# The Lake View

#### Lake Pinehurst Association Newsletter

**July 2011** 

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President's Message: Tom Reedy 295-2674 HYPERLINK "mailto:wreedy1@nc.rr.com" wreedy1@nc.rr.com

This is a wonderful time to be living in the Lake Pinehurst community. We have had great weather and the pollen season is behind us. Summer is here and we see more boats on the lake every day. The recreational opportunities afforded by Lake Pinehurst are superb. We can swim, sail, fish, paddle our kayaks and canoes, peddle our peddle boats, and leisurely cruise around the lake on our pontoon boats. We can also sit on our decks and watch our neighbors enjoy themselves on the lake. The lake is a great place to slow the world down a bit and just plain relax.

The first two summer events of the Lake Pinehurst Association have been well-attended and very successful. On June 8, we had our picnic at the beach club. This provided an excellent opportunity to see all your friends and neighbors around the lake and to also have the finest "pig pickin picnic" in all of Pinehurst. It was very hot, but it was fun. Our thanks go to all who attended the picnic. My thanks also go to Martha Currie and several other LPA members who worked hard to make this event fun for all of us.

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We also held our 4<sup>th</sup> of July boat parade on the lake. This was our second year and we had more than 20 boats on the lake, including both sail and kayaks. The parade was led by Bob Rhodes, who was our Grand Marshall in 2011 and the force behind both the 2010 and 2011 boat parades. The participants were very creative in their decorations and costumes. The judges worked hard to select the winners. Although we have not been counting, it seemed like many more spectators watched from the shore line this year as the parade circled the lake.

We hope to continue this tradition with more boats on the lake and more spectators on shore in 2012. Our thanks go to all the fun-loving participants and to the spectators who watched and cheered from the shore.

Special thanks go to Bob Rhodes and Christy Eibel for their leadership and organization of the parade. Thanks also go to Drew Steidinger for organizing the judging and taking great photographs of all the boats. And thanks go to Charlie Eichhorn for capturing the parade on video and still photographs. Charlie is preparing a short movie of the parade and it will be available to all the participants by the end of July. I know I have missed a few folks who worked very hard on the boat parade and my thanks go to all of them.

So, everyone enjoy your summer, have fun, stay cool. As always, I welcome your thoughts on the lake and what we can do to make it an even better place to live.

## Lake Management: Debbie Smith 295-5313 classicgift@earthlink.net

We have been treating the lake for algae growth for a few months now. This treatment does not require irrigation restriction. Our contractor has treated the perimeter several times for algae this spring and sprayed the entire lake July 6. We will have the submerged weed treatment soon, which requires water restriction for 10 days, and will alert all lake residents either by email or phone call at least 10 days before this treatment so you can turn off your sprinkler systems. This treatment is essential to prevent the hydrilla from growing and spreading. Pinehurst also added 200 carp this spring that also help with the hydrilla problem we encountered 2 years ago. We will be adding approximately 200 carp a year to keep the total population around 2000. The carp eventually die and have to be replaced and the formula used is 10% per year replacement.

Please continue to remind your lawn care companies to blow the cut lawn grass back towards the house instead of into the lake. This will help keep the shoreline grasses down.

While out on your boats, please keep a lookout for any floating branches or tree trunks. Some are very large, and very heavy, but if you could drag them or pull them out they won't be hazardous to other boaters. There were many trees cut down to create Lake Pinehurst in 1973, and left on the lake bottom to decompose. We believe that they are finally surfacing

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We have seen vast improvement in the quality of the lake over the last 2 years thanks to your individual participation. It is so important to maintain a healthy lake with controlled weeds through our spraying program and the carp, not only for our enjoyment of various lake activities but also for our property values.

Hope you are enjoying beautiful, clean and now warm Lake Pinehurst!!

Lake Activities: Bob Rhodes (235-5297 HYPERLINK "mailto:madman1@nc.rr.com" madman1@nc.rr.com)

# July 4<sup>th</sup> LPA Boat Parade

The second annual July 4<sup>th</sup> LPA Boat Parade was another success in getting LPA members (both land and sea) to get involved in a Lake activity. The work and creativity of the members in decorating their boats was obvious to all who saw the event. A complete circle of the lake by the boats helped to bring the excitement and the spirit of the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday to the lake.

Our judges have issued a list of the boat parade winners as follows:

## Best Costume

First Place: Bill & Jan Longenecker (boat #23) Second Place: Jackie & Dick Knepper (boat #8) Third Place (tie): Jake & Patti Moore (boat #10) Tom & Christy Eibel (boat #13)

## Best Decorated Boat

First Place: Bev & Bill Doerr (boat #15) Second Place: Tom & Ginny Reedy (boat #2) Third Place: Kate & Tony Hughes (boat #7)

## Best Non-Powered Boat

First Place (tie): Korey Blecher (boat #34)
Rian Blecher & Rick Dunston

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An announcement of the Boat Parade Awards party will be sent by email to all winners.

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#### Southern Zones Open Water Races

An email blast was sent to all LPA members recently concerning the Southern Zones Open Water Races at Lake Pinehurst on July 31, 2011. The event coordinator is requesting pontoon boat volunteers for water safety patrol from 8 to 11am. Interested parties can contact Susanne Cooper at HYPERLINK "mailto:susannecooper@gmail.com"susannecooper@gmail.com or 910-692-5966.

Social: Martha Currie (910-215-9231 mlci@earthlink.net)

The Annual **Beach Party at the Marina** was held on June 8, 2011. Over 100 members braved the heat and threatening, but welcome, storm clouds to enjoy a good time with friends and neighbors. Many thanks to Charlie Eichhorn for the beach music that wafted in the background. And wasn't that ice cream a welcome touch following a great barbeque spread!

We are guessing that the extreme heat was the reason for a small number of absences. For future reference, members are reminded that if they sign up for the beach party but are unable to attend for any reason, they may pick up their meals as take out service.

#### Communications: Charlie Eichhorn 215-0333 cpeichhorn@mindspring.com

The emails have been keeping our membership informed of what's happening around the lake and our web site features a variety of items of interest. We started a new page on our web site to feature a bio of our members. We will add a bio three or four times a year. Check out the first bio of John and Barbara Carsten. Dick and Shirley Westcott are our second couple. The website is HYPERLINK "http://www.lakepinehurstassn.com" www.lakepinehurstassn.com

Government: Christy Eibel 420-2503 HYPERLINK "mailto:ceibel1@me.com" ceibel1@me.com

#### Moore County Sewer Rehabilation Project

The Moore County Public Utilities Department will begin a major undertaking this Summer when 12.2 miles of sewer line around Lake Pinehurst and in the Historic District of Pinehurst go through a rehabilitation project. The rehabilitation around the lake will be in the form of slip-lining where the existing lines are thoroughly cleaned and new flexible lining is installed within the existing line.

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I have been attending the Village Council Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meetings and have also spoken with Lex Kelly, the Moore County Public Works Engineer. I have put together some basic information to update all our LPA members

- 1. There is no start date set for the project to begin, but there will be two planned public informational meetings held for the residents around the lake. There will be a video explaining the slip-lining process as well as a question and answer session. Once the dates are set, all Lake Pinehurst residents will be notified through the U.S. mail. I will be notified by email and the LPA Board will send out an email blast with additional information.
- 2. The project involving Lake Pinehurst will last an estimated 12-15 months. It is a street by street series of small jobs and you will be notified a few days before your area is affected. Please watch for a notice to be placed on your front door. It will tell you when they are working in your area and it will provide a phone number to call if you have any questions or concerns. The Moore County Public Utilities office can be contacted at (910) 947-6315.
- 3. It is possible that you will be asked to NOT use your water during one day of the slip-lining process. There will be more information provided at the meetings
- 4. Much of the work will be underground so you may not notice anyone working in your backyard. The existing sewer system is made of terra cotta piping and is in bad shape. The slip-lining process will eliminate roots and any blockage that may exist.
- 5. Lex Kelly shared with me the importance of keeping the residents of Lake Pinehurst informed and updated. Please share concerns with the County Office at 910-947-6315.

# Village Recycling Cans

The new 96 gallon recycling cans will be delivered between July 11<sup>th</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you have a white dot out in front of your home curbside, this means you have been a regular stop for the recycle pickup on Friday. You will automatically receive a 96 gallon can. If you do not have a white dot, you may call Tricia Batchelor, Adminstrative Assistant Department of Public Services at 295-5021 and request a recycling can to be delivered to your home. There are also 64 gallon recycling cans available. If you would rather have a smaller container, please contact Tricia.

# Trash Cans

The Village of Pinehurst has two different size trash cans. Unless you requested a smaller can, you were given the 96 gallon size. If you prefer a 64 gallon size, you may call Tricia at 295-5021. A Lake Pinehurst member asked about a 48 gallon container and I was told that only 3 neighborhoods have been given the smaller can. We are not eligible to receive the 48 gallon can. Please understand that the 64 gallon sizes are ordered in bulk. If they are unable to fulfill your request, it may be because they are out of them.

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Membership: Barb & Fred Nuenighoff (910-295-4548 HYPERLINK "mailto:fgn7@msn.com" fqn7@msn.com)

Household Memberships as of March Directory: 176 Additional Renewals: New Members: Total Household Memberships as of June 30: 183

Please print this page and insert in your LPA Membership Directory. This will update your directory to reflect the changes since it was printed in March (changes are in **bold** print).

Corrections:

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Please advise Barb or Fred of your new neighbors so they may be formally invited to join the Lake Pinehurst Association.

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"Don't Let The Beaver Get You Down": Fred Nuenighoff (910-295-4548

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"mailto.fgn7@msn.com" fgn7@msn.com)
In January 2009 we looked out our window and said "what happened to our Crape Myrtle"?

It was gone! The beaver got it! The three trunk tree was chewed off with only 8 to 10 inch stumps left. But the beaver was a neat freak and hauled all of the debris away.

In the Spring, we noted some sprouts coming our of the base of the tree and by the end of the Summer, it was a five foot high Crape Myrtle bush. In March of 2010, five vertical branches were selected and pruned at the three foot height. A three foot high green vinyl coated wire cage was placed around the tree to prevent future beaver attacks. In March 2011 the tree was again pruned at the four foot height. By July 2011the tree had grown to about twelve feet high with many white blossoms.

The beaver also got number of our rose bushes; chewed them right to the ground. They all have come back and are now protected by green vinyl wire cages as are all of our lake side trees and shrubs.

The moral of the story is: protect your lake side trees and shrubs. If you don't protect them from the beavers, don't despair, the small trees and shrubs will grow back!

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Flood Plain - FEMA: Drew Steidinger 295-6393 HYPERLINK "mailto:astei@aastei.com" astei@aastei.com

In 2006 FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) started to change the procedure they used to map and identify property existing in a flood plain. Satellite imagery was to be the new tool and North Carolina would be the first state to use the new process.

The "datum" for Lake Pinehurst changed slightly but what changed more was the newer larger area to be included in the flood plain. Apparently, when the new maps were drawn, a rather larger brush not a fine pointed pen was used. All of this impacted me when I needed to do a title search

Eight years ago when Anne and I built our house an effort was made and money spent to assure we would not be in the flood plain. FEMA's new procedure post 2006 put us into that area requiring flood insurance

I placed a few inquiring phone calls, and was referred to Ron Graham of Central Carolina Surveyors, West End 910-673-0151. He was knowledgeable and answered all my questions. After a new elevation survey and the tedious paperwork, FEMA agreed that I was indeed not in the lake flood plain.

Some of you may not be aware that these changes have taken place and will not find out until a title search is done or a check at FEMA. As my process was almost six months, a surprise at closing may not be what you want.

If I can be of further help, please call.