BOARD BRIEFS

2023 ANNUAL BUDGET

At the November Board meeting, the MTHOA 2023 budget was adopted. The budget reflects careful consideration of current and future needs. The budget process involved evaluating committee requests for funds to be included in the Operational budget. The Board also evaluated projects which need to be done and funded with Reserve Funds. These projects include: milling and repaving a portion of Myrtle Trace Drive from Burning Ridge Road entrance to the Berry Tree intersection; milling and repaving of Cricket Court parking area near townhouses; and milling and repaving Berry Tree Lane from the intersection of Myrtle Trace Drive to the culde-sac. Funds for these projects will come from our Reserve Road Funds. We, the members of the Board, believe the budget will provide funds to benefit our community and stay financially sound without a dues increase for 2023.

WILDLIFE

A mother bear and two cubs have been seen in Phase VIII. We want to caution all pet owners to check the area, before you take your pet outside. Again, due to the construction occurring on Burning Ridge Road, the bear's habitat has been seriously disturbed and they are looking for food and a new place to call home.

SOLICITATION

No solicitation is permitted in Myrtle Trace however there are companies and organizations who choose to ignore our signs. If someone comes to your door soliciting, feel free to tell them of our policy and ask them to leave. Recently, there has been a roofing company asking to examine house roofs to check for hail damage that they claim happened during an April hail storm. This claim may or may not be true. To protect you from spending money unnecessarily, it is recommended that you get a second opinion.

GIFT DONATION

The Board accepted the donation of two picnic tables given by Bob and Donna Ebling in memory of some longtime residents of Birchwood Lane; George and Elaine Smith and Myron Chomko. The tables will be placed in the recreation area for the enjoyment of our members of the community. Thank you, Bob and Donna.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting will be held on the February 4, 2023 at Horry Georgetown Technical College (HGTC). There are some changes in the format which will shorten the length of the meeting. Some of the changes include: all committee reports will be included in the Annual Meeting packet instead of being read at the meeting; members of the Board will introduce and recognize members of the committees and all volunteers. We hope by shortening the time involved more members of the community will attend the meeting. Remember, a quorum is required in order to hold the meeting and for the election of board members to take place. Please mark this important date on your calendar. Directions to HGTC will be included in the annual meeting packet.

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TRACERS ON THE GO!

December 1, 2022

6:00 PM

CHRISTMAS PARTY MYRTLE TRACE CLUBHOUSE

ROMEO'S

December 16th - 7:45

EARLY RISER DINER

Carolina Forest Village

Masks Not Required



MYRTLE TRACE

WEBSITE

www.myrtletracesc.org

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ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Activities Committee met on Monday evening, November 14th. Recent past events that were well-attended and successful include the Craft Fair October 15th chaired by Lee Williams, the Lobster Food Truck on October 17th chaired by Debbie Rebocho, the Halloween Doo -Wop Dance chaired by Terry and Geralyn Hartman and the Veterans Day Ceremony on November 6th chaired by Ken and Deb Weirman.

Upcoming events include the Christmas Coffee Klatch on December 9th at 10:00 am chaired by Jean Hohenberger and Arlene Buckley. Also, please plan to come to New Years Eve Celebration December 31st chaired by Arlene Buckley. The popular Doo-Wop Forever group will again provide music for dancing and listening enjoyment. There will be a fabulous dinner buffet and beverages. Look for the reservation and details in the News and Views and updates online from Arlene in the Myrtle Trace Chatter and Myrtle Trace Matters Facebook groups. Anne Kongvold is chairing the Luminairies Night December 3rd and also the Cookie Swap on December 11th. John Drohan led the Thanksgiving Flower Arranging event on November 19th and the Christmas Flower Arranging on December 18th. Contact John Drohan or Anne Kongvold for details.

Our committee has also begun organizing the calendar of events for the 2023 calendar year. While many of our popular events will return there are some exciting new activities as well. The month of October will include a number of fun events in celebration of Myrtle Trace's 40th Anniversary organized with the joint cooperation of the Board of Directors and the Activities Committee. Geralyn and Terry Hartman are chairing our efforts with the aid of Board officers and are looking for people to join them as a committee. If you would like to join in the planning, contact Geralyn or Terry.

Bob Smith

MYRTLE TRACE LOGO POLO SHIRTS & SWEAT SHIRTS

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

MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & CHANGES As of November 22, 2022

Additions:

Harris, Robert 247 Candlewood 757-869-5459 Langham, Bill 103 Boxwood 706-506-2046

Changes/Corrections:

E-mail:

Gascoigne, Diane pegofmyhjeart1124@gmail.com

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

HURRICANES AND NAMED STORMS ONLY

Hardee Maintenance will pick up debris stacked at curbside within 4 days at the end of the storm. Fallen trees on HOA Property are reported to Liz Maass and Leo Reger. The Hardee crew will pick-up after regular debris is collected. At all other times, when you prune, it is homeowners responsibility to discard yard clippings and tree limbs. Do not put them curbside.

FALLEN TREES BLOCKING ROADS

Any time a tree falls on one of our roads, please notify a member of the Board.

VOLUNTEERS

We are in dire need of handymen/women willing to donate their time and experience to the Property Committee. These Volunteers help us keep our infrastructure in good shape and our HOA fees DOWN!!!!!! All those willing to help and volunteer their services, please call Liz Maass at 843-421-4533.

DUMPING ON COMMON GROUND: The Property Committee has been getting reports of people taking their yard and tree clippings and dumping them in our berms and ditches. There is a recycling center on Rt. 544 near Coastal Carolina University that will take your debris. Just load it in your vehicle and take it over. Or have your Yard Contractor cart it away.

PHONE NUMBERS

The correct phone number for Phase 7 Representative Joe Bastian is 571-239-9759. Leo Reger can be reached at 843-347-5787. Leo is Liaison with Hardee Maintenance.

Liz Maass





BOWLING

The first third of the schedule is complete with The Crew (Sandy Potts, Bobbie Phillips & Skip Bennett) finishing first. The second third is being paced by K A D (Al Wellman, Kathy Hertling & Don Ullmann) with 19 points after three matches.

High scores bowled by Myrtle Trace residents include Harry Fink (242-636) and Bob Bastian (505).

Thank You

Thank You to all the wonderful friends and neighbors in Myrtle Trace who sent cards, called, acknowledged, condolences of Donald Johnsen's passing. Don was very happy to be a part of this community. He enjoyed all the wonderful events and dining out groups.

Rita Johnsen Anne Kongvold







MYRTLE TRACE-MART

I WOULD LIKE TO......

<u>SELL</u> - Department 56 Village Accessories. Set of 3 wooden canoes and 2 wooden piers in the original boxes. Will sell at half price – canoes \$26.00, piers \$25.00 Please call Catherine at 843-347-5306 (12)

<u>SELL</u> - Brand new carry-on Computer Travel brief case issued by J. P. Morgan Chase with multiple storage compartments. Please call Peter at 843-516-9803 (11)

SELL - Banker Boxes with lids. \$2 each. Dehumidifier rarely used \$30 Please call Lisa at 703-299-3298 (11)

<u>SELL</u> - Delta hand shower w/7 spray functions. Touch clean nozzle, brushed nickel. Never used - in original package. Asking \$35. Over-sized teal green glass dish for display. Asking \$20. Four dark teal placemats - woven basket design \$5. Please call Ann at 617-838-5930. (11)

GIVEAWAY - Back brace and outdoor Christmas lights. Please call Harry at 843-347-7667 (11)

SELL - Walkers - never used. \$40 Please call Harry at 843-347-7667 (11)

<u>B UY</u> - Stationary bike for exercise. Please call Steve at 843-995-0764 or 843-347-1407 (11)

<u>FIND</u> - Golfers, male or female, who enjoy playing nine holes. Just want to get out and hit a few. Please call Paula at 231-922-1825 or email prhartmann1@sccoast.net (11)

<u>SELL</u> - Bedside commode and ice machine. Great for knee surgery. Any offer okay. Please call Paula at 231-922-1825 (11)

<u>SELL</u> - Never used Kitchen Aid 10 speed Artisan 5 quart mixer. Model KSM150PSOB Onyx Black with stainless steel bowl, 3 attachments and pour shield. \$175.00. Please call Dennis at 843-421-6853. (12)

MYRTLE TRACE-MART

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BOARD BRIEFS (cont'd)

SCAM

The Board members and those attending the November monthly meeting were told of a new Medicare scam. Unsavory people want your Medicare number. Do not ever give your Medicare or Social Security number to anyone over the phone.

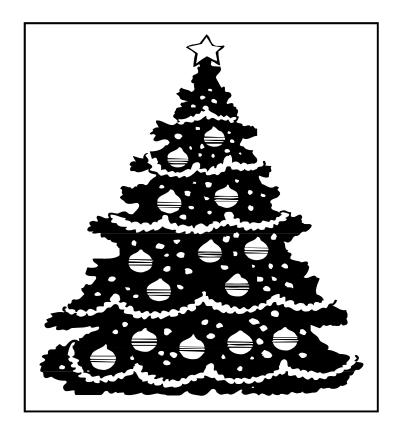
FENCING REPAIR

The Board approved a project request from the Property Committee. The project involves power washing fencing around the maintenance building and the two lift stations on Myrtle Trace Drive; removal and replacement of all rotten boards at each location; replacing hardware on gate entrance to maintenance area; and painting all of the fencing. The contract was awarded to Painters Plus in the amount of \$12,820.00. The cost of the project will be taken from our Reserve Infrastructure Funds.

Nancy Southard

Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays, Everyone!!!

If you are traveling, please be safe!!



ILLUMINATE OUR COMMUNITY



TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON



Date: Saturday, December 3, 2022

(Rain Date: Sunday, December 4 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

(Set up: 5:00 PM, Lighting of Candles 6:00 PM)

Let's work together to get 100% participation this year.

Bags should be set up on each corner of your driveway or line the yard edge. TOPS OF BAGS SHOULD BE TURNED OVER TWICE (Approximately 1 inch) WHICH WILL PREVENT BAGS FROM CATCHING FIRE. Please extinguish your candles by 10:00 PM or upon retiring for the evening.

Candles, Bags, and Sand may be purchased on November 27th at the Clubhouse between 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM

You may also purchase supplies after November 21st at the following homes:

Cathy & Bob Smith – 134 Myrtle Trace Dr

<u>Mickey Jarossy – 192 Glenwood Dr</u>

<u>Anne Kongvold – 103 Linden Circle</u>

Supplies will be outside homes with a basket available to leave your money.

Package cost (2 cups sand, 2 candles and 2 bags) - \$1.25 cents

Or Bags - .20 cents each; Candles – .30 cents each, sand .25 cents per cup.



Come join us to celebrate NEW YEARS EVE!!!

December 31, 2022, 6:00 to 10:00 pm at the Myrtle Trace Clubhouse



Catered Italian Dinner Buffet

Beer, Wine, Soda and Water provided + Bring your own beverage
Live Music provided by the Doo-Wop Forever group we had at Halloween
There will be a 50/50 drawing, so bring some cash
Champagne toast at 10:00 pm

Admission \$30.00 per person



Please fill out the RSVP on the right and take it to Arlene Buckley at 223 Wedgewood
Her phone is: 315-877-1367
Checks payable to Myrtle Trace Activities

Reservations deadline for residents is Dec. 15th
Non-resident guests accepted Dec. 16th to 20th
depending on availability.

YOUR NAME
NUMBER OF ATTENDEES
Please enclose your admission payment with this

RSVP in a sealed envelope to Arlene Buckley prior to the deadline. We have to have the count for the caterer.

MYRTLE TRACE COOKIE SWAP



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022 11:00 - 2:00 P.M. MYRTLE TRACE CLUBHOUSE

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL COOKIE SWAP
PLEASE BRING A MINIMUM OF THREE DOZEN COOKIES
(PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR RECIPE)
AND SEE WHAT DELICIOUS TREATS YOU TAKE HOME!

PLEASE CALL/TEXT ANNE KONGVOLD AT 347-534-7454
AND/OR JOHN DROHAN AT 401-527-5838

MYRTLE TRACE COMMUNITY CHORUS PRESENTS

Holiday Potpourri

"A Collection of Your Favorites"



Saturday Evening
December 10, 2022
7:00 pm
Myrtle Trace Clubhouse



Please complete the reservation form and return it no later than Thursday, December 8th for Myrtle Trace Residents

\$5.00 PER PERSON

65 Reservations Accepted for Performance

RS	V	Ρ	to

Jenny Jenemann

235 Cottonwood Lane by

Thursday, December 8th

Name:

Phone #: _____

Number ____ X \$5.00 = ____



HOLIDAY CENTERPIECE

Once again John Drohan is offering a workshop to create your very own

Holiday Floral Arrangement

1:00 P.M. on Sunday, the 18th of December @ Clubhouse

Please	bring:
Scissor	s/shear

\$30.00

Limit 20 crafters

RSVP John Drohan
By: 12/12 to 128 Myrtle Trace Drive
NAME:
PHONE #:
\$30.00 MUST BE INCLUDED

MYRTLE TRACE LADIES CHRISTMAS COFFEE

Friday, December 9th ~ 10:00 am

Join us at the Clubhouse!

Wear your favorite holiday attire!



Door Prizes \sim Raffle \sim 50 – 50 \sim and good holiday fun with your neighbors!

Breakfast Provided by the Trestle

\$10 Per Person

Hostesses

Arlene Buckley ~ Jean Hohenberger Pat Paxson ~Louisa Valero Name:

(*Residents Only, please*) RSVP by December 5th To:

Pat Paxson 219 Wedgewood Lane Please make checks payable to MTAC

MYRTLE TRACE ACTIVITIES				December 2022		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CALENDAR Pat Paxson – 347-1609 Alternate Ted Ackley – 347-3004	League Bowling Thursday 10:00		Chorus Thursdays 3:30pm	1:00 Grove Poker 6:00 Tracers On The Go	10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta 3:00 Queen's Mah Jong	3 11:00 RESERVED - Driver Party 5:00 Luminaries
4 6:30 Game Night	5 10-11:30 Bible Study 6:30 Bunco	6 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men"s Poker	7 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:30 Mt Texas Holdem 6:30 Men's Poker	1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jong	9 10:00 MTLCK 1:00 Canasta 3:00 Queen's Mah Jong 7:00 Bingo	10 10:00 Chorus Set up 7:00 Chorus Prog.
11:00 Cookie Swap 2:00 Travel Club 6:30 Game Night	12 10-11:30 Bible Study 3:00 ARC MTG. 7:00 ACT. COM.	9:30 PROP. COM. 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men's Poker	12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:30 Mt Texas Holdem 6:30 Men's Poker	1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jong	7:45 ROMEOS 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta 3:00 Queen's Mah Jong	17 1:00 X-mas Floral Arrangement
18 6:30 Game Night	19 10-11:30 Bible Study	20 1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men's Poker	9:00 MTHOA BD MTG. 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:30 Mt Texas Holdem 6:30 Men's Poker	1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jong	23 10:00 Line Dance 1:00 Canasta 3:00 Queen's Mah Jong	24 1:00 Queen's Book Club
25 Christmas	26 10-11:30 Bible Study 3:00 ARC MTG.	1:00 Mah Jongg 1:00 Hand & Foot 5:30 Men's Poker	28 12:00 Chinese Maj Jongg 12:30 Bridge 4:30 Mt Texas Holdem 6:30 Men's Poker	1:00 Grove Poker 5:30 Men's Poker 6:30 Mah Jong	30 3:00 Queen's Mah Jong	31 6:00 New Year's Eve Party