

The Lake View

Lake Pinehurst Association Newsletter

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

To all of the Lake Pinehurst Association members,

This is a wonderful time to be living in the Lake Pinehurst community. 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, and leisurely cruise around the lake on our pontoon boats. We can also sit on our decks and docks 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.

There are a few things happening in our community that I would like to share with you. Some of you are impacted by these things and some are not.

First, in 2006 FEMA reclassified Lake Pinehurst as a high risk floodplain. Most, but not all, lakefront houses are included. This means that if you want to refinance your house you will have to acquire expensive flood insurance. Also, if you sell your house it will also be identified as in the floodplain. Several residents around the lake have had their property surveyed and then filled out a FEMA form requesting that their property be removed from the floodplain. This costs about \$500. As far as I know, every property going this route has been removed from the floodplain. I have discussed this with the Village and with the State of North Carolina. The bottom line is "FEMA holds all the cards and there is nothing we can do to help." I welcome any additional insights from our LPA members.

Second, short-term home rentals are on the increase in our community. Most of these short-term renters are quiet, respectful people. However, some are not. They disrespect our neighborhood and the people who live in it. Some of our neighbors can no longer sit on their decks in peace. Trash is left and yards are not maintained at some of these rentals. This is a situation that we must address. Bob Wilson is in the process of collecting information about these short-term rentals. Once he has completed his work, we hope to be able to successfully address this situation. We will keep you informed and we hope to have everyone's support to end this disrespect to our beautiful neighborhood.

Third, on May 23 a strong wind and hail storm blew through our neighborhood, disrupting our LPA picnic and damaging cars and homes. There are at least two roofing companies in our neighborhood helping property-owners identify roofs that have had extensive wind and hail damage. If a roof has sustained damage, the roofers will encourage the owners to file a claim with the insurance company. The roofer will meet the insurance adjuster when he comes to inspect the roof. In most cases, the roofs do need to be replaced and the insurance company will pay for it, less whatever your deductible may be. If you think your roof has sustained wind and hail damage, you may wish to contact a roofer and ask him to come and inspect your roof. There are several homes in the process of replacing their roofs and finding references should not be difficult.

Everyone please 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

Aquatic Weed Control

We have been treating the lake for algae growth for a few months. This treatment does not require irrigation restriction. Our contractor has treated the perimeter several times for algae this spring. We will have the submerged weed treatment soon for the entire lake, 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 Resort also added 200 carp this spring that also help with the hydrilla problem we encountered 2 1/2 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.

Fish Habitat

This past winter we implemented a new program, led by Jack Wood, of placing 400 Christmas trees in shallow fish spawning areas around the lake and under docks. I would like to get some feedback from the individuals that placed Christmas trees under their dock and hear if there is a noticeable difference in the amount of small bait fish seeking safety in the trees. Also, if you have had a successful fishing experience around the trees that were put around the lake, I would like to hear those stories, too. Please email me with your observations at classicgift@earthlink.net.

We have seen vast improvement in the quality of the lake over the last 3 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: Christy Eibel 420-2503 ceibel1@me.com

4th of July Boat Parade

The 3rd Annual Lake Pinehurst 4th of July Boat Parade was a total success!!! Fifteen brave boats participated in the 100 degree heat and hot sunshine. The judges had a tough job --- ALL 15 boats were AMAZING and CREATIVE. The judges were especially impressed with the enthusiasm of the boaters despite the hot weather. WAY TO GO!!!! Parade pictures will be on the LPA website. Please visit and check out our spirited boaters. Each boat will be receiving a DVD of the parade including pictures and video.

I am so grateful and want to THANK all the LPA members that came out, brought family and friends, and gave 100% to make the parade such a special event for Lake Pinehurst. I hope we can attract more boaters to participate in the 2013 parade!

TO ALL THE DOGS in costume and on boats --- you certainly take the prize for MAN'S BEST FRIEND!

Many Thanks to our judges---Charlie and Lulu Eichhorn, Jeff and Kay Beran, Tom,Christy and Carley Eibel

1st Place Tie for Best Decorated



6 Jake & Patty Moore



#7 Fred & Barb Nuenighoff

1st Place Best Costume



15 Bill & Jan Longenecker

1st Place Non Motorized



15 Aleta Pigliacampo

UPCOMING EVENT

I would like to plan a floating cocktail party (raft up) for an evening in August or September. I will post the date and information on the website and send out an email blast! The event last year was very successful. The raft up gives everyone an opportunity to socialize and enjoy the beautiful lake we live on! DETAILS SOON

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

The LPA Beach Party 2012 was very different this year. While the hailstorm that occurred during set-up prior to the picnic start was damaging, upsetting and scary, the fun that ensued once the storm was over was so spontaneous and happy that we can count the event as one of our best beach parties ever!

This is what happened. About 4:00 pm., LPA members were busy decorating tables and arranging name tags, the Members Club was setting up the bar and the caterers had just arrived. Moments later the Marina Staff called for everyone to evacuate the beach because the storm was fast approaching. By prior agreement with the staff, everyone got into cars or trucks to ride it out until the Resort declared an all-clear. As we sat in our cars with pea-sized hail pounding viciously, we felt that while this was a set-back to preparations, we would be able to have the party. But when the storm continued with a second wave of much larger hail and heavy rain that seemed to go on forever, I concluded that the party was over. We'd try to prepare take-outs for the members according to the phone call from Charlie Eichhorn.

Finally, the storm passed and it was getting close to time for the party to begin. Rick's Catering was absolutely wonderful! They asked for some space underneath the shelter to set up the food and vowed they'd make us a wonderful party that would be much better than serving take-outs. In the face of such enthusiasm and confidence, I changed my mind again. The party was on! Rick cranked up the big cooker, the Members Club recouped the bar tent that was then sitting astride Mona and Don Hill's car, and the LPA Board and friends reset the tables and mopped up as much water as they could from the benches.

Of the 122 people who signed up to attend, close to 90 people came and stayed and enjoyed the wonderful food presented by our new caterer, Rick and Peggy Davis from Laurinburg, NC. Others picked up take-outs and created parties in their homes. The adventure of the day, the relaxed and good-natured attitude of all members, and the super help of board members and friends was contagious. It all makes for special and enduring memories of our community around Lake Pinehurst! Many thanks to all who helped, the Marina Staff, the Members Club and to you for attending. See photos on next page.

The Social Committee is now planning for the next LPA event, the **Christmas Dinner Dance on December 12, 2012**. The plans are *exclusive* of adverse weather. If you would like to be involved in the activities, contact Mona Hill at 295-2002 or Martha Currie 215-9231.

Hail at 280 Lake Forest Drive SW



Waiting it out at the Marina



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

We now have a new form of communication with our members! You will now receive phone calls from me (my caller ID) occasionally. This form will ONLY be used on a limited basis when we feel it is necessary and appropriate. We made one call to remind you about the Beach Party and another to the attendees with the weather alert and instructions. These calls will only be used a few times a year.

I would like to remind the membership that most of the emails you receive DO NOT ORIGINATE from me. Therefore, PLEASE DO NOT USE THE “REPLY” BUTTON. If you do, the reply comes to me and must be forwarded it to the person that wrote it. PLEASE send your reply directly to the board member or person that wrote the email.

Send me any pictures for the website and I'll try and put them up. Also keep me informed of any changes in your email address.

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

Garage, Yard, Tag, Estate SALES--EACH RESIDENT IS PERMITTED 2 SALES per year.
Please remember to remove all signs from yards, street posts, trees, etc.

May Meeting with Village Council

Water Presentation Highlights

- Speaker Randy Gould---- Public works manager: 30 years of experience
- Pinehurst population 14,000
- Water connections 7,669
- 1.936 average million gallons per day with 3.2 is maximum
- We need additional water sources to amount to 1.5 million gallons per day for 10 years
- Randy did a presentation on the proposals of how we will can get our water.
- Presentation showed a 10 and 30 year study on water demand.
- Most economical is the existing wells and new wells. It is about 1/3 the cost of getting it other ways...from other sources and new plants, etc

June Meeting with Village Council

Car Robberies

Andy Wilkinson discussed the recent crime wave in Pinehurst regarding several cars being broken into. Andy reported that ALL but one of the cars was unlocked.

PLEASE LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS AND REMOVE VALUABLES. Unlocked vehicles are an invitation to the thieves. Items they are targeting are computers, cash, purses, GPS units, cell phones, etc.

Status of 211 Highway Widening Project

- NCDOT spends 70 million a year for 8 counties (Moore County is one of the 8)
- 29.5 million contract for the seven mile project with a completion date of May 25, 2014
- Four lane highway with grass middle when complete
- West End to Pinehurst on south side with be completed first
- Build inbound lanes first then finish the other side next year
- Once outbound done, then median will be finished
- New road will be engineered better and straightened out.
- Gun Club to circle is only closed at night. Night work will begin in July and be steady through the rest of the year.
- Contractors not allowed to work the weeks of the US Open if they don't finish in time.
- Contractor is from Wilson and has a good reputation
- \$2800 a day penalty if not completed on time
- The circle will pretty much stay the same....there will be two lanes coming in on 211. One will be inside lane which goes to Rt 2 to Pinehurst. Outside lane will yield to the circle. There will not be 3 lanes merging in....

- Traffic will still get backed up if you are entering the circle on 211 unless you are exiting Rt 2 to Pinehurst
- There is money set aside for enhancement for the corridor. Landscape architect from Raleigh will add as needed
- From circle to Rt 5 will have some enhancements....sidewalks with pedestrian signals to cross into Village Acres
- Sidewalks on both sides with four striped crosswalks...these will be poured after curbs and gutters
- Page Rd. to traffic circle sidewalk will only be hospital side only
- All signals will be new from Rt. 5 to circle with green arms
- There is NO current planning to extend 211 past West End at this time
- Turn lanes are part of the plan...from traffic circle to West End they plan turns based on traffic volumes
- There will be some U turns out toward West End in case a car needs to change directions
- Speed limit will be 50 mph then slow down as come into town...a study will be done to determine the traffic speed so it may be raised after a year to 55
- John Strickland and John Cashion are liaisons for the village with the 211 project. They will meet very two to three months to keep up to date and also address other issues that they feel are important for Pinehurst

WHEN DRIVING ON 211--PLEASE REMEMBER TO SLOW DOWN AND PAY ATTENTION TO THE SIGNS...THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL ACCIDENTS. The POLICE WILL ISSUE SPEEDING TICKETS. USE CAUTION AT ALLTIMES!!!! Please be aware of the workers...KEEP THEM SAFE!!!

Our next meeting will not be until September. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Christy Eibel at ceibel1@me.com or 420-2503.

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

Household memberships as of March 31st	176
<u>New Memberships</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	177

Add New Members to Directory

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 704 Appleridge Court
 Gastonia, PA 15044
 (412) 287-8077 / (412) 913-5472 inksland@me.com / mary.e.edwards@accenture.com

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

Lake Pinehurst Yacht Club Notice: Tom Reedy 295-2674



The Lake Pinehurst Yacht Club is looking for men and women, young or old and all ages in between who would like to enjoy sailing on our beautiful lake. If you would like to sail, or if you would like to learn to sail, please contact the “Commodore” at wreedy1@nc.rr.com. If you enjoy sailing but do not have a boat, I believe we can find a boat at a reasonable price already docked on the lake. Also, we have a few boats looking for crew at our Sunday afternoon sailing regattas. It’s fun. Come try it.



Fred Nuenighoff, Don Hill & Curt Nuenighoff

It took three men to “weight” a lawn tractor for traction to pull Fred's sailboat out of the water.