

BOAT RAMP -- As more and more families move into Pine Knoll Shores, there will be more boats, and we will need more places to launch boats and park boat trailers. With the future in mind, the Directors of Pine Knoll Association have voted to establish a park area at Davis Landing complete with launching facilities for small boats and boat trailer parking area.

Plans are being made for the Annual Meeting of members of the Pine Knoll Association for the afternoon of 8 June at the John Yancey Motel. There will be more information on this in a later edition however, mark your calendar now!

GOLF COURSE CLUB HOUSE -- It was very impressive to this writer as a large group stood in the pre-sunset on the bank of Bogue Sound for the ground breaking ceremony of the Club House of Pine Knoll Shores Golf and Country Club. Stan Brunt introduced Mayor Redfield, Representative Ronald Earl Mason, Ruth Bray, and Jake Brooks. Rev. Dan Frederick, pastor of Shepherd of the Sea Lutheran Church, gave the invocation. It was exciting as the total sincerity of the occasion was detected in all. It gave you a feeling of being a part of the whole new life with the expansion of P.K.S.G.C. The ceremony itself was short and impressive as each official set the shovel deep into the sand as what was known as the first tee. As Ray Scoggins set his shovel in the sand, some smart cookie asked if he had a permit. Your reporter knows the man well, and says God Bless Ray Scoggins. Some great guys, O. Flynn, Sarge, and Ken Foscue manned the charcoal fires for a delicious barbecue, and the occasion was a complete, happy success.

FUTURE NEIGHBORS - Jeanne and William Earnest from Upper Arlington, Ohio and their college age son, have been cutting brush for a week on their lot on Oakleaf just west of Sycamore. They plan to start building in October. A friendly family, just the kind of folks who will feel at home in PKS.

MEET THE JOHNSONS -- If you're wondering why the lights are on in the Doll's house and a beautiful new boat has joined "The Mentioner" -- here is the answer. Frank (officially C. Franklin) and Marge Johnson have been living there while building a house on Oakleaf Drive. The Johnsons come here from Glenview, Ill., where Frank was Senior Vice-President of J. Walter Thompson Advertising in Chicago. They have three children, one daughter married and living in Glenview, and a son and daughter in college.

They are knowledgeable collectors of American primitive antiques. Marge golfs and has proven herself an excellent garden-tender. Frank's field is art which should make for an interesting house -- hopefully they are moving in the middle of May.

If you wonder - are they glad they made the move - Frank flew to Chicago to tie up some loose ends and we quote -- couldn't wait to get out of there and back to Pine Knoll Shores - end quote. Need we say more - yes - welcome Marge and Frank!

BOGUE BANKS GARDENING

SHELTERED INLAND -- With gardening, as with many things in life, one man's meat is often another man's poison. For those in the first category the good news is that the thirty mile sand bank is surprisingly cooperative with those who attempt gardening because they enjoy growing vegetables, fruits and flowers. Heavy duty equipment, such as tractor, plow, roto-tiller, is not needed. A hand operated disc harrow or cultivator is adequate to prepare the soil to a six inch depth. A few additives are essential. These include several inches of humus bearing top-soil, enough lime to sweeten the soil to the liking of vegetables, and some all purpose fertilizer such as 8-8-8 or 10-10-10. Now you are ready to seed and plant.

Weeds are a minimal problem. Some use of insecticides is essential. Watering is necessary during dry spells. You should enjoy a long parade of succulent vegetables to your table, staggered over three seasons, from asparagus, onions, and radishes in March, to the last tomatoes, eggplant, turnips, etc. in December.

Forget the doubters warnings. Try growing anything you happen to like. Gossip with other gardeners about gardening experience -- a most enjoyable bonus added to supplying the table.

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