



THE MEADOWS OF ST. PATRICK

# Connections

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## From the HOA Board: A reminder

Please refer to the material sent out by Darlene Jennings Management to review the proposed amendments to the by-laws and Voter's Ballot. The materials also included a Proxy form to cast your vote for the Board of Directors. The Board asks that you return this material to the HOA in the pre-addressed envelope. If you note that you will be attending the meeting on the back of the envelope, you may retrieve your proxy at the meeting and vote by ballot.

**ARC Grandfather Approval Requests.** ARC would like to encourage homeowners to come forward to identify any improvement, made after initial construction, for which the Board does not yet have documentation. The ARC members will have request forms at the meeting to provide homeowners (and help in their completion if requested.) They will also have the complete list of improvements so that homeowners may

verify what the Board has. Should an act of God destroy an improvement and it needs to be rebuilt, it was decided to be in the best interest of the homeowners to allow the improvement to be returned to the original or compliant state. The window of opportunity for this consideration will eventually close, so be sure to protect your interest.

**Board candidates:** Both Mr. Bruce Herman, 117 Blarney Stone Court, and Mr. Leo Koch, 122 Blarney Stone Court, whose terms are expiring, have submitted their names as candidates for the Board of Directors. They have met the qualifications to serve: 1. Property in MOSP is homeowner's primary residence; 2. Current with HOA dues; 3. Able to meet requirements for board membership as outlined in Covenants and By-Laws. Both have completed statements that are posted below.

### Mr. Herman:

**How to better the community:** Our community is on its way to becoming very cohesive, a neighborhood to be proud of. The only way to better the current situation is to keep the momentum going. This will be achieved by keeping an open dialogue with all homeowners, assisting them in any way possible, and being forthright with all concerns of the community. This is the platform I have stood on from the beginning and will continue to do so.

**Role of the HOA Board:** First and foremost, maintain/improve property value. Our homes are investments and should be treated as such. Work within the four corners of the By-Laws and Covenants with flexibility. Listen to the people and address their concerns. Make sure contracts are being fulfilled and bills are being paid. I will continue to give my full attention to all matters, large and small, relating to what is in the best interest of our community. My door will remain open, as it has been in the past year. Anyone who wishes to stop by to discuss a problem, a concern, have an idea, a suggestion or simply to vent about a situation, I will make sure that you will be heard.

**How the nominee would represent the community:** As a board member, you should always represent the interests of MOSP in a professional manner. Reach out and interact with other community organizations in our area. An example of this is by supporting and participating with the leadership of the Greater Burgess Community Association. This will enable our community to have a voice and participate in issues pertinent to the area in which we live.

### Mr. Koch:

**How to better the community:** Continue on the current plan of turning roads over to the County. Revising the current By-Laws and Covenants to reflect our HOA needs.

**Role of the HOA Board:** The Board should make decisions based on protecting homeowners' investments, safety and improvements and to better our community.

**How the nominee would represent the community:** As I am currently doing, with common sense approaches, two-way communication and protecting our investments, rights and safety. Listening to community members. Keeping in mind that we are all in this together.

Annual HOA meeting  
February 13, 2013 6 O'clock PM  
South Strand Parks and Rec Center  
9650 Scipio Lane, Myrtle Beach

## Kudos once again to our neighbor Dave Griffin

**H**is short story, "War Wounds" will appear in the Spring Edition of Still Points Quarterly, glossy publication produced in Southern Maine. Below a short excerpt:

### War Wounds

The boy looked around the interior of the little shed and thought it was pretty neat. Everything including the workbench was smallish, like a playhouse, and all of the tools were lined up precisely where they belonged on the wall at the back of the bench. The tiny coal stove pushed out a welcome warmth. After they introduced themselves, Walter put David's wet socks on the stove to sizzle and dry. They talked of school and the weather and even soap operas. Soon David could see the storm let up as he gazed out the window, a French door mounted horizontally with lots of glass panes and a wide view of the field. When his socks were dry—actually singed a bit—he put on his boots and continued his way home. David was pleased to find a new friend. Walter was too.

**David Griffin** is retired from a career in corporate education and communications. He lives near the ocean in South Carolina with his wife and her dog. Griffin writes the popular blog *Monk In The Cellar*. The blog is now a novel by the same name and is

available at Amazon. Griffin publishes his essays online at [www.windswptpress.com](http://www.windswptpress.com) and self-publishes a book of stories each year that is well received by those who love him. He seldom hears from those who don't.

## Harry the Potter hosts our Red Hat Sociey

The St.Paddies Red Hatties , were joined by four members of The Ladies of Southern



Hattitude and the newest Red Hat Ambassador, Carole M vanSickler for an outing to Harry the Potter. We each painted ceramic items and had a

really great time. When we finished, the group from The St Paddies Red Hatties stopped at Anthonys for dinner. Good food, good friends...doesnt get much better than that! If you have never joined us, would like to, or would like more information, please call Judy Ferland 843.650.5606.

*Enjoy the beautiful wildlife photos sent to us by Judy Ferland.*



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