

## Police Report Sand

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During December, there were 66 calls for service, including two accidents, five assist other agencies, five assist fire/EMS, three town ordinance violations, 34 welfare checks, 12 alarms and five unlocked doors.

Fifty citations were issued involving 62 charges including two driving while impaired, eight speeding, eight driving while suspended, 12 seatbelt violations, seven drug violations and 25 all other. There were no alcohol violations during December. Twelve warning tickets were issued and 171 residence checks were made, as well as 420 business checks.

Once again Police Chief Culpepper urged citizens to lock their doors. Unlocked vehicles have been ransacked and homes have been entered while people were inside. If suspicious activity is noted it is important to call dispatch 504-4800 or 911 right away.

## Emergency Services

During December, there were ten calls for service, 6 were for basic life support and 4 for advanced life support.

There were 7 fire calls in the district, 5 were alarm activations and 2 service calls. There were 6 mutual aid calls with one structure fire.

The department had a total of 367.5 training hours and the deputy chief and three captains attended a weeklong command & control class for compliance with FEMA regulations.

Bill Mathias was proud to report that the Fire/EMS department passed the state inspections without any discrepancies.

in Bogue Sound because of a requirement that the material be disposed of in the least costly manner. The PKS beaches lie south of the current dredging sites and are the closest disposal site available. The least cost requirement can present a stumbling block to communities like PKS, but in this case is working to the advantage of the town.

Being carried out at a cost of roughly \$1.7 million, the work off PKS is scheduled to deposit upwards of 150,000 cubic yards of sand (some 11,000 truck loads) on a 2,000-foot stretch of beach at the extreme eastern edge of PKS. Ernie Rudolph, the town's director of public services, reports the sand is medium dark in color, very fine, and relatively free of shells. He believes it will bleach out well on the beach and

add welcome volume in the battle against erosion.

The sections of the AIWW currently being worked on off PKS were last dredged in the early 90's, at which time a pipeline similar to the one being employed now was used to pump the dredged material across the island from sound to oceanfront along the same route. The section of that pipeline that remained beneath Highway 58 was found to be not suitable for use this time and a new one was put in place. The pipeline reaches the beach across the the old Best Western Hotel site, which has been cleared for redevelopment. The pumping operation began Jan. 20 and should be well along by the time you read this.

## PKA Ponders Sign Problem

By Beth LaBrie

The Pine Knoll Association Board of Directors held their regular meeting Jan. 14 at town hall. The board reminds members posting or removing signs from any of the PKA parks or marinas that they must go through the PKA office for approval. Some signs have been removed that are required to be posted by CAMA and have to be replaced. The PKA office number is 240-1717.

Don and Ginny Stambaugh have donated approximately 400 landscaping

stones to PKA for reuse in beautifying our parks and marinas.


The marina renovation project is underway. This is a large, expensive task involving replacing a deteriorated bulkhead and 30-year-old docks. The association will be working hard to avoid as much inconvenience to slip holders as possible during this work.

The committee reviewing changes to the covenants and by-laws expects to present its recommendations at the association's Feb. 11 meeting.

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