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Autumn Sunset—Litchfield Beach Friday, October 2, 2020 Photo By Celise McLaughlin

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Always a pleasure to get our beaches back

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There will be no paper version of this edition.
However, to help defray the costs of our Neighborhood Directory
We will include some paid advertisements
Please continue to support our local businesses
And wear your mask!*

NEXT EDITION: SPRING & SUMMER 2021
Deadline to submit articles will be April 25th

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Updates

WOW! The Tradition Community started 2020 with upgrades at our amenities center; we painted the Pergola and the entire inside of the Pool House, added sound deadening tiles to the ceiling. We also added roller squeegees and new benches to the tennis courts. That was the good news and along came COVID-19. Other than the tennis court improvements the pool and pool house upgrades were not available to enjoy.

The board decided to close the pool and pool house for the year in an effort to protect the highly vulnerable members of Tradition. Before making this decision, we had discussions with our insurance carriers and our attorney. Insurance does not cover COVID-19 and a good lawyer can overturn waivers in court.

Not all, but most Tradition homeowners understood that the BOD is protecting our residents and family members from COVID-19 by these actions. Earlier this year 3 residents tested positive but were not serious enough to be hospitalized. Since then I have not heard of any additional positive cases. This is due to these efforts; but most of the credit goes to our residents' smart behavior to follow CDC Guidelines by wearing masks in public and practicing social distancing.

Landscaping

We started the year with high hopes to improve our common area landscaping. We were able to sod the corner of Deacon and TCD and add concrete bases for benches along Tradition Club Drive for walkers and bikers to take a break or just sit and talk to neighbors. We intended to add the benches as soon as the hurricane season ended. As usual it is all about money. I will elaborate more regarding the budget under the drainage heading. I want to thank Nick Riccio for donating a bench by the back pond exiting onto Kings River Road. *There is a story in this newsletter about the dedication of that bench, be sure to read it.*

Budget 2020

This year's budget was hit by two unexpected costs. The first was for \$6,000 to rid the ponds of Beavers. So far there has been no additional property damage. The second was \$4,200 for acoustical tiles in the Pool House. Neither were in the 2020 budget.



Drainage

It has always been my goal to increase home values and make Tradition a proud place to live. Home values are increasing but drainage issues continue to hold the board back from repaving our 25-year-old streets. We have spent \$405,539 on drainage repairs and one hurricane cleanup since 2016. As I write this we are looking at additional drainage repairs this year.

Our landscaping improvements are also restricted financially. I want to compliment homeowners who took advantage of COVID-19 to work on their yards this summer. Properties are better than ever and the Board wants to acknowledge everyone's efforts. The watering season is ending so check rust, mold and mailboxes and finish the year strong.

Street and Sidewalk Clearance

The growing season is slowing and we have begun to trim bushes and cut overhanging tree limbs along sidewalks and streets in common areas. While inspecting these areas we noticed many homeowners' trees overhanging the streets and sidewalks.

Reminder: Trees on your property are your responsibility and you must maintain them for sidewalk and street clearance.

Mailboxes

We are seeing black mailboxes with various items and glued on decorations. This is not permitted according to the covenants and you must remove everything from mailboxes other than small nametags on the front flap.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER—Continued

Committees

I want to thank members of our committees who have volunteered for many years serving our community. **Jeanette Renault, Ken Dewell and Allan MacDonald** are retiring from the Covenants Committee along with **Francis Moeller** from the ARB. **Paul Kelly** is stepping down from managing the Tradition license plate program after many years of service. Finally, **Bill Renault** is retiring from managing the advertising in our newsletter which paid for costs to print both the Neighborhood Directory and the Newsletter. Thank you to all.



Golf Course

While I was writing this article the golf course superintendent sent me 3 text messages showing houses on holes 7, 9, and 10 where these homeowners cleared golf course property to improve their view.

I also live on the golf course and understand wanting a better view but unfortunately it is not our property. **You cannot clear the golf course property.** The superintendent is considering contacting the police.

It is important that we maintain a good relationship with the Tradition Golf Club as there are times we have mutual issues. Unfortunately, I now have to be the bad guy and speak to these homeowners before the golf course takes action.

Fire arms, Bow and Arrows and Burning

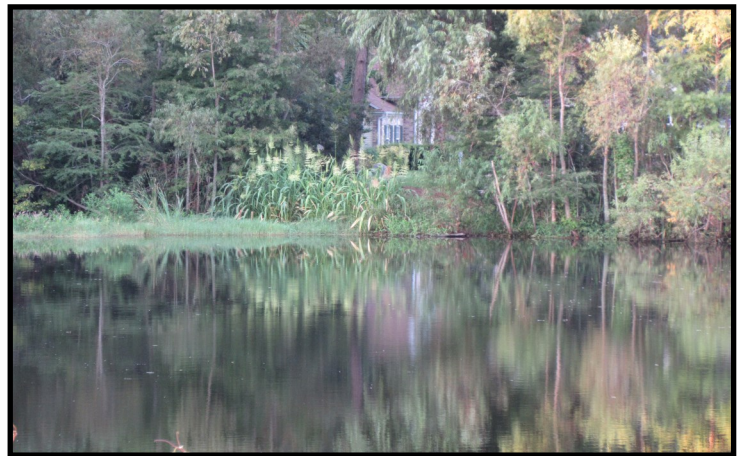
None of these are permitted within the community property. I mention this because a property owner found a hunting arrow sticking upright on his lawn. Something like this could be deadly.

The Board Of Directors (BOD)

There are two board positions expiring in February 2021 at our next annual meeting, the seats of Dick Baughman and Frank D'Amato. I believe we have a strong board of 5 members with many years of business experience. I feel it is important to vote for Dick Baughman, our treasurer, and when you read his resume in January you will see his previous work history was managing homeowner associations.

As for me I have been on the board for 18 years and president for the last 17 years. Three years ago I said I would serve as long as I am healthy and you want me to continue. Thank God I am healthy so I will run again. Short term I am looking to improve the front entrance by spring, improve our common area wells to reduce the rust on sidewalks and curbs and continue to build our reserves to begin repaving streets.

All homeowners have a right to run for the board and submit a resume to any board member by January 1, 2021. However, I strongly recommend you keep this board intact as we re-write the Covenants Book and move forward on the improvements I mentioned above.



Storms

On April 14 we again had to deal with a storm that created tree and tree debris damage throughout the community. You should know we own the streets and do not have a street department. Our community landscaper is contracted for common areas.

It is a homeowner's responsibility to clean the debris from their trees that go into our streets. You or your lawn people need to blow the streets clean and pick it up for disposal. You must make sure the debris is not blown down street drains or we will have issues with flooding during storms.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER—continues

ARB and Covenants Guidelines

When a home/property is purchased in The Tradition, the new owner receives a booklet: the *Architectural Review Board and Covenants Guidelines*. Work has begun to review, update, and clarify the content of these documents in an effort to improve readability and understanding of our community's guidelines and rules. This work is tedious and goes slowly but we will have this completed in 2021.

The original *Guidelines* were published in 2001, with subsequent Amendments in 2009, 2013, and 2014. We are working on another update.



Communications

Property Owners, Residents, and Renters: Please make sure we have your current e-mail address so that the BOD can communicate with you. To add or update your e-mail, contact a board member or Vince Franco (qualitykid@sc.rr.com).

Also: When you receive an email from me via "quality kid or Vince Franco," *please do not reply to Vince*. He cannot answer your questions. Your email or phone call must come to me: My contact info appears at the end of each e-blast (and is also listed in this newsletter, online at www.Tradition29585.com, and in the Tradition Neighborhood Directory).

If you see a problem in the community, please call any board member or myself. For association emergencies, you may call Alex Herndon, our buildings and grounds manager, at 843-241-3287. Please identify yourself.

Thanks! Enjoy the cooler weather!

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Litchfield
BY • THE • SEA
Community Association, Inc.

Many of you may not have watched the virtual LBTS Annual Board meeting. I would like to take this opportunity to give you results as to the financial impact to Tradition Property Owners.

Beginning in 2021

Improved Lot fees will increase from
\$37 to \$39 per month

Unimproved lots \$29 per month

Special Assessment

\$47 for improved lots

\$33 for unimproved lots

Starting Jan. 1, 2021

new barcodes will cost \$20 each.
In addition, there will be a yearly
fee in July of \$20 per barcode.





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ARCHITECTURE REVIEW BOARD

By Vince Civitarese

Sad to say that summer is over. It may not have been the best summer season but it was still summer. Things were sure different this year. I do hope next year will be much better. I have several things to go over in this newsletter and it may take more words than I am used to using in my articles but here we go.

First off you need to know that the Board of Directors has changed our fine schedule. The fines are much steeper now and it only makes it much more important that you do not do anything to the outside of your home without a permit. Please just call anyone on the ARB if you have questions. As usual the ARB will work with everyone to help prevent any fines from being issued.

The ARB is now requiring that any painting request must be submitted with a paint chip showing the exact color you want to use. In addition, the only colors that will be approved will be those colors that are on our current color pallet. No other colors will be approved.

We will be setting up a link to a Sherwin Williams website that will show the exact color chips and the corresponding Sherwin Williams's numbers. This does not mean you have to use Sherwin Williams' paints. You can use any paint manufacturer you wish but it must be a match to the Sherwin Williams color.

Please look for the link in the Tradition web site. It may take a few days to be set up but it will be coming soon. If need be we can show you the color pallet that we have but we cannot give it out. The ARB hopes these changes will make the color choices easier for all and it will make the process much simpler.

Thank you for your help with all the things the ARB has to do.
I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving and an even better Christmas season.

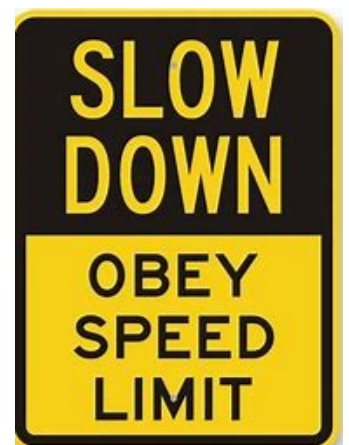
Vincent Civitarese
Chairman, ARB



COVENANTS

We love our dogs, but not everyone does. Be mindful where your dogs relieve themselves, keep them off your neighbors' lawns. Always carry a pet waste bag when out walking your dog, even those who love dogs, don't want to step in poop.

Throughout the Tradition Community the speed limit is **25**.
On Willbrook and our end of Kings River Road it is **35**.



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Tradition Suggested Vendors 10/22/20

*Vendors are suggested by Tradition residents. Vendor selection is your responsibility.
If poor service, unable to contact or any problems, please notify Newsletter Editor.*

<p><u>Air Conditioning/Heating</u> ARS Myrtle Beach, 843-427-0777 Carolina Cool, 843 238-5805 Jerry Beasley, Grand Strand Serv. 843-455-0551</p> <p><u>Appliance Repair (Large & Small)</u> David Gerthung 843-503-5898 Paul Bleier 843-995-3837</p> <p><u>Auto Body Repair</u> Paul Hansmeyer, 843-241-8789</p> <p><u>Carpet Cleaning</u> Clear Water Carpet Cleaning Ethan Siekierski, 843-742-1774</p> <p><u>Concrete Work</u> Coastal Asphalt, 843-397-7325</p> <p><u>Electrician</u> Hamilton Electric & Plumbing 843-237-8885 Landon McDowell, Winyah Electric 843 318-0946</p> <p><u>Financial Services</u> David Bouvier, 843-314-9090 Joe Rincione, 843-997-1563</p> <p><u>Fire & Water Damage Restoration</u> SERVPRO, 843 236-6278, Dave Gilbert</p> <p><u>Floor Work</u> Russell Lowery, 843 543-1344</p> <p><u>Garage Door (Installation, Service, Openers)</u> Carolina Garage Door, 843-663-4600 Precision Overhead Garage Door 843 444-2127</p> <p><u>Gas Fireplace Maintenance</u> H & S Oil, Georgetown, 843-546-9020</p> <p><u>Handyman (All-around work)</u> David Calhoun, 843 325-1867 Cole Callaway, 803 586-1113 Mike Hewitt, 631 872-2451 Roy Mitchell, 603-918-0288</p> <p><u>Home Remodeling, Construction, Repairs</u> Bartha Remodel, 843-545-6027; 843-461-5231 John Tarvis, Home Improvements – 843-455-5814</p> <p><u>House Cleaning & Organization</u> Pretty & Clean, 843-333-2419, Tissiane</p>	<p><u>Landscape Supplies – Mulch, Stones, & More</u> Billy Zorn (We deliver) 1-888-808-ZORN</p> <p><u>Lawn Service/Landscaping</u> Billy Ackershoeck Landscaping 843 685-5703 Ronald's Lawn Svc, 843-545-1749; 843-344-2868 Silas Richard, 843-241-8396 Rob Young, 843-504-6450 (Scotland Yard)</p> <p><u>Mailbox</u> Size: 10 7/8 H x 8 1/2 W x 20 1/4 L. Color: Black Post paint: Sherwin Williams Complete replacement: Sign-It-Quick, 843-293-9855</p> <p><u>Painting</u> John Smith, 843 222-6552, dsmith1950@yahoo.com Steve Coats, 843-333-0305 Jernie's Painting & Staining, 843-283-2779 Andrew Strickland, 843 461-7372</p> <p><u>Plumber</u> DS Plumbing (Pawleys Is), 843-979-9977 Hamilton Electric & Plumbing 843-237-8885</p> <p><u>Pressure Washing</u> Ed McDonald, 843-458-4419 Mark Roberts, P.I. Pressure Wash 843 318-2227 Nick Strumke, 843-655-5470</p> <p><u>Roof Cleaning</u> Minton Braddy, 843-385-8500 Ryan Wright, 843-240-4830</p> <p><u>Roof Repair - Mitch Anderson, 843-546-3330 (evenings)</u></p> <p><u>Siding - Contract Exteriors, 843-222-3574. 843-357-9234</u></p> <p><u>Sprinkler Service</u> Todd Mitchum, 843 602-2272 Wylie's Sprinkler Service, 843-448-4016 Hipkins Horticulture LLC, 843-237-8836</p> <p><u>Taxes</u> David Bouvier (843) 314-9090</p> <p><u>Tree Service</u> Acorn Tree Experts- Ed Perron, 843-655-1444 Arcadia Tree Service John McCarthy, 843- 236-5696 Carolina Tree Services, 336-561-0383 (Kirby) Georgetown Tree, Peter Stevens 843-240-4514</p>
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LITCHFIELD BEAUTIFICATION FOUNDATION

LBF29585.com

By **Kathy MacSorley** LBF Public Relations

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The Litchfield area certainly got a fresh updated look with the new road resurfacing this year but SC Department of Transportation is not quite finished with the details. You may have noticed the edging of the medians really took a hit from the truck activity. There are unsightly and bare median edges and shoulder berms. Grass is beginning to grow after two reseedsings but has become ragged. The contractor is responsible for returning the median to its pre paving level in order for the SC DOT to sign off on the project so work will continue into June 2021. We are looking forward to seeing the medians back in shape.

Another fallout of the road resurfacing affected the Flag Project. The flag holder locations are marked with paint at the edge of the asphalt. They were, of course, painted over. Locating some of the flag holders did present a challenge. The five flag holders in front of Country Club Drive was the biggest problem. As a result only one flag was up for some of the holidays. That has been fixed. There were a couple of accidents in July and August. Both insurance claims were honored and the sites repaired.

Overgrown shrubs continued to be trimmed. Please contact Waccamaw Landscaping for any issues with vegetation blocking views of oncoming traffic. Our Website LBF29585.com is the place to learn more about our work and the Flag Project. Donations from individuals, HOA/POA's, businesses and A-Tax grants fund this effort to maintain our uniquely beautiful community.

Thanks so much for your support!



The Big 70 for ALL Boomers born in 1950

This past July there should have been a huge celebration at the Tradition Residents' Clubhouse for all those "youngin's" who we learned were celebrating that BIG 70 milestone birthday this year. But as with many of the plans we made before COVID-19, it had to be cancelled.

- Ted and Dean Wroth
- Al and Susann Foderaro
- Kay Brown
- Reta Schaap
- Paul Hayes
- John McLaughlin
- Dave and Monique Philips
- Glen Campbell
- Nancy and Jay Lake
- Tom and Suzanne Strasser



A special Happy Birthday to Bob Keller on his 90th birthday celebration on 10/29/2020
And to all the Tradition residents who reached a major milestone in 2020.

2020 Sea Turtle Nesting Season at LBTS

By Mary Ellen Campbell

Nothing was spared interference from the COVID19 virus, not even the seasonal group efforts of SCUTE. Right from the start, our April meeting was canceled, and training of new walkers was forbidden.

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources closely monitored all the volunteer groups state-wide to keep us compliant with COVID19 safety regulations. Unfortunately, the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was not deemed an essential organization, so the directors were furloughed, but they did their best to continue to protect the environment from home.

The founder and leader of SCUTE kept his cool, waded through all the changing directives, and got us through the season despite his battle with cancer.

Here at LBTS we had only two nests in 2020. Who knows why. 2019 had been an extremely productive year and some experts thought it may continue. On June 4, our first mama Loggerhead came up early in the morning and was still in process when our walkers came upon her. It was not quite dawn.

The well-seasoned SCUTE team knew to stay back and let her complete her natural mission without any disturbance. They filmed from a distance with tears in their eyes. Joan Withers and her team watched as the Loggerhead covered her eggs, smoothed her nest and made her way back to the sea with flippers not made for land, but a body slightly lighter from the 96 eggs she had left behind.

Only nine of her hatchlings made it to the ocean 65 days later. This was due to the heavy over-wash caused by hurricane Isaias on August 4, and early crab invasions to the nest.

The second nest was laid on July 31st and did not fair as well. At only 4 days into incubation, it was covered by water and sand from the hurricane. We were able to protect the nest again with fencing, but the chamber was filled with heavy wet sand and the eggs did not survive.

The story was the same for Pawleys Island, Litchfield, Huntington, and most of the area. Many of the nests were lost to the storm surge. It is sad, but nature has both given and taken.

Ever hopeful for 2021

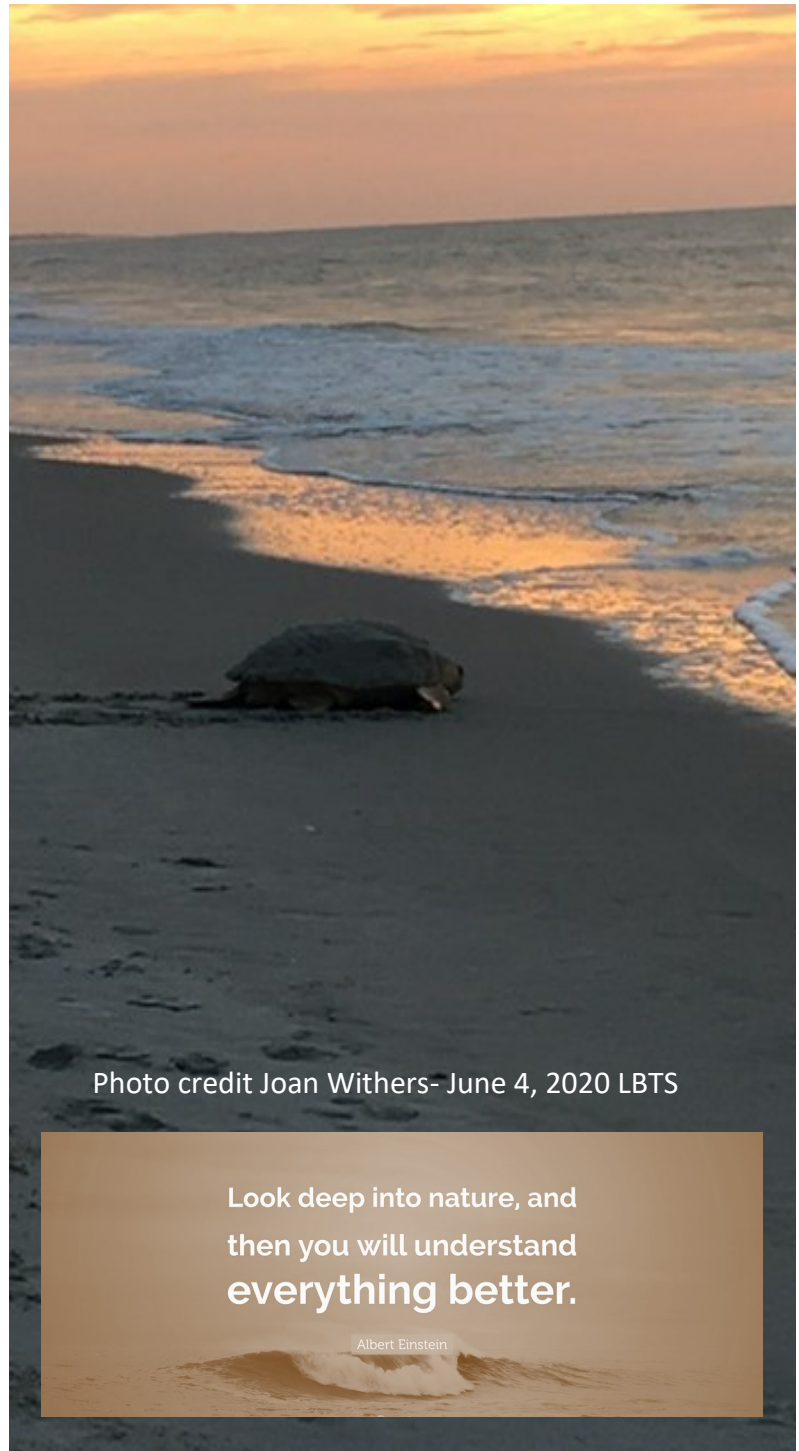


Photo credit Joan Withers- June 4, 2020 LBTS

Look deep into nature, and
then you will understand
everything better.

Albert Einstein

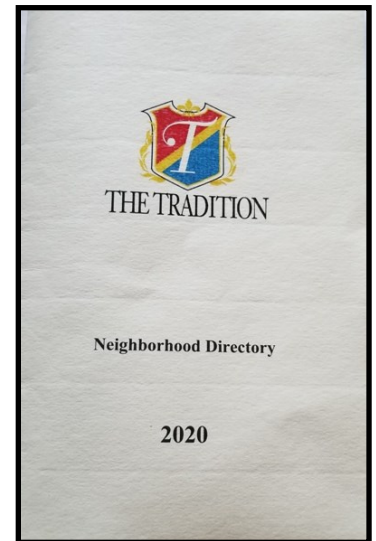
Directory Updates

“Arrivals & Departures”

By Keith Hoile—gsojayhawk@gmail.com

WELCOME YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS:

- Steve Carson to 30 Crab Trap Court from Pawleys Island
- Robert & Joyce Nicholson to 126 Boatmen Drive from Pawleys Island
- John & Karen Jones to 96 Prentice Court from Pawleys Island
- Frank & Maureen Bruno to 575 Tradition Club Drive from Pawleys Island
- Dennis & Kimberly Lasarsky to 1618 Tradition Club Drive from Pawleys Island
- Douglas Armour & Valerie Paxton to 74 Alexander Glennie from Raleigh, NC
- Steve & Linda Boggess to 271 Sandfiddler Drive from Pawleys Island
- Jerry Wilson to 30 Boatmen Drive from Pawleys Island
- Kim & Dennis Moore to 127 Tradition Club Drive from Whitesboro, NY
- John & Lisette Burtis to 405 Tradition Club Drive from Pawleys Island
- Susan Poston to 24 Pierpoint Court from Pawleys Island
- Susan Martig to 27 Lamplighter Court from Pawleys Island



FAREWELL TO FRIENDS MOVING ON:

- Nicole Rana from 30 Crab Trap Court
- Gloria Davitt from 126 Boatmen Drive
- Edith Murdoch from 96 Prentice Court
- Stephen Egenrieder from 1618 Tradition Club Drive
- Tom Billings & Jody Keenan from 271 Sandfiddler Drive
- Kenneth & Gale Emery from 30 Boatmen Drive
- Jane Weaver from 127 Tradition Club Drive
- Joseph & Sherry Robey from 405 Tradition Club Drive
- Gerald & Maureen Pirozek from 24 Pierpoint Court
- Susan Well from 27 Lamplighter Court



Remembering our Friends and Neighbors who have recently passed

Jane Barbour ~ Linda Bowers ~ Veronica Bucello

Pat Cocuzza ~ Jim Conway ~ Jim Davis

Dot Ellison ~ Ann English ~ Alan Farley

Vincent Leon Franco ~ Joe Gonzalez ~ Dick Hajec

Beverly Hurd ~ Sharon Kurpen ~ Pat Lewis

Debbie Massie ~ Larry Mayfield ~ John Melzer ~ Doug Murdock

Bella Ribauda ~ Al Ruff ~ Joanne Stewart

Regina Wichrowski ~ Henry Woltman ~ Sondra Wegner

A beautiful soul is never forgotten

Rest in Peace

Why We came to The Tradition

By Ann Cronin

Jim and I spent several years searching Florida, Georgia and the Hilton Head areas for the perfect retirement home and community. It was important for us to find a community with easy access to the ocean and to golf preferably via a golf cart. That was a daunting task!

Jim's sister, Beth, who's family live in Surfside Beach, recommended we look at The Tradition in Pawleys Island.

Our first appointment in The Tradition was on a Wednesday morning in April 2012 to view the home of the late Claire White on Deacon Drive. While touring the home we met the next door neighbor, Jerry Mithen. He was most gracious and introduced himself.

The home on Deacon unfortunately did not work out for us, however, this neighborly encounter was most fortuitous.



After introducing himself, Jerry asked if we played golf. I don't, but Jim does. He invited Jim up to the Clubhouse that same afternoon to meet the Gold Tee golfers. Jim said the men were very welcoming, and he felt so comfortable with them. He was especially impressed with the Clubhouse and the Golf Club staff.

Following the events that transpired on that Wednesday in April, we both agreed that we would concentrate our house hunting exclusively in The Tradition.

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A few months later, we found the perfect home on Confederate Lane and closed that November. Although we had to wait 5 years for retirement, we visited often. Each time reaffirming we had made the right decision choosing The Tradition.

Finally in May 2017 Jim retired and that September we made Confederate Lane our permanent residence.

Jim wasted no time joining the Tradition Golf Club. He became a member of Tradition Men's Golf Club, Gold Tees and the Humps. Quickly acclimating to the community and golf leagues he became active by volunteering for anything that was needed. Just 2 years later in 2019, he was recognized for his contributions when he received the coveted President's Award from The Men's Club.

During our visits before our move and to this day we have been very appreciative of the comradery that The Tradition offers. So much so, that we convinced my sister, Dorothy Nolan, to make The Tradition her permanent retirement home too.

This past March, we undertook a major renovation of the interior of our house during which time we had to find temporary housing in the area.

Guess who the first person was to stop by and welcome us back into our home? Jerry Mithen. He and Barbara, gave us a beautiful yellow Calla Lily. When I saw the plant, it immediately took me back to our wedding, 18 years ago, when Jim wore a yellow Calla Lily boutonniere, and my wedding bouquet featured yellow Calla Lilies. Fortuitous, Indeed.

The Tradition is now our forever happy place!

Why we came to The Tradition

Our common thread—continued

*Why we moved to The Tradition,
and why we want to stay here!*

By Charles Cocores

We bought our house online in 2008 because we knew how beautiful The Tradition and Pawleys Island were and wanted to retire here.

It goes without saying that The Tradition amenities are superb. But what we love most about our neighborhood is of course, the people and the way they support each other! The community is composed of people from all walks of life. Retired tradespeople, educators, managers, and professionals populate our “neck of the woods”.



However encounters between neighbors, golfers, and Tradition beachgoers rarely reflect the tension of this political divisiveness and difficult time we see all around us. We see neighbor helping neighbor...bringing one another to doctor visits, medical treatments, shopping for those who cannot get out, mowing a lawn, helping where needed, and volunteering in the community.

I think I know why. There is abundant respect and support for one and other, particular to this neighborhood, that binds us together as a community. There is a public acknowledgement that we have all worked hard to get here, transcending the challenges of our professions and our personal lives.

We have traveled numerous paths to arrive at The Tradition. Those paths and experiences have shaped us in many ways that affect our thinking and our views of the world. Not all of us appreciate those differences or agree with them, yet all of us respect one and other. There is an understanding that we are part of something special here at The Tradition that is bigger than political differences, bigger than an illness and bigger than any one of us or any group of us.

That respect and support for one and other, the landmark of our neighborhood, is what will get us through our current difficulties and future challenges. That respect and support - regardless of our differences - is what will preserve what was established by the very first group of homeowners.

That is why we live here, and why we stay here.



Yet, we are in a tumultuous time in the history of our Nation. We are facing a pandemic of significant proportions, soon likely to take the lives of a quarter of a million people - many our own age. The local and regional transmission rate of COVID - 19 is extremely high.

The country is locked in a challenging election fueled by media from all positions on the political spectrum that seek to divide us. Our neighborhood has closed our pool, clubhouse and discouraged large community gatherings.

Tradition Home & Garden Club

By Debbie Moeller, President

The Tradition Home & Garden Club has continued to feel the effects of the COVID-19 virus. All meetings and events for the end of the 2019-2020 year have been cancelled with the closing of the Pool House in March 2020 by the Board of Directors to all events to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus as requested by the CDC.

The start-up for 2020-2021 has also been delayed until further notice given the ongoing difficulties with the spread of the virus. The officers agreed to continue in their respective positions and suspend dues for the upcoming year. We continue to stay in touch and will keep everyone advised on the way ahead! Thanks for everyone's support and contributions during this time.

Summer Pool House Social Christmas Carol Singalong Social

Debbie Moeller, BOD Vice President/Social

Once again the virus has struck! With over 100 participants the last 2 years for each event, we had to cancel both events while the virus continues to make its presence known. We will miss the fun times with DJ Brett Gash in the summer who keeps things hopping and Jill Trinka who keeps us singing "in tune" together at the winter event.

Golf Cart Parade - One option considered was supporting the golf cart parade that began last year with our residents Carol Cocores and Barb Theodore. They did a fantastic job and were considering it again this year. However, they have decided not to have it because of the uncertainty with COVID-19. But not to worry – they say they will be back next year, bigger and better. We wish them well!



Golf Cart Parade—December 7, 2019



WE  VOLUNTEERS



Tradition Christmas Lighting Display

By Debbie Moeller

Some good news!! Tradition will be doing the Christmas Lighting Display again this year. Most of the work is outside and can be socially distanced. We get great support from the Board of Directors and our Landscaping and Maintenance crew. We have some returning and new volunteers, who we truly appreciate, and we will be gearing up to get it all done for the grand lighting the end of November. We have lots of fun and look forward to another "brightly lit" year!

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

We are keeping our fingers crossed that we will be able to hold our 2021 Yard Sale on the first Saturday in May.

Since many of us are sheltering at home, it is a good time to start collecting all those household items that you have been meaning to get rid of and make a few \$\$ in the process.

Watch for an email blast as we get closer to the spring for details.

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In Loving Memory
Sharon A. Kurpen
8-25-1944 - 3-19-2020
"A cherished Mother, Nurse, and Friend, whose presence is painfully missed. God "should've made two" so we could keep one of her here with us."

PARK BENCH DEDICATION—By Nick Riccio

You may have noticed a new park bench at the retention pond by the back gate. It was donated to The Tradition by Nick Riccio 48 Heston court in memory of his significant other Sharon Kurpen. Sharon passed away from bladder cancer at Hartford Hospital in Hartford, Connecticut on March 19, 2020; she was 75.

Sharon retired to Pawleys Island from Hartford Hospital where she worked as a dialysis nurse for 35 years. She loved their home on Heston Court and often walked over to the pond to watch the turtles, polliwogs and other wild life. She always remarked how nice it would be to have a park bench where she could sit and enjoy the peace and quiet of the pond.

Nick decided with her passing it would be a nice memorial to dedicate a bench in her name at the pond at the back gate. He requested and was granted permission by our president Frank D'Amato and the Board of Directors to make it a reality.

On Saturday, August 1, 2020 the bench was dedicated with neighbors and friends present. Nick spoke about his life with Sharon and how their lives were intertwined over the years. Music was provided by our own Tom Becker of Latitude and as a special treat neighbors provided a Cosmo Cocktail (her favorite drink) in plastic cups to share in a toast to Sharon at the unveiling of the bench.

Nick said he hoped the bench would be enjoyed by Tradition residents and guests. Make sure you stop by and visit. Sharon would appreciate it.



Tradition Health Forum

By J. Vance Vandergriff M.D.

MEMORY LOSS

I had a great idea for our health forum this month but I forgot when it came time to ask Dr. Vandergriff for his article. So he thought Memory Loss would be a great topic.

Many of us feel that losing memory is just part of the aging process. And this is true to some extent, but identifying the cause of the memory loss can lead to important treatment options.

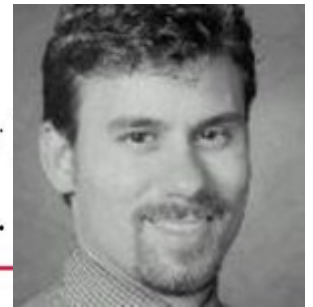
Dementia occurs in about 5% of the adult population. Your lifetime risk of developing dementia is about 17%, with the risk doubling every 10 years from the age of 60 and up.

Alzheimer's dementia makes up the vast majority of cases at 60-80%. Vascular dementia is the cause in about 10%, but can coexist with Alzheimer's dementia. Lewy body dementia, Parkinson's related dementia, normal pressure hydrocephalus, and frontotemporal dementia make up the remaining cases. Age is the greatest risk factor for developing dementia. Family history, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and obesity are also risk factors.

The initial symptoms noticed may be mild, such as interference with activities of daily living. Problems balancing the checkbook, paying bills, or remembering to take medications on time are just a few examples. As the disease progresses, major impairments such as eating, dressing, bathing, continence, toileting, and ambulating can develop.



Strand 
Urgent Care



Medications can sometimes complicate cognition. There is a special list called the Beers Criteria created in 2012 at Duke's Clinical Research Institute:

[beers-criteria-medication-list](#)



You should look at this list to determine if you are taking a potentially dangerous medication if you are over the age of 65.

Although these medications will not cause dementia, they are a factor in causing confusion or increased risk for other health issues.

How might your doctor evaluate you for memory decline? The most commonly used screening tool is the Mini Mental State Exam. This takes just a few minutes to perform and has a very high sensitivity for detecting dementia. If the screening exam is positive, then further testing may be indicated.

Screening for depression, lab testing, and brain imaging can help look for other causes of memory impairment. Some important labs to consider include anemia, B12, thyroid, diabetes, liver, and kidney testing. MRI of the brain without contrast is the preferred imaging, as this is much more sensitive for identifying stroke or brain lesions.

That is just a brief overview of memory decline and dementia. If you have any concerns for yourself or a family member, please contact your local primary care provider. Just don't forget to write down the time and date of the appointment!

Vance Vandergriff, MD
Strand Urgent Care in Carolina Forest
Providing Primary and Urgent Care services

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FROM THE EDITOR – COOKING AT HOME

With restaurants closed to inside dining most of the summer and take-out only, grocery stores became a necessary entity. Although early on, the shelves were bare of produce, meat, and paper products, over time we have seen these items back in stock, although still, in some cases, in limited supply.

Cooking meals during the COVID pandemic has become a requirement. For some that meant taking the cardboard out of the oven, finally! But what to cook? You can tire quickly of the same old, same old, over and over. What to do to spruce up dinners cooked at home? Well, some have chosen to go the route of home delivery of meal kits.

Home Chef, Hello Fresh, Every Plate, Sun Basket, Blue Apron and more. These businesses send all the ingredients you need to create a well-seasoned meal of meat, starch and vegetables, or gluten free and vegetarian if preferred. They are proportioned perfectly for the number of servings with no waste and few leftovers. Most of us really are not interested in eating leftovers for several days after the main event. Did we ever really learn to cook for 2 or do we still cook for the masses?



For those of us who enjoy the art of cooking and don't mind a trip to Publix every week there are other ways to boost your flavor profiles. The internet has a plethora of recipes to choose from. You can even find the recipes for those home delivery kits and make them yourself (for a fraction of the cost). They usually have simple, fast instructions and easy-to-find ingredients. Many of which you may already have on hand. Two of my favorites were Korean Bibimbap, which was far tastier than it sounds and Enchilada Verdes. I do favor Mexican but had never used green enchilada sauce before. Now I am stocking up. Poblano peppers made their way into my shopping cart too, just need to be careful removing the seeds, like jalapenos. I found out the hard way.

You may find that swapping out Bob Evan's mashed potatoes for couscous or jasmine rice is a welcome change. I love those new make your rice in 90 seconds packages. For a vegetable, zucchini is very versatile; sliced, diced, julienned and spiraled. Experimenting with spices also makes a huge difference in the outcome. Just be cautious of the cayenne and red pepper flakes if you have a sensitive palette.

While searching recipes to try at my home, I came across a spice combo list that defines the content of every type of spice used in the Hello Fresh Recipes. I have a collection of spices lining my pantry, all in alphabetic order, I might add. I can put together any combination, plus add my own flair. Here is a copy of that [spice list](#).

Happy Cooking at Home. No masks required.



GOLD TEES BY JERRY MITHEN

<http://tradition29585.com/goldtees.htm>

The Tradition Gold Tee Golf Association is composed of a group of great guys who play nine holes of golf from the gold and/or red tees. **Our motto is “Fun, Fellowship, Friends”** When not in Pandemic Mode, we have many social functions during the year and despite COVID-19 we have “weathered” the storm with golf every Wednesday afternoon (except when it really was a rain storm) Pictures of our weekly winning teams are taken each week and then placed on our web site. Contact Vince Franco, Gold Tee President, at qualitykid@sc.rr.com if you are interested in joining the Tradition Golf Club and the Gold Tees.

Gold Tee Member – Member Tournament June 24th

The Gold Tees held a Ryder Cup Format Tournament followed by a sub and pasta dinner after golf for all members at the Tradition Club House. Chef Debbie and staff prepared Italian subs and mixed pasta and served all the members. Members celebrated friendship and a good time.



Annual Gold Tee Tournament September 30th

The Tradition Gold Tee Golf Association held its' annual two week tournament culminating on September 30th. The rules were 3 nets on all holes, a difficult score for all teams. Four teams placed and the winning team from right to left was Paul Lempert, , Tom Sandham, Corkey Mackenzie and Hugh Espey with a total combined two week score of -27.



Larry Barksdale Hole in One August 7th

Larry Barksdale, a Tradition Men’s Golf Club member and a Gold Tee member, made a Hole-in-One on Tradition Golf Course Hole #12, a 110 yard Par 3 on Friday August 7th.

Larry used a Callaway 9 iron and a Titleist Pro V1 ball. This was Larry’s second hole-in-one. It was witnessed by John Gaston, Jim Spataro and Dave Philips, his playing partners.



Craig Monaghan Hole in One September 30th

Craig Monaghan, a Tradition Men's Golf Club member and a Gold Tee member, made a Hole-in-One on Tradition Golf Course Hole #15, a 113 yard Par 3 on Wednesday September 30th during the second week of the annual Gold Tee Tournament. Craig used a Callaway 7 iron and a Callaway Soft ball. This was Craig's fifth hole-in-one. It was witnessed by Bob Wittig, Frank Hawkins and Tom Little his playing partners.



**Join the Gold Tees
and have a Great Time**



John Melzer Memorial Plaque Unveiled June 24th



Vince Franco, Jef Sturm, Al Britsch, Paul Hayes, John McLaughlin, and Dale Guzlas toast John Melzer with his drink of choice, Johnny Walker Red, at the dedication ceremony.

The Gold Tee Executive Committee approved a Memorial Plaque to honor John Melzer's contributions to the Gold Tee Golf Association. John wore many hats. He was the association's Head Chef and along with his "kitchen crew" prepared many fine meals for the members. He also compiled the members' weekly scoring results to determine the annual *Player of the Year* awards.

Among his many accomplishments was obtaining two AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators) for use during the weekly men's golf games. He taught several classes on how to use the AED and apply CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) to save lives. It was the AED that saved his life many years ago in Florida. His plaque was designed by Jeff Sturm and was installed in the kitchen of the residents' club house as an ongoing memorial for all the members to see when it re-opened to the community. John Melzer passed away on June 1st this year. He will be sorely missed.



Large or Small...we ♥ them all!



**We can judge the heart of a man
by his treatment of animals.**

Immanuel Kant

Today's Reflection

Bless to me this walking of the dog.
Early in morning, late at night,
We walk to the park and back.
Bless to me the silence we share.

Me watching, him sniffing,
Noticing the changes of each day, each season.
Bless to me my faithful companion.

In him I see the world
Through different eyes and ears and nose.

Bless to me this quiet time.

Our ritual, a time of prayer,
Of peace, of love.

Bless to me this walking of the dog.

—Beth A. Richardson

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TRADITION LADIES GOLF LEAGUE BY SUZANNE STRASSER



MEMBER MEMBER TOURNAMENT

(One low net of a twosome)

On 6/25 we were able to complete only 9 holes due to a heavy down-pour. The winners were; 1st front Amy Monaghan/Suzanne Strasser (31), 1st back Joan Sheldon/Rebecca Stacey (31), 2nd Daune Barksdale/Adrienne Molloy (32), 3rd Janet Ransom/Bernadette Wright (33). Janet Ransom made a birdie on hole #1.

The Tradition Ladies Golf League has a busy schedule with many weekly events.

The league played 3 blind holes on 6/4. Winners were: 1st place Joan Sheldon (58), 2nd place Pat Kemper (60), 3rd place Bernadette Wright (64), 4th place tie Janet Ransom & Suzanne Strasser (65). Birdies were made by Janet Ransom, Pat Kemper and Bernadette Wright. Janet Ransom made a chip-in on hole #13.

On 6/18 we played a low putts game. The winners were; 1st Pat Kemper (30), 2nd Pat D'Amato (33), 3rd Maureen Lempert (36), 4th tie Joan Sheldon & Janet Ransom (37). Bernadette Wright had a chip-in on hole # 7. Suzanne Strasser had a birdie chip-in on hole # 17.

On July 2 we played a team event (yellow ball). The Winning Team: at 76 was Janet Ransom, Maureen Lempert, Bernadette Wright, Pat Kemper. Birdies were made by Joan Sheldon, #12 and Penny Pikaart, #7. A chip in was made by Bev Jackson, #6.

On 8/6 the game was "Just Golf" (and closest to the pin) Winners were; Joan Sheldon, holes #2, #12 and Janet Ransom hole #15.

On 9/24 TLGA played another weekly event (predict your net) 1st place Bernadette Wright 76, 2nd place Cindy Greenwald 75, 3rd place Joan Sheldon 78 and Penny Pikarrt 78.



GUYS & DOLLS tournament on August 13

A fun event for all to come out and play. Such close scores! All winning places were determined on a match of cards.

- 1st 63 Dot Nolan & Jim Cronin
- 2nd 63 Carolyn & Dick Pacella
- 3rd 64 Pat & Frank D'Amato
- 4th 64 Marylou & Dan Goodell
- 5th 65 Maureen & Paul Lempert
- 6th 65 Cindy & Brian Kramer,
- 7th 67 Dot Franco & Vinnie Esposito

Closest to the pins: #2 and #15 Pat D'Amato, #5 Tom Strasser, hole #12 Ed Sheldon. It was a great day, no rain and no lightning!





TRADITION LADIES GOLF LEAGUE CONTINUED

2 PERSON RINGER TOURNAMENT. On the first day 9/10 we played good rounds but on 9/17 we got rained out. The winners were: First Place: Pikaart / Wright 65. Tied at 66 for 2nd place: Lempert / Stacey & Guilmette/ Monaghan, 3rd: Gambeski / Sheldon 71, 4th: Boden / Jackson 72, Tied for 5th with 74: Kemper / Russell & Pacella / Ransom and in 6th Kramer / Nolan 75. Closest to the Pin: Joan Sheldon hole # 2 and Cindy Kramer hole #12.



PRESIDENT'S CUP

Probably the league's most prestigious tournament was played on October 8 and October 15. This event is a best net over a two week period. WINNERS:

- 1st Maureen Lempert (141)
- 2nd Linda DeRuiter (143)
- 3rd Mary Lou Goodell (149)
- 4th Joan Sheldon (150) (MOC)
- 5th Bernadette Wright (150)
- 6th Penny Pikaart (151)

Closest to the Pin were made by Joan Sheldon holes # 5 and # 12, Linda DeRuiter # 2 and Pat Kemper #15. Closest to the line was Maureen Lempert. Adrienne Molloy made a birdie on #2.



Coming Events:

November 5, Play with the Pros

December 2, Awards Luncheon

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LADIES NINE HOLE GOLF LEAGUE By Celise McLaughlin



Tradition Nine Hole Ladies Website



Guys and Dolls tournament

Co-Chairs, Mary Lou Goodell and Jan Hayes, organized a Guys and Dolls tournament. It was scheduled to be held on 9/29, but due to heavy rains it was rescheduled for October 13th. There was a great turnout of 23 players participating in an Alternate Shot format with spouse/partners. 12 Teams went out the Front 9 and 10 out the back 9. Assistant Pro, Kurtis Kuhn calculated the scores, and prizes were awarded to the top 3 teams on each side.

PLAY ON!

Despite the COVID-19 pandemic the 9-hole league played every Tuesday, weather permitting. Normally an afternoon league, during the summer months of July and August the ladies were able to get out late mornings except in the case of rain and when the course closed for aeration. Must admit, single carts was great, we never want to go back to sharing.

GAME DAY

On June 30th we played our one and only game since the onset of the pandemic. It was a Texas Scramble with 2 Nets on the back nine. Due to rain shower, the winners were decided based upon the first 6 holes. The winning team of Bev Jackson, Sue Guzlas, Skippy Esposito and Linda Mitchell came in with a 68, followed close behind with a 69 by Cindy Kramer, Kathleen McKay, Phyllis Confer and their blind, Carol Guillmette.



Front Side:
1st Bonnie & Ron Eaglin (28) MOC
2nd Deana Smith Betty Ruff (28)
3rd Ann & Al Carline (30) (no photo)



Back Side:
1st Dean & Ted Wroth (29)
2nd Sue & Dale Guzlas (30)
3rd Mary Lou & Dan Goodell (32)



Closest to Pin #12 Dale Guzlas, #5 Ron Eaglin, #15 Patti Horak, #2 Dot Nolan

A "socially distanced" dinner was served after the rounds with Jimmy John's Subs and 4 pounds of Debbie Jackson's wonderful macaroni salad followed by Skippy Esposito's delicious apple hand pies for dessert.

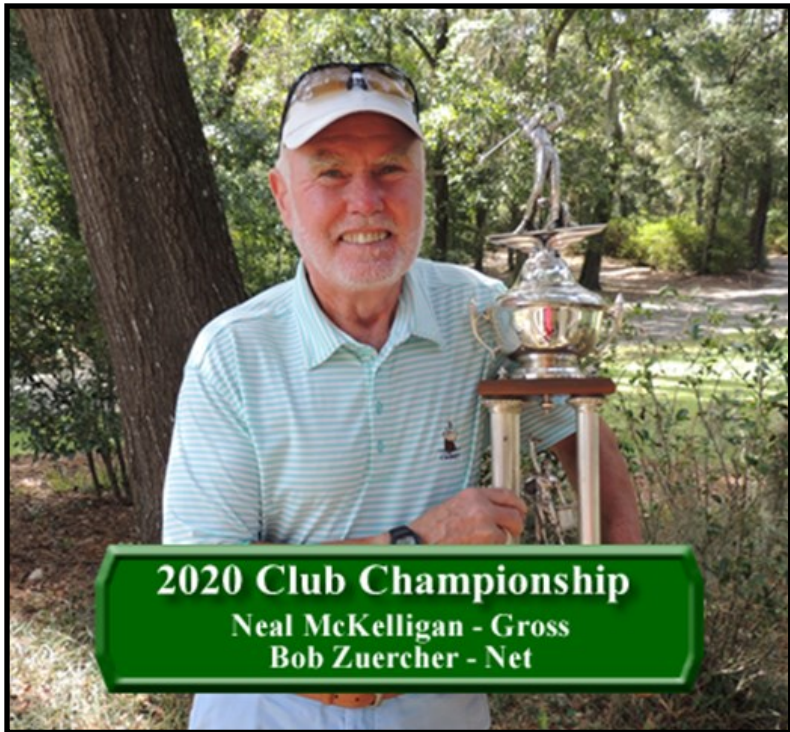




THE MEN'S CLUB

BY BOB WITTIG

This spring was an interesting time for the men's league, as COVID restrictions placed single golfers in each cart, the inside seating area was closed and some members chose to sit out a few weeks. However each week the game continued as outdoor exercise seemed to be the best method of coping with COVID.



The **Member/Member Tournament** which was moved to October from its original date in June was completed in a 36 hole two week format and the winners were Dave Streeter and Jack Cortese in a close victory winning by one shot. Dave was not available for the photo.

Debbie Jackson prepared a dinner of spaghetti and meatballs with bread and salad for the players after the second week of the tournament.

Roger Byrne celebrated a hole-in-one this summer to join Steve Johnson, Paul Hayes and John McLaughlin who were recognized earlier this year.

The Memorial Masters and the Presidents Cup tournaments were cancelled along with the annual Member/Guest tournament putting a big dent in social enjoyment.

Also due to COVID the Men's Club will not be holding its annual Christmas Dinner this December.

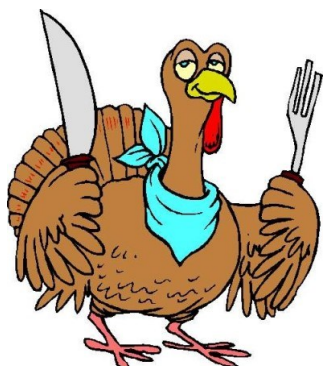
As the summertime arrived many restrictions continued; but outside seating was allowed and the snack bar was opened. Many players would gather after their match was completed at the outdoor tables for refreshments and banter. In September the **Club Championship** 36 hole tournament was completed and won by Neal McKelligan and the low net player was Bob Zuercher.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Steve Kronski Turkey Shoot Out

is on schedule for the Sunday after Thanksgiving **November 29th!**

Hope for good weather so everyone can come out and enjoy the competition and comradery with friends and neighbors of The Tradition Community and Golf Club.



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TRADITION GOLF CLUB

By Christa Bodensteiner PGA
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Hello Tradition Homeowners!

During this challenging year, we are very thankful for all the golfers and for the wonderful Tradition staff that has been dedicated throughout. In case you do not know the staff here, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Tradition managers and give you a snapshot of who they are.

As always, please let me know if you have any golf course questions or concerns. Take care, Christa

Christa Bodensteiner, PGA Head Golf Professional at Tradition and Regional Operations Manager for Founders Group International

Where were you raised? I was raised on a dairy farm in rural Iowa

Where else have you lived? Dubuque IA, Rockford IL, Rochester MN, Myrtle Beach area since 1994

First job? Unpaid: milking cows & other farm chores. Paid: I was a summer little league coach when I was in High School

Golf History? My Dad introduced me to golf when I was very young. I played competitively in High School and at Loras College (Dubuque IA) I got my PGA Class A membership in 2001.

Proudest accomplishment? My proudest career accomplishments have been mentoring and watching the growth & success of young Golf Professionals like Kurtis.

How long at Tradition? Since February 2018

Favorite part of job? The huge variety of tasks... It never gets boring.

Least favorite part of job? Being stretched thin in pandemics, hurricanes, recessions, & other disasters

Favorite hole at Tradition? Number 7. It is beautiful every single day!

Hobbies? I am very involved with Celebrate Recovery and Martha's House Ministries.

Pets? None right now, but I see 2 kittens in my future.

Favorite Food? Pizza

Favorite Quote? "Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart." (Psalm 37:4)

Kurtis Kuhn, First Assistant / Assistant Manager

Where were you raised? Gettysburg, PA

Where else have you lived? Westminster MD and now Garden City.

First job? Christmas Tree Farm

Golf History? Graduated from the Golf Academy of America and worked in the industry since 2013.

Proudest accomplishment? My 2 children - Hudson and Delaney

How long at Tradition? 4 Years

Favorite part of job? The Tradition Membership

Least favorite part of job? The question "Are we Cart Path Only?" on a rainy day

Favorite hole at Tradition? Number 4

Hobbies? All Sports

Pets? 6 total – 3 Dogs: Heinz, Keisel, and Carolina / 3 Cats: Jack, Arnold, and Hissy

Favorite Food? Pizza

Favorite Quote? "You miss 100% of the shots you don't take." – Wayne Gretzky

TRADITION GOLF CLUB STAFF—CONTINUED

Deb Jackson, Food & Beverage Manager

Where were you raised? Upstate New York

Where else have you lived? Only New York & the Myrtle Beach area

First job? Camp counselor

Golf History? I've played once. (Kurtis made me play in a company scramble last year.)

Proudest accomplishment? Surviving parenthood & raising 4 children

How long at Tradition? Forever and a day

Favorite part of job? Meeting so many amazing people

Least favorite part of job? Hearing of someone's passing. Our members are like family.

Favorite hole at Tradition? The 19th Hole of course!

Hobbies? Making crafts with my granddaughter and boating (only if I'm not the captain)

Pets? One dog Audi and some occasional foster kittens

Favorite Food? Italian

Favorite Quote? "Suck it up, buttercup!"



Shawn Keller, Superintendent

Where were you raised? St. Thomas Pennsylvania

Where else have you lived? Beaver Creek, Colorado / Myrtle Beach area since 1995

First job? Logging with my dad

Golf History? None until I got into Golf Course Construction in 1991. I graduated from Horry Technical College with a Golf Course Management degree in 1997. I've been a Head Superintendent since 1999.

Proudest accomplishment? I came to Myrtle Beach in 1995 with only a Jeep and no real plan. I lived in hotels on the boulevard and started school at Horry Tech. Things turned out well and I was fortunate that I found my way to a career that I love.

How long at Tradition? Since February 2019

Favorite part of job? Being outdoors & the wild life

Least favorite part of job? Paperwork & hiring challenges

Favorite hole at Tradition? Number 12

Hobbies? Woodworking

Pets? 2 Dogs: Blu and Philly

Favorite Food? Pizza

Favorite Quote? "If you love what you do, you'll never work a day in your life."

"Blu" Tradition Maintenance – Favorite Dog

Where were you raised? Indian Wells Golf Course

Where else have you lived? I live with my humans – Dad Shawn and Mom Fran

First job? Chasing geese

Golf History? I grew up on a golf course

Proudest accomplishment? I can win over anyone I meet

How long at Tradition? Since Feb 2019

Favorite part of job? Riding the cart and people with treats

Least favorite part of job? When my dad doesn't let me go to work with him.

Favorite hole at Tradition? I'm not allowed to dig holes on the course for some reason.

Hobbies? Chewing on sticks and chasing squirrels

Pets? What does that question mean?

Favorite Food? Bacon!

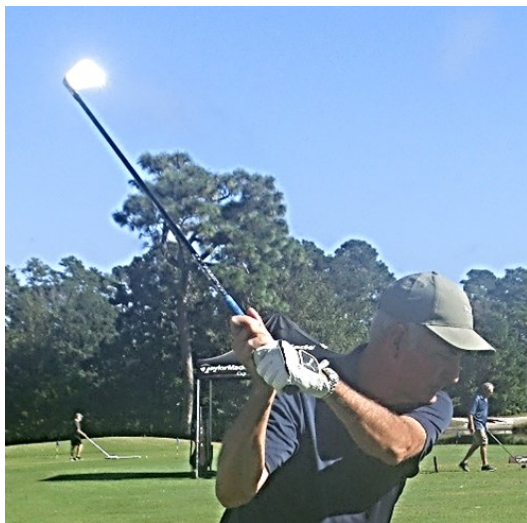
Favorite Quote? "It's a dog's life."



KNOW YOUR CLUB FACE ANGLES —By Steve Dresser, PGA Member

www.dressergolf.com

It's amazing how the brain and body respond to the club face angle at the top of the backswing. The question is what is making it not be square. Grip? Takeaway? Wrist angles? Pictured below are closed, open and square positions with an explanation of how to identify the face angles and what each can cause.



Pictured left is a *closed clubface* indicated by the face pointing toward the sky and the bowed (flexion) left wrist. If the face stays in this position until impact the ball will go left, however many players instinctively “hold on” through impact and block the ball to the right. They may also be inclined to swing too much in to out in an effort to fight off the closed face.



Here the face is pointing at the ground and my left wrist is cupped, (extension) both signs of an *open clubface*. This ball will go right if nothing changes before impact. These players are more likely to steepen their downswings (over the top) and flip the hands at the ball in a desperate attempt to square the clubface!



Now we see a flat left wrist and a clubface that is parallel to the left wrist and forearm creating a square clubface. From here I can move the club to the ball with little face manipulation and focus more on rotating my body through to a full and balanced finish.

Note: A little open or closed is ok, In fact, many recreational players do well with a slightly closed face.

Moral of the story? Try to have a flat or slightly bowed left wrist at the top.

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MARKET WATCH

By CJ Brockington

UNBELIEVABLE!

The Real Estate market on the Waccamaw Neck, in spite of COVID-19, is the strongest I have experienced in my 25 years with The Litchfield Company!

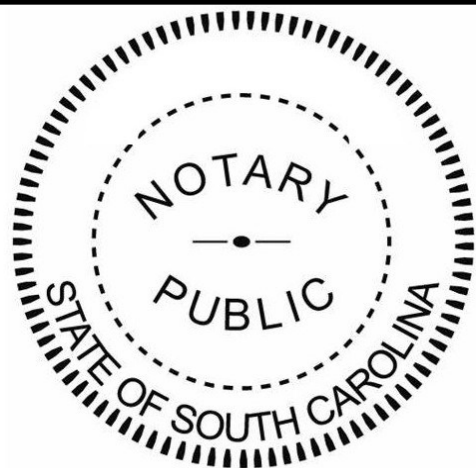
To our amazement, even sales of vacation homes/condominiums, which require discretionary income, have not slowed and are performing remarkably well!

Obviously, record low interest rates have facilitated sales in the overall market. Some communities are even experiencing the perfect example of the economic theory of "supply and demand"-this is true East and West of Hwy. 17.

Now, for the sales activity in The Tradition! Only 3 residences are for sale on this date (10/20/2020) and 15 homes have been sold and closed this year (with 3 pending,) ranging from \$270,000 to \$435,000 (averaging \$361,000)

Keep in mind the prices we originally paid for our homes 20 to 25 years ago! I am confident that our appreciation in The Tradition, over the years, is unmatched on the Waccamaw Neck.

In closing, the total sales volume for The Litchfield Company this year is a record \$353 Million with 2 more months remaining, and our office was closed for 3 months! Our previous high sales volume was \$250 million! We are certainly proud of this accomplishment, and hope this positive trend will continue for us and all other Realtors.



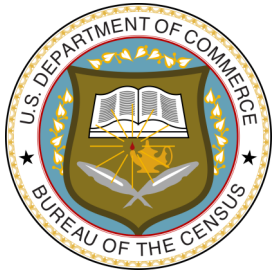
NOTARY SERVICES By Monique Philips

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2020 United State Census By Glen Campbell

The U.S. Constitution empowers the Congress to carry out the census in "such manner as they shall by Law di-

rect" (Article I, Section 2). The purpose of the census is to use the count to determine the number of representatives from each state in Congress and to assist in allocating Federal funding. The Census Bureau takes extreme measures to protect the privacy of each citizen when filing their Census return. The official census records are frozen for 72 years from the date taken. In 2022 for instance, the 1950 Census will be available for the public to view.

When I retired 4 years ago, I committed myself to participating in this year's census. For nine weeks starting in late July this year, I was honored to participate in the U.S. Census as an enumerator. After one week of training both online and at a session in Georgetown, I was sworn in as an agent of the Census Bureau. With my hand-held device and necessary forms provided, I knocked on doors of residents that had not yet filed their census return. Each morning I checked my device for a list of addresses. It started right here in my back yard of Tradition, then over time progressed to Murrells Inlet, Surfside, Garden City and Myrtle Beach. Most days I averaged 50-75 addresses visited.

It was an amazing experience visiting all the diverse neighborhoods just a short drive away. I saw the incredible beach homes along the Atlantic and the intercoastal waterway, as well as some of our less fortunate residents. I came away with a greater appreciation of our own Tradition life.

On a personal note, my ancestors on my mother's side appear in every census starting with the first one taken in 1790. I started researching my family history in the early 1980s (before the assistance of the internet) and find her ancestors arrived in Plymouth, Massachusetts in 1632, just 12 years after the Pilgrims.

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ONCE IN A BLUE MOON

Full moons on Halloween are very rare. The Farmer's Almanac reports they only happen every 20 years, or so. In Celtic traditions, Halloween was the day spirits of the dead wandered around in the moonlight making this Halloween creepier than most.

The full moon rose on Halloween and is visible in all 4 time zones for the first time in 76 years. The last time we had a full moon on All Hallows' Eve was 1944, according to the Old Farmer's Almanac. It was the second moon in the same month, which considers it a "Blue Moon" not because it is blue but by adopted definition.



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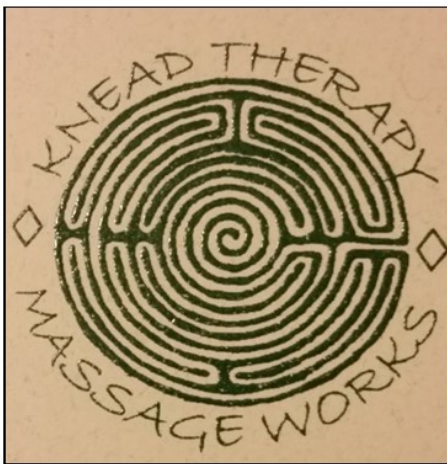
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