

Pine Knoll Association

By Marge Green

The regular meeting of PKA was held on August 9, 2004 at 9:30 at Town Hall. Police Chief Culpepper was present to answer some of the concerns raised by the members of the Association. The Board of Commissioners (BOC) is trying to have one member, either a department head or a commissioner, attend our meetings for information purposes.

A great deal of his time with us was spent discussing animals at large but especially dogs on the Beach Strand. Many of the problems result from a lack of thought or plain inconsideration of others by the dog owners. The Town Ordinances, Section 5-1, 2, 3, & 4 covers dogs and I quote, "Dogs which are household pets, may, when accompanied by a responsible individual controlling said dog on a leash in hand not to exceed sixteen feet in length, be allowed on public right-of-way and on the beach strand. Violation of this Ordinance is a Class 3 Misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \$100. Further the Town may assess a civil penalty in the amount of \$50.00 for the first offense and \$100.00 for each subsequent offense for violation of said sections."

Some homeowners along the strand seem to feel that the beach area is their back yard and allow their dogs out

onto the beach unattended to take care of their needs. Their feces are not picked up and disposed of properly. No one wants young children or adults, for that matter, to walk or play on the beach where dog feces are present. Visitors to our beach area are also a concern and MUST abide by our Town Ordinances. Please do not take offense, when a concerned citizen reminds you of your obligations as a pet owner. Chief Culpepper has assured us that his officers are spot checking the beaches for free roaming animals for your protection and the protection of the turtle nests.

For those who might not be aware of it, there is a 72 hour time frame in which you can put out your monthly yard waste. This is picked up on the last Thursday of the month.

Some canal owners have seen an Atlantic Beach Patrol boat in our canals. No, they are not patrolling our canals. It just so happens that the officer who performs this duty for Atlantic Beach is also a resident of PKS, and he is either coming home or going to work when you see him.

While on the subject of the Pine Knoll Waterway, we hope that everyone has already returned their questionnaire that you were sent in the mail. It is important that

we know how you feel about the Town changing Chapter 16 of the Municipal Code regarding public waters and waterways.

While our local election cycle is over, we are still in the State of North Carolina and the Presidential election period. Our sign ordinances are very clear on the subject. No electioneering signs are allowed. I quote Article V, Section 4, "No sign or billboard of any kind shall be erected or allowed on any Lot other than one "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign, not larger than three square feet with no rider above or below. "For Sale" or "For Rent" signs must be free standing and not attached to a dwelling or to a tree. Small signs, not to exceed three square feet displaying the owner's name or the property name are permitted."

I hope you do not feel that I am full of negatives. Sometimes, we all must be reminded of why we choose to live in Pine Knoll Shores. If we posed that question, most would respond that they appreciate the trees, the waterways, and the friendly spirit of the inhabitants plus the general appearance of the Town.

Ancient Mariners Bowling League

The Ancient Mariners Bowling League will open the 2004-2005 season September 27 at Carteret Lanes in Morehead City. There will be a short organizational meeting at 12:30 p.m. followed by bowling at the usual start time of 1:00 p.m..

The season is split into two parts. The first half will end December 13. The second half starts January 3 and continues weekly until March 21. There is a substitute list available for those who occasionally cannot make a weekly bowling event.

As of now, there are plans for twelve 3-member teams. The Ancient Mariners are very interested in finding new members. They are now looking for non PKS resident members who will be sponsored by an Ancient Mariner member as a new bowling applicant for this league season. It is a handicap league and bowlers of every skill level are most welcome. The fee is \$8.00 per week. Anyone interested in enjoying a couple hours of fun and friendly competition on Monday afternoons should contact Sheila Doyle at 252-247-0590 or Judy Garry at 252-247-2865.

At the Library

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CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

The library will be closed on Monday, Sept., 6 for Labor Day

What's New: Autumn is a wonderful time to take a vacation. Books on CD and tape can be enjoyed as you travel this fall. Stop by the library to make your selection for your trip. You can renew these items as you travel with a phone call to the library or by accessing the library's website at <http://carteret.cpplib.org>. Visit the display table and learn more about one of the most feared sea animals—Sharks.

New Books: Our large print collection, enjoyed by so many of our patrons, continues to grow. "The Summer I Dared" by Barbara Delinsky, "Tempted" by Pamela Britton, "Good Grief" by Lolly Winston, "Sarah" by Marek Halter, "Dumping Billy" by Olivia Goldsmith and "Daisy's Back in Town" by Rachel Gibson are new additions to the Large Print Collection.

Featured Artists for September: The Art gallery will feature a diverse and beautiful collection of paintings by the popular Morehead City artist Grace Owen. Her award-winning pastels are joined by works in oil,

acrylics and watercolors. Scott Haines brings his unique copper, Raku and textured glazes in a wide range of pottery designs to the Showcases.

Reception for Artists: Held on Friday, September 10 at 3 p.m. at the library. Come and meet Grace Owen and Scott Haines and enjoy their excellent works. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library and is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served

Activities for Children: Preschool Storytimes will be held each **Thursday at 10 a.m.** All programs with Ms. Rebekah. Sept., 2 "Labor Day Celebration", Sept., 9 "Grandparents Day", Sept., 16 "Pancakes Galore", Sept., 23 "Arrival of a New Season", Sept., 30 "Week of the Dog".

Regular hours are Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Bogue Banks Public Library is a branch of the Carteret County Public Library in Beaufort and is affiliated with the Craven-Pamlico-Carteret Regional Library. Carteret County Public Library Website: <http://carteret.cpplib.org>

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