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Annual Beach Cleanup



There was a good turnout of Pine Knoll Shores and NC Aquarium volunteers to join in the island-wide beach cleanup on July 5. See "What's Up With PARC?" on page 30.—Photo by John Brodman

Volunteer of the Year



Pine Knoll Shores resident Richard Donoghue (left), pictured here with Police Chief Ryan Thompson, recently received the Coastal Community Action Volunteer of the Year award. See the full story on page 3.—Photo by Natalie Gibble

Flood Risk Information System Website


By Scott Sherrill

For the next several months, the town will be continuing to push out information through *The Shoreline* regarding the next Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). North Carolina's Division of Public Safety has a website that has both the existing flood zone classifications and the proposed flood zone classifications (fris.nc.gov/fris/). The town's public information session on using the Flood Risk Information System (FRIS) website held July 25 will be available online through the town's website, and a helpful video created by the North Carolina Division of Public Safety (DPS) for Dare County is available on YouTube.com by searching "NC Flood Insurance Rate Maps 2016." Even though the video features Dare County, it deals with the website in general.

When you first go to fris.nc.gov/fris/, you are greeted by a map featuring North Carolina, Florida, Virginia and Alabama. When you click on North Carolina, the map will zoom the state, broken down into counties. The most efficient way to get to your specific information is to type your *full* address (including ZIP code) in the provided space and click GO.

The map view begins with the **Effective Map**, which has been in effect since about 2003, and is set to show you the Flood Zones. Generally, blue indicates the AE zone, green/teal indicates the VE zone, yellow indicates the Shaded X, and no color/natural appearance indicates the X zone. "What You Need to Know About the New FIRM Release" in the July 2016 issue of *The Shoreline* explains these categories (available at townofpks.com; click on The Shoreline/Past Issues).

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