

# Progress is Being Made

By Ryan Thompson, Pine Knoll Shores Police Chief

I would like to sincerely thank everyone in Pine Knoll Shores for helping the Police Department make our crosswalks as safe as possible. Going into Memorial Day weekend, I was worried that the inevitable influx of residents and visitors to our area would result in a dangerous situation at our three crosswalks. Fortunately, this was not the case. Over the holiday our police officers stopped only one motor vehicle for a crosswalk violation. This marks a huge success for everyone in Pine Knoll Shores and Carteret County. I believe this is the direct result of our education and enforcement campaign, and I applaud everyone's efforts. After seeing the success and results thus far, this education and enforcement campaign on pedestrian and bicycle safety will become an annual event for our area law enforcement agencies in Carteret County. Chances are this is not the first time you have read about crosswalk or pedestrian safety in *The Shoreline*. If it is, here is a quick rundown of what Pine Knoll Shores has done in the past several months to make things a little safer at our crosswalks:

- The town coordinated with DOT to seasonally reduce the speed limit to 35 mph for the first half mile on the east end of Pine Knoll Shores on Highway 58.
- New crosswalk signs were installed in the median at the Hampton Inn crosswalk.
- The Police Department applied and was accepted to the Watch for Me NC campaign. As part of this program we will receive a lot of informational materials and safety equipment at no cost.
- The town purchased informational pamphlets on crosswalk safety and has passed them out throughout Carteret County.
- The town applied to receive 50% funding for pedestrian activated signs for the three crosswalks. We are still waiting to hear if we will be awarded the funding.
- The Police Department participated in a county-wide "Yield or Ticket" crosswalk enforcement campaign over Memorial Day weekend.
- Pine Knoll Shores police officers will travel to Burgaw to receive training from Watch for Me NC and to Durham to learn more from the Durham Police Department on pedestrian and bicycle safety and enforcement.

The efforts to make Pine Knoll Shores and Carteret County a pedestrian-friendly community have been made on several fronts. Local businesses, other law enforcement agencies and municipalities, the news media and our residents and visitors have all played an equally important role in this effort, and the results speak for themselves. I cannot thank you enough for your efforts and assistance.

## Scam of the month: veterans' health care

This scam exploits the Veterans Choice Program, a government initiative that allows some veterans to use health care providers outside the Veterans Administration system. The program has a toll-free telephone number that vets and their families can use to check their eligibility. Crooks have set up a telephone number that is almost identical, which they are publicizing in a letter to veterans.

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## PUBLIC SAFETY

### POLICE

During May there were 12 arrests; 17 911 hang-ups; 21 alarm activations; 10 animal calls; 2 larceny calls; 2 damage to property calls; 1 breaking and entering call; 13 disturbance calls; 17 assist Fire/EMS; 1 motor vehicle collision; 6 mutual aid calls; 170 traffic stops; 41 citations issued (4 speeding, 1 stop sign/stop light, 7 registration/inspection, 5 license revoked/expired, 13 other traffic violations, 9 narcotics violations, 2 alcohol violations); 30 written warnings issued; 133 business checks; 157 residential checks; and 389 foot patrols. Police personnel participated in 140.5 training hours. Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) worked 77 hours.

### FIRE AND EMS

In May responders handled 5 false alarms or false calls, 3 fires, 3 good intent calls, 1 hazardous condition (no fire), 17 rescue and emergency medical service incidents, and 1 service call. Personnel participated in 415 training hours.

**REMINDER:** Lock your doors, especially your vehicles, and don't leave valuables in sight. Report suspicious people or vehicles to dispatch (726-1911) so that the police can be notified. You are not "bothering" the police if you call to report something that doesn't look right. They prefer to assess the situation rather than find out after the fact that you had noticed something and didn't report it. Alert citizens are an asset to the community.



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