

FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Are we vulnerable to crime in Pine Knoll Shores? Sure, why not? We leave our key in the car at the Country Club. When we leave town we don't tell anyone, especially the Police [we do check the houses, and we have found quite a few of them unlocked]. Just take the few extra minutes to double check everything. It doesn't take a thief but a few minutes to deprive you of things you've had for a number of years, but it may take months or years to recover them. Be safe. Be secure. Lock up when you leave, even for a few hours. Have a safe holiday. And Remember! Buckle Up!

There is yet another organization just formed in the County to help combat crime, but it is not new in the United States.

The organization is called the "Morehead City and Carteret County Crime Stoppers Program". There have been three meetings on this program, and at the last meeting Mike Davidian from Pine Knoll Shores was selected to serve on the Board of Directors from this area.

This program works on tips. Rewards are given to persons whose tips lead to arrest and convictions. The caller does not give his/her name but receives a code number. Rewards can be made in such a way that the tipper's identity need never be known.

This organization has been approved by the IRS, so all donations are tax deductible. So far contributions are around \$5,000. and there is a need for more. Persons wishing to contribute can do so by sending \$5.00 or what ever they so desire to:

Morehead City and Carteret County Crime Stoppers Program
P.O. Box M, Morehead City, N. C. 28557

The phone number for this organization will be: 726-INFO
726-4636

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OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Years ago, Pat and Steve Nelson met on Long Beach Island, off the New Jersey shore. They fell in love and were married. Although they moved away, a barrier island had a special attraction to them and held a special place in their hearts.

Steve was a Navy pilot, and his career eventually took them to many places including San Diego, Key West, Chicago and many other locations during his thirty years in the service. Their union produced six children, and Pat feels they all benefitted from Navy life which made the family grow into well-adjusted adults.

Their last Navy station was Lakehurst, N. J. from where Steve retired and went into a consulting business in the Toms River area. However, this was soon to change. A visit to not-so-new Pine Knoll Shores residents Art and Freda Stone changed their lives. As they crossed the Morehead-Atlantic Beach bridge, there on the horizon was their barrier island. By the end of the visit, 145 Oakleaf was under contract.

The six Nelson children, including Stephen, Lael, Eric, Billy, Mark and Vicki have given Pat and Steve seven grandchildren and all but one of the six live in the Toms River area. The other lives in Tampa.

In the brief time since their arrival, Pat and Steve have become involved in bowling, bridge and golf, golf, golf, and both are anxious to become a vital part of the community.

Since the children and grandchildren are far away, lots of love goes to Muffin, an all-American dog who is a loving companion. Muffin is a very fortunate dog who lives in a very lovely home with two very special people.

YOLA HANAN