



# News and Views

Myrtle Trace

A Newsletter by Myrtle Trace Residents for Myrtle Trace Residents March 2009

## 2009 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



L-R: Jack Von Deck, Director-At-Large, Cathy McElroy, Director-At-Large, Tom Gray, President, Sheilah Reynolds, Vice President, Tom Dovey, Secretary-Treasurer

## BOARD BRIEFS

### OUR ROADS AND GATES

On February 17<sup>th</sup> the Horry County Council authorized the County Administrator to sign the settlement agreement and execute the quit-claim deed which conveys control of our roads to the Association. We are responsible for all necessary repairs to and resurfacing of the roads within our community effective from the date the court issued the consent order.

The consent order also requires us to install automatic gates on Myrtle Trace Drive at the intersection with Myrtle Ridge Drive within one year of the date of the conveyance. If this is not done the existing gates are to be removed until such time automatic gates may be installed.

It is the intention of the Board to determine the most appropriate equipment, select a contractor and install a gate system which facilitates our residents' exit from and entrance to the community via that access at Myrtle Ridge Drive. This process will extend over several months and hopefully will have been completed by early summer.

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## News & Views

Editor

Ted Ackley 347-3004  
April Deadline - 3/20/09

### *Thank You*

Many thanks to all our friends and bowling comrades for their cards, visits and treats during Frank's illness.

*Barb & Frank Shilling*

We have lived in all parts of the country but we have never experienced the love, prayers, food and kindness extended to us while I had my back surgery. Myrtle Trace is sure a special place to live.

*Barb Tuttle*

### ART IN THE CLUBHOUSE

Myrtle Trace residents are now enjoying a variety of work by our artists and hobbyists. Currently on display in the Clubhouse is the work of David Day, Frances Driggers, Tom Dubauskas, Lois King, Thea Letsch, Marilyn McDonough, Dick Sievers and Anne Smith. Drop in and see the outstanding "work" of your neighbors.

### 2009 PHONE DIRECTORY

A new Myrtle Trace directory will be published and distributed around the end of March. Any additions, changes or deletions should be forwarded to Nona Mattson **no later than March 9th**. She may be contacted by phone (347-1959) or by e-mail (nojo228@yahoo.com).

## BOARD BRIEFS (CONT'D.)

### HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE

Every homeowner in Myrtle Trace is required by the Covenants to provide the Association with proof of adequate homeowner's insurance. "Adequate" is defined in the Covenants as "full replacement cost". The Association keeps secure records of this insurance coverage because it is required of the Board to enforce the Covenants and because this requirement directly affects the safety of our homeowners and the value of our homes.

Recently there has been an increase in the number of members who are in violation of the Covenants with regard to their homeowners insurance. We believe that this recent trend results from a combination of circumstances, such as changes from one company to another or adjustments in coverage or deductibles, etc. Some insurance companies will list the MTHOA as an interested party and automatically send the needed information upon renewal, others will not provide this service.

Please bear in mind that you are not only required to have insurance coverage, but you are also required to inform the Association of such coverage. Here's an easy way to comply – if your insurance papers list the Myrtle Trace Homeowners Association as an interested party, then your insurance company communicates information about your coverage to the Association upon renewal. If, however, MTHOA is not listed as an interested party on your policy, then it is your responsibility to provide the Association a copy of the declaration page of your homeowner's policy. This page will indicate the insurer's name, policy number, effective dates, address of the property and amount of coverage on the dwelling. Drop a copy of this declaration page in the slot at the Clubhouse where you place your homeowner dues payments or mail it to the MTHOA, 101 Myrtle Trace Drive, Conway, SC 29526.

If you would like further information or if you have questions, call Dan Seeds at 347-6615.

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## MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS / DELETIONS  
FEBRUARY 22, 2009

Additions:

Nichols, Linda 103 Boxwood Lane 864-205-6142 SC

Corrections: NONE

Delete: NONE

E-Mail:

Ruff, George & Linda gelt.ruff@gmail.com

## ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Myrtle Trace Activities Committee has changed its' meeting night to the second Monday of each month at 7:00. We had good attendance at our February meeting and would like to welcome Bobbie and Steve Sands as new members. They have graciously agreed to chair the new Dining Out group. A special thank you to Kitty Kenney who has done a terrific job with this activity.

There was good attendance at the Super Bowl Pot Luck and everyone enjoyed the game on our new **BIG** screen. Mary Frances Williams reported a quick sell out for the Horry-Georgetown Tech. luncheon. 25 persons attended.

We start the month of March off with "Breakfast on Pear Tree Circle" on Saturday morning, March 7th, 8:30 to 10:00 (sign up in this issue). Other activities for March are the usual game nights on Sunday evenings at 7:00, Crafters on Thursday mornings at 10:00, Bingo will be at 7:00 on the 13th, and Pot Luck is on the 16th at 5:30, with entertainment from the Myrtle Trace line dancers. Bring you own table service and a dish to share. A St. Patrick's Day party, hosted by June Darville and Myron Chomko will be on Tuesday, the 17th at 5:30. (sign up also in this issue). Movie night will be on Friday, the 27th at 7:00. This month's feature is "Freedom Writers" \*\*\*\*PG13 (2007) starring Hilary Swank and Patrick Dempsey. This is a true story about troubled inner city youth in the early 90's, who are inspired to break the cycle of violence and despair that threatens their lives. A must see for all you retired school teachers. No need to sign up. The movies are free and we hope to offer soft drinks and popcorn. We also welcome any request for future movies.

The next Activities Committee meeting will be Monday, March 9th at 7:00. We welcome new members and ideas for fun activities to plan in the future.

*Suzanne Owens  
Mary-Frances Williams*

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## PAST PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

The Past Presidents Council held its quarterly meeting on February 19th, with 12 Past Presidents in attendance. The Council wishes to extend its congratulations to the Board of Directors for a very informative and productive Annual Meeting, and we wish the newly elected board member, Cathy McElroy, a successful term.

We are looking forward to being of service to the Board of Directors under President Tom Gray, as he resumes his position as president of the MTHOA.

The Past Presidents Council has extended an invitation to the President, (Tom is also a past President), to join us at our quarterly meetings as we continue to work together to maintain our community with the same quality and character that we have come to love. The Past Presidents have continued to serve Myrtle Trace, as evidenced by our numbers who populate committees within the community. With the addition of President Tom, we now have 15 members.

*Jay Sharp, Chairman*

## MYRTLE TRACE WEBSITE

Our website always has many links to information that is important to all of us. Recently however, two additional links have been added. After clicking on **Other Useful Links** in the header on the homepage, check out the sites marked NEW in flashing red letters. The first link will take you to "100 Incredibly Useful Websites" with information on a wide variety of subjects – not just computer stuff. The second link will take you to a map displaying major cities around the world. A click on any city (dot) will bring up the front page of that city's local paper. A click on the "Website" link in the upper right corner will bring you the entire paper. These papers are all updated on a daily basis.

### Myrtle Trace Ladies

#### Coffee Klatch

Wednesday

March 25, 2009

10 - 12 noon at the Clubhouse

RSVP TO

Beth Crow

At 347-1895

bethcrow@sc.rr.com

**WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE**

Please bring  
non-perishable goods.

## OLD TELEPHONE BOOKS

John Brunk will once again be collecting old telephone books to benefit Waccamaw Elementary School. More information will be coming in the April issue of News & Views.

# MYRTLE TRACE-MART

## I WOULD LIKE TO.....

**SELL** - (88) piece china set (service for 12) \$150.00 Please call Jane or George at 347-5167. (12)

**FIND** - The owner of a silver crucifix which I found on Myrtle Trace Drive between Cedar Ridge Lane and Myrtle Ridge Drive early in December. Please call Bob at 347-1210. (1)

**FIND** - The owner of a black golf bag cover found along Myrtle Trace Drive in mid December. Please call Norman at 347-6050. (1)

**SELL** - Computer Armoire w/pull out work surface. 38 1/2" wide X 27" deep and 86" high. Perfect condition. \$125.00. Please call Sandy at 347-8751. (2)

**RENT TO OWN** - Rent to Own - 2B/R, 2 Bath, tile & Corian Kitchen, Garage, on water, in woods, many extras. Please call 234-0105 (2)

**FIND** - Someone to rent my 2 BR, 1,300 sq. ft. town home on Cricket Court in Myrtle Trace. Please call Beth at 347-1895. (2)

**SELL** - Mah Jong set complete with 4 handmade tile racks. \$ 20.00 Please call Norm or Fran at 347-0112. (3)

**SELL** - Two (2) adult bicycles. One men's - multigeared. One lady's with a basket. Both in good condition. \$30.00 each. Please call Fred at 347-1618. (3)

**FIND** - Musicians in Myrtle Trace who would like to get together to play any and all types of music for fun. Please call Roy Frantzen at 234-2399 or e-mail at romarfr@aol.com. (3)

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for any claims made in an ad. Ads for businesses conducted by  
Myrtle Trace residents will not be accepted.

## BOWLING

With the 2nd half of the season half finished, the Splitters (Mike Lakatos, John Kubala & Barry Moore) have taken the lead four points ahead of the Luckies (Mary Ellen Bess, Jack Mehl & Charlie Conklin). Right behind them are Good Job !!! (Pat Searles, Fred Searles & Tom Marek) and the Hot Shots (Pat Fisher, Lynn Peachey & Chuck Connors).

The high scorers during the past month have been Barry Moore (232, 570), Ted Ackley (230, 564), Mike Lakatos (225, 545), Tom Marek (213, 541), Dan Hayes (537), Nelson Fisher (532), Yvette Campbell (494) and Pat Searles (182).

The high average leaders are Barry Moore (172), Nelson Fisher (169.19), Jerry Campbell (169.14), Therese Moore (153), Yvette Campbell (152) and Francine Charning (141).

## BOARD BRIEFS (CONT'D.)



### ANNUAL MEETING

The Board wishes to thank the members who attended the Annual Meeting and those who sent their proxies. We had 155 members vote in person and 130 proxies. We're hoping for an even greater turnout next year. We've reserved the same auditorium for February 13, 2010. At that meeting we'll be electing two new Board members. The Board decided last meeting to divide the work of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee of 2009 will recruit and nominate candidates. Organizing and running the Annual Meeting will be done by Board members and volunteers, not necessarily the Nominating Committee. If asked to serve on either committee we hope that you will respond positively.

At the Board Meeting immediately following the Annual Meeting, Tom Gray was elected President, Sheilah Reynolds Vice President, Tom Dovey Secretary Treasurer, Cathy McElroy and Jack Von Deck Directors-At-Large. At the March 16 meeting, liaisons to committees were assigned: Jack Von Deck- Activities, Tom Dovey-ARC, Cathy McElroy- Property, Sheilah Reynolds- Communications.

### DOG WALKERS

During the past few months, two concerns have arisen regarding dog walkers. Overall, they have been very good about picking up after their pets. In a few instances, however, there have been "deposits" seen which may be attributed to visitors or newcomers. If you have house guests with dogs, please advise them of our rules about picking up.

Much more important - several dog walkers have been observed walking after dark without flashlights and wearing dark clothing. This makes them extremely difficult to see especially considering the advanced age of many of our drivers. Please, let's avoid having a tragic accident.



The Gates At Myrtle Trace  
THEY'VE SERVED US WELL !

### GARDEN CLUB

Spring is just around the corner and the Garden Club is kicking off the '09 Spring season by holding a speaker session on Thursday, March 5th at 2 PM in the Clubhouse. We are most fortunate to have one of our own Tracers who will present his many experiences in the cultivation of one of the world's most beautiful flowers - the orchid. Ralph Billeter has worked with orchids for many years and he is willing to share his knowledge and experiences (both good and bad) with all who attend this meeting. If you wish to fill some of your empty hours by growing and caring for any of the many cultivars of the orchid family, be sure to make plans to attend this meeting. Included in the orchid family is a common flavoring substance - vanilla. Commercial vanilla is derived from the seeds of the orchid genus (*Vanilla* spp.) and is perhaps the most desired ice cream and cookie flavoring on the market. Be sure to attend and learn first-hand of Ralph's experiences.

"Winter is on my head,  
but eternal spring is in my  
heart." Victor Hugo

*Paul Alexander*

### MARCH COMPUTER CLASS

The March Computer Class will be held on Monday, March 2nd and will feature presentations on Spreadsheets and a new photo managing program which may be downloaded free of charge. The class begins at 7:00 pm and all are welcome.

# WELCOME TO OUR ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY



ON: March 17, 2009

AT: Clubhouse

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PRICE: \$15.00 per person

Hosted By: Myron Chomko 234-0032

June Darville 347-8799

**Wine, Beer and Soda will be provided.**



## **St.Patrick's Day Party**

**March 17, 2009**

Corned Beef \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken cordon bleu \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

**Make your check payable to  
"Myrtle Trace Activities  
Committee" and bring it  
and this form to  
247 Candlewood Dr. by March  
12<sup>th</sup>**

No refunds after that date

Seating limited to 60 persons

# Pot Luck Dinner

Monday, March 16, 2009

5:30 PM



Entertainment following dinner

by

"The Myrtle Trace Line Dancers"

# MYRTLE TRACE

## “DINING OUT”



**Wednesday**  
**March 18, 2009**  
**5:00 P. M. Dinner**



## CHESTNUT HILL RESTAURANT

9922 Hwy 17 North

Myrtle Beach

843-449-3984



**Early Bird starting price \$13.95**  
**Includes salad, potato and vegetable**

**Please**  
**Come and Join Us**

**We really do have**  
**a lot of fun!!!!**

Host: Kitty Kenney & George Thompson

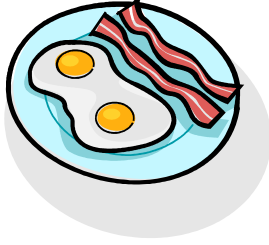
Leave RSVP in basket at front door  
with .50 per person

159 Myrtle Trace Drive  
Cell : 301-728-4324

RSVP: by March 16th

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number \_\_\_\_\_ x \$0.50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# BREAKFAST AT PEAR TREE CIRCLE

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2009  
8:30 AM—10 AM

JOIN YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS  
FOR A DELICIOUS BREAKFAST PREPARED AND  
SERVED BY OUR VERY OWN MYRTLE TRACE MAS-  
TER CHEFS AT THE MYRTLE TRACE CLUBHOUSE



## MENU

EGGS BACON SAUSAGE HAM HASHBROWNS  
GRITS TOAST ORANGE JUICE COFFEE/TEA



**COST: \$2.50  
PER PERSON**

**DELIVERY AVAILABLE**

**CALL: 234-1730**

Deposit this form & check made  
out to "Myrtle Trace Activities  
Committee" to Charlene Rose  
230 Cricket Court.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$2.50 = \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline to register is March 5th

