Some folks, possibly youngsters looking for unusual and attractive gadgets to adorn their rooms, are giving Town Commissioner Jack Thompson a hard time. For awhile they were stealing the blue reflectorized markers, placed on PKS streets to help fire truck drivers find hydrants at night, almost as fast as Thompson could get them installed. At one time, the reflector thieves had virtually denuded Oakleaf Drive of the markers so that the town had to order a new supply -- 25 at nearly \$3 each -- plus a stickier cement designed to make them more difficult to prize loose.

Thompson pointed out that the markers are a "safety factor" because some time "somebody's life may depend" on how rapidly a fire truck, possibly from a strange fire department, finds the nearest hydrant.

Here's a reminder that the first of a series of color films featuring the homes and life styles of several great Americans will be shown at the Marine Resources Center at 2 p.m. on October 26. The first of the films, which will be narrated by E. G. Marshall, will feature Sagamore Hill, the home of Theodore Roosevelt. Prior to the film Ann Johnston, director of Library Services will present a review of "Mornings on Horseback," a biography of Roosevelt by David McCullough.

The second film of the series, "Cornelius Vanderbilt II's The Breakers," will be shown at the same place at 2 p.m. on November 23.

Pine Knoll Shores' only retail store has changed its name. The emporium you used to know as the Handy Pantry has installed a new sign proclaiming that in the future it will be called the Jim Dandy Store. Dan Sotir of 104 Hawthorne Drive, co-owner with Jim Hudson of Gastonia, says the name change actually occurred several months ago and "we were waiting for the new sign ordinance to be passed before we changed our sign." Sotir said a major reason for the change was a proliferation of stores using the words "Handy" and "Pantry" so that "we were losing our identity." He noted that the new name incorporates the first names of the two proprietors.

The "Ancient Mariners", a bowling league whose members are all residents of Pine Knoll Shores, are together again, eager and ready for their tenth season. The members and their guests met at the Bogue Banks Country Club on Monday evening, September 26th,

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for their annual kick-off dinner, a most enjoyable affair which was arranged by the Dinner Committee with special assistance from their aides: Lib Fleming, Kay Johnson, Peg Knight, Marge Ramsey, Si Bezuyen, and Ken Knight.

A short business meeting was presided over by President Mary Korff, who welcomed everyone and introduced her officers: Vice President, Robert Herbst; Treasurer, George Hitch; and Secretary, Arnold Smith. There will be fourteen teams this year and their captains were recognized as were the Dinner Committee, Carol and Jim Redfield, Ken Hoffmeyer of the Rules Committee, and the Historian, Marge Ramsey. Others who will be helping the President in her goal for a successful season are Libby and Hayes McCulley on Entertainment, Gwen Cuthill on Prizes, Vern Wallace, Telephone, and Virginia Greata, Publicity.

The enthusiasm of the dinner group promises an interesting and exciting tenth season. Larry Jerome got the league off to a lively start with the first 200 game of the season, a 201 on the first day of bowling, October 3rd. Many more will surely follow.

More substitute players will be welcomed. Anyone interested may contact President Korff or Secretary Smith.

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