



BOD News: The MTS BOD and the entire community would like to thank Dave Gilman for his 2 years of service to the neighborhood. We wish him all the best.

We would also like to recognize and thank Jean Grady for stepping up to fill the rest of Dave's term.

Clubhouse/Pool News: It was reported that the jets in the pool were not working well. We contacted Theresa (from T. A. Pool Company) and she sent out her repairman. The jets were clogged and he blew out 3 of them. They are now in good working condition. He will take care of the rest of them later this week. Also, it was determined that our 2 T-Cells (this a device that converts dissolved salt in the pool water into chlorine, effectively sanitizing the pool) need to be replaced. We replaced them 2 years ago and they only have a life span of 2 years. So, its time. The cost per T Cel is \$475 plus installation. Theresa will be ordering them for us this week.

So now that the weather is beautiful and the pool attendance is in full swing, please remember to abide by all the pool rules. I have listed some of the rules but a complete list can be found on our Website: www.myrtletracesouth.org, password mtshoainfo2013.

Pool hours are from 10am to sunset. The aerobic team has special permission to be there earlier.

No glass items are allowed in the pool or on the deck, this includes the back patio. (DHEC Rule).

There is no lifeguard on duty. Solo swimming is not recommended. Swim at your own risk.

Proper swim wear is required. Street wear is not permitted in the pool.

These are just a few of the rules, again please refer to our website for a complete list.

<u>Waccamaw Compliance Visit:</u> For the month of July, Waccamaw will be again looking for lawn/weed issues. So, weeding your flower beds and driveway, and the trimming of bushes and trees. You may want to start looking at your shutters and ask yourself, do they need painting? Remember, when painting shutters/doors, you must fill out a Modification Request Form. Only current approved colors will be approved. When I find out the approximate date for Waccamaw's visit, I will let everyone know.

<u>Alligators:</u> Yup, they are back but we all knew that was going to happen, right? I referred to the SC DNR Website for some safety tips. These are only a few, so I invite you to go their website for a more comprehensive list.

Hope to see you all at the BOD Meeting on Wednesday July 2nd at 9am.











Our Alligator is back again patrolling the large lake by the Clubhouse and behind Helms Way and Sand Ridge Rd. Be watchful of yourselves and your pets when out and about on your feet.



CLUBHOUSE POOL COMMITTEE

Kathy Nadler, Chair

On **June18th** Mr. Softee came to the clubhouse parking lot. 28 people attended and enjoyed ice cream.

On **June 21st** we played Team Trivia. 16 people attended. The winning team consisted of Ken and Eileen Hajnal and Dan and Anne McOwen. 8

On **July 4th at noon** is our annual picnic. See flyer for more information and to RSVP.

July 15th at 7 pm Mr. Softee will be here again for your summer treats.

<u>July 26th through July 31</u>st we will be collecting school supplies for Back Pack Buddies. Bins will be in the clubhouse. Make sure backpacks are clear. See flyer for more information.

We have tickets to go see 'Tootsie', a comedy based on the movie with Dustin Hoffman, at the Theater of the Republic on Main Street in Conway, on <u>Friday, August 8th at 7:30 pm</u>. The ticket cost is \$33.75, a group discount rate for 15 tickets. If you are interested in going, please contact Kathy Nadler at 843 591-0185 before August 1st.

<u>August 20th from 7-10 pm</u> the Harlequins, a duet that plays a wide variety of music, will be performing poolside. This event is free and paid for by the Clubhouse Committee out of the money we have raised from Bingo and raffles. Bring your own snacks and drinks. A 50/50 raffle will be held. Come and sing and dance the night away. Should be a fun time



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE NEWS

Jean Grady

It's been a quiet month for us in June. While several neighbors have been hospitalized, we are maintaining their privacy and sending positive thoughts in their directions for continued improvement and recovery.

If you become aware of any of your neighbors who have been ill, had surgery or are otherwise in need of some Sunshine, please reach out to anyone on the committee:

Ginni Boam and Janet Pechalonis on Sand Ridge, Berri Lowman on Trawler Bay, Eileen Sause on Rudder Court, or Linda a Downes and Jean Grady on Helms Way.

Summer has clearly arrived. Heat and humidity are at all-time highs. This can be dangerous weather for everyone, but especially those of us who are older or have medical conditions. If you are outside, remember to hydrate, stay in the shade and take frequent rest periods. Stay healthy!

A NOTE OF THANKS

From Martha Hall

I wanted to thank everyone for the wonderful meal you brought to me and my husband Neil during my recovery after having my knee replacement.

It was very kind of you to think of me. We really appreciated it.



MODIFICATION COMMITTEE

Dave Gilman



Our committee is still badly in need of another member, as well as a Chairperson. Our members typically spend less than 2 hours a week with Modification Committee activities. Help our community keep things looking beautiful. Volunteer. Please contact anyone on the BOD if interested.



MTS DIRT BAND

Glen Daniels

Since the June 4th BOD meeting, the Dirt Band has been busy.

Dennis took on the task of pruning the hollies in the flagpole garden, as well as doing some weed control in the gravel.

The crew was back on site the next week, and the focus of their labors was the lift station on Helms Way. The bushes were cut back and 3 bags of grass and weeds were removed from the stone beds around the fence. There were some old shrubbery stumps nearby in the common area, left over from previous attempts to control them. They were able to be removed since they decayed below the ground.

The rosebush at the entrance to the community was cut back as well as it could be and it will be reevaluated for replacement in the spring. Low hanging branches that might interfere with the mowing crew over the sidewalk on Sand Ridge were trimmed and the debris was taken away. Fire ant control seems to be helping, with minimal treatments needing to be done, thanks somewhat to the rains.



FIREWISE COMMITTEE

Colleen Meitzler

We hope you are all enjoying the beautiful summer weather. Please remember to keep your lawns and landscaping areas watered. With the warm summer weather approaching, grilling season will be in full swing, and it is important to keep any heat away from your homes and landscaping.

Please remember to complete and submit your **Firewise Activity Sheets** so we receive credit for our efforts and hopefully receive our Firewise Grant.

The committee will be sending out information soon regarding dates for our Fall Clean Up and a Fall Firewise Event. Enjoy the upcoming July 4th Holiday and many of us will attend a fireworks event, so please take a moment to review our Fireworks Safety Gatepost flyer.

Make A Difference



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Ellen Witalis and Nancy Thornburgh

Each year the annual election of our Home Owners' Association Board is held in August. Depending on the number of openings on the Board of Directors and the number of candidates applying we try to let all our residents identify those who are running. There are 2 openings this year, and of this writing we don't yet know how many candidates there will be. Deadline for applications this year is June 25th.

We'll identify candidates by an email in addition to the formal mailing from Waccamaw Management. Since we have several new neighbors who may not know the individuals who are running the email will include a photo of each applicant plus a personal comment from each person.

Look for the email soon after the end of June.

Nancy Thornburgh 989-798-1782 Ellen Witalis 843-503-1662





EDITOR'S CORNER

REMINDER—

The Gate Post is available for all residents:

- to list items in your home that are for sale
- your favorite recipes
- and helpful hints.



MTS LADIES SOCIAL

Please join us for the Ladies Social on THURSDAY JULY 10TH 2 PM. AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Your hostesses for the Social are Donna Burns and Joyce Jalbert. Please RSVP to Joyce at 248-770-4488 or jalbejoy@yahoo.com.

This month we will be playing a fun game. A FABULOUS Prize will be awarded to the winner!!



SEE YOU THERE!



WELCOME COMMITTEE

Angel Mangarelli and Suzanne Gilman

We are pleased to welcome Margaret Serafin at 552 Sand Ridge Rd. She comes to us from Clerwater, Florida. Margaret enjoys reading, cards, social activities and local traveling. . She can be reached at 954-347-4741 and <a href="margaret-enjoys-needing-nee

We are also pleased to welcome Diane Timpson and John Parker at 537 Sand Ridge Road. They come to us from Windsor, Connecticut.

Diane can be reached at 860-944-6711 and <u>dlparlny@aol.com</u>. She enjoys crafting, music, dance and walking.

John can be reached at 860-944-3247 and jrparny@aol.com. He enjoys kayaking, walking and golf.

TO ALL RESIDENTS

If you see new neighbors moving in please contact Suzanne Gilman or Angel Mangarelli or email the Gatepost @ mtsgatepost01@aol.com so that we can welcome them and provide them with important community information.



BOOK CLUB Ellen Witalis

Our June book was <u>The Story Left Behind</u> by Patti Callahan Henry. Although this novel is based on a true story of mystery and family it didn't quite measure up for us to the level of many other of MS Henry's books. The writing is lyrical, the story is based on a real historic event, and could have been a winner for us. Instead we gave it a 6 1/2. MS Henry is a prolific writer and there are many of her other novels to choose and enjoy. We recommend them.

July's book will be <u>The Storied Life of A.J.Fickery</u> by Gabrielle Zevin. MS Zevin is a new author to us, but we've heard great reviews of this story. The book was made into a movie in 2022 and is available on YOU TUBE. Reading the book comes first for us.

In August we'll read <u>The Booklover's Library</u> by Madeline Martin. Some of us have been lucky enough to hear MS Martin speak in person. This novel is the story of a mother and daughter torn apart by war, but brought together by a shared love of books. MS Martin is known as a careful researcher and her efforts have brought to a reader very accurate details and background information.

September's book will be <u>The Secret Life of Mirielle West</u> by Amanda Skenandore. We'll read this historical novel based on the experience of a glamourous woman who is sent to a Leper colony in Louisiana in error. MS Skenandore id a new author to us, and this topic sounds very interesting.

The MTS Book Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Clubhouse at 6:30 P.M. Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 16th at the Clubhouse. We always start with an update of neighborhood activities and then we move into our discussion and rating of the book we've chosen for each month. Even if you've not read the book we welcome you to join us for conversation and book reviews. Please come to listen and or participate at any of our meetings.



MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Janet Pechalonis

Often times, when an injury occurs or a special need arises, medical equipment may be necessary for a short period of time. Many of our residents have walkers and wheelchairs as well as other items in their homes which they no longer use. These very generous folks are willing to lend, on a temporary basis, to those in need, when a family is in a situation of caring for others.

If you are in need of borrowing, please contact me **Janet Pechalonis** by phone: **843-349-0093**, **Text 203-558-4013** or email <u>petchco@sbcglobal.net.</u>

Although, I do not have the equipment in my home, I will direct you to the person who may have what you need. Thank you for your donations.



NANA'S CLOSET

Ellen Witalis

We're in the heart of the summer vacation season so if you have little people visiting and need to borrow any of our supplies please let me know. The car seat is available as is the small pink chair for beach trips or for home time.

We have the pac n' play, beach and lawn toys, coloring book and crayons, high chair, and the umbrella stroller. Call or email me when you want to reserve something.

Contact me at:

Ellen Witalis 843-347-7101 elplusp@aol.com 843-503-1662



JULY

- 3 Mary Anne Vilyus-Munoz
- 5 Corbett Hall
- 5– Martha Ray
- 5 Maryann Lockyer
- 5 Jessica Klauber
- 6 Lesley Trinkley
- 8 Pete Mangarelli
- 9 Sid Munoz
- 10 Amanda Gray

BIRTHDAYS

- 13 Lary Koehler
- 14 Betty Stebler
- 15 Bob Warden
- 15 Fran Grav
- 22 Jan Eckler
- ZZ Jan Lokiei
- 22 Cheryl Simmons
- 23 Eddie Renner
- 31 Tom Brameyer



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 -- Allan & Kim Brooks
- 4 Larry & Kathy McClure
- 7 Wally & Joan Burke
- 8 Stu Weber & Janine Laviano
- 17 Joe and Kim Sansoni
- 21 Greg & Fran Glynn
- 28 Alan & Maureen Cox
- 30 George & Cheryl Nauman

CHICKEN DIVAN (Janet Pechalonis Recipe)

Ingredients:

- 1 bag frozen broccoli florets or 1 fresh medium broccoli crown
- 4 cups cooked chicken or 4 Morning Star Chik Patties
- 2 cans Campbells Cream of Chicken, Celery or Onion Soup
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- ½ cup sour cream
- ½ soup can milk
- ½ to 1 tsp curry
- 1 8oz pkg shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 sleeve Ritz crackers crushed
- 1/4 stick melted butter

Bake 350 degrees 30 minutes

Directions:

Spray a 13" x 9" baking dish with Pam

Steam frozen broccoli florets for approximately 5 minutes and drain any accumulated water. If using fresh broccoli. . . .steam for 3 minutes

Saute the chicken if using in olive oil until browned. Morning Star Buffalo Chik Patties or Regular Chik Patties will need to be baked first at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Let cool slightly and cut each patty into 1 inch squares.

Combine the soup, mayonnaise, sour cream, curry, and some of the cheddar cheese.

Layer the baking dish with the cooked broccoli then the chicken and add the sauce. Stir the ingredients slightly to distribute the sauce.

Sprinkle the rest of the cheddar cheese on top.

Put the Ritz crackers in a plastic bag and crush with a rolling pin. Distribute the cracker crumbs evenly over the top of the casserole. Pour the melted butter over the top.

Bake for 30 minutes and serve over hot rice along with crusty bread and butter!

→ Fourth of July Community Picnic←

Come join us at the clubhouse for food and swimming

Noon until ??

Hot dogs, hamburgers, watermelon and drinks provided!

Please bring a side dish to share

RSVP to Kathy at (843) 591-0185 by June 28th with the number attending and what side dish you will bring

50/50 raffle

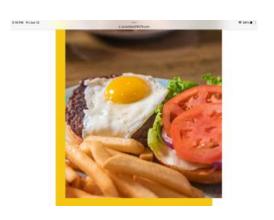
Show your patriotism by wearing something red, white or blue!!!



JULY BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON

TUESDAY JULY 15 AT 12:00 PM

SCRAMBLED KITCHEN 4999 CAROLINA FOREST BLVD MYRTLE BEACH



Join your hostesses Joyce Jalbert and Ellen Witalis as we celebrate the birthdays of:

Mary Anne Vilyus Jessica Klauber Betty Stebler

Martha Ray Lesley Trinkley Fran Gray

Maryann Lockyear Amanda Gray Cheryl Simmons

Jan Eckler

We will order off the menu and then enjoy some yummy cake

RSVP by Thursday July 10, to:

Joyce Jalbert <u>jalbejoy@yahoo.com</u> Ellen Witalis<u>elpusp@aol.com</u>



Once again, the Clubhouse and Pool Committee is requesting the communities help in supporting the children of Horry County, who are in need of school supplies for the upcoming school year. Below is a sample list of items that Backpack Buddies is hoping to have donated. While not a complete list, it will serve as a basis for selecting items appropriate for school children.



Please bring your donated items to the Clubhouse July 26th thru July 31st. We are looking forward to the generosity of the community in this important school supply drive.

Spiral Notebooks Composition Notebooks Pens Paper (lined) Pocket folders Markers Tab Dividers Pencils Crayons Colored Pencils Erasers Highlighters Glue Sticks Index Cards Scissors Tissues Hand Sanitizer Clorox Wipes

Expo Markers **Clear Backpacks **Clear Pencil Pouches

From the Horry County School District Website regarding the clear backpack policy There are no size specifications for the clear backpack; however, please consider the dimensions for the school-issued devices. District-issued laptops are 12" x 8" x 1.

Mesh backpacks are not allowed. Students are only permitted to use clear backpacks.

Mesh side pockets are allowed on the backpack. A mesh organizer inside the front pocket is allowed.

Backpacks must have clear visibility through all dimensions excluding the backpack bottom.

Colored, transparent backpacks are not allowed. Only fully clear backpacks are permitted. Stripes in any location are not allowed on the backpack.

Small company and school logos are allowed, but large logos, monograms, or other visual design obstructions are not.

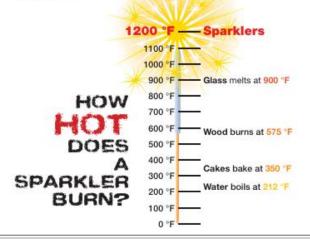
The backpack may have colored straps.



FIREWORKS are often used to mark special events and holidays. The only safe way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. It is important to know that **fireworks are not safe in the hands of consumers**. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

A few ideas to get into the patriotic spirit, without fireworks:

- Use glow sticks, they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler. Fun for all ages.
- Loud and proud. Noise makers are sure to make a statement. They can be found at local party supply stores or make your own.
- Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector. Don't forget the bugspray!
- 4. Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.
- 5. Make a patriotic craft with the family.
- 6. Throw a birthday party for the USA, and don't forget the cake.



FACTS

- More than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks annually.
- Burns account for 44% of the 9,100 injuries treated in emergency rooms seen in the month around July 4.
- (!) Half of the fireworks injuries seen at emergency rooms were extremities: hand, finger, or leg. One-third were to the eye or other parts of the head.
- Children ages 10–14 had the highest rate of fireworks injury, with more than one-third (36%) of the victims of fireworks injuries under age 15.
- (1) Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.

Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) 2018 Fireworks Annual Report





FIREWISE ACTIVITIES MATCHING FUNDS RECORDING SHEET

Can be used to record activities for matching funds and other Firewise Communities/USA

What qualifies for matching funds for Firewise grants? Any time or money you spend on your home and/or surrounding property for the purpose of reducing the probability of wildfire loss. Examples of activities that will qualify related to homes and outbuildings are:

Dryer vent cleaning, pruning, mulching, tree trimming/limbing, weed abatement/spraying, replacing combustible mulches with stone/gravel, leaf raking and removal, pine needle/pine cone removal, cleaning gutters, grass cutting, grass irrigation, edging, time spent hauling vegetation to landfill/dump sites, meetings, presentations, cost for purchase or rental of chain saw/hedge trimmers, cost or protective eyewear/earplugs.

Volunteer activities also qualify for Firewise matching funds. Volunteer activities can include: attending Firewise Board Meetings, attending Firewise community events and preparation for wildfire.

To record your time, please fill in the following:

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Return this form to your Firewi	ise Board contact at a Monthly H	IOA meeting, comm	nunity event or mail tube:

Colleen Meitzler 721 HW**Dennis Vander Ryk-1044 RC**Gail DiMaio-787 HW
Glen Daniels-1020 RC**Bruce McConnell 721 HW

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MYRTLE TRACE SOUTH (MTS) HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION GUIDELINES

MODIFICATION REQUEST APPLICATION FORM

HOMEOWNER MUST RECEIVE WRITTEN APPROVAL BEFORE WORK CAN COMMENCE. THE MODIFICATION COMMITTEE AND/OR BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOD) WILL REVIEW YOUR REQUEST AND RETURN AN ANSWER WITHIN 45 DAYS OF RECEIVING THIS WRITTEN REQUEST.

NAME:			DATE:	
ADDRESS:				
PRIMARY E-MAIL ADDRESS:_				
SECONDARY E-MAIL ADDRES				
DESCRIBE THE MODIFICATION	ON PROJECT (t	ise additional pages if	necessary):	
DESIRED START DATE:		EST. COMPLETION	N DATE:	
PROVIDE THE I	PERTINENT	INFORMATION	LISTED BELO	OW
LOCATION OF PROJECT:				
PROVIDE: MARKUP, SURVEY, HOUSE PLA		LANDSCAPING LAYOUT	OR OTHER APPROPR	IATE DOCUMENTS
MATERIALS:				
DESCRIPTION OF THE MATERIALS, BROC	HURES, WEBSITE II	NFORMATION AND/OR SA	MPLES SHOULD BE F	ROVIDED
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A LISTING OF THE COLOR(S), SWATCHES COLOR WHERE APPLICABLE.			MUST BE NOTED AN	D AN APPROVED
PLANS: ATTACH LAYOUT, DIAGRAMS	S, SURVEY AND/OR	PLANS FOR THE PROJECT	IF CONSTRUCTION I	RELATED
ATTACHMENTS: PLEASE CHECK	APPROPRIATE	BOX FOR ANY ATTA	CHMENTS: YES	NO 🔲
By signing this application, you are a that: a) the HOA may not be held residence; b) any commercial contractor (required by law are obtained prior to may ask to view permits, proof of in alterations and other substantial mode conduct on-site inspections of the me	sponsible for any (s) used is/are lice start of the mod- surance and licer difications by con	injuries or damage resensed and insured; c) A ification; d) The Modification, tractors; e) The Modificators; e) The Modificators; e) The Modificators;	ulting from the mo all applicable perm fication Committed re-roofing, retaining	odification being hits that may be e, at its discretion, ng walls, drainage
Signature of Homeowner	Date	Signature of Home	owner	Date Rev. 9/2023



MYRTLE TRACE SOUTH

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

	would like to be considered to serve as a
(Print Your Name)	
member of the following committee(s) of the Myrt	tle Trace South Homeowners' Association, Inc.
Please place an \mathbf{X} next to the committee(s) you ha	ve an interest in:
() Pool/Clubhouse Committee	() Grounds Maintenance Committee
() Modification Committee	() Nominating Committee
() Firewise Committee	() Ponds Committee
() Sunshine Committee	() Welcoming Committee
Your OCCUPATION: (if retired, former occupation	on)
Your EXPERIENCE:	
What TALENTS/GIFTS do you have that lead you	
Signed:	Date:
Property Address:	Phone:Email:

Please complete and return this form to:

Ellen Witalis - 1023 Rudder Court - 843-347-7101 - elplusp@aol.com

On behalf of the BOD of MTS, thank you for "stepping up" to serve in our community!

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JULY

CUNDAY		THECDAY	WEDNECDAY	THUDODAY	EDIDAY	CATUDDAY
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
			Board Mtg 9AM	CHCP Mtg 10:30AM	July 4 th Community Picnic 12 Noon	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				Ladies Social 2PM		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		Ladies Bday Lunch Noon Mr Softee 7PM	Book Club 6:30PM			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
						Backpack Buddies starts
27	28	29	30	31		
				Backpack buddies ends		