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Important Notice
If you are considering future remodeling or new construction in LCC, please let us know by contacting any board member to obtain information on Obtaining ARB request forms.

Applies to: ALL PROPERTY OWNERS per Deed Requirements

Summer Events 2020
Community Yard Sale - Postponed until Spring 2021
Quigley's Happy Hour - Postponed until Spring 2021
Support the Baskervill Food Pantry - see page 4

KEEPING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN:
The first Saturday of each month, a dedicated group of individuals travels throughout the neighborhood with trash bags in tow. Several even do it weekly for the good of the cause! If you would be interested in helping out, please contact Trish for more information at tmblu1025@gmail.com or call (215)514-9477.

The Community That Cares
- MISSION STATEMENT -
“ It is the Mission of the Litchfield Country Club Property Owners Association to enhance the quality of life for all property owners within the Litchfield Country Club community by protecting property values, encouraging compliance with the covenants and restrictions of the subdivision, disseminating timely and useful information, promoting social interaction, supporting security watches and to remain guided by the belief that we should all look out for one another.”
In lieu of a President’s Letter for this edition, here is an update from your Board of Directors taking note of the various happenings, “not happenings”, events and situations affecting us in this “Time of CoVid19”.

First, since our last newsletter, the many impacts of CoVid19 have come much closer to home. Most of us now know personally someone who has experienced the illness, and our thoughts and prayers go out to all.

Summary update:

The Annual Spring Get Together at Quigley’s, previously postponed, will not be scheduled this year. Hopefully, we will be able to hold the event in Spring, 2021.
The Annual Food Drive as we know it in the past has changed, please see insert.
The Annual Yard Sale will not be held this year.
The annual Renewal for our POA Bulk Discount Trash Collection Program concluded at the end of July (renewal period September 2020, through August 2021). This program has been very successful, and we now have more than 150 participants for the program’s second year, each saving about $200+ annually.
The annual Spectrum POA Bulk Discount Program runs from January through December. We will begin this annual renewal sign-up period in October.

We are working on a discounted, bi-weekly, curbside recycling service for POA members to be available later this year. Please stay tuned and watch your emails.

At this time, we are not planning a December Holiday Event.

There is, of course, interest and concern about the 15+ acres around the intersection of Hawthorn and Country Club Drive (site of the former Litchfield Racquet Club) sold in May 2020, by Founders Group International to Downtown Litchfield, LLC.

There is ongoing contact and dialogue between your POA and Downtown Litchfield, LLC. As of this writing, no application proposing any development of the property has been submitted to Georgetown County Planning. Your POA also continues to support and stay in close contact with Keep It Green, the organization which led opposition to development previously proposed for the site. We will keep you informed as we learn more.

Lastly, as we approach the most active segment of the 2020 Hurricane Season, as always, we urge everyone to pay close attention to watches and warnings.

Be Safe……Stay Well!

**LCCPOA Board Members**

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**LCCPOA Block Captain Responsibilities**

- Encourage all residents to join the LCC POA.
- Advise Block Captain Coordinator when someone new (owner or renter) moves into a house, a resident has had a birth in the family, has passed away or has a serious illness. The coordinator will then notify the proper welcome committee volunteer or board member.
- Deliver occasional flyers and a few Newsletters to members who cannot get them via email.
- Communicate issues to the Block Captain Coordinator who will report information to the LCC POA Board.
- Encourage residents to sign up for our neighborhood watch.
- Refer questions about the Spectrum program to a Board member.
- Inform residents they may post to our Facebook Page, “Litchfield Country Club POA”.
- Be informed about our local emergency information.
- Official welcoming of new residents will be done by a Welcome Committee volunteer.

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**SEND IN AN ARTICLE:**

We welcome authors, artists, household tips, recipes, gardening ideas… anything that may be of interest to someone else.

Have a great story to share? Have a hobby you want to share? Not good at composing? We will send one of our talented writers to hear your story and write it for you!

We would love to have neighbors add to our newsletter for all to enjoy!

**Keep It Green Forum:**

For additional information on "Keeping It Green" in our neighborhood

**Contact:** Beverly Sullivan at bgraz150@gmail.com
Please support the Baskervill Food Pantry:

How Can We Help?
Litchfield Country Club Annual Food Drive

This will be our 6th annual Litchfield Country Club Food Drive. It will look a bit different this year. There will be no paper bag pickup, but I know that it will be just as successful as the year’s past. Here’s the plan:

In April, the Baskervill Food Pantry served 233 Households and 527 Individuals. Compare that to July where over 400 households and over 1000 individuals were served. “[July] will be our largest month ever and we anticipate that if Congress does not extend some of the safety net legislation, we will have large numbers in August and beyond,” writes Keith Hoile, member of the Baskerville Food Pantry Team.

It is important for us to support the local food pantry here in Pawleys Island now more than ever. Here are two options to contribute:

Send a check directly to Baskervill Food Pantry (113 Baskervill Drive, PI) or Drop off a check in my mailbox (544 Crooked Oak Drive) and I will deliver it to the food pantry.

Please make checks payable to Baskervill Food Pantry and send by September 12th.

*If each household mails a check for $10, Litchfield Country Club will have donated over $4000!

If there are any questions, please call Amanda Keith at 843-308-4051 or email amanda.t.Keith@gmail.com

Let our community know that we are “The Neighborhood That Cares.”

THANK YOU

Help fight Medicare fraud

Con artists may try to get your Medicare Number or personal information so they can steal your identity and commit Medicare fraud. Medicare fraud results in higher health care costs and taxes for everyone.

Protect yourself from Medicare fraud. Guard your Medicare card like it’s a credit card. Remember:

- Medicare will never contact you for your Medicare Number or other personal information unless you’ve given them permission in advance.
- Medicare will never call you to sell you anything.
- You may get calls from people promising you things if you give them a Medicare Number. Don’t do it.
- Medicare will never visit you at your home.

Medicare can’t enroll you over the phone unless you called first. Learn more tips to help prevent Medicare fraud.

Check regularly for Medicare billing fraud. Review your Medicare claims and Medicare Summary Notices for any services billed to your Medicare Number you don’t recognize. Learn more about how to spot fraud.
**Pet Corner:** Don’t be shy! Share your stories. Enjoy the great one that follows!

**Meet Jesse James Gunn**  

By: Jesse (Jim & Cheryl Gunn)

Hi! My name is Jesse. My owners found me at the Georgetown “Saint Francis” Animal Shelter back in April of 2014. I was wandering around the south end of Georgetown County. I was only 4 months old when I saw them and knew right away that I wanted to adopt them. My owner spent a lot of time training me how to walk on a leash, and how to behave around other dogs and people. I am very friendly and have lots of dog and people friends now. My three best dog friends stop by every morning for doggie treats and chit chat. When I was a puppy I used to run after golf balls on the course and could hear “Hey! That dog just stole my golf ball.” So, my owners fenced in my back yard where me and all my friends can play safely. Boy! Life is Good!!!  

*☆*
Meet Wyatt and Jackson

Four years ago, we laughed when my wife Margaret noticed that we were adopting Wyatt, a “lab-pit mix,” on the Ides of March. We harbored no disrespect for soothsaying, mind you; it’s just that getting a new dog is normally a happy event, not a portent of trouble. So, color us naive. OK, dense; it was a long time before we even noticed the irony of having gotten a three-legged dog from a Pawleys Island rescue shelter named All-4-Paws. But may it please the court: Our thoughts were focused on our “new” dog, nothing else.

Heck, it didn’t even matter to us that Wyatt, less than a year old then, was already a two-time loser, having flunked two “trial” adoptions with his “put it where the sun don’t shine” attitude toward two of his four prospective parents, both of them the husband. Toward me and Margaret, his attitude was, “Thank heaven, you finally got here. What kept you?” Well, what had “kept” us was the same thing that keeps a lot of people from getting a new dog: We were still mourning the death of another dog, a red nose Pitbull named ‘Dro, short for Pedro, so named because Mother Nature had blessed him with a banditio mask across his soulful eyes, the better to steal hearts, and a lovable disposition that made you forget about pressing charges for the theft.

But that was then, November 2015, and this was now: March 2016. We had seen Wyatt’s picture on the animal shelter’s website, looked him over from afar and up closely, thought about it overnight, prayed for ‘Dro’s forgiveness, and made up our minds: Wyatt’s the one.

What we little suspected at the time was that the ages-old warning, “Beware the Ides of March,” might well have been addressed to the dog, not to his new owners. He had barely settled in at his new home before we had to rush him to an emergency vet in Myrtle Beach, where he was diagnosed with pneumonia. Worse, the vet gave him only a 50-50 chance to pull through. In fairness to All-4-Paws, we don’t think that Wyatt was sick when we got him. What we did begin to think, and soon, was that Wyatt was lucky to be alive, even with only a 50-50 chance of surviving his first year. Here’s why:

We learned little by little that Wyatt had endured a brush with death even before we got him. He had been found one icy day in Loris, SC, a town up the road a way from Pawleys Island, by a couple who noticed buzzards circling behind their barn.

Curious, the man went searching and saw a puppy apparently frozen to death. Thinking to save him at least from the buzzards, he pried the pup from the frozen ground to dispose of him in a near-by trash can. But on the way to an ignominious end, the buzzards’ frozen dinner moved! Wyatt was alive!

His next stop, after a gee-whiz appearance on local TV, was at All-4-Paws, and you already know how he got from there to our house, in Pawleys Island. The story made the local news — TV and weeklies. Wyatt also beat his pneumonia! Still we couldn’t help but notice a foreboding score for so young a pup: Wyatt 2, Grim Reaper (and buzzards) 0. The saying, “Three strikes and you’re out,” also crossed our minds. But the operative word in “narrow escape” is “escape.”

Next, we discovered that Wyatt was famous! Often while walking a recovering pneumonia victim around the grounds of the Tidelands Waccamaw Community Hospital in Murrells Inlet, we were brought up short several times by passersby who hailed us with laughter and surprise and a jovial, “Is that Wyatt?” They had seen him and his story on TV. Moving right along, at 35 miles per hour to be exact, barely a month later Wyatt tumbled out the right-rear window of our car onto the always-busy Highway 17, AKA Ocean Highway, which from Georgetown to Myrtle Beach is a racetrack. And this spring Friday afternoon was no exception.

Riding shotgun, I heard a commotion behind me and turned to my wife, who was driving, and exclaimed in horror and disbelief, “Did Wyatt just go out the window?” “No way!” she said, but she was already pulling over, eyes glued to the rear-view mirror. Indeed, Wyatt had leaned out too far and fallen out the window. “Ass over tea kettle,” as my late sainted grandmother would have said. As the car stopped rolling, I jumped out and ran back to see about him. Luckily, it appeared he had landed...
at least in part on the grassy shoulder of the road and, though dazed, seemed all right — or would be if I could get to him before he wandered back onto the busy highway as cars flew by.

From then on, I began to think of him as half cat. Or maybe all cat. Whichever, now he had used up three of his putative nine lives in the first few months of his young life. No wonder we thought he was snake-bit.

Speak of the Devil! One night a few months later, he kept us awake by whimpering, this from a dog that normally could give sleep lessons to Morpheus. At the Animal Hospital of South Carolina next morning, we found out that Wyatt had indeed been bitten by a snake! "Big one, too," said the vet, Dr. Matthew Stone, pointing to the width between two fang marks he had found on Wyatt’s leg. The snake must not have been poisonous, but — brace yourself — the doctor’s examination revealed that Wyatt had lymphedema in his right rear leg. Moreover, it was a birth defect, was incurable, would worsen with age, and would render him basically a three-legged dog for life.

"How much worse could this get! Well, we all know that Fate is fickle, but in Wyatt’s case she did a complete about-face. And wouldn’t you know it was a woman’s touch that did it? Notoriously aloof, Wyatt fell so hard for Margaret that he began to give her what I called “his love stare.” And the relationship became a two-way street. “I can read his mind,” Margaret said. “He’s thinking, ‘Hey, I’ve got my own food bowl, my own water bowl, my own bed! And around here I am somebody! Life ain’t so bad, after all.’” And my wife delivers this glowing prognosis while stroking his beautiful blond coat and his crippled leg. All the while, Wyatt looks mesmerized with contentment, and even a tad smug.

Jackson

Jackson, our other dog, doesn’t seem to mind. A beautiful blue nose Pitbull dressed all the time in the evening-wear characteristic of the breed, i.e. a tuxedo, Jackson is nowhere near as needy as Wyatt. Besides he has seniority and knows it. We’ve had him since he was a pup. He’s now eight, and Wyatt is only four (as of the Ides of March 2020).

They get along famously, though as different from each other as, well, purebred and half-breed can be. For instance, on beach walks Jackson sticks to the shore. Hey, water is for drinking! Wyatt, however, believes water is best for plunging into and riding the waves — sort of like life as he’s known it so far. Yippy! Jackson is as sweet a dog as you could find anywhere; Wyatt remains essentially aloof, and he can do Attitude better than any canine I’ve even seen. To wit:

I took him recently to get a shot and a once-over that included ye olde rectal check. Usually on veterinary visits, he comes back into the waiting room, happy to see me there. But this time, he sailed right past me, ignoring me except for shooting me a look of betrayal that said as clearly as looks can speak: “I’ll get you for this, Bob.”

Now for a final piece of irony. We adopted Wyatt to replace ‘Dro, but we did not expect him to be another ‘Dro. No way. Wouldn’t be fair to either dog. And probably not possible anyhow. Nevertheless, Wyatt is as much a one of a kind canine as ‘Dro was, and we love him just as much. He even excels Dro in two things, the aforementioned Attitude with a capital A, for one. The other, thank Heaven, is a total disregard of thunderstorms. They terrified ‘Dro. And he could not be mollified except by the storm’s subsiding. Wyatt, on the, uh, other paw, pays them no mind. And why should he? Before he was even two years old, he’d already been through Hell and half of Kansas — and survived.

In the next Edition you’ll meet Charlie and maybe your pet (all critters are welcome)!
359 Sweetgum

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All4Paws Creating Revolutionary Spay/Neuter Clinic and Hosting Online Auction

By: Jamie Sullivan, All4Paws Administrative Assistant

All4Paws is a 501(c)3 non-profit no-kill animal rescue in Pawleys Island that has helped save the lives of over 14,000 cats and dogs since its inception in 2012. With that kind of track record comes great responsibility. All4Paws recognizes the cat and dog overpopulation that runs throughout our country. As such, All4Paws looks for creative and innovative ways to help solve this problem because adoption is not enough.

Recently, All4Paws prepared for the presentation of a lifetime. Before spring, All4Paws submitted a grant request to the Petco Foundation Innovation Showdown for a project that has the potential to revolutionize animal welfare spay and neuter across the country. All4Paws was selected as one of three finalists for a “Shark Tank” style competition. In late May, All4Paws presented its proposal for the Spay/Neuter Clinic in a Can and was awarded 1st Place in the national competition winning a grant of $230,000.

All4Paws’ proposal includes a partnership with Clinic in a Can to develop a “first of its kind” low-cost spay and neuter facility. Clinic in a Can has over 20 years of experience building low-cost human medical facilities out of shipping containers, which are then utilized around the world. All4Paws will use their model and product to customize two 40-foot shipping containers end-to-end to maximize throughput and allow for affordable spay and neuter.

The Spay/Neuter Clinic in a Can will be developed on All4Paws’ new property across from the shelter in Pawleys Island. Like many rescues across the nation, All4Paws recognizes that one of the most effective ways to combat the issue of dog and cat overpopulation is to provide low-cost spay and neuter, not only to the animals of the rescue but also to the animals of the community such as the feral cat population. The new facility will be a replicable model for other organizations to implement to meet their own needs, as the shipping containers can be customized. To complete the project, All4Paws needs an additional $58,786.42.

To help fund the remaining cost of the Spay/Neuter Clinic in a Can, All4Paws will be hosting an online auction from noon on Sunday, September 13th until 5pm on Saturday, September 19th. The auction will feature amazing items such as appraised estate diamond rings, vacation packages, multiple gift baskets, a New Year’s Eve Gala and Dinner for 2, and SO MUCH MORE!

Check back on our website at https://All4PawsSC.org and at our Rescued Treasures store in Pawleys Island for a sneak peak of our amazing auction items beginning Tuesday, September 8th.

To learn more about our Spay/Neuter Clinic in a Can, check out our Petco Foundation Grant presentation: https://all4pawssc.org/s-n-clinic-in-a-can. Follow us on social media @All4PawsSC.

To mail a donation for the Spay/Neuter Clinic in a Can, please send checks with the memo “S/N Clinic in a Can” to All4Paws at 708 Petigru Dr. Pawleys Island, SC 29585.

RUBY ALERT

If you have a pet that goes missing or if you find a pet that is lost, call me at 843-979-5500 or email me at burginpaula@aol.com. I will put out an alert in the neighborhood through the neighborhood email list.
Nominate your Neighbor or Friend for Best Doorway in Litchfield Country Club:

Last chance to nominate a doorway! Check out the current nominees below. Don’t miss the last two Pics. Yes, froggies have doorways too.

While walking my pooch daily, I admire some beautiful doors on our stroll in the neighborhood. Some are painted great vivid colors, others are made from distressed wood or recycled materials, and many are adorned with unusual ornaments. I am asking for individuals to submit to me a picture of their favorite doorway. I would love to see what you spot on your travels. We will select three favorites and award the winner with a future brunch for two at Litchfield County Club. If you haven’t yet been, it is worth a visit!

Please forward your picture with address of doorway to Trish Mulligan: tmblu1025@gmail.com
COMMUNITY CORNER

**Book Club**: Please contact Jan O’Tuel 843-439-0877 to get involved

**Bunco**: Join the party Contact Betty McCulley 540-354-8801

If you have ideas for Social Activities? Email: litchfieldpoa@gmail.com

Get a group together to participate at Waccamaw Recreation Center

SEND IN AN ARTICLE:

We welcome authors, artists, household tips, recipes, gardening ideas...
Have a great story to share? Have a hobby you want to share?
Not good at composing? We will send one of our talented writers
to hear your story and write it for you!

We would love to have neighbors add to our newsletter for all to enjoy!
Send your pictures and articles to Trish at tmblu1025@gmail.com

**Golf Course Etiquette for the LCC Neighborhood:**

The LCC Board receives ongoing calls regarding after-hours activity on the golf
course. Although the LCCPOA has no jurisdiction in this issue, we thought it was in
all of our neighbor’s best interest and that of the golf course, to be reminded that the
golf course is not public property, and is to be used by paying, daytime golfers only.
This is a liability issue for the course owners.

**Biking, walking, golf practice and golf cart riding are all prohibited.**
If you have something you feel needs to be brought to the attention of the course
please notify one of our board members.
management team, you are welcome to call them at 843-237-3411 x1. If it is after
hours, you may call the next day with location and description of your "complaint".

Community Committee Opportunities:

The LCCPOA supports several different committees that serve our neighborhood. If you
would like to work with one of these committees, please contact the current committee chair or
one your board members for more information on the committee.

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The Litchfield Ladies have temporarily suspended monthly gatherings. We will resume luncheons later in the year; for updates, watch this newsletter or visit www.litchfieldpoa.com.

In the meantime, we asked some of the members:

Q. What would you tell a neighbor who is trying to decide if she should come to the Litchfield Ladies’ Luncheons?

A. I would tell her it is an excellent way to visit with your neighbors and make new friends, and a great way to make contacts in the community. (Kaye Quillian, member for 5 years)

A. This is a wonderful chance to meet your neighbors and to get good information about our neighborhood. I would encourage ladies to try it! (Beth Brabham, member for 3 years)

Q. What are some of the benefits of joining the Litchfield Ladies’ Luncheons?

A. Attending the luncheon gives me an afternoon out with friends once a month. I get to meet new neighbors and find out news about our community. AND we have a nice lunch! (Linda Tarvis, member for 4 years)

To be placed on the email list, contact Sallie Anderson (843.237.9943) or Jan Anglemyer (843.314.9171). We will notify you when luncheons resume. Until then, stay safe!
We are always grateful for the following items:

- Pie Crust/ Fruit Filling
- Cake Mix/Frosting
- Canned Fruit
- Cornbread/Biscuit Mix
- Rice & Boxed Potatoes
- Soup
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Canned Peas, Carrots & Corn
- Cereals
- Snack Packs
- Peanut Butter
- Tuna Fish

THANK YOU
FOR BEING A PART
OF OUR
CARING COMMUNITY!
Contact: Peg Gerland for drop off or pick up (843) 314-9514
Pgerland3@gmail.com

Please continue to Support the Baskerville Food Pantry:

In this time of need for so many individuals and families being affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic, we are asking our POA members to continue to support the Baskerville Food Panty at the Smith Clinic in Pawleys. Tangible items in the form of canned and dry goods food for humans or pets and all paper products including diapers are greatly appreciated and needed.

BASKERVILLE FOOD PANTRY IS A MINISTRY OF HOLY CROSS FAITH MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE BASKERVILLE FOOD PANTRY VISIT:
http://holycrossfm.org/baskerville-food-pantry
Reasons to be a Member of the Litchfield Country Club POA

Do you think it’s important that as residents of Litchfield Country Club we have:

• Street lights?
• A security patrol?
• A lost & found alert network for resident’s pets?
• A Block Captain Network and Welcome Committee?
• Community activities?
• A neighborhood newsletter?
• A voice in the Waccamaw Neck POA, Litchfield Corridor Beautification, and local government
• Annual Spectrum Bulk Discounted Services Available
• Discounted BFS trash services

None of these would happen without our Property Owners’ Association, which depends on your participation and membership!

The Board and all staff are LCC volunteers. They put in many hours to run the POA and all its activities because they care about our neighborhood.

Joining the POA is not only a great way to meet fellow residents, but also the best way to have a voice in how the LCC neighborhood is maintained.

Please join us, come meet your neighbors, and consider volunteering your time and talents in helping us maintain this beautiful neighborhood!

2020 Annual Dues

$50: Basic Membership
$75: Silver membership
$100: Gold membership

----Membership Application - Please mail to: LCC POA, PO Box 482, Pawleys Island, SC 29585 -----
Name(s) (First) _______________________________Name (Last) _______________________________
Address _____________________________________________Pawleys Island, SC 29585
Preferred Mailing Address ______________________________________________________________
Phone(s) _______________________________ email _______________________________
2020 dues enclosed? __Yes __No If yes, membership level: ___Basic ___Silver ___Gold
Interest in Board or Block Captain position? ___Yes ___No
Questions, comments, or suggestions
______________________________________________

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**2020 PLATINUM MEMBERS:**
Edward & Patricia Mulligan

**2020 GOLD MEMBERS:**

**2020 SILVER MEMBERS:**
Doug & Sallie Anderson, Lamar & Elizabeth Brabham, Dennis & Darlene Dauzuk, Maurice & Ingrid Flewelling, Bret & Melissa Gash, Peggy Gerland, Cornell & Elizabeth Green, John & Nancy Hall, Toby & Joy Heird, Craig Henry, Dorian & Greggory Hooks, Bill Mulcaha, Barbara Myslinski, Julie Noie, Marilyn Oberembt, Margaret Forbes Piehler, Frank Pinizotto, Duane & Treva Putnam, Peter & Karen Spinella, Daniel Sullivan & Mary Pratt, Rowland & Diane Thomas, Lewis Waldrep

**Voluntary Donations for the Litchfield CC POA:**
In 2016, the Litchfield CC POA had started a new program. Anyone willing to donate above the basic membership fee of $50, can do so anytime of the year. The Gold Members donate an extra $50 and the Silver Members donate an extra $25. The donated extra money will be used to help defray the increasing costs that the POA incurs.

If you have already signed up for the basic membership and you want to be part of the voluntary donation program, please send in a check for the extra amount to: Litchfield CC POA, PO Box

**Once a year, your LCCPOA offers members a Spectrum TV/Internet Discount Program which currently provides hundreds of our Members with huge savings on Cable TV and Internet Access.** The next enrollment period will be in October, 2020.

The package includes:

- An expanded list of TV Channels (SEE ATTACHED 2020 LIST).
- 2 Set Top Converter Boxes (if needed) to provide HDTV.
- Internet access with speeds up to 200 mbps. Modem included.

Telephone, cell phone, premium sports, premium movie channels or home security, may be added for an additional charge (billed monthly directly by Spectrum).

If you have questions about Spectrum services, installation of equipment, or technical problems with existing hardware or software, please contact your Spectrum customer service representative: 1-833-697-7328.

For questions about this Group Plan or annual enrollment payments, or if you are not sure who to call, contact Grant Anglemyer at 843.314.9171(granta02@aol.com)
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We continue our efforts to make your trip on Ocean Highway a beautiful drive and ask for your ongoing support to keep up with our medians.

Two additional Flag Days were added this year. Again, we thank LCC residents, Marty and Carole Farrell, for sponsoring July 6th, the Federal Holiday.

Please visit our web site, lbf29585.com for more information or to make a donation. Stay safe everyone!

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Easy Bacon-Parmesan Brussels Sprouts

Yield: 6 servings
Prep Time: 10 minutes

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan
- ¼ cup bacon bits
- ¼ cup dried cranberries
- 1 1/2 cup brussels sprouts, trimmed
- ½ cup bacon-ranch salad dressing (I use Walden Farms)
- Salt and Pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS:

1. Cut stem end from sprouts. Remove excess leaves until tight sprouts remain. Using a sharp knife, cut sprouts lengthwise into very thin slices. Add salt and pepper to sprouts.
2. In a large bowl, combine Parmesan, cranberries, and bacon bits.
3. Add chopped and seasoned sprouts.
4. Stir in salad dressing, a little at a time, until desired consistency is achieved. Serve at once, or chill for one hour.
WILDLIFE
Certain wildlife can become problems. Here are a few tips that may minimize visits from unwelcome animals.
- Remove any pet food from outside your house after the pet has been fed.
- Secure garbage containers and eliminate garbage odors.
- Clean up birdseed scattered on the ground beneath feeders.
- Securely close all entryways to access beneath sheds and houses (including garage doors).
- Do not approach or handle wildlife that appears friendly.
- Don't leave small children outside unattended.
- Don't allow pets to run free.

For Further information regarding wildlife please contact the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources at 843-546-8523.

Website: http://www.gcsheriff.org/animalcontrol.html

Penalties for golf cart violations in Georgetown County:
Penalties for violation of state laws governing the operation of low speed vehicles – including golf carts – on roadways have recently changed! Such violations are considered a misdemeanor under state law, and conviction is punishable by a fine of up to $100 or imprisonment for up to 30 days.

The following requirements are included in the laws for operation of golf carts in the state and in Georgetown County.

A person operating a permitted golf cart must be at least 16 years of age and hold a valid driver’s license.
A golf cart operating on roadways must have liability insurance.
A golf cart has to be permitted by the State of South Carolina. An individual or business owner of a vehicle commonly known as a golf cart may obtain a permit decal and registration from the Dept. of Motor Vehicles upon presenting proof of ownership and liability insurance for the golf cart and upon payment of a $5 fee.
A golf cart can only be operated during day light hours, including carts with headlights and turn signals.
The operator of a permitted golf cart being operated on a highway or street must have in their possession:
1) the registration certificate; 2) proof of liability insurance for the golf cart, and 3) their valid driver’s license.
A permitted golf cart may be operated within four miles of the address on the registration certificate and only on a secondary highway or street for which the posted speed limit is 35 miles an hour or less.
Highway 17 Business in Murrells Inlet is not considered a secondary highway.
A golf cart cannot be operated on a public bike path or public beaches in Georgetown County.

Stay tuned for more info on recycling coming to LCC POA Members!

Bi-weekly, curbside recycling on Mondays will become available to POA members later this year using wheeled, covered bins at great savings. We will announce sign-up dates and service start dates via email, the LCC POA Facebook page and our next newsletter. Watch for emails from the LCC POA.
While our community continues to endure the uncertainty presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, we can’t forget there’s another threat on the horizon. Like always, the Atlantic hurricane season will begin on June 1, and residents will need to begin preparing for their families, pets, homes & businesses. “Unfortunately, hurricane season doesn’t stop because we’re all dealing with another disaster situation right now,” said Brandon Ellis, head of the Georgetown County Emergency Management Division. The season runs through Nov. 30, and while the peak usually doesn’t start until around September for our area, anything can happen, as previous hurricane seasons have proven. “GCEMD wants to ensure that the COVID-19 Pandemic does not overshadow the fact that hurricane season is only weeks away,” Ellis said. “I know everybody has other things on their minds right now, but this is really the time when you want to prepare. Hurricane preparations are definitely not something you want to put off until the last minute.” While urging residents to get ready, the county is following its own advice.

“We have initiated our preseason planning process and are utilizing the unique planning assumptions that COVID-19 has presented,” Ellis said. GCEMD has been in coordination with state & regional partners to ensure that appropriate considerations are given to any necessary modifications concerning evacuation and sheltering procedures for the upcoming season. Early forecasts for the 2020 Atlantic Hurricane Season predict above average hurricane activity. The forecast says the season could yield a total of 16 named storms, eight hurricanes and four major hurricanes of Category 3 or higher (115 plus mph winds) on the Saffair-Simpson Scale. Given this forecast, emergency management officials are preparing for another challenging season and encourage the public to prepare now. “In a worst-case scenario, we face a major hurricane during a worldwide pandemic,” Ellis said. “This is what we are planning for, with hopes that we do not have to activate any of our plans.” Ellis encourages the public to begin planning now so that if a storm were to develop early in the season residents would be ready.
Upcoming events at Litchfield Country Club:
Remember the second Friday of every month is LCC Community Night. If you would like to receive our menus for Community Night as well as our dining events, please email Jodi Cotten at jodi.cotten@foundersgolf.com

Would you like to start your own little Free Library too!

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- You may get calls from people promising you things if you give them a Medicare Number. Don’t do it.
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If you are preparing to change jobs, do you know what your choices are for managing the money in your current employer's retirement plan? Although many people choose to take a cash distribution, there are other options that may benefit you more.

Uncle Sam Loves Cash Distributions

Taking a lump-sum cash distribution may trigger an immediate 20% federal withholding tax. In addition, a 10% additional tax may apply if you are younger than age 59½.* Taking your money in cash also means that you'll no longer enjoy the potential benefits of tax deferral that a qualified retirement plan offers.

Depending on your circumstances, you may have several options that will allow you to maintain the tax-deferred status of your retirement plan assets:

- Leave the money in your former employer's plan. Your former employer must allow you to leave the money where it is as long as the balance exceeds $5,000. You'll no longer be able to contribute to the account, but you'll still decide how the existing assets are invested.

- Roll over the money to your new employer's plan. By "rolling" the money directly to your new plan, you'll avoid the taxes that could eat away at a cash distribution. You'll also only have one set of investments to monitor. Even if you're not immediately eligible to contribute to the plan at your new job, you may still be able to roll over the money right away.

- Roll over the money to an IRA. If your new employer doesn't offer a retirement plan or you aren't yet eligible to participate, you can roll over the money directly to a traditional IRA. Again, you'll avoid taxes that you'd incur if you took a cash distribution and still enjoy the potential benefits of tax deferral. Experts advise against commingling your retirement plan assets with other IRAs you may have set up. Instead, open a separate IRA account, known as a "conduit IRA," which may allow you to move the funds to a new employer's retirement plan at a later date.

Research Your Options

If you plan to change jobs, don't just take the money and run. Since rules vary from company to company, find the time to explore your alternatives. If you have specific questions about your retirement plan distribution options, contact your employer's benefits coordinator or a qualified financial consultant.

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You know the drill: Your phone rings and the caller ID shows a number that looks vaguely familiar, so you answer it. Instead of a friendly voice, you hear a robot warn you that your Social Security number is going to be deactivated or that you owe the IRS money and you need to call right away. These robocalls are designed to scam you out of your hard-earned money. Thankfully, the government, wireless carriers and phone makers are working on ways to eliminate the annoying and seemingly nonstop calls we all receive on a daily basis.

For example, in July, T-Mobile announced Scam Shield, a free suite of services that will block robocalls and help protect you from scams. If you're a T-Mobile or Sprint customer, you'll need to install an app when it launches on July 24, or you can activate Scam Block, by following these steps.Last year, President Trump signed into law the Traced Act, a bipartisan piece of legislation that gives government agencies and law enforcement more power to dismantle robocalls by targeting the perpetrators.

Specifically, the Traced Act extends the statute of limitations for law enforcement to go after bad actors, increases penalties and requires phone companies to authenticate calls and determine if the phone number that is calling you is real. For its part, the FCC previously passed a proposal that gives carriers the permission to more aggressively block spam calls. On the ground, wireless carrier networks are using SHAKEN/STIR technology to identify and block spam calls, not only on their own respective networks, but between phone providers as well. Apple even added a feature to iOS 13 that lets you prevent unknown callers from ever ringing your phone. Google has expanded the Call Screen feature to route suspected spam calls to Google Assistant before your phone even rings, and when Android 11 launches later this year, it's expanding robocall identification and prevention features to extend outside of the default Android Phone app. It's going to take time for the Traced Act to be put into effect across all agencies and phone providers, so don't expect to see a dramatic decrease in unwanted calls overnight.

Keep in mind, too, that not every automated solicitation is considered illegal. Calls from political campaigns, debt collectors and charities are all permissible. What's not allowed are the calls from the fake IRS agents or the companies that claim you won a free vacation that you never signed up for.

While it's not possible to entirely keep robocalls from reaching your phone, there are some steps you can take to reduce the number of calls you receive.

**Best practices to keep annoying robocalls at bay**

Don't answer calls from blocked or unknown numbers.

Don't answer calls from numbers you don't recognize.

Don't assume an incoming call is really from a local number just because it looks like it is.

Don't respond to any questions that can be answered with a "Yes."

If someone calls you and claims to be with XYZ company, hang up and call the company yourself. Use the company's website to find an official number.

If you do answer a call and hear a recording such as, "Hello, can you hear me?" just hang up.

The same goes for a call where you're asked to press a number before being connected to a representative.
When you answer a call and interact with the voice prompt or by pressing a number, it lets spammers know your number is real. They can then sell your number to another company or begin targeting your number more frequently.

When it first launched, Google's Call Screen feature arguably went against the FCC's advice by answering and interacting with the robocall on your behalf. However, Google added new features to Call Screen for its Pixel phone lineup. It can now detect robocalls and spam calls and block them for you. Google Assistant will interact with the caller, and if it determines that the call is legitimate, it will route the call to your phone.

Apple's iOS 13, released last year, added plenty of new features, including Silence Unknown Callers, which adds the option to route calls from unknown numbers -- numbers not found in your Contacts, Mail or Messages -- straight to voicemail. Any legitimate callers can leave a message. And that's the rub: We often receive important calls from numbers we don't store on our phones, so you could miss important calls this way. But if all else fails and you're desperate to stop robocalls, this is a valid option. As far as we can find in iOS 14 right now, nothing new has been added to further eliminate robocalls.

If you find yourself receiving a lot of spam text messages, you can forward the message to the number 7726 (which spells "spam"). It won't stop the number from texting you right away, but it will allow your carrier to look into where it came from and put an end to it.

Check with your provider

**AT&T's** Call Protect app is available for iOS and Android. The free version blocks calls from "likely fraudsters" and labels telemarketing calls. You can add numbers to a block list in the app, as well. The paid version provides caller ID for unknown numbers and offers mobile security features that are unrelated to robocalls. The premium version of Call Protect costs $3.99 per month.

**Verizon's** Call Filter app is automatically enabled for Android users on a postpaid plan. The service offers spam detection, a spam filter and the option to report numbers for free. You can pay $2.99 a month (or $7.99 a month for three or more lines of service) for caller ID, spam lookup and a personal block and spam list. Call Filter is built into most Android devices out of the box (which you've probably been prompted about) but is also available in the App Store for iOS users.

**T-Mobile's** Scam Shield is free to all customers and includes multiple features designed to protect you from robocalls and sharing your personal information. The full app and service will be available July 24, but you can turn on Scam Block right now by dialing #662# from your phone. Block will reduce the number of robocalls that make it to your phone.

**Sprint's** Call Screener is now free, thanks to T-Mobile. Eventually, Sprint customers will fully migrate over to T-Mobile's system and be able to use the full Scan Shield product offering. Until then, you can download and use Call Screener Pro. The service identifies and either labels or blocks suspected spam calls and allows you to report numbers as spam.

, offers automatic call blocking and spam alerts for suspicious calls, and makes it easy to report a number if a call slips through.
Use a third-party app

If your provider doesn't offer an app or service to cut back on robocalls, or does but it's too expensive, there are plenty of third-party apps available. You want to find an app that works on your device, offers automatic call blocking and spam alerts for suspicious calls, and makes it easy to report a number if a call slips through.

Hiya is a free app I have used on Android and iOS for some time now with success. It's from the same company that powers AT&T's Call Protect app, as well as Samsung's built-in call block and spam protection service. Samsung Galaxy owners can enable the built-in service in the Phone app under Settings > Caller ID and Spam Protection. Setup is painless, and it offers an easy way to report a number.

Nomorobo is the service that Verizon uses for its Fios users, but it also has a phone app. The service is free for VoIP users and costs $2 per month for mobile users. Additional services with similar capabilities include YouMail and RoboKiller.

The Firewall app is only available on the iPhone and does a fantastic job of blocking calls. In the event you need to make a call that you'd rather not use your real phone number for, the $4-a-month subscription provides unlimited single-use fake phone numbers.

Another option is to sign up for a free Google Voice phone number that you can use to sign up for things instead of giving out your real number -- and once the robocalls start coming in on that Google Voice number, use the block feature. Just know that blocking calls may end up being a lot of work, as robocallers are constantly spoofing different phone numbers.

None of the above solutions is perfect, and likely won't be until carriers integrate the technology required to check for caller ID spoofing, so right now you have to do some extra work to keep the number of robocalls you receive to a minimum. Between being cautious about calls from unknown numbers and using a service (paid or free), you can reduce the amount of unwanted calls and spam you have to deal with.

And again, carriers have started using SHAKEN/STIR technology to verify callers, which should cut down on the number of robocalls we all receive. For those with an iPhone, learn where to find iOS 13's block unknown callers feature, but remember using could mean you miss calls from doctors' offices and the like. And for those with a Pixel phone, Google's Call Screen feature will surely help, and may even entertain you.