BOARD BRIEFS

Dear Residents,

Well, here we are, in July of 2020. Unfortunately, the virus numbers are continuing to climb, so we are still washing our hands, wearing masks, and practicing social distancing. Our pool and clubhouse are still closed to activities. Despite this, we have celebrated Memorial Day, Mother's Day, graduations, Flag Day, and Father's Day, in our own unique and creative ways. Soon, we will be celebrating Fourth of July. True, the summer, usually a fun time spent with family and friends, doing things together, has been different this year. But summer still came.

And we too, must still "do." We are still carrying on, and living, maybe not the way we want to, but we are doing it. We are still enjoying outdoors (when weather permits): grilling, sitting in our yards with a cool drink, a good book, or a pet on our lap; or with several neighbors gathered outside, feet apart, having a "social distancing gathering".

We are still walking the neighborhood, sometimes with a buddy, (spaced apart); we can still admire the beautiful flowers in someone's yard, see the squirrels chasing one another, hear all the birds singing, watch the ducks in our ponds, or smile at the golfers who didn't quite make the shot. We are still going to the stores as necessary (with masks), perhaps doing curbside pickup for dinner, going to appointments, and yes, enjoying that we are able to dress casually and comfortably, and sometimes, not wear make-up (ladies) or shave (men). We got our hair cut! We are still attending church, whether at the breakfast table or in our cars. We are still trying new recipes or crafts, reading a new book, deciding if we are brave enough to try indoor show or eat at an open restaurant. We are using technology to talk and visit with our loved ones; we are still keeping in touch.

And throughout all of this "situation", when we think of our blessings, and we do have a lot to count, we are so very glad and grateful that we have such good friends and neighbors in Myrtle Trace. Whether we are asking for help, sharing a laugh, or just being together, we are getting though this. And we will continue to do so.

This may seem trite, but we are all doing our best to make the best of a difficult situation, and at some point, "this too shall pass." Until then, take care of yourselves, take care of each other and carry on.

Donna Ebling

BOARD ACTIONS - Pool & Clubhouse

The Board voted to continue to keep the Pool and Clubhouse closed until further notice, due to the increase in reported virus cases. Although we know this is not a popular decision, we are trying to keep our residents as safe as possible. Continued thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

ITEM FOR BOARD ACTION

The ARC is recommending a new policy to be included in the Architectural Guidelines. The Board will take action on this recommendation at the monthly Board of Directors meeting in July. The ARC recommendation for front seating areas is as follows:

- 1. Seating area will be no larger than 8'x 7'.
- 2. The material will be concrete or brick pavers.

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LAKEVIEW LADIES' COFFEE

Lakeview Ladies' Coffee will not be held in July.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

I know it is upsetting and everyone is getting bored with everything going on today. The Board still feels that the Clubhouse and the Pool being closed is safer for our community.

I would like to thank Anne Kongvold for her work on providing meals for the homebound residents in Myrtle Trace. She has been working with her church to provide meals for these residents. She has also delivered them to these residents. At the last Activities Committee meeting, a donation was made to the church.

Don't forget the next meeting of the Activities Committee is Monday, July 13th at 7:00 pm. We plan on meeting outside. Please bring your chair and join us. All homeowners are welcome.

Santo Perry



MYRTLE TRACE LOGO POLO SHIRTS & SWEAT SHIRTS

Orders may be placed by contacting Ted Ackley by phone (843-347-3004 or 843-602-1991) or by e-mail (tedack@sccoast. net). He has a chart of available colors.

Happy Birthday, America !!!

ROMEO'S

The ROMEO'S will not meet during July.



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#### MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & CHANGES As of May 24, 2020

#### Additions:

Dryden, Julie 103 Hickory Drive 612-810-9977 MN Dryden, Robert 103 Hickory Drive 612-246-9004 MN Dusterhoft, Ronald & Jon 1206 Loblolly Lane 843-347-0852 SC/NY Hasse, Michael 130 Myrtle Trace Drive 803-317-1183 SC Heckathorn, Candy 814-516-6474 PA 137 Berry Tree Lane Heckathorn, Ted 137 Berry Tree Lane 814-758-6370 PA

#### Changes/Corrections:

Maass, Liz 121 Birchwood Lane 843-421-4533

#### E-mail:

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#### PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee would like to inform everyone interested in using our pool that the decision to open is month to month. The risk assessment involved is a matter taken very seriously by our Board.

On another matter, any request to initiate a Common Property Maintenance Agreement may only be requested during the months of March and September of any given year by the homeowner. This information is clearly stated in Tab B page 5 of the Property Committee guidelines in your binders.

Most of the time, our lakes (retention ponds) are beautiful additions to our community which add immeasurably to the overall appeal of Myrtle Trace. However, during the hurricane season they become a source of potential flooding. Therefore, the Property Committee closely monitors the weather forecasts to evaluate the potential impact of a hurricane or a tropical storm

The Property Committee will closely evaluate the threat of a serious storm and will lower the lakes accordingly.

The Committee would again ask all to try to adhere to the posted speed limit in Myrtle Trace (25) mph as we continue to receive complaints from homeowners in this matter. Thank you.

Liz Maass



Lake Dove

#### LAKE DOVE

Lake Dove has been a problem for many years. It would not hold water and needed extra water to stay at an acceptable level; thus the name, Lake Leaky. Last month the lake was drained and bentonite was applied to the surface and lake bottom. This granular substance expands up to ten times its size when exposed to water and solidifies, thus sealing the lake bottom and sides. It will take approximately four months for the sealing process to be completed. This procedure, theoretically, will prevent the lake from seeping water and hopefully stop Lake Dove from leaking.

Additional photos will be found on Page 5

## Thank You

Thank you to the many Myrtle Trace neighbors, friends and family that made my "90th" so special. I appreciated the many cards, block party and drive by. Such a surprise and very much enjoyed by all.

Audrey Johnson



"It takes a long time to lose my temper, but once lost I could not find it with a dog"

Mark Twain

The most terrifying nine words in the English Language are "I'm from the government and I'm here to help"

Ronald Reagan

"The more things are forbidden, the more popular they become"

Mark Twain

For years I've heard the question: How could an actor be president?"I've sometimes wondered how could you be president and not be an actor.

Ronald Reagan

SINGLES BREAKFAST

**CANCELLED FOR JULY** 

# MYRTLE TRACE-MART I WOULD LIKE TO......

<u>SELL</u> - 2011 Black Mercedes Benz Model E350 in mint condition. FWD 78,000 miles. May be seen at 155 Myrtle Trace Drive. Sells new for \$59,000 to \$61,000. Asking \$13,700. Please call Rufus at 843-347-9136 (7)

<u>SELL</u> - Wrought iron glass top table and four chairs \$150.00. Wrought iron bakers rack \$50.00. Please call Pat at 704-785-4010 (5)

**SELL** - Invacare portable wheelchair. Like new. \$250.00 Please call Joyce at 843-347-5434 (6)

<u>GIVEAWAY</u> - Corrugated storage cartons, 11" X 17" X 9" high. Ideal for attic storage. Please call Ted at 843-602-1991 (6)

<u>SELL</u> – Black soaker hose, barely used. 50 to 60 feet. Thule cartop kayak carrier for one kayak. Make an offer. Please call Paula at 231-922-1625 (7)

<u>SELL</u> - Collectable Longaberger baskets. Assorted sizes. Please call Liz at 843-421-4533 (7)

**GIVEAWAY** - Women's bicycle. Please call Sheilah at 843-333-4555 (7)

**SELL** - Gas fired outdoor tabletop heater - \$50.00. Big & tall office chair - \$50.00, NorthStar 2 HP vertical 20 gallon compressor - \$300.00 Bench grinder, 8" variable speed - \$75.00. Craftsman 10" :Radial arm saw, 2.5 HP with stand - \$100.00. Please call Jean at 843-349-8395 (7)

<u>GIVEAWAY</u> - Diabetic supplies, test strips, pen needles, lancets, and more. Please call Jean at 843-349-8395 (7)

<u>SELL</u> - 2018 Ford Fusion. Loaded including navigation & sun roof. 5,700 miles. Asking \$19,000—was \$30,500 new. Please call Harry at 843-347-7667 (7)

<u>SELL</u> - AREDS2 Eye vitamin and mineral supplements. Soft gel capsules. Please call Ted at 843-602-1991 (7)

<u>SELL</u> - Set of lefthanded golf clubs. Table saw w/extra blades. Outside deck furniture w/cushions & covers. Lawn sprinklers, 10" electric band saw. Bass fishing stuff. Please call Dick at 843-347-6990 (7)

#### **MYRTLE TRACE-MART**

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# **BOARD BRIEFS** (CONT'D.)

#### ITEM FOR BOARD ACTION (Continued)

- 3. Greenery will be used to surround the seating area either on the seating area or in front of it.
- 4. No umbrellas or large tables or large furniture will be used.

Front seating areas are intended for small gatherings of friends or neighbors, while being inconspicuous and allowing for privacy.

Residents who have questions or concerns regarding this proposed policy may express them during the Resident Participation portion of the July meeting.

#### **MORE BOARD BRIEFS**

#### **HURRICANES & RETENTION PONDS**

Residents are reminded that during hurricane season, retention ponds will not be filled, and will be monitored to help accommodate rising waters as best we can.

#### ON THE ROAD

Motorists AND cyclists are reminded to drive on the right side of the road, obey speed limits and to stop at all stop signs. Cyclists please remember to use lights when riding in darkness. Walkers, please walk on the left side of the road (facing traffic) and wear lights when walking in darkness.

#### LOCK YOUR DOORS

Residents are reminded to lock doors at home and on your car. There have been reports of items being stolen from unlocked cars (while in their driveway). Consider locking the door between your garage and house while away. If someone breaks into your car and used the garage door opener, they only have access to the garage, not your house.

#### PICK UP MAIL & PAPERS

If your neighbor has lots of mail in their mail tube or newspapers laying on the driveway, please pick them up. Nothing says to a thief that the house is empty like papers laying around. Besides, if the wind blows, they will soon be in your yard. And, if the papers are piling up, please check on your neighbor.





Lake Dove Lake Dove

| MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES                                        |                                    |                                                                                                     |                                                                                      |                                                                                    | July                                          | 2020                                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Sunday                                                         | Monday                             | Tuesday                                                                                             | Wednesday                                                                            | Thursday                                                                           | Friday                                        | Saturday                               |
| CALENDAR Pat Paxson – 347-1609 Alternate Ted Ackley – 347-3004 |                                    | EXERCISING -<br>CLUBHOUSE<br>M - Th 7:45 - 9:00<br>Water Aerobics<br>8:00-8:45 AM<br>6 PM Tue & Fri | 1<br>12:00 Chinese MajJongg<br>12:30 Bridge<br>6:30 Men's Poker                      | 9-11 Crafters<br>1:00 Grove Poker<br>6:30 Singles Mtg                              | <b>3 7:45 ROMEOS</b> 1:00 Canasta             | 4                                      |
| 5<br>6:30 Game Night                                           | 6                                  | 7 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Dealer's Choice Poker                     | 9:30 PHS. 8<br>COFFEE<br>12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg<br>12:30 Bridge<br>6:30 Men's Poker | 9<br>9-11 Crafters<br>5:30 King's Poker<br>6:30 Mah Jongg                          | 10<br>1:00 Canasta<br>7:00 Bingo              | 11                                     |
| 12<br>6:30 Game Night                                          | 13<br>10:00 MTLCK<br>3:00 ARC MTG. | 9:30 PROP. COM. 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Dealer's Choice Poker       | 9:00 MTHOA BD MTG. 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 6:30 Men's Poker             | 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 2:00 Past Pres Mtg 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg | 7:45 ROMEOS 1:00 Canasta 7:00 MT Get Together | 18<br>2:00 Reserved<br>Ebling          |
| 19<br>6:30 Game Night                                          | 20<br>5:30 POT LUCK                | 21 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Dealer's Choice Poker                    | 9:30 Singles Brkfast 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 6:30 Men's Poker           | 9-11 Crafters 1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 King's Poker 6:30 Mah Jongg                    | 24<br>1:00 Canasta<br>7:00 Bingo              | 25<br>6:00 Pool Party<br>(Pool Closed) |
| 26<br>6:30 Game Night                                          | 27<br>3:00 ARC MTG.                | 28 12:30 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 King's Poker 7:00 Dealer's Choice Poker                    | 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg<br>12:30 Bridge<br>6:30 Men's Poker                          | 9-11 Crafters<br>1:00 Grove Poker<br>5:30 King's Poker<br>6:30 Mah Jongg           | 31<br>1:00 Canasta                            | Chorus<br>Thursdays<br>3:30pm          |

Calendar is ONLY in effect if the stay at home and social distancing mandate is rescinded