



EMS Squad #65

Pine Knoll Shore's Rescue Squad and Fire Department celebrated the completion of their new offices and storage rooms with an open house in early October. These new offices were constructed by the town in the loft of the town garage. Chief Ted Lindblad and Charlie Swetz have been busy installing shelves to organize the squad's equipment and supplies. Lois Heffelfinger, Squad Treasurer, and Rita Whalen, Equipment Training Officer, are busy organizing and storing the items.

Our annual Halloween Party/Meeting was again hosted by Gloria and Dick Gustafson at their PKS home. All squad members and spouses attended this event for good fun and good food. Most creative costumes were Rita Whalen and Bill Schmit, while funniest were Commissioner Ted Goetzinger and wife, Marian, and most original costume went to Teddy Wimberly.

The Squad answered 14 medical and 3 fire calls in September.

The totals for October were 18 medical, 1 medical transport, and 2 fire calls.

Submitted by: Marilyn Smetana



Fire Department News

Four Fire Officers along with Ted Lindblad of the EMS attended a nine hour training course on the Incident Command System at the Community College. All members of the Fire Department will receive I.C. training in the near future.

The Fire Auxiliary held their First Annual Cook Out at Brock Basin for the Firemen. A great time was had by all.

The Fire Department was awarded \$1000 "Safety Grant" from the League of Municipalities. This makes a total of \$13,610.54 we have applied for and received in grants during 1997.

Effective this month Bruce Flynt was

elected Assistant Fire Chief, Dave Gildner was appointed Captain and Walter Geist was appointed Lieutenant, DeVan Barbour continues as Lieutenant, Bruce Cornelius remains safety Officer and Duke Foulk as Chief Engineer.

The Fire Department roster now contains 21 members but we can always use some more good people. Call Chief Turney and talk about becoming a member.

Be sure to come out and see the Christmas Parade on December 20. Atlantic Beach Fire Department and Salter Path Fire Department will also join us.



Submitted by: Andy Turney, Fire Chief

Pine Knoll Shores Garden Club



The November meeting of the PKS Garden Club was called to order by President Mary Heim on November 12. She welcomed members from the Emerald Isle and Cape Carteret Garden Clubs.

Irene Doremus, First Vice President, introduced the speaker, John Fussell III, a self-employed Biologist involved with contracted projects for such organizations as the National Park Service. He has also been part of the "Bird Count" for Carteret County, taking the count of birds that fly through the County each winter since 1962. He is the author of two popular books: "Finding Birds in Carteret County" and "A Birder's Guide to Coastal North Carolina."

In his talk about birds, he pointed out, through a slide presentation the often negative impact "homo sapiens" has had on the bird population in the county since 1900. He also noted that this is an "El Nino" year and rare birds could be blown off course and find their way to our county this winter.

Olga Welsh, First Vice President in charge of projects, distributed long leaf pine saplings to members. A general distribution of saplings had been scheduled for November 13 and 14 at Brock Basin.

The December 10 meeting will take place at the ocean front home of Jane Page. It will feature a "Show and Tell" of Christmas ornaments and decorations and a sharing of Christmas memories.