“A Southern Times Square” New Year’s Eve Celebration
9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 31, 2019
Valor Memorial Garden, 1120 Farrow Parkway

The Market Common hosts “A Southern Times Square” New Year’s Eve Celebration from 9:00 p.m. to midnight on Tuesday, December 31, in Valor Memorial Garden, 1120 Farrow Parkway. The annual event features live music, food and drink vendors, inflatables, games for the kids and a spectacular ball-drop with fireworks at midnight. Admission is free. We hope to see you there!

Oceanfront Merchants Association hosts “Goodbye 2019, Hello 2020!” Event
9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m., Tuesday December 31, 2019
Plyler Park, 1000 North Ocean Boulevard

The Oceanfront Merchants Association hosts an oceanfront party in Plyler Park to welcome the New Year from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 31. Free hats and noise makers are provided. The party includes a DJ, beer and wine vendors, entertainers and more. Questions? For more information, contact the Oceanfront Merchants Association at myrtlebeachdowntown@gmail.com.

Neighborhood Services Department hosts My Beach 101
Application Deadline – 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 31, 2019
5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Thursdays, January 30-March 19, 2020
Historic Myrtle Beach Colored School & Education Center, 900 Dunbar Street

Applications are now available for the Neighborhood Services Department’s My Beach 101 Citizens Academy! The eight-session program gives participants a unique experience and a chance to learn about the City of Myrtle Beach’s daily operations. Deadline to apply is December 31, 2019. Classes take place on Thursday evenings, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Historic Myrtle Beach Colored School Museum, 900 Dunbar Street. Classes begin on Thursday, January 30, 2020. Spaces is limited to 25 participants. Each session includes appearances by department directors, city staff and elected officials. Sessions also include the history of Myrtle Beach and how each department within the city operates, including Fire, Police and Public Works. For more details and to download the application, see https://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/i_want_to/apply_for/mybeach101.php. Questions? Contact the Neighborhood Services Department at 843-918-1062.

City Offices and Facilities Closed – New Year’s Day Holiday Observed
Wednesday, January 1, 2020

City offices and facilities will be closed on Wednesday, January 1, 2020, to observe New Year’s Day. However, residential solid waste and recycling will be collected on the usual Monday-through-Thursday schedule that week, including New Year’s Day.

“Choose to Move” and “Night Move” Kickoff Party
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 4, 2020
Pepper Geddings Recreation Center, 3205 North Oak Street

The 11th session of the popular “Choose to Move” program is back in 2020, with a fitness assessment and kickoff party set for 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 4, at
**Pepper Geddings Recreation Center, 3205 North Oak Street.** The kickoff party includes fun activities, a meet-and-greet with coaches and a fitness assessment for participants to help track progress in the program. Participation in the 10-week program includes an all-inclusive membership to all of the city’s recreation centers! The program’s purpose is to motivate team members to participate in various exercises to earn points for the team. Winners receive vouchers to use on merchandise, punch cards and/or memberships. This year, a “Night Move” program includes all of the same perks as the “Choose to Move” program, but with classes available in the evening hours. For more information about either program, call Pepper Geddings Recreation Center at 843-918-2280. Or, stop by the front desk at the recreation center, 3205 North Oak Street.

**Grand Strand Humane Society hosts New Volunteer Orientation Sessions**

**Various Dates and Times**

**Grand Strand Humane Society, 3241 Mr. Joe White Avenue**

The Grand Strand Humane Society hosts a special series of new volunteer orientation sessions on various dates in 2020. Not in the position to adopt or foster, but still want to help homeless animals? Become a GSHS volunteer and walk dogs, socialize cats, attend events and fundraisers, clean and more. For more information, call 843-918-4910. The following new volunteer orientation sessions are scheduled in 2020.….  

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Sunday, January 5
- 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21
- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Sunday, February 2

**Creative Corner Art Classes**

12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Mondays, January 6-March 9, 2020

Pepper Geddings Recreation Center, 3205 North Oak Street

Everyone’s invited to participate in Pepper Geddings Recreation Center’s Creative Corner Art Classes, set for 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 6-March 9. The classes show participants a variety of interesting art activities, and art supplies are provided. The art classes are included with “Choose to Move” program membership and fitness punch card holder membership, but classes are open to all. A single class fee is $4 for city residents and $10 for non-city residents. Space is limited. To participate, pre-registration dates are listed below. For more information or to register, contact Wendy Bass at 843-918-2271.

- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 6 – Acrylic Painting (Registration Deadline is December 30, 2019)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 13 – Watercolor Painting (Registration Deadline is January 6, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 20 – Recreation Center Closed, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Observed
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 27 – Clay Creations, Part I (Registration Deadline is January 21, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 3 – Clay Creations, Part II (Registration Deadline is January 27, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 10 – Paper Quilling (Registration Deadline is February 3, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 17 – Alcohol Ink Painting (Registration Deadline is February 10, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 24 – Mixed Media (Registration Deadline is February 17, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 2 – Collage Making (Registration Deadline is February 24, 2020)
- 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 9 – Art Show Prep
January 2020 Neighborhood Watch Meetings
Various Times, Dates and Locations

The following Neighborhood Watch meetings are scheduled for the next few weeks. Call Crime Prevention Officer Stephani James at 843-918-1806 for more information.

- **The Avenues Neighborhood Watch** – 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North *(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)*
- **The Golden Mile Neighborhood Watch** – 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North *(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)*
- **South Beach Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 13, First Floor Meeting Room, Regency Towers, 2511 South Ocean Boulevard
- **Emmens Preserve Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **The Highlands Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **The Market Common Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **The Reserve Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **Seagate Village Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **West Lake Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane
- **Grande Dunes Neighborhood Watch** – 6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 16, First Floor Dining Room, Grande Dunes Ocean Club, 101 Grande Dunes Boulevard
- **Seaside South Neighborhood Watch** – 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, Sixth Floor Banquet Room, Coral Beach Resort, 1105 South Ocean Boulevard
- **Old Pine Lakes Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North *(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)*
- **Pine Lakes Estates Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North *(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)*
- **Pine Lakes Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23, Fire Station No. 6, 970 38th Avenue North *(Meeting Location is Subject to Change)*
- **Carolina Ridge Neighborhood Watch** – 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, Pool House, Carolina Ridge, 830 44th Avenue North
- **Ramsey Acres Neighborhood Watch** – 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 1110 Highway 15

**City of Myrtle Beach hosts Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon (Invitation Only)**
12:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, 2020
Ballroom, Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street

The City of Myrtle Beach hosts the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, an invitation only event set for 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15, at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center's Ballroom, 2101 North Oak Street. The City of Myrtle Beach thanks its 500-plus volunteers during the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. Many volunteers donate their time to the public by serving on one of the city’s boards, commissions and committees. Others volunteer at Chapin Memorial Library, in recreation programs and in public safety or fire prevention. One person will be recognized as the “volunteer of the year.”

**Grand Strand Freedom Week: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration**
January 17-24, 2020
https://www.caahf.com
The Carolina African American Heritage Foundation, Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Myrtle Beach collectively present Grand Strand Freedom Week, January 17-24, 2020. The annual event commemorates the life, leadership and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. For more information, visit https://www.caahf.com.

Friday, January 17, 2020
- 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. – Welcome Reception, Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce, 1200 North Oak Street

Saturday, January 18, 2020
- 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Health/Fitness Summit and 5K Run, The Market Common

Sunday, January 19, 2020
- 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Ecumenical Service, Myrtle Beach First Presbyterian Church, 3810 Robert M. Grissom Parkway

Monday, January 20, 2020
- 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. – MLK Drum Major Awards and Breakfast, Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street
- 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. – Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade, Along Ocean Boulevard, 26th to Ninth Avenues North

Tuesday, January 21, 2020
- 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. – Small Business Workshop, Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street
- 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Economic Development Summit, Myrtle Beach Train Depot, 851 Broadway Street

Wednesday, January 22, 2020
- 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Job Fair, Horry Georgetown Technical College, 950 Crabtree Lane

Thursday, January 23, 2020
- 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Bias Training Workshop, Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street

Friday, January 24, 2020
- 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. – Performing Arts Celebration: Concert and Film Festival, Asher Theater, 3237 Waccamaw Boulevard

City of Myrtle Beach hosts American Red Cross Blood Drive
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Myrtle Beach Sports Center, 2115 Sports Center Way

Consider giving the gift of life alongside City of Myrtle Beach employees at the American Red Cross Blood Drive from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. The blood drive takes place at the Myrtle Beach Sports Center, 2115 Sports Center Way, located behind the Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street. For more information and to sign up, call 843-918-1114.

Dr. MLK Jr. Celebration Job Fair
12:00 to 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 22, 2020
Horry Georgetown Technical College, 950 Crabtree Lane
The City of Myrtle Beach, SC Works and CAAHF jointly host a Job Fair in observance of the Dr. MLK Jr. Celebration from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. The free job fair takes place at Horry Georgetown Technical College’s Conference Center, 950 Crabtree Lane.

Sixth Annual Craft Fair Food Drive
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sunday, February 9, 2020
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

The popular Craft Fair Food Drive returns to the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 9. The event features more than 100 crafters selling handmade crafts, wooden wares, pottery, quilts, glass art, beach art, wreaths, pet items and more! Vendor space costs crafters a donation of nonperishable food items or pet food to the Lowcountry Food Bank. Shoppers gain entry to the event with a donation of nonperishable food item or pet food. Monetary donations are also accepted in lieu of nonperishable food. Last year’s event drew more than 1,500 attendees, and organizers collected 5,492 pounds of food and an estimated $2000 for the Lowcountry Food Bank. Interested in participating as a 2020 vendor? For more information, contact Ms. Mickey Davis at 6thfoodbankcraftfair@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

17th Annual Palmetto Regional FIRST Robotics Tournament – Volunteers Needed!
February 27-29, 2020
Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street

Students from across Horry County and the nation participate in the 17th Annual Palmetto Regional FIRST Robotics Tournament, set for Thursday and Saturday, February 27-29, 2020, at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center, 2101 North Oak Street. The competition is fast-paced and fun to watch. Admission is free, and everyone’s invited to come see the next generation of scientists, teachers, engineers, mathematicians and leaders compete with robots they built from scratch, after school! For more information, visit http://www.firstroboticsmyrtlebeach.com/.

Want to sign up as a volunteer? Volunteers are needed for the annual FIRST Robotics Tournament at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Experience this fast-paced high school event up close and in person! Visit https://www.firstinspires.org/ways-to-help/volunteer and click the “Register to Volunteer” button.

13th Annual Black History Celebration
5:00 to 8:30 p.m., Saturday, February 29, 2020
Mary C. Canty Recreation Center, 971 Canal Street

The Historic Myrtle Beach Colored School Museum and Education Center presents the 13th Annual Black History Celebration from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 29. The event’s theme is "Rhythm of Our Roots" and the event takes place at the Mary C. Canty Recreation Center, 971 Canal Street. Event attire is African fashion. Everyone’s invited to attend, eat free food and enjoy live entertainment. RSVP by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 20, 2020. For more information or to RSVP, see https://bit.ly/2YD4GQc.

Colonel Robert Hawkins Veteran Volunteer Service Award
Nomination Deadline – 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Nomination forms are now available for the city’s Military Appreciation Committee’s second annual Colonel Robert Hawkins Veteran Volunteer Service Award! The late Bob Hawkins, a retired U.S. Army colonel and key volunteer behind Myrtle Beach’s Military Appreciation Days, is remembered with this award. The award recognizes a person for their volunteer services to a veterans group, an individual veteran, veterans families and/or the greater Grand Strand veterans’ community. The submission deadline is April 1, 2020. To download the nomination form, which includes submission directions, see https://tinyurl.com/yy6yfqqa.
NEW! Chapin Memorial Library’s Online Program Registration
https://www.chapinlibrary.org/calendar

Chapin Memorial Library now offers online program registration through the library’s calendar feature! Visit https://www.chapinlibrary.org/calendar to view the monthly programs available. To register for a specific program, click the hyperlinked program listed on the calendar and fill out the “Sign Up” Form with your email address, name and phone number. The helpful tool also includes the number of available spots available before registration closes. The registration feature is available for the library programs listed below. For more information, call the library at 843-918-1275.

Chapin’s Homebound Delivery Program
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library now offers a pilot delivery service to provide reading materials to homebound patrons! The service is exclusively for those who have limited mobility due to physical conditions, and covers a limited delivery area. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

Films at the Library
1:30 p.m., Fridays
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library invites you to join in on the cinematic fun every Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. Participants must be 18 years of age, or older. Popcorn is served and you may bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. Questions? Call 843-918-1275.

- Friday, January 3 – Driven (R)
- Friday, January 10 – Overcomer (PG)
- Friday, January 17 – Where’d You Go, Bernadette (PG-13)
- Friday, January 31 – Once Upon a Time in Hollywood (R)

Knit and Crochet Group
2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Fridays
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers knit and crochet classes in the second floor meeting room on Friday afternoons at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. Join us to learn basic knitting and crochet skills or get help with an existing project. Please bring your own supplies. Volunteers are needed to teach and assist with programs, creating displays and other library activities. Call 843-918-1275 for more information.

Grand Strand Genealogy Club
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Second Saturday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

The Grand Strand Genealogy Club invites library patrons to attend monthly meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month at Chapin Library, 400 14th Avenue North. For more information regarding the Grand Strand Genealogy Club, please visit www.scgsgc.org.

Grand Strand Multiple Sclerosis Self Care Group
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Third Saturday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

The Grand Strand Multiple Sclerosis Self Care Group invites everyone facing challenges of MS to attend the monthly meeting from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on the third Saturday of each
Winter 2020 Storytime Schedule
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers free storytimes that provide age-appropriate activities, such as songs, fingerplays, flannelboards, crafts, stories and more! Storytimes are designed to develop early literacy skills for school readiness. Every Child Ready to Read® is a project of the Association for Library Services to Children and the Public Library Association, divisions of the American Library Association. Registration is not required. For more information, please call 843-918-1275 or visit www.chapinlibrary.org.

BABY STORYTIMES: Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. For ages four months to 18 months old. Children enjoy rhymes, fingerplays, music, bubbles and age appropriate toys with your child. Limited to 12 babies and their caregivers per session.

TODDLER STORYTIMES: Wednesdays at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. For toddlers, up to 35 months old, who enjoy listening to stories. Activities include stories, flannelboards, fingerplays, songs, an age appropriate craft and more. Early learning toys are available for parent/child use after storytime.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES: Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. For ages 3 through 5 years old. Children enjoy stories, songs, fingerplays, flannelboards and a craft. Literacy toys are available after storytime.

Youth Chess Club
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 4, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Youth, ages four to 17, and all skill levels meet from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 4, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Attendees play chess and learn new tactics and strategies. This program is organized by volunteers and chess enthusiasts. For more information, contact kshartford@gmail.com.

Let’s Talk About It 2020: Modern South Carolina Novelists (Book Distribution – January 2020)
Thursdays, January 30–March 5, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library hosts the annual “Let’s Talk About It” Book Discussion and Mixed Media Series on Thursdays, January 30 through March 5, 2020. This year’s theme is, “Modern South Carolina Novelists,” and includes book discussions and movies. Library card holders’ book distribution begins on January 2; general book distribution begins on January 10. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

2020 Selection Titles
“Prince of Tides,” by Pat Conroy
“Clover,” by Dori Sanders
“Serena,” by Ron Rash

Events and Selection Titles
10:00 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 30 – Meet & Greet
10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursday, January 30 – “Prince of Tides” Book Discussion
1:30 p.m., Thursday, February 6 – “Prince of Tides” Movie Program (Refreshments Available)
10:00 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 13 – Meet & Greet
10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Thursday, February 13 – “Clover” Book Discussion
Tai Chi Mind/Body Beginner Exercise Program  
10:00 to 11:00 a.m., Mondays, January 6-April 6, 2020  
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North  

Chapin Memorial Library hosts the popular Tai Chi Mind/Body Beginner Exercise Program from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Mondays, beginning January 6, at the library, 400 14th Avenue North. The series, taught by Dawud Hasan, introduces beginners to the ancient art of Tai Chi. **Registration is underway for this free 13-week course!** The program is limited to adults, ages 18 and older. For more information and to register, contact Deb at 843-918-1281 or call warrington@chapinlibrary.org.

Chair Yoga Class  
1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Monday, January 6, 2020  
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North  

Join certified yoga instructor Dawn DiVita for this unique, gentle yoga class that teaches chair yoga, a yoga style that helps make practice fun and easy for all. The class meets from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

Teens’ Dungeons & Dragons Club  
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 7, 2020  
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North  

Chapin Library invites teens in sixth through 12th grades to attend and play Dungeons and Dragons with a Dungeon Master from Myrtle Beach Games at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7. All skill levels are welcome to participate in the fun! **Space is limited to eight players and pre-registration is recommended.** For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Kids’ S.T.E.A.M. Program – Engineering Activity  
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2020  
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North  

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to participate in a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) program from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8. The engineering activity includes the “Snowflake Bentley” story, followed by a marshmallow snowflake craft. The monthly program takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Registration is required and admission is free. To sign up, call 843-918-1275.

Jazz Café: Music and Lecture Series  
January 9-March 5, 2020  
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North  

Looking ahead, the popular Jazz Café returns to Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, in 2020. The free series includes lectures and live jazz music with light refreshments. Questions? For more information, call 843-918-1275.

10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 9... “Songwriting Duo Andy Razaf and Fats Waller” Lecture with Lloyd Kaplan, Jazz Teacher and Musician

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 9... Jazz Café: Live Music with Bruce Whitcomb Trio
5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 16...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Tim Oakes and the Bickleigh Bridge Band

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 23...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Kyle Strain Trio

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 30...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Lloyd Kaplan and the Aristocats

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 6...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Bruce Whitcomb Trio

5:30 p.m., Monday, February 10...
“Gottschalk, an American Musical Pioneer” Lecture with Lloyd Kaplan, Jazz Teacher and Musician

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 13...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Tim Fischer and Matt White Duo

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 20...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Ben Gendle and Timothy Hardwick Duo

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 27...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Conrad Kenner Quartet

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Thursday, March 5...
Jazz Café: Live Music with Oracle Blue

Playtime Yoga
9:30 to 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 10, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Small children, ages two and older, and parents are invited to participate in playtime yoga from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 10. Attendees are asked to bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Classes take place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

Percy Jackson Book Club
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library invites sixth through 12th graders to embark on a year-long journey as the club reads and discusses all things Percy Jackson! Each discussion includes an accompanying craft, activity or game. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Tuesday, January 14 – The Last Olympian (Activity: Sword Fight Tournament)

Free Legal Clinic – Criminal Records: Overcoming Barriers and Achieving Employment
6:00 to 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

An attorney from South Carolina Legal Services will be on hand to discuss expungements, pardons and other options regarding employment from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Attendees learn about options to consider and have the opportunity to ask questions. Registration is appreciated, but not required. For more information, call 843-918-1295 or email reference@chapinlibrary.org.

Free SC Codes Monthly Meet-Ups and Workshops
Want to become part of the technology workforce? Want to learn how to write code? Well, here’s your chance! Attend monthly meet-ups and free workshops at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, to achieve your goal. Everyone’s invited to attend the meet-ups at 3:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month. And, at 5:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month. The City of Myrtle Beach is pleased to be a partner in helping our tech force “level up.”

About “SC Codes” effort… SC Codes was developed to build an increasingly diverse technology talent pipeline to support SC industry. Working with partners around the state, the mission is to ensure that any interested student has access to this platform. The goal is to prepare more South Carolinians for jobs in the technology industry by making it easy to access curriculum, training, mentors, events and job postings. A ready workforce means more opportunity, stronger communities and an attractive economy. SC Codes offers coding courses and mentorship opportunities to anyone who wants access to technology education. Online courses can be completed at your own pace, in your own home -- regardless of your technological background. Resources are available for students brand-new to coding, as well as for professional developers looking to add a new skill. SC Codes also will connect you with experienced programming mentors in your area who can offer guidance and support in-person or online. And it’s all free of charge. From your first coding lesson to your career path, SC Codes is here to help you get where you want to be. For more information, please visit https://www.sccodes.org/.

Name That Tune
4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 16, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Attention, music lovers… You are invited to participate in the “Name That Tune!” contest from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 16, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Attendees listen to a short clip of music (60s, 70s and 80s) and pick an answer from a multiple-choice list. The event consists of five games per round, with ten rounds total, and points are awarded per game. The individuals with the highest points per round win a prize! RSVPs are appreciated, and snacks will be provided. Questions? Call 843-918-1275.

Family Dance Party
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Friday, January 17, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

For the little ones, Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, hosts Family Dance Party from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, January 17. The party consists of a story, fingerplays, movement and music. This event is geared towards toddlers and pre-schoolers, but all families are welcome. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for more details.

LEGO Build
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 18, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library offers monthly LEGO building sessions to keep kids’ engineering and problem-solving skills sharp, strengthen STEM muscles and spark imagination with LEGO bricks. The next program is set for 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, January 18. Youth, ages four to 14, are invited to attend. Young children, ages eight and under, must be accompanied by an adult. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Chapin Chapters Book Club
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Third Tuesday of the Month
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Interested in joining a book club? Chapin Chapters Book Club meets from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Contact 843-918-1275 or warrington@chapinlibrary.org for more information.

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 – The Last Ballad, by Wiley Cash

Chapin’s Craft Corner: Botanical Rubbings
2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Join Chapin Library for another fun-filled craft session and learn how to make botanical rubbings from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. Craft supplies will be provided, and participants bring their creativity! Space is limited. Registration is required by Wednesday, January 15. For more information, call 843-918-1275.

Teen Game Night
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Teens in grades sixth through 12th are invited to hang out, make new friends, play board games and eat pizza for “Teen Game Night” at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21. The event takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Registration is required and admission is free. To sign up, call 843-918-1275.

Kids’ S.T.E.A.M. Program – Art Activity
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 22, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Kids in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to participate in a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) program from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22. The activity includes art class with F.G. Burroughs-S. B. Chapin Art Museum’s Tracey Roode! The monthly program takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Registration is required and admission is free. To sign up, call 843-918-1275.

Playtime Yoga
9:30 to 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 24, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Small children, ages two and older, and parents are invited to participate in playtime yoga from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 24. Attendees are asked to bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Classes take place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

AARP Smart Driver Course
9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Saturday, January 25, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Refresh your driving skills and learn new rules of the road at the AARP Smart Driver Course, set for 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 25. The course takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Students must be 18 years of age, or older. Cost is $15 for AARP members and $20 for non-members. Questions? Contact Judy Chamberlain at 843-945-4455.

Youth Chess Club
Youth, ages four to 17, and all skill levels meet from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 25, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Attendees play chess and learn new tactics and strategies. This program is organized by volunteers and chess enthusiasts. For more information, contact kshartford@gmail.com.

Chair Yoga Class
1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Monday, January 27, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Join certified yoga instructor Dawn DiVita for this unique, gentle yoga class that teaches chair yoga, a yoga style that helps make practice fun and easy for all. The class meets from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 27, at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Questions? Call 843-918-1275 for information.

Topics Trivia
4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Everyone's invited to participate in “Topics Trivia” from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. Players form teams (one to six players) and compete to answer fun trivia questions. Topics include literature, geography, sports, television, history, movies and more. The team with the most points in the end wins a prize. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. Questions? Call 843-918-1295 for information.

Harry Potter Book Club
4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 28, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library invites fourth through ninth graders to embark on a magical year-long journey as the club reads and discusses all eight Harry Potter books! Each discussion includes an accompanying craft, activity or game. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

Tuesday, January 28 – Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone Activity (Build Golden Snitch Catapults)

NEW! Messy Munchkins Program
11:00 a.m., Friday, January 31, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Toddlers, ages 18 to 36 months, are invited to participate in “Messy Munchkins,” a new program that provides a storytime with sensory play stations at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 31. Participants should come dressed to make a fun mess! The program takes place at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North. For more information or to register, call 843-918-1275.

African Folktales Program
5:30 p.m., Thursday, February 27, 2020
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, hosts a variety of characters from stories that celebrate African folktale traditions at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27. The program is presented by Bright Star Touring Theatre. For more information, call 843-918-1275.
Veterans Awareness Series (VAS)
1:00 to 3:00 p.m., First Monday of Various Months
Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North

Attention, veterans, family members and friends… Chapin Memorial Library hosts an informative, helpful series of seminars to aid local veterans from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on the first Monday of various months. The Veterans Awareness Series at Chapin Memorial Library, 400 14th Avenue North, provides local veterans with a supportive peer network that promotes health and well-being for our military veterans and their family members. This outreach program is led by Myrtle Beach Veterans Affairs Peer Support Specialist Bernard McLeroy and provides one-to-one and group sessions, educational classes, connections to community resources and other helpful services for veterans. Topics include counseling, re-entry, housing, mental health, education, compensation and employment. Veterans can also sign up for a free library card. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. For more information and to sign up, contact Kim Felton at 843-918-1295 or felton@chapinlibrary.org. The 2020 VAS dates are, as follows….

March 2, April 6, June 1, August 3, October 5, November 2 and December 7

Eight-Ball Pool League – Registration Deadline is January 8, 2020
Player Meeting – 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2020
League Games – January 15-March 25, 2020
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Registration is now open for General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center’s Eight-Ball Pool League, a competitive pool league consisting of fun games for pool enthusiasts. Games begin January 15 and conclude with the final match on March 25. The registration deadline is January 8. A player meeting is set for 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 8. All games are played at General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. Questions? Call 843-918-2380 for information.

Senior Friday Movies
3:00 p.m., Fridays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Enjoy a free movie for adults and seniors every Friday at 3:00 p.m. at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center. Soft drinks and popcorn are available to movie attendees for $1 each. Questions? Call 843-918-2380.

3:00 p.m., Friday, January 3, 2020 – Shazam (PG-13), Adam Brody
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 10, 2020 – The Upside (PG-13), Kevin Hart
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 17, 2020 – Astronaut (PG-13), Richard Dreyfuss
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 24, 2020 – Green Book (PG-13), Viggo Mortensen
3:00 p.m., Friday, January 31, 2020 – Stockholm (R), Ethan Hawke

Casual Play Game Time (Chess and Checkers)
6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Mondays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Do you like to play strategic games? Join us for a casual game of chess or checkers at General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays. It’s free and fun! Bring a partner and play with deluxe Staunton-style chess pieces. Free coffee is also available. For details, call 843-918-2380.

Senior Bingo at the Base
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays
General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane

Attention, seniors… If you are looking for fellowship and fun, do not miss Senior Bingo at the General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center, 800 Gabreski Lane. Stop in and play on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Players are asked to bring a prize valued at $1 to play. Questions? Call 843-918-2380 for information.

Myrtle Beach Marathon
Saturday, March 7, 2020
https://www.mbmarathon.com

The 2020 Myrtle Beach Marathon is set for Saturday, March 7, 2020. More details to follow….
For more information and to register, visit https://www.mbmarathon.com.

Crabtree Gym’s Annual Open House Event
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 14
Crabtree Memorial Gymnasium, 1004 Crabtree Lane

Crabtree Memorial Gymnasium invites everyone to enjoy the Annual Open House event set for 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, at the recreation center, 1004 Crabtree Lane. The free event includes fun activities, informative workshops, entertainment, vendors and much more! For more information, call 843-918-2355. More details to follow….

Jazz in the Park
2:00 to 6:00 p.m., Sunday, April 26, 2020
Chapin Park, 1410 North Kings Highway

Save the date and attend “Jazz in the Park,” a celebration of Jazz Appreciation Month and Myrtle Beach’s jazz history from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 26, 2020. Attendees bring lawn chairs and enjoy free, live entertainment. Music from local bands, artists, food vendors and more make this a special family-friendly event you do not want to miss. More details to follow….
Questions? For more information, contact the Neighborhood Services Department at 843-918-1062.

Free Professional Fireworks Shows (Weather Permitting)
Various Days and Times

- 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 31 – Broadway at the Beach, 1325 Celebrity Circle
- 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, December 31 – Valor Memorial Garden (A Southern Times Square at The Market Common), 1120 Farrow Parkway