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## **Matthew is Gone and Events are ON!**

*Weekend festivities throughout the Grand Strand to go on as scheduled*

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. – Despite ongoing Hurricane Matthew recovery operations, the Myrtle Beach Area is bouncing back and welcoming visitors. Mike Bettes of the Weather Channel said during a live broadcast from the Boardwalk yesterday, "It's sunny and beautiful and business as usual here in Myrtle Beach... why not come on out!"

**Great events taking place this week/weekend:**

[Pawleys Island Festival of Music & Art](#) – Thursday, October 13 through Saturday, October 15

[Georgetown Boat Show](#) – Friday, October 14 – Sunday October 16

[Myrtle Beach Seafood Festival](#) – Saturday, October 15

See more Grand Strand events [here](#).

"Myrtle Beach is back in business and it's going to be a great weekend," says Brad Dean, president and CEO of the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce. "Myrtle Beach is known for its resilience. Power crews have been working around the clock and have done such an amazing job that it's hard to imagine just a few days ago we were dealing with a huge storm, now we're welcoming back visitors. But it's not just about the visitors. We know a lot of people depend on tourism for their jobs and livelihoods, so getting our economy back up and running is good for everyone."

An ongoing survey by the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce reveals that many businesses are open or well on their way to being open for business! For an updated list of business openings visit the [chamber website](#) as well as the [Visit Myrtle Beach website](#).

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**About The Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce**

Since 1938, the Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce has stood as the unified voice of the Grand Strand's business community. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has awarded the MBACC its five-star accreditation, one of only several chambers in South Carolina to earn this distinction. The MBACC serves Myrtle Beach, North Myrtle Beach, Surfside Beach, Little River, Atlantic Beach, Garden City Beach, Loris, Conway, Aynor, Murrells Inlet, Litchfield Beach and Pawleys Island. For more information, visit [MyrtleBeachAreaChamber.com](http://MyrtleBeachAreaChamber.com). The Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce is the proud recipient of the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives' "2015 Chamber of the Year" award.