. As usual, musical entertainment will be provided by our resident musician, John Potter. If you have any questions, please call Bunker Chipps at 347-3451.

## DID YOU KNOW?

### MORE ON OUR VOLUNTEERS

As we have previously stated, our volunteers save us countless dollars in the performance of their chosen area of service. To explain further, one of the most visible committees is the Architectural Review Committee. The ARC impacts the community the most with its review of the residents' project requests. They strive to reach a balance between the Covenants, nature and the resident's objectives. About 98% of all requests are approved after they have been sufficiently defined and evaluated.

A sub-committee within the ARC is the Tree Committee. It has been the responsibility of two very dedicated persons who physically check each Tree Removal Request and report their findings to the entire committee for discussion and a decision. The load on these two committee members is such that an additional member will soon be added to ensure timely responses to homeowner requests. Through October 2006, there have been more than 100 trees removed and the average has been about 150 removals per year for the past three years including diseased trees and those struck by lightning.

If you can imagine, then, that this has been the case for the last ten years (1,500 trees removed), you can see the impact on our community! These are serious numbers and serious volunteers who want to keep Myrtle Trace green, beautiful and inviting, serve on this committee that benefits all residents.

# MYRTLE TRACE-MART

## I WOULD LIKE TO.....

**SELL** - A variety of very nice furniture. Please call Katie Aliano at 347-2109 to see the furniture. (11)

**SELL** - 7 foot pre-lit Christmas tree only used 2 times ..best offer. Cordless lawn mower.Black and Decker. Best offer. Please call Paula at 234-2173. (11)

**SELL** - Revolving cake stand and decorating tips. Quilter's rulers, stencils and materials. Please call Jean at 347-9461. (11)

**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** - Small Kenmore upright freezer. 5 cubic feet capacity. \$75.00. 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)

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## THE GATE POST TRAVEL CLUB

On Wednesday, January 10th at 7pm at the Myrtle Trace South Clubhouse, there will be a meeting to share the fun trips we have been planning for 2007. There will be travel reps, handouts, refreshments and time to look at the various travel stations we are setting up. Hope to see you on the 10th. For more info, please call Sheila Aicher (234-9400), Ann Barber (234-1353) or Peggy Yohe (234-2953).

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## GARDEN CLUB

The general clean-up work detail at the Myrtle Trace garden, scheduled for Saturday, December 9th, was postponed because of the nasty weather on that date. However, some of our hardy members pitched in later, so the appearance of the garden is now much better.

Conditions at the "pine tree circle" at the front of the Clubhouse have improved quite a bit since the newly-planted pansies are showing a lot of color. In addition, many of the bulbs which were interplanted with the pansies have emerged and this should provide some interesting texture and color this coming spring, summer and fall - be sure to watch this area develop in the coming months.

Thanks to Al Hardee and his crew for installing the protective edging at the front of the recently-sodded Emerald Zoysia lawn - hopefully this will stop the damage caused by cars being parked on the edge of the grassed area.

Our next meeting will be held at 2 PM in the clubhouse on Thursday, January 4th. Members present will tour the entire garden area and be asked for their ideas and/or suggestions as concerns the spring planting season. Consideration will also be given to moving or dividing certain plants so as to make the garden more pleasing.

"A garden is a friend you can visit any time." Unknown

*Paul Alexander*

# MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES

## JANUARY 2007

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

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	<b>1</b> HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!	<b>2</b> 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Duplicate Bridge 6:30 Poker 7:00 McNell's Poker	<b>3</b> 12:30 Bridge (Easy Aces) 6:30 Men's Poker	<b>4</b> 9 - 11 Crafters <b>10:00 BOWLING</b> 1:30 Scrabble <b>2:00 GARDEN CLUB</b> 7:00 Mah Jongg	<b>5</b> 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Duplicate Bridge <b>RESERVED 5 - 10</b>	<b>6</b> 9:30 Open Bowling	
<b>7</b> 7:00 GAME NIGHT	<b>8</b> 9 - 11 Bible Study 12:30 Mah Jongg 7:00 Poker <b>7:00 ARC MEETING</b>	<b>9</b> <b>9:00 PROP. COM.</b> 1:00 Canasta 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Duplicate Bridge 6:30 Poker	<b>10</b> <b>RESERVED 9 - 11</b> 12:30 Bridge (Old Tricks) 6:30 Men's Poker	<b>11</b> <b>10:00 BOWLING</b> 9 - 11 Crafters 1:30 Scrabble 7:00 Mah Jongg	<b>12</b> 1:00 Bridge 1:00 Canasta <b>7:00 BINGO</b>	<b>13</b> 9:30 Open Bowling 7:30 Bridge	
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