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New Emergency Personnel Add Depth, Experience

There are several new faces at the Town's Public Safety Building, including those of three new firefighters and emergency medical technicians added to the staff in the past month. In addition, a parttime firefighter and EMT has been advanced to fulltime status and a new office assistant has joined the team.

The new additions give the Town greatly increased capability to respond to public safety situations around the clock with trained personnel drawing on years of experience in a wide variety of disciplines, as required by increasingly stringent state mandated standards.

Moving up from parttime to fulltime status is Capt. Buddy Tweed, who joined the PKS department four months ago. Tweed, a firefighter since 1997, comes from Ashville and was a captain with the Reynolds Fire

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Another new presence at the Public Safety Building is that of Molly, a Dalmatian rescued from a kill shelter in Fayetteville by EMS Director Matthias. Molly, who lives with the Matthias family, possesses a wonderful demeanor and, when at work, has slipped quickly into her traditional role as a fire dog. Matthias says she insures that he is always working by following him everywhere he goes. She is anxiously waiting to welcome children and other tour groups.

The Candidates



Joan Lamson



Bob Kihlstrom



Jay Kocher



Larry La Brie



Ted Lindblad



Bonnie Jean (BJ) Peter

May We Have a Moment – Or Two!

have an hour or so now and again to help The Shoreline editorial staff put together the Town newsletter, which is published monthly.

You don't have to be a Hemingway, although that would certainly be a bonus, but it would be helpful if you like to write and take pride in putting the facts of a situation together on paper in a manner that proves interesting and informative to the reader.

That's not the only help we are seeking. There is also a need for computer literate people who can prepare our copy and receive and send material electronically.

The need for additional help arises from the nature of the lifestyle most Pine Knoll Shores residents pursue. We're basically retired types who are always on the go, leaving town frequently to travel, to honor a family commitment, or for other good reasons. The present editorial staff has done pretty well over

Actually, we're looking for a few people who the past year keeping up when one or more of us are away. But we're often stretched pretty thin. Knowing that there are additional helpers standing by when the need arises would be helpful.

> There's a lot of talent in Pine Knoll Shores, and we hope those of you with a literary bent or with a long-held desire to be a newshawk will give serious thought to pitching in and giving us a hand. We hope you'll give us a call.

> > Bill White

5 Vying for 3 **Seats on PKS Town Board**

Mayor Unopposed For Reelection

Five candidates have filed to compete for the three seats on the Town's Board of Commissioners that will be filled at the Nov. 8 municipal election.

On the mayoral side of the ledger, Mayor Joan Lamson is the only one who has filed to place her name on the ballot. Lamson has served as mayor for two years, winning the seat in 2003 as the first mayor to be directly elected by the voters. She is seeking a second two-year term.

Prior to 2003 the town commissioners annually chose one of their number to serve as mayor. The Town Charter was changed in 2001 to switch to a form of government that provided for election of a mayor directly by

Of the five candidates for commissioner, Larry La Brie, a retired attorney, is the only incumbent. He was appointed to the board two years ago to fill the unexpired term of former Mayor Robert Gallo, who resigned.

Joining La Brie in the commission race are Robert Kihlstrom, a retired engineer; Jay Kocher, president of Pine Knoll Homeowners Assn.; Ted Lindblad, a retired engineer and a former president of Bogue Banks Country Club, and Bonnie Jean (BJ) Peter, an attorney and former business law educator. Commissioners are elected for four-year terms. Biographical sketches of the candidates

In addition to La Brie's seat on the Town Board, the other two to be contested in the non-partisan Nov. 8 municipal election are currently held by Mary Kanyha and Jim

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