# The Lake View

# Lake Pinehurst Association Newsletter

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

To all Lake Pinehurst Association members and lake residents,

It has been a wonderful summer on the lake and we can clearly see fall approaching. The lake has never looked better. However, I need to share with you two concerns I have about the long term health and beauty of the lake. I know that many of you share these concerns. My purpose is to encourage ideas as to how to address these concerns. As always, I welcome your input. If you have something to share, please send it to me at <a href="wreedy1@nc.rr.com">wreedy1@nc.rr.com</a>.

My first concern is for the shallow cove areas of the lake. The water is never deep in these

coves and the periodic dry spells exacerbate this situation. Large portions of these coves become exposed and infested with land-based weeds. Some individuals around the lake have paid private companies to dredge their dock areas so they can access the lake in their boats. However, sand and silt eventually cover the channels that they carved. All the storm sewers around the lake drain into the lake and are responsible for bringing far too much sand and silt into our lake. Sand and silt also flow from our yards when it rains. We need to find a solution to this problem and I welcome your ideas. I do want to add that the Village of Pinehurst has building regulations that govern docks, bulkheads, retaining walls and mounds of sand but no regulations that govern storm sewer outlets or drainage from lakefront properties.

My second concern is for our aquatic weed management program and the recent article in the Pilot that suggested we do not have Hydrilla in our lake. I hope you saw our response to the Pilot's article. If not, email me at wreedy1@nc.rr.com. I will send you our response. We do have Hydrilla, which left untreated will destroy all recreational activity on the lake. We have implemented a cost-effective weed management program and it is working well. We ask every lakefront property (including the Resort and the five other Homeowner Associations) to participate. All but about 6 to 8 individual properties have participated in the program each year and we thank everyone who participates year after year. Our program is working well and we have Hydrilla under control. The lake has never looked better. However, as I write this, there are 20 properties that have not contributed to this year's program. I do not know why. We must treat the entire 28,600 feet of lakefront with authorized herbicides to spot kill Hydrilla. No lakefront property is excluded. To exclude a property would guickly cause Hydrilla problems for its neighbors and Hydrilla would continue to spread around the lake. All individual, addressable lakefront properties were billed \$50 this year, the same as last year. For those who do not contribute, the rest of us are paying their fair share. This year we are covering a shortfall of 20 properties or \$1,000. If we love this lake that we live on, we should be able to spend \$50 a year to protect it from Hydrilla and other noxious aquatic weeds. It is my belief that if you live on the lake you have a responsibility to fully support the programs that are in place to "Preserve and Protect the Health and Beauty of Lake Pinehurst." If you disagree, please tell me why. For those who have not yet participated in this year's weed management program, please do so. Although I prefer not to, I may have to list the nonparticipating properties on the Lake Pinehurst Association website so that neighbors might exert some pressure on the non-participating properties.

As always, I welcome your thoughts and suggestions.

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

We have treated the lake for algae growth throughout the summer. This treatment has not required any irrigation restriction. The results were very good this spring and summer. Fortunately we have had an ample amount of rain this summer and our contractor has been able to maintain control of the shoreline grasses and aquatic weeds. There have been isolated cases of an abundance of weeds and hydrilla in the shallow coves, but this is to be expected and once alerted our contractor has paid special attention to these problem areas.

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.

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 the beautiful fall weather on Lake Pinehurst!!

Lake Activities: Christy Eibel 420-2503 <a href="mailto:ceibel1@me.com">ceibel1@me.com</a>

The Pinehurst Triathlon was held on Saturday, October 8th at 8:00 a.m.

THANK YOU TO THE LPA members that volunteered to be on the Rescue Boat Team. I appreciate your time and effort to help make the Triathlon a safe and successful race. It was a beautiful morning on Lake Pinehurst with over 400 athletes participating. GREAT WORK TEAM!!!

Tom & Christy Eibel
Dick & Nancy Blum
Kate Hughes & Tony Faranetta
Chris & Jackie Nyberg

Frank Glauner Carol Fox & Friends Dave & Rita Byles



Carol Fox & Friends
Foggy Morning Waiting
For the Start

Dick & Nancy Blum Rescue Duty

Jackie Nyburg Watching the Swimmers

Don't forget....THE **LAKE PINEHURST ASSOCIATION HOUSE LIGHTING CONTEST** WILL BE TAKING PLACE IN DECEMBER. There will be awards for both lake side and street side. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW IN NOVEMBER. Please consider decorating your home this year to help beautify the Lake Pinehurst area.







Social: Martha Currie 215-9231 <a href="mlci@earthlink.net">mlci@earthlink.net</a> and

Mona Hill (910-295- 2002) monahill@nc.rr.com>

Plans and preparations are well under way for our next social event, the fabulous **Christmas Dinner Dance** to be held at the St. Andrews Ballroom of the Pinehurst Country Club (across the hall from the Donald Ross Grill) December 12, 2012. Members are invited to mark their calendars now. Guests are also welcome to this festive occasion that begins with an LPA sponsored cocktail hour at 6:00 p.m. and continues with an elegant dinner and dancing at 7:00 p.m. The evening promises to be an overall holiday highlight and continuation of good times with our lakeside friends and neighbors. See you there!

A note about the location of the event this year: the LPA dinner dance has traditionally been held at the Members Club. This year, as you probably know, the Resort will be closing the Members Club for major renovation and redecoration immediately following Thanksgiving and is offering the recently redecorated St. Andrew's Ballroom as the alternate location. The LPA Board wishes to honor our traditions as much as we can while maintaining the high-quality social event we are accustomed to enjoying. We believe the St. Andrews Ballroom is an excellent alternative.

Look for your formal invitation in the mail soon with replies due by December 1.



Socialize at the Cocktail Party



Dance to "YMCA"

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

Your communications committee needs a new chairman! I have been doing the job for over 5years and need to be replaced. This is due to many factors including the following:

- 1. I have less time because my naps have gotten much longer.
- 2. My age is not keeping up with technology changes.
- 3. The dogs are requiring more of my time.
- 4. Preparing for Armageddon is very time consuming.
- 5. Cocktail hour comes earlier each year.

The job is not difficult and I'm willing to stay in place to help train my replacement. Please, if youhave nominal computer skills, contact me to discuss this job. The Lake Association needs a newperson to do the emails and keep the website up to date. Please let me hear from you.

## Government: Christy Eibel 420-2503 <a href="mailto:ceibel1@me.com">ceibel1@me.com</a>

Police Chief Earl Phipps was our guest speaker at the September meeting for the Village Council Neighborhood Advisory Committee. He provided a presentation on speed data collected from the Speed Trailers set up around the Village. He also gave crime statistics based on the last 6 months. All members of the NAC were given an opportunity to provide feedback from his/her neighborhood regarding the SPEED LIMIT SURVEY. I was happy to report that we had several residents that filled out the survey and sent me responses. I turned in a 20 page report with all LPA member information.

John Strickland specifically asked me several questions about the "LAKE DISTRICT" streets and what our neighbors have to say about the speed limit. The lake side district is mostly 35mph while most other neighborhoods are 20 and 25mph for the safety of walkers and bikers and golf carts. The council has received several concerns in our lake district so they are seriously considering some changes. Once the data is studied by Chief Phipps and the council, they will make a decision on what they feel is best for the safety of the citizens of Pinehurst.

Due to the large number of statistics and discussion, I have summarized the key points.

- 1. Motor vehicle violations are much lower than previous years. Chief showed a graph with declining numbers of violations over the past several years/
- 2. Speed trailer statistics

49% of cars passing the speed trailer were in compliance within the posted speed limit.

The following is a list of the posted speed limits followed by the actual average speed by drivers in the village.

- 20 mph posted cars drove an average of 30 mph
- 25 mph posted cars drove an average of 31 mph
- 35 mph posted cars drove an average of 37 mph
- 45 mph posted cars drove an average of 49 mph

These were the recorded maximum speeds on our Village streets.

- 20 mph posted a vehicle was clocked at 45
- 25 mph posted a vehicle was clocked at 55
- 35 mph posted a vehicle was clocked at 78 (This was at Lake Forest and St. Andrews Dr.)
- 3. Village Acres lowered their speed limit from 35 to 25 and are very happy. The residents of Village Acres feel safer and most are happy with decrease in speed limit.
- 4. The Village speed limit is 35 mph unless posted.

- 5. Suggestion for dusk or dark walking and riding bikes is to wear reflective clothing.
- 6. SPEED LIMITS OF RESIDENTIAL AREAS IN PINEHURST.
  - 30mph in Pinewild
  - 25mph in Number 6
  - 25mph in Village Acres
  - 25mph in CCNC except one road is 35mph
- 7. Discussion about shoulder lines and center lines. Data shows painting lines narrows road and slows down cars but then once they are use to it ----cars go back to previous speed so painting lines is not going to slow the cars long term.

#### OTHER GOVERNMENT NEWS

- Old steam plant turning into a brewery is still trying to get financing but moving forward.
- There will be a NCDOT meeting in October regarding the 211 project so we will be updated after Andy meets with them.
- Education Pavilion in Arboretum Funds are being raised.

No time frame until funds are raised

Donations accepted

Open air pavilion for use by residents

Car break in update.

Most break-ins are 2-3 cars in a night. The criminals hit more than one in a night. Suspects were arrested for the car break-in spree that took place several months ago.

### PLEASE REMEMBER:

- 1. PUT GARAGE DOORS DOWN AND TAKE VALUABLES OUT OF CAR.
- 2. PINEHURST IS VIRTUALLY CRIME FREE
- 3. VERY FEW HOUSE BREAK-INS RIGHT NOW. TARGET HARDENING ...make it difficult for the criminals...they look for easy access. They tend to pass locked cars and houses and enter UNLOCKED cars and houses.

## CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

- 22 1/2 weeks training for Citizens Police Academy
- Second class started 9/18/12
- Encourage people to get involved and join the class.
- Another class will be in January...touch base with police department if you are interested.

Membership: Barb & Fred Nuenighoff	(910-295-4548	fgn7@msn.com)
Household memberships in the 2012 Directory	171	
New Memberships - March 5 to 31	5	
April 1 to June 30	1	
July 1 to September 30	1	
Total	178	

# **Add New Members to Directory**

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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.