

There were days when the Bookmobile was late. All this comparing of books would then take place while we waited. You could sometimes get all the books you wanted without looking at the shelves! But there were other days when the Bookmobile did not come at all. Mechanical breakdown or too many puddles on the old Salter Path Road, were among the following month's explanations. (How did they maneuver that big clumsy van over those bumps and hollows)?

I particularly remember one cold day we waited in vain in our cars. When it became obvious the Bookmobile was not coming, hoods, fenders and trunks turned into library shelves as we compared notes and exchanged books with each other. Confusion reigned the next month when these books were returned. The cards were filed under the name of the borrower and it was hard to remember who had loaned you which book! Somehow this all got straightened out and none of us was charged for a lost book.

Now we have more selection, we can browse through the unslanted shelves, read out-of-town newspapers, peruse the displays, learn what books are on order and which ones have recently arrived. And we can consult the catalog! What luxury! If we don't like the books we take we can return them the next day and try some more. We don't have to wait in the cold for a library that doesn't materialize. But there is something missing. Is it the pioneering spirit? Or the chance to meet and compare notes with friends on a regular basis? Probably both.

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PINE KNOLL SHORES WOMEN'S CLUB

To start the '85-'86 season off on Friday September 27th at 10:00 a.m. in Town Hall, we'll have as our guest speaker, Dr. George Oliver, Jr., well known in the field of obstetrics and gynecology. Dr. Oliver's topic will be - "After child-birth - what? He'll discuss hormones and cancer in women and will answer any questions we might have.

At our October 25th meeting, we'll have Karen E. Kale, as our guest speaker. Her topic will be "Financial Planning -- How it works for you." Ms. Kale is a Financial Planner and Registered Representative for the nation-wide Investor's Diversified Services of American Express. An "open house" will follow, hosted by Betty Grey to get better acquainted with our members and visitors. We will have a year of most interesting subjects, thanks to our Vice President and Program Chairman, Dot Boise. Within our club, we have groups interested in - Antiques - Art - Books - Travel - Investments - Supper Club and others in the formative stages. There should be "something for everyone" and all suggestions are appreciated.

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GARDEN CLUB

Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club entered its 11th year with its initial meeting of the 1985-86 season on Wednesday, September 11 at Town Hall with President Vivian Macdonald presiding. New member Jean Heilemann of Arborvitae Drive was introduced along with several guests.

Club projects were discussed which include Green Bag Day October 16, Luminaria, planting and maintaining the medians on Oakleaf and Mimosa, etc. Project chairperson Lenore Roberson announced that a sale of crepe myrtle will be held for all townspeople after January 1. Concern was voiced in regard to the indiscriminate destruction of trees by some builders and surveyors when clearing lots in preparation for building.

Tickets are on sale for a Christmas extravaganza, a program by Bob Thomas, the well known international Floral Artist from Florida, to be held at West Carteret High