



News from the Board Joyce Jalbert, President

Modification Committee: The BOD wishes to announce the resignation of Anne McOwen, Susan Hooker, and Dianne Timpson from the Modification Committee. We thank them for their service and wish them all the best.

The BOD welcomes Linda and Pat Downes to the Committee. Thank you for volunteering. We appreciate you.

So now the Modification Committee consists of Bob Allexon, Joe Marron, Linda Downes, and Pat Downes. Ed Huyer is the BOD liaison to the committee. Thank you all in advance for your hard work!

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the MTS HOA is going to be held on **Wednesday, August 5, 2026 at 7pm**. At this meeting you will be accepting the Minutes from the August 6, 2025 Annual Meeting, voting on the Tax Resolution, and most importantly electing 2 new BOD members.

Do you have this marked on your calendar? Remember...there is no Open Forum at this meeting.
Hope to see you there!





CLUBHOUSE POOL COMMITTEE

Jennifer DenDanto Chair

The paint & sip was a lot of fun! Thank you Digna & Kathy for a lot of laughs! Can't wait to do that again!

The 4th of July party was also a **HUGE** success! Thank you very much to my husband Carmen & to Ted Volante for grilling! Thank you to my whole committee for all the wonderful food & decorations....you guys did a great job! Carmen also did the chalk drawing! (I'm sure with some convincing, he would be available for hire..(lol)

Next month on **August 19th**, the Harlequins are returning to entertain us! We hope you will be able to join us for a fun night of music from **7-10!**

Please RSVP to me if you can make it! **845-649-0206**. If I do not answer, please leave a message!



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE NEWS

Jean Grady

Much sadness has visited our neighborhood this past month. Brenda Tozar of Trawler Bay passed away after an extended illness. Please keep her husband Russell in your prayers.

Also on Trawler Bay, Cheryl Simmons lost her mom, Beatrice Tyne, who lived with her. Please keep Cheryl and her family in your prayers.

On Helms Way, Candice McLeod unexpectedly passed away, leaving her two sons Connor and Morgan who lived in MTS with her. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. We are wishing a speedy recovery to Naty Saenz after her recent hospitalization.

The Sunshine Committee will be having our **Annual Fundraiser at the Annual Meeting on August 5**. There will be a collection jar at the door as you sign in for donations. We thank you in advance for your generosity which enables us to provide for our neighbors.

Please reach out to anyone on the committee if you know of someone needing a bit of sunshine. Janet Pechalonis and Ginni Boam on Sand Ridge, Berri Lowman on Trawler Bay, Eileen Sause on Rudder Court and Linda Downes or Jean Grady on Helms Way.



FIREWISE COMMITTEE

Colleen Meitzler

We hope you are all enjoying your summer. Since we have had very hot temperatures and landscapes may be dry, please remember to keep your lawns and landscaping areas watered and be extremely careful when grilling outdoors.

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

The committee will be sending out information soon regarding dates for our Fall Firewise Event (September/October) and our Fall Clean Up (mid-late November).

Enjoy the rest of your Summer and please take a moment to review our Firewise Safety Gatepost flyer.



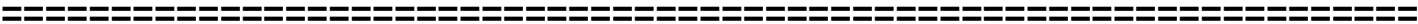
Grounds Maintenance and Beautification Committee

Glen Daniels, Chair

July was a real, well, just plain HOT month with many days of 100 degree-plus (Heat Indexes.) We still managed to get in some weed control and fire ant treatments. We were even able to sneak in a fresh coat of paint on the bench located in the Flagpole Garden. It's probably dry by now.

Cristina from Waccamaw and Michelle worked out the GMBC account and at the end of the day. We wound up having an actual budget balance of \$844.44. Thanks for getting this cleared up.

Getting closer to Mulch time, but we're going to need a day's worth of 80 degrees or cooler temps to get the mulch put down. Watch your e-mails if it starts cooling off – we may need some volunteers like we have had before.



SEMI-ANNUAL TARDSALE –

This event is schedu[ed] for **Saturday OCTOBER 3RD RAIN OR SHINE.**





BOOK CLUB

Ellen Witalis

THE AUGUST MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 at 6:30 PM

July's choice was a winner for us. We gave **The Correspondent** by Virginia Evens a solid 9 rating. This book follows a 73 year old woman as she navigates regret, the loss of her eyesight, and new gentlemen friends all through her sharp and smart correspondence. She writes to everyone and anyone, stranger or friend, and expects an answer. She usually receives one. You'll enjoy this unique book.

This month we're reading Donna Everhart's **The Promiscuous Women of North Carolina**. MS Everhart is the author of several historical novels that are based in North Carolina. This story uncovers the 1940's real life "American Plan" which was designed to control, arrest, and mandate the incarceration of women under the umbrella of public health and morality. An interesting topic for reading.

In August we'll read **I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR YOU** by Rebecca Makkai. This mystery murder story is about a film professor who returns to her NE boarding school to teach a course, and finds herself examining an unresolved murder from the 1990's. The novel blends a whodunit with a MeToo situation.

We've selected September's book for everyone who likes to read ahead. It will be **The Lions of Fifth Avenue** by Fiona Davis. It's another historical fiction story set in the New York Public Library. It sounds very good for all us avid readers.

The MTS book club meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We welcome all our MTS neighbors even if you've not read our book of the month. We look forward to seeing you there.

We will meet on Tuesday, 8/18 so the music group The Harlequins can perform on the pool deck.

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NANA'S CLOSET

Ellen Witalis

August is here with back to school times for children who live in southern states. Northerners won't go back until early September. If you plan on family visits before school starts contact me to borrow from the Closet.

Contact me at:

Ellen Witalis 843-47-7101, 843-503-1662, elplusp@aol.com



WELCOME COMMITTEE

Angel Mangarelli and Suzanne Gilman

We are pleased to welcome Rick and Gail Peterson at 609 Trawler Bay Ct.

They come to us from Phoenix, AZ.

Rick can be reached at rickpeterson114@icloud.com or 586-292-0142.

Gail can be reached at gpeterston1120@icloud.com or 586-260-9394.

They enjoy gardening and traveling.

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.

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.

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



EDITOR'S CORNER

Senior Exercise—Is on hiatus. You will be notified when it resumes.

MTS neighborhood activities —We have many activities in our community such as bowling, ladies and men's golf, Ladies Birthday lunch and Ladies Social, Bunco, Bingo, Canasta, water aerobics. etc. Consult the MTS Community Information sheet for contact information.



BUNCO (DICE GAME)

Ladies Bunco will be on **Wednesday, August 12th at 6:15** at the clubhouse. Please RSVP by August 5th to Eileen Hajnal at 203-494-7643.

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CANASTA GROUP

The Friday afternoon Canasta group is continuing to play every **Friday at 1PM** at the clubhouse.

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AUGUST

2 – Joe Triacca
6 – Colleen Meitzler
7 – Tony Antonucci
7 – Joyce North
8 – Dave Gilman
13 – Barbara Stypinski
14 – Jim Malonson
17 – Don Nadler

BIRTHDAYS

18 – Vonnah Lett
22 – Mary Ann West
24 – Michelle Gagnon
25– David Tucker
27—Donna Sohl
30 – Bob Gardner
31-- Robert Brunner

QUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

9 – Mark & Michele Lee
14 – Gary & Donna Hunt
24 – Joe & Marilyn Cangialosi
24 – Dean and Susan Michael
27 – Howard & Janet Eckler
28 – Don & Kathy Nadler
30 – Gary & Sandy Watts
31 -- Dan & Anne McOwen

AUGUST Ladies Birthday Lunch

AUGUST 18th at 12 Noon



Maggi D's Restaurant

385 Seaboard St, Myrtle Beach 29577



Birthday Ladies

6th. Colleen Meitzler
7th. Joyce North
13th. Barb Stypinski
18th. Vonnah Lett
22nd. Mary Ann West
24th. Michelle Gagnon
27th. Donna Sohl

Come join us to celebrate our August Birthday Ladies.

RSVP to Kathy Mathewson by **August 14th** at anja178@aol.com
or (843) 234-1687



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS

GEICO encourages you take these steps to prepare yourself, your loved ones, and your car from dangerous weather.

Review your emergency plan

Review your plan with everyone in your household and make sure everyone knows about the safest location in the home.



Check your supplies

Be sure you have necessities such as water, blankets, first aid kits, flashlights, batteries, radios and any pet care items.



Set up an out-of-town contact

It's important to have an out-of-state friend or family member as a contact, so they can check on your whereabouts.



Secure important documents

Make sure documents such as insurance cards, IDs and other pertinent information are placed in a secured water-proof container.



Figure out your evacuation route

Make sure you know your evacuation route before the storm hits and keep a full tank of gas.



Be aware of your vehicle's surroundings

Make sure your vehicle is safe. If possible, move your vehicle away from trees or other objects that may damage it in a storm.



Follow official instructions

Follow all instructions from your local authorities regarding evacuation or other safety procedures. Check radio, television or other media for emergency information.





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:

ACTIVITY	DATE PERFORMED	AMOUNT OF TIME (HRS : MINUTES)
Total Number of Hours/Minutes	→→→→→→→	

To record **your costs**, please fill in the following and **attach a copy of any invoices** from stores, contracted personnel, etc.

ACTIVITY	DATE PERFORMED	COST OF ACTIVITY
Total Costs of Invoices Please attach a copy of invoice(s)	→→→→→→→	\$ _____ .__

I affirm that the information I have provided on this form is accurate.

Print Name

Address

Date

Signature

Phone/E-mail

Return this form to your Firewise Board contact at a Monthly HOA meeting, community 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

MODIFICATION REQUEST APPLICATION FORM

HOMEOWNERS 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: _____ LOT#: _____ PHONE: _____

PRIMARY E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

SECONDARY E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ FAX #: _____

DESCRIBE THE MODIFICATION PROJECT (use additional pages if necessary):

DESIRED START DATE: _____ EST. COMPLETION DATE: _____

LOCATION OF PROJECT: _____

(PROVIDE: MARKUP, SURVEY, HOUSE PLANS, PHOTOGRAPH, LANDSCAPING LAYOUT OR OTHER APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS)

MATERIALS: _____

(DESCRIPTION OF THE MATERIALS, BROCHURES, WEBSITE INFORMATION AND/OR SAMPLES SHOULD BE PROVIDED)

COLORS: _____

(A LISTING OF THE COLOR(S), SWATCHES, BROCHURES OR SAMPLES MUST BE NOTED. ONLY COLORS APPROVED BY THE MTS MODIFICATION COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY BE USED)

PLANS: ATTACH LAYOUT, DIAGRAMS, SURVEY AND/OR PLANS FOR THE PROJECT IF CONSTRUCTION RELATED

ATTACHMENTS: PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR ANY ATTACHMENTS: YES ☐ NO ☐

By signing this application, you are accepting full responsibility for the modification project and acknowledge that: a) the HOA may not be held responsible for any injuries or damage resulting from the modification being done; b) All applicable permits that may be required by law are obtained prior to start of the modification; c) any commercial contractor(s) used is/are licensed and insured; **d) For any roof work projects, the homeowner must include copies of the contractors' business license, and liability and/or workers compensation insurance with this Modification Request Application;** e) The Modification Committee, at its discretion, may ask to view permits, proof of insurance and licensing for construction, retaining wall, drainage alteration, or other substantial modifications by contractors; f) The Modification Committee has the right to conduct on-site inspections of the modification project.

Signature of Homeowner

Date

Signature of Homeowner

Date

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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 Myrtle Trace South Homeowners' Association, Inc.

Please place an **X** next to the committee(s) you have 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) _____

Your EXPERIENCE: _____

What TALENTS/GIFTS do you have that lead you to apply to serve on the above committee(s)?

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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AUGUST



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Water Aerobics 9AM		Water Aerobics 9AM ANNUAL MTG 7PM	CHCP Mtg 10:30AM	Water Aerobics 9AM Hand and Foot Canasta 1PM	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Water Aerobics 9AM		Water Aerobics 9AM Bunco 6:15		Water Aerobics 9AM Hand and Foot Canasta 1PM	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Water Aerobics 9AM	Book Club 6:30	Water Aerobics 9AM HARLEQUINS 7 to 10 PM Mr Softee 7PM		Water Aerobics 9AM Hand and Foot Canasta 1PM	
23	24	25	25	27	28	29
	Water Aerobics 9AM	Bingo 6:30 PM	Water Aerobics 9AM		Water Aerobics 9AM	
30	31					
	Water Aerobics 9AM					