



PKS Police Dept

Community Policing

The Pine Knoll **Shores Police** Department is a **community-oriented agency**. Our philosophy suggests both police and members of the community share **responsibility** for the maintenance of order in a community. Shared responsibility entails frequent and sustained communication between community residents and police personnel. An important distinction between traditional policing and community policing is "prevention". We attempt to identify a problem and make changes to prevent it from becoming a crime. An example is the house checks and business checks we provide in the community. The over 5800 house checks in 1999 kept our break-ins to a low 7. The information the police were able to obtain and information supplied from the neighbors resulted in 3 of the break-ins being solved. The surrounding communities are not so fortunate.

The checkpoints we have and high visibility also helps to keep undesirables out of our community. Your police officers routinely stop and investigate any unknown person or vehicle in the community (especially at night). In turn you the citizens are quick to call the police when you see something that "just isn't right". It all works to keep Pine Knoll Shores a safe community.

Next month the police department will generate a "citizens' survey" and we would greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete it. It will help us to address any concerns you have and perhaps answer any questions you might have too. Please drop it off at the Town Hall or pass it on to a police officer you see out on patrol when you complete it. We appreciate you taking the time to respond to the survey.

Also, in support of the North Carolina Special Olympics, the Pine Knoll Shores Police Department has "Torch Run" T-shirts for sale. These colorful shirts cost \$13 and all the proceeds go to support our "special" athletes in North Carolina. We have a shirt on display in the front entrance of the Town Hall. You can get your shirt from the Police Department located in the Town Hall.

Submitted by: Police Chief Mary Muhlig

Notice to dog owners: Chapter 5, Section 2 d, of the Town's Municipal Code states: No person owning, harboring, keeping or in charge of any dog shall cause or allow the dog to defecate or otherwise commit any nuisance on any street, sidewalk, park, beach strand, municipal right-of-way or other publicly owned area, or upon any private property without permission of the owner of the property, without the excrement immediately being removed by the person owning, harboring or keeping the dog responsible for the excrement, and then depositing such excrement in an appropriate waste container.

In the event of an observed violation of any of the above restrictions by a Town police officer or an observed and witnessed violation by a resident of the town, the animal owner will be issued a letter from the Town indicating that in the event of a second violation, the owner will be fined no less than ten (\$10.00) dollars nor more than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, and that for each additional violation the fine will be no less than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars nor more than fifty (\$50.00) dollars. Any court costs in which a violation is judged to have occurred will be borne by the owner of the animal.



Squad #65

The healthier you is this months topic.

Food poisoning self-defense: Drink small amounts of fluids frequently after symptoms begin to appear. Most food poisoning is cured with rest and fluids. But fluids often will not stay down – especially if you try to drink a lot – making dehydration a serious side effect. So take a sip or two every few minutes. Even if there is vomiting, the body has a net fluid gain if you keep drinking. **BEST FLUIDS TO SIP:** Electrolytes restoring liquids, such as Pedialyte... or clear liquids, such as gingerale or apple juice. Caution: If diarrhea does not subside within two or three days, see your doctor.
Bruce Yaffe, M.D. Internist and Gastroenterologist New York.

Fruit and vegetable washes play on the widespread fear that fresh produce is contaminated with germs and pesticides. Yet these products contain more than soap. Any product that claims to "kill germs" or "remove bacteria" is breaking the law – there is no solid evidence that antimicrobial products work on the irregular surface of such produce as strawberries and broccoli. It's just as effective – and much cheaper – to clean fruits and vegetables with a soft brush under running water.
Food and Drug Administration, Washington, DC.

Squad 65 responded to 7 medical emergencies.

Submitted by: Maureen Danehy