Myers Mill Community Newsletter

January 2019

A Word From the Board President

The board would like to wish you a happy New Year.
It is our hope that you had a great holiday season and were able to spend it with family and friends. We hope that 2019 is a great year.

As most of you know Association dues are due on January 31, 2019. To meet the financial requirements to operate Myers Mill, budgets are carefully followed. Payments will be considered late after the March 2, 2019. Any outstanding balance as of March 3, 2019, will be subject to finance fees and late fees retroactive to January 31, 2019. Any assessments not paid and received by April 15, 2019, will have their pool access key fob deactivated and will be subject to a \$20 reactivation fee upon payment.

Member assessments are what fund the operating budget. The Board of Directors recently approved the operating budget for 2019. Your Annual Assessment for 2019 as previously announced will increase to \$385.75. This is a 5% increase and amounts to an increase of \$18.25. Since the Special Assessment did not pass at the November 2018 annual meeting, there will be no additional amounts due at this time aside from the regular annual Association dues.

We have included a copy of the budget summary along with your statement for your annual assessment. The summary can also be found online from the financial reports page. This year's budget is very tight because the special assessment did not pass; funds for several items planned for this year have instead been diverted to pool repairs, including repairs to the entrance signs. Also, we reduced the pool attendants' schedule to weekends only. We did however, maintain funds to complete the trail head beautification project, add security cameras at the pool to capture the front entrances of the neighborhood, and additional funds for the storm water ponds. In the budget is \$25,000 towards the pool repairs. We hope to combine this with \$30,000 from reserves, income from easement access and a loan to complete the maintenance and repairs needed to the pool before the summer pool season.

We do not currently have an opening date for the pool as it will depend on when funding is received and work is completed. Provided the proposed amendment changes pass during the special meeting on January 31st, our hope is that we are able to move forward and have more concrete information by mid-February.

Special Meeting of the Members - Thursday, January 31st 7:00pm



Important Dates

December 24 - January 4

DD2 Schools closed for Winter Break

January 18

DD2 No School

January 21

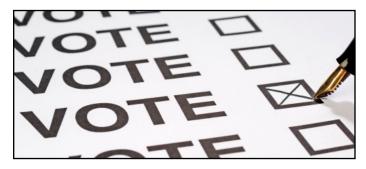
DD2 No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 23

DD2 Early Release Day (Elementary Only)

January 31 @ 7:00pm

Special Meeting at KES



At the special meeting we will be voting on the following two amendments to the Bylaws. The proposed amendments will add the following two items to Article IV Section 11 in regards to the Powers of the Board of Directors as items (m) and (n):

(m) To grant easements for the installation and maintenance of sewerage, utilities and/or drainage facilities upon, over, under and/or across any part of the Common Area in favor of a third party to service real property not a part of the Property without the assent of the Members when deemed in the best interest of the Association as determined by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

(n) To borrow money on behalf of the Association without the assent of the Members upon such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors shall determine by majority vote when deemed in the best interest of the Association.

20% Quorum is needed for the meeting on the 31st - please allow yourself to be heard by attending or returning your proxy ahead of time



January is National Mentoring Month

Research confirms that quality mentoring relationships have powerful positive effects on young people in a variety of personal, academic, and professional situations. Ultimately, mentoring connects a young person to personal growth and development, and social and economic opportunity. Yet one in three young people will grow up without a mentor.

Youth who meet regularly with a mentor are:

- 46% less likely than their peers to start using illegal drugs and 27% less likely to start drinking. (Public/Private Ventures study of Big Brothers Big Sisters)
- 52% less likely than their peers to skip a day of school and 37% less likely to skip a class. (Public/Private Ventures study of Big Brothers Big Sisters)
- In addition to better school attendance and a better chance of going on to higher education, mentored youth maintain better

attitudes toward school. (The Role of Risk, 2013)

How to Get Involved:

- January 4, 2019 –I Am a Mentor Day– A day for volunteer mentors to celebrate their role and reflect on the ways mentees have enhanced their world.
- January 21, 2019 –Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service–A day to share in the inspirational words of MLK, Jr. and elevate the spirit of service through volunteerism.
- January 31, 2019 –#ThankYourMentorDay A day for all who have real life mentoring experiences to thank those who helped them on their path to adulthood and beyond.

VisitBecomeABig.org or BeAMentorNow.org to learn more about local opportunities to become a mentor.

Association Dues are due 1/31/19 and considered late after 3/2/19 - 8% interest and a \$10 monthly late fee will be added to all accounts with balances on 3/3/19 - Payments can be made online at www.cmgcharleston.com



Spotlight on the ARC Committee

The ARC Committee is looking for more volunteers. One of the things the board is trying to improve the ARC process and ensure ease and speed of submission. The committee almost entirely works online to review specifications and submissions. The process would go a lot quicker if we have more volunteers on the committee. Please consider volunteering for the ARC committee. To volunteer, complete the form at www.myersmill.com.



Myers Mill Book Club

January's book discussion is Wednesday January 30th, 7 pm, at the Coastal Coffee Roaster to discuss:

The Broken Girls by Simone St. James

We will be selecting books for the next 6 months of reading - so bring your book suggestions.

You do not have to read the book to join us.

For details, join our group on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/groups/MyersMillBookClub

Reminder

Financial reports and meeting minutes can be found on the community's website at www.MyersMill.com



Street Parking

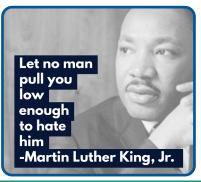
With the holidays coming to an end the need for street parking should subside. Sometimes it is necessary for people to park on the street, but please be mindful if you must do it. Remember to be cautious when parking around or near corners and curves, and to be mindful of street space when parking directly across from another parked vehicle on the street.



Tree Disposal

Not sure what to do with your Christmas tree now that the holidays are over? If your waste disposal service doesn't offer curb pickup, trees can be disposed of at the Miles Jamison Convenience Site, located at 130 Suburban Lane. This site accepts all yard debris, excluding tree stumps & limbs over 4'. Site hours: Tuesday & Thursday 7am - 5pm; Saturday 8am - 5pm. Call (843) 832-0070 for more information.

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