

# Real Estate News

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## You can't judge a book by its cover

One of the great benefits of living in Pine Knoll Shores is having the wonderful Bogue Banks Public Library right in the middle of town. I love books. Often, I don't want to check them out of the library. I want to buy them to take my time reading and savoring and even keeping forever. I also love books as gifts, both to give and to receive. How convenient it is to have a fantastic used bookstore right next door to my office and just steps away from the library.

Check out the Book Nook. It's not a fancy store, and most of the time it's not even staffed. It operates on the honor system. You pick out the books you want and leave the money in the receptacle provided. Imagine living in a neighborhood where that works. When you buy a book (or a few) at the Book Nook, you are also supporting the Friends of the Library who operate the shop to raise funds to support the many programs and services of the library.

With its hand-drawn signs and volunteer-built shelving, you might expect it to be somewhat of a junk shop. Trust me, it's not. The Friends of the Library do everything with class. You will find well-organized shelves and sections that make your shopping easy. Some of the books are worn and written in but you'll find many that are like new. I personally have put together a delightful collection of vintage books in my home library that include *See Spot Run*, *The Giving Tree* and *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.

One corner of the Book Nook is especially for children and looks like a space where any child would love to visit and maybe read a bit. I especially love the inspirational section where you can find like-new copies of books like *The Prayer of Jabez*, *If Life Is a Game, These Are the Rules* and *Who Will Cry When You Die?*. If you receive a gift from me, it will most likely include a special book chosen just for you from the Book Nook. Did I say I love books?

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## PIKSCO Happenings

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the sound by the property line. These changes should alleviate some of the over wash problems. The next step is to top dress the entire area and re-seed.

Dead trees are scheduled to be removed from Garner Park, and the location of the trees complicates the job. Because of the proximity to the kayak racks and water's edge, some landscaping re-work will be needed. We are reviewing options to correct the over wash/erosion problems along the entire Garner Park shoreline. Part of the east-facing bulkhead will be repaired, and we are also evaluating adding riprap to key areas in order to temper the wave action. Our marine construction contractor is also installing a new Tide Tamer floating dock. Rest assured that this is our top priority and will be completed in time for the Kayak for the Warriors events.

It might be early, but mark your calendars for our annual meeting and social on Saturday, July 18. The meeting will be similar to prior years, with a hot dog supper.

**PIKSCO contact.** For questions, concerns or to volunteer, contact PIKSCO by phone at 252-247-4818, email at piksco@gmail.com, through our website at piksco.com or by mail at P.O. Box 366, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512.

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