

Good Tidings from Litchfield-By-The-Sea – February 14, 2025

“If January is the month of change, February is the month of lasting change.”

-Marc Parent

LBTS News & Updates

If you submit an ECheck via the online portal, please be sure the payment posted. We had many owners enter incorrect banking information and payments could not be processed. You will receive an electronic message informing you. Returned payments may incur a fee for the bank return, so please be sure to review information entered!

ACH forms are available! See attached information regarding ways to pay and remember that payments sent to Waccamaw Management or checks made payable to Waccamaw Management cannot be processed. Be sure you are updating the payment information to avoid late fees!

Past copies of Good Tidings can be found online on the Litchfield By The Sea website under <https://www.litchfieldbythesea.com/homeowners>.

A friendly reminder- pet waste bins are for all homeowners to use. Please do not take more than needed.

Owner debits/credits have been transferred from the Waccamaw Management system to ours. Remember, numbers in parenthesis (\$58.93) are a CREDIT on the account.

Regular Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9am-12pm & 2pm-5pm or email us at Info@LitchfieldByTheSea.com. Please note the office closes daily from 12PM-2PM for lunch and property inspections.

Missing information? Check the website at www.litchfieldbythesea.com under the “Homeowner” tab!

Next Week

02/17/2025 Office at 49 Wall St. Closed for President’s Day

02/19/25 Office at 49 Wall St. Closed for Staff In-Service Day

02/19/2025 Tai Chi

10:00AM at Beach Club, 790 Retreat Beach Circle, Pawleys Island, SC 29585 *Free

02/20/2025 Yoga

9:30AM at Beach Club, 790 Retreat Beach Circle, Pawleys Island, SC 29585 *Free

Good Times Ahead

Second Tuesday of Every Month – Live Music at the Beach Club (4pm-7pm) *Free

(Donations At Live Music will be greatly appreciated and donated to Baskerville Food Pantry)
Feel free to bring an appetizer to share!

*-Fourth Tuesday of Every Month – Activity Night at the Beach Club (4pm-7pm) *Free*

About the Beach Nourishment Contribution

The section of beach shared by all Litchfield-By-The-Sea Community Association Members is the most prominent attraction to owners and potential owners. We all must recognize that its health is of vital importance to the Litchfield-By-The-Sea Community Association's protection of our assets and also bolsters the value of homes in the community.

Beach nourishment (also referred to as beach renourishment, beach replenishment, or sand replenishment) describes a process by which sediment, usually sand, lost through longshore drift or erosion, is replaced from other sources. A more expansive beach can reduce storm damage to coastal structures by dissipating energy across the surf zone, protecting upland structures and infrastructure from storm surges and other causes of unusually high tides. Beach nourishment is typically part of a more extensive integrated coastal zone management aimed at coastal defense. Nourishment is a repetitive and costly process because it does not remove the physical forces that cause erosion; it simply mitigates their effects.

As part of our infrastructure, the beach area provides additional protective measures for our beach club, deck, and other amenities located in that section. Typically, action has been taken after damage has occurred rather than proactively enacting measures and work to prevent damage. There has been no systemic plan to set aside reserve funding for the continued maintenance of this asset and to absorb the costs of emergency remediation.

During the 2025 budget process, discussions were held regarding how to ensure funding is available for the care and maintenance needed for the long- and short-term amenities of the Association that do not rely on Special Assessments to owners. The budget proposed and approved by the Board of Directors in October 2024 includes a one-time \$900 Beach Renourishment fee charged to potential purchasers of a unit at the time of the property transfer (settlement).

While many associations charge a one-time Capital Contribution, we wanted to clearly state that the purpose of this fee is not for an undefined item; it is solely for the purpose of beach management. Every dollar collected will be placed in an account earmarked only for this purpose, and we thank you for understanding the importance of funding our assets.

Fun Fact

The birth flower for February is the Violet, also called Viola. There are around 500 species of Violet flower and are scattered all around the world. Many of its species are found in the northern hemisphere and in the Australian continent. Violet has a fascinating history, and the meaning of this flower has evolved with time. Back in the Victorian era, a Violet flower would represent complete truthfulness, and a cream Violet would stand as a symbol to take a chance.

Violet has a major significance in February, the month of romance. It is commonly exchanged on Saint Valentine's Day. It is also gifted on exceptional occasions such as weddings and birthdays.

Origin of Name:

The name 'pansies' comes from the french word pensee (thought). The name 'violet' comes from the word 'vias' which means 'wayside'.

Violet flower signifies humility, virtue and moral. You always give your best shot in life and stay positive. You have an innate ability to learn new things.

Around Town

Annual Downtown Pawleys (Island Shops) Sidewalk Sale!

It's time for the Annual Downtown Pawleys Sidewalk Sale! This 2-day event will take place Feb. 15 & 16, Saturday 11am - 5pm & Sunday 11am - 3pm.

Shoppers can expect to find deep discounts! Porches will be packed with fabulous deals and incredible savings!

Address: 10659 Ocean Hwy, Pawleys Island

CandleAlchemy: Candle Creation Workshops

Let your creativity shine as you learn the art of candle making, formulate your own unique fragrance and design your own candle name!

This 2 hour workshop allows your creativity to shine in a relaxed and fun setting! Two packages are available.

Candle Makers (\$45 per person)- Includes making and taking home 1 soy lotion candle (\$25 value), munchies, 20% off any retail purchase and 2 hours of fun!

This is a BYOB event. Glassware and corkscrews are provided. Please keep in mind that the drinking age in South Carolina is 21+ and this is an 18+ event.

Dates: Friday, February 14th, Sunday February 16th, Friday February 21

Location: 10880 Ocean Highway Pawleys Island

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/candlealchemy-candle-creation-workshops-tickets-1222872668069?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Murrells Inlet Restaurant Week

Join in on the fun for the 5th Annual MarshWalk Restaurant Week on the Murrells Inlet MarshWalk.

Seven restaurants to dine, all featuring amazing three-course menus for only \$40, with five days to try all the special menu items prepared by the award winning MarshWalk chefs- for February 17th-February 21st! The menus will boast amazing sushi, the most savory steaks, and of course - the freshest seafood! Events start daily at 4 PM!

Location: 3979 Highway 17 Business, Murrells Inlet

For more information: <https://hammockcoastsc.com/events-calendar/?imgoing-event=5th-annual-marshwalk-restaurant-week-67976c065edd70377d0e894e>

Did You Know?

South Carolina's name comes from King Charles I of England, who established the English colony.

Wishing you a Happy Valentines weekend,
Litchfield By The Sea Community Association