

Pine Knoll Shores is now a town. By a vote of 120 to 26, residents voted to incorporate. 146 residents voted in the election, or 90% of those eligible. The campaign brought out many different viewpoints. The newly elected commissioners now have the task of drawing all viewpoints together so that all of us can contribute toward making our new town the well-organized, pleasant place that all of us want for our home. This issue of the Shore-Line is devoting much of its space to information about our newly elected commissioners.

With George Washington's portrait watching over the ceremony in the Beaufort County Court House, the six PKS commissioners were sworn in by the Clerk of Courts on Friday, August 3, at 11:00a.m. Their families felt a tingly thrill at the historic occasion; none of them had ever been in on the making of a town before. At least one wife had a tear in her eye.

Jim Redfield was chosen mayor of Pine Knoll Shores at the first meeting of the commissioners on Saturday, August 4. He will welcome cooperation from resident and non-resident property owners.

GOOD SPORT OF THE YEAR AWARD: Fourteen candidates ran for six jobs. Voters had tough decisions to make. The people who ran were an experienced and talented lot. The non-winners were STAN BRUNT, JOHN COLLIER, JOHNNIE DENNIS, WILLIAM FORD, HARRY HALL, RAY SCOGGINS, DAVID SLEDGE, AND GUS WERTZ. The good sport thing comes now: tied for sixth were RUDY McBRIDE and RAY SCOGGINS. One of them had to be chosen by lot. Ray lost. Poll people present said he was just wonderful about it, giving Rudy a big handshake and wishing him well. So, from now on, it's SCOGGINS-THE-SPORT. The commissioners hope to call on these gentlemen for help in getting our new town off to a good start.

The newly elected commissioners come from varied backgrounds and from all corners and shores of PKS. Your editors have whipped up brief biographies.

JIM REDFIELD is a retired consultant to top managements of major corporations, providing counsel in general management, organization, long range planning, and marketing. His 30 years experience in this field will be of much value to him in his new role as mayor. Jim has a B.A. from the University of Cincinnati. He and his wife, Carol, lived in New York just prior to coming to PKS about a year and a half ago. They are both eager fisher-people, photographers, and musicians, but their great love is gardening and their garden is glorious, both to the eye and to the palate. Jim and Carol have a son, James, Jr., who lives in California.

JIM RAMSEY, 56, is the retired General Manager in Transportation of U.S. Steel Corporation, with 35 years experience as a business executive. He has an A.B. from Westminster College and attended Harvard Business School. He is an ordained elder of the Presbyterian Church. Jim and his wife, Margie, formerly lived in Pittsburgh, before moving to Pine Knoll Townes Condominiums of which Jim is president. The Ramseys' son, Craig, and their daughter, Pat, both live in Pittsburgh. There are six grandchildren. Margie and Jim are golfers and love to fish.

RUTH BRAY is well known to most of us because she is owner and manager of the Atlantis Lodge. Her enthusiasm and friendly ways have made many of us realize what a desirable place Pine Knoll Shores would be to live. Ruth, who has been a widow since 1957, built the motel "to be happy and stay busy," this despite friends who warned her that she would go broke out there in the boondocks and starve to death. From twelve units the Atlantis has grown to forty-six, but it has kept the dunes and island vegetation which make it fit into our area so well. Ruth's excellence in her profession has led to her being an officer in the North Carolina Motel Association. She has two children and six grandchildren.

BILL DOLL, 47, moved to PKS in January of this year, from Sheboygan, Wisconsin, where he had been vice-president of the H.C. Prange Department Stores. He has a B.A. in Economics from the Univ. of Wisconsin and 25 years experience in retailing. He and his wife, Mary, have a son, Jon, soon to begin graduate work at the University of Washington in Seattle, and a daughter, Julie, about to start her freshman year at Seattle