

## **Council of Past Presidents**

### **Annual Report February 7, 2026**

The Council of Past Presidents consists of all former presidents of the Myrtle Trace HOA. The council is an advisory body only and offers advice to the current HOA president should they request it. The council meets quarterly and plans 3 annual events: 2 sessions of *Welcome to Myrtle Trace*, an orientation session for new residents and 1 informational session on HOA Board membership titled *All Aboard*.

#### All-Aboard Session

The All-Aboard Session was held with six residents in attendance. The session was very successful; two of the attendees are now running for election to the Board. The session will be held even if few residents attend since interest in service is a critical factor for candidates. Refreshments, relaxed discussions, and questions after the formal presentation were appreciated by the attendees.

In subsequent years, the event will be scheduled late in the summer months. This timing is closer to the Nominating Committee's search for the HOA Board.

#### New Resident Orientation - Welcome to Myrtle Trace

The council organizes and presents 2 orientation sessions for new residents. The sessions are organized to promote a friendly environment for the new residents. Council, HOA Board and committee representatives sit with the residents and encourage them to ask questions. Residents are asked to provide some background information on their previous home areas. In many instances, this activity fosters conversations with other new residents who lived in the same area.

16 residents attended the September 2025 session with 11 more unable to attend. These residents will be invited to the next session set for February 2026. Residents are encouraged to meet with their new neighbors in an informal setting while enjoying refreshments after the meeting.

Special Thanks – Special thanks are offered to Mary Schaeffer and Pat Hosford. Both worked on delivering invitations to the new residents and following up with phone calls encouraging the new residents to attend.