

# May may be a bit congested

If you normally head this way over the Memorial Day weekend, please be aware that things will be quite different this year. Because of the incidents that occurred in the city last year and larger-thanusual expected crowds this year, the police are instituting some new measures for crowd control. Among these are turning Ocean Boulevard into a one-way street moving southward only leaving the northbound lane open for emergency vehicles.

Traffic coming off Ocean Boulevard will be routed over a 23-mile loop before being directed back to 29<sup>th</sup> Ave North and Ocean Boulevard. Barricades will also be erected between the sidewalk and the boulevard with pedestrians being allowed to cross only in designated areas.

#### 2014 Tax Info

The 2014 tax rate is **\$ 86.58** per unit week owned.



#### Giant ape attacks city? No...another great attraction near Broadway at the Beach

The world famous Hollywood Wax Museum has opened another locale in Myrtle Beach. The attraction is located in the former NASCAR Café building at the corner of 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue North and Bypass 17 across from Broadway at the Beach.

Next door, NASCAR SpeedPark has been renovated and is now called Broadway Grand Prix at Broadway at the Beach.

#### Program a success with owners

Palmetto Beach Club has decided to continue the new "last minute vacation" deal for our owners.

From November through February, based upon availability, an owner can rent up to four nights in a Palmetto Beach Club unit for \$199 for 2 bedrooms.

The reservation has to be made the week of your stay and cannot be made in advance.

Just give us a call the first part of the week and have a great time.

## A word from the Better Business Bureau

In a tough economy, struggling families look for ways to reduce their expenses. One popular option is to unload any timeshares so they can recoup their investment and stop paying maintenance fees. Many businesses specialize in reselling timeshares, but the Better Business Bureau warns that some companies are using deceptive sales tactics to bilk thousands from already cash-strapped timeshare owners.

While timeshare owners are looking to unload the financial burden, unfortunately, not as many vacationers are buying. Timeshare sales dropped 40 percent in 2009, according to the American Resort Development Association. As a result, timeshare owners who are eager to sell are increasingly susceptible to offers that are too good to be true.

"Because of the economy, many timeshare owners want to cash out now but no one is buying," said Kathy Graham, BBB of Coastal Carolina CEO. "Unfortunately, some unscrupulous timeshare resellers are taking advantage of the situation by misleading timeshare owners into paying thousands of dollars in the hopes of unloading their timeshare quickly."

Companies like Resorts Condo Management, Creative Vacation Solutions, Platinum Property Exchange and Premier Timeshare Solutions have earned F ratings with BBB for convincing timeshare owners that they already have interested buyers but require thousands of dollars in upfront fees - such as closing costs from the sellers and ultimately fail to complete the promised sale.

## **Renovations are continuing**

This year, unit 702 has something good cooking up. The kitchen is getting a complete makeover with new appliances and some other nice surprises to make the unit even more like your home-away-from-home.

Please remember, check-in is at 4 p.m. Don't forget, we need the names of any guests you are sending to your units by Thursday before they check-in. This will make the check-in procedure smoother. Also, should you experience any maintenance or housekeeping issues, please inform us as soon after check-in as possible. Please check the enclosed calendar for your arrival dates. Sometimes, your week may

not fall on the same date as previous vears.

## **Check your records**

Your Palmetto Beach Club week is like other property, it is deeded property. Please remember that in order to avoid a lengthy ordeal through the probate system, you must have a Right of Survivorship clause in your deed. Also, probate issues must be handled through Horry County.

### Rental program sets record

If you plan on renting a condo for an extra vacation in Myrtle Beach, please check with Palmetto Beach Club before looking elsewhere. Our rates are very competitive and vacationers have been using our rental program more and more. This year marks another record setting year for rentals. This is a great chance

to have even more fun at Palmetto Beach Club.