

PKA News

By Amry Cox

Spring brings May flowers and more volunteer opportunities within the Pine Knoll Association (PKA). We are looking at ways to make it easier for our members to know what we are planning and decide when and where to volunteer based on interests, skills and schedule. We will send out specific dates and locations of projects through our emails and on social media.



Karen Murphy and Mike Di Lauro volunteer at Brock Basin.

—Photo by Robert Cox

Dates, including rain dates, will be published at least a week in advance to make it easier for folks to come out and lend a hand. Our workdays are social and another way to meet your fellow members. Our goal is to have all projects complete and all sprucing up of common areas accomplished before Memorial Day weekend. Come out and help us as often as you can. Here's the status of some projects and what is planned for others:

- **Brock Basin**—Planting and mulching work are almost finished and looking mighty nice from the street. Some board replacement work is needed at the bulkheads.
- **Davis Landing**—Planting and trimming are planned. Concrete work on the approach to the boat ramp is being planned and may take some scheduling to accomplish.
- **Hall Haven**—Most of the dock work has been accomplished, and now the focus moves to replacing and rebuilding the walkways.
- **Kings Corner**—Basic cleanup and sprucing up from winter is needed.
- **Ocean Park**—A few weekly flag duty slots are still available. Go to pineknollassociation.com and sign up. We are looking for folks handy with hammer skills to help replace some boards and a few steps going to the beach off the sittum, plus a few other beautification projects.
- **Ramsey**—Trimming and some planting are possibly needed as well as checking and sprucing up equipment and picnic tables.

The PKA annual meeting is next month on Friday, June 17, with sign-in and social starting at 6:30 p.m. at town hall. Members will receive their PKA mailing

with information, ballot and annual bill in the mail this week. If you have not received it by mid-May, please contact the PKA Administrator as shown below.

PKA contact. Contact PKA by phone at 252-240-1717; by email at PKAbox905@gmail.com; via the website at pineknollassociation.com; by mail at PO Box 905, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512; by the PKA drop box at 118 Walnut Circle; and on Facebook at [facebook.com/pineknollassociation](https://www.facebook.com/pineknollassociation). The PKA Harbormaster's phone number is 252-646-3762.

PIKSCO Happenings

By Ric Cox

As of this writing, our last meeting of the PIKSCO Board of Directors was held on March 21 at McNeill Park. During the monthly park assignment reports from the directors, one of the most discussed topics was the encroachment of the sound on the west side of Garner Park. We have lost several feet to higher tides and storm swells, and it has become apparent that some type of solution needs to be evaluated, including the possibility of a living shoreline or the installation of a bulkhead. Two of our board members took on the challenge to start the evaluation process by meeting with one of our vendors to investigate options, placement and costs. We will share this information with our members when those reports are given.

The board also plans to do some spring cleanup. This would include power washing areas, cleaning and repainting grills, striping the parking lots and refurbishing.

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