

Lake Pinehurst Association

Fall Newsletter 2024



President's Message from Frank Glauner

What a great way to kick off the fall season – Sueson Vess and her Social Committee organized a terrific Chili Cook Off Picnic! It was a delightful evening for our members to reconnect after a busy summer. We want to extend a very sincere thanks to the 10 members who made the extra effort to create their own special chili and share them with the rest of us – they were delicious!

In case you were not able to join us at the Annual Members Meeting in April, we thanked two departing members of the Board – Greg Handke and Kirsten MacDonald – and welcomed two new members – Jane Sutton and Bob Newman. Jane will be creating our newsletters and Bob will be our Treasurer. We can always use some additional help. If anyone is interested in getting involved with our activities, please let one of the Board members know.

One of our key missions is to Enhance Life on the Lake by keeping everyone informed of activities that affect our members. To do that we use email, our LPA website, and our private LPA Facebook page to distribute information. Additionally, Facebook is a valuable resource for our members to share information with fellow neighbors about the Lake. To that end, we would remind everyone to keep your posts limited to Lake-related matters.

With the fall picnic behind us, the Social Committee is beginning to work on plans for our December events. We are looking forward to both the Holiday Gala and the Winter WonderLake Boat Parade.

One of our traditions has been to collect donations as part of the Winter WonderLake celebration. This year, the Social Committee has explored options to direct part of our donations to help our fellow North Carolinians who live in the western part of the state and have been so terribly impacted by Hurricane Helene. Details are in the LPA Social Committee report **Annual Holiday Giving** section below.

Take care – see you around the Lake,

Frank



Annual Members Meeting held at Pinehurst Country Club in April with guest speaker Pinehurst Mayor Pat Pizzella

LPA Social Committee & Calendar of Events

By Sueson Vess

Our year of fun is building to our final hooray with the LPA Winter WonderLake™ Boat Parade, Giving Opportunities and our Holiday Gala!

The Social Butterflies hope that you have enjoyed our various events, including the May 16th Spring event that was held at the Beach Club: **“Lake Pinehurst is Calling”**. Everyone was thrilled to be at the Beach Club! Pinehurst Country Club (PCC) is certainly willing to allow us to hold events at their facilities, however we must use The Resort for catering and pay rent. These fees are understandably higher than what we pay at Rassie Wicker Park. Most events have expenses like rent, insurance, catering, table decorations and more. We do our best as stewards of our resources to budget and create events with YOU in mind.

This year we had very few Sunday Boat Tie Ups primarily because of the weather. Please let us know if this is something that you miss or are ready to let it fade into the past.

Our July 4th Boat Parade tried something new. Some aspects of the change were welcomed and others...not so much. We changed to a later time, 7:30pm, so that we could have a somewhat

cooler parade AND we changed to hold the parade on the same date as the fireworks. Our goal was to stay in our boats following the parade and enjoy the fireworks. This was less successful because we competed with PCC festivities, and the result was fewer boats in the parade. Maybe next year we will keep the later time, but do it on our traditional July 4th, regardless of when the actual fireworks take place. Share your thoughts with any LPA board member or Social Butterfly.



July 4th Boat Parade participants



On October 8th, we had a **Chili Cook Off** – the first post Covid. It was delicious fun, and we were delighted to taste everyone’s creations that ranged from Turkey Pumpkin Chili, Vegan Chili to Secret Recipes and Bison Greek Chili. We had 10 contestants: Rosie Heintz, Scott McDonald, Sueson Vess, Judie Henry, Monica Converse, Mary Kay Socha, Sharon Ward-Fore, Steve Davis, Steven Casey and Paul Friday. Our winners this year were: 3rd place Rosie Heintz, 2nd place Scott McDonald and 1st place Sueson Vess.



NEXT UP: Our **Annual Holiday** Giving opportunities will begin collection on November 4th and end on December 10th. Drop off is new this year at the Davis home: 639 Diamondhead S. We are collecting for both Western North Carolina hurricane victims needing winter coats, gloves, hats (new or gently used) AND for Moore County needs of gently used or new blankets and sheets (full, queen or king-sized), bath towels, hand towels, wash cloths and disposable diapers (sizes 4, 5 and 6). All of these are being distributed through [The Sandhills Moore Coalition for Human Care](#); checks are also accepted payable to the same name.

The 2024 Holiday Gala – **“Merry and Bright”**, our theme for this delicious and festive event at Forest Creek Golf Club on Thursday, December 5th, 6pm. Watch for your emailed invitation with more details. We will have a plated dinner, dancing with our DJ and lots of fun!



Finally, the **LPA Winter WonderLake™ Boat Parade** is Sunday, December 8th at 5pm. Start planning your theme! This is always a fun, creative and festive start to the holiday season.



Photos from past WinterLake Boat Parades



Cheers from your Social Chair and team of creative Butterflies!

Membership and Hospitality

By Barbara McGinnis

We had a very successful 2024 membership drive, and warmly welcome 29 new members! LPA membership has grown to 197 households and 352 members.

Given our mission to keep our members informed and involved in all things that impact our neighborhood, our organization works hard to enhance our sense of community by planning and hosting multiple social gatherings throughout the year. We also offer a "lake voice" into a variety of local organizations and provide places where members can stay informed: our website www/lakepinehurstassn.com (member directory) and private Facebook page.

Please be sure to encourage any new families to consider joining the LPA. Our slogan “Enhancing life on the Lake” begins with you!

Membership applications are posted on the LPA website (www/lakepinehurstassn.com).

New members:

Catherine Clark

Michele and Michael Rencis

John Condit

Josephine Borthwick

Alan and Amy Johnson

Stacy and Willie Mecadon

Joseph and Katharine Mills

Robin Myers

Charles Russell and Jeannette McLarty

Ashley and Vickie Smith

Tom and Elizabeth Walsh

Charles and Penny Clack

Patricia Breslin and Ronald Lind

Kevin and Pat Williams

Dana and John Casson

Debora Herdere and Regean Boughner

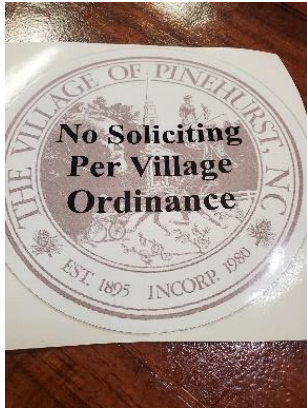
Government

By Jeff Heintz

Ripple Fiber has indicated that installation of its fiber optic cable will begin soon in the Lake neighborhoods. The cable is buried along the road rights of way, immediately (most times) off the pavement on the side of the street where utilities are already buried. Ripple is required to restore disturbed property to the condition it was in prior to construction, including repair of any irrigation lines or other buried service equipment that they damage. Ripple will provide flags so that homeowners can show the location of these things in their yards. Questions about installation, construction, and service can be addressed to ripplefiber.com/construction or by calling 800-359-5767. The construction manager for Ripple’s project is Susan Kitching, and she can be reached at 910-493-3587.

I have attended a presentation by Ripple and have made inquiry about installation at our property through the website. The presentation was reasonably informative, and Ripple was very responsive to my inquiry. That said, issues with damage to existing infrastructure are inevitable and have occurred already. Ripple has reportedly been responsive to those and have made repairs promptly and satisfactorily.

Finally, the service is reportedly faster and more reliable than Spectrum, and at least during this construction phase, those who sign up for the service will receive free installation and have their monthly charge fixed for life.



In other news, the Village has enacted a revised ordinance governing door-to-door solicitation. (Has there been a confirmed sighting of a door-to-door solicitor in Pinehurst?) Commercial solicitors must obtain a permit from the Village; noncommercial (i.e. political or religious) solicitors do not. Neither type of solicitation can be legally prohibited outright, however homeowners are not required to allow solicitation on their properties. For those residents who wish to do so, the Village has prepared “No Soliciting” stickers that can be placed on a front door, to deter the practice. I have a limited supply of these, and they can also be obtained from Village Hall.

Pinehurst Village Council has begun a process to revise the ordinances regulating unreasonable noise, lighting, unruly gatherings and short-term rental operations. The Village’s noise ordinance has been amended to prohibit noise in excess of 65 dB between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. (In other words, the “ambient noise threshold” which made the previous ordinance largely unenforceable has been eliminated.) Complaints regarding noise in excess of this level may be reported to the Pinehurst Police at the Non-Emergency Dispatch number (910-295-3781). The police will assess and document the complaint and issue a citation if one is warranted.

Council also revised the regulations governing light pollution in residential neighborhoods, the purpose being to diminish lighting that “spills” over from one property to another. If you have an issue with this, please refer to Section 92.18 of the Village Municipal Code to find the limits on residential lighting, the complaint process and the penalties.

You can also contact Village Councilman John Taylor at jtaylor@vopnc.org or Councilwoman Barb Ficklin at bficklin@vopnc.org. They oversaw the revision of both the noise and the lighting ordinances. Both of them have proven to be very responsive to resident inquiries.

After completing these revisions, the Village will turn to the others mentioned above. I’m hopeful that the short-term rental ordinance will be revised to enhance its provisions regarding health and safety, and its enforceability generally. We shall see.

One More Thing: The Village has added a program called Community Connect whereby you can provide certain types of information to the Fire Department to make it easier for them if they have to respond to your house. It includes things like a bare-bones description of your house, number of occupants, whether you have a pet, etc. I've signed up for it and it seems very

useful. While we're on the subject, I again recommend that you sign up for the Village's Code Red reverse notification program which gets activated in times of emergency. Both of these services are accessible on the Village website or on MyVoP.

Lake Management

By Rick Norland

Those who have seen the Northern Lights from the lake are so fortunate. Usually, one would have to travel further North to see them. If you missed them, here's a sample and there's more on the LPA Facebook page.



This year, only spot treatments for hydrilla were required. At the end of September, NC Lake Management boated along the entire shoreline and found hydrilla in the shallow coves of Horse Creek, Brae Burn Village, Lake Point Cottages, Diamondhead Dr S. (opposite the marina), Burning Tree Rd and Queens Court. They spot treated these areas and indicated spraying didn't require the suspension of any irrigation. It's unlikely that any further treatments will be needed this year as the water is turning cooler.

Periodically, logs will appear in the lake:



If the beach club/marina is operating, the club manager, Bill Janhonen, can be notified at 203-554-8075 (wjanhonen@wsjenterprises.com) to remove them. If they're not operating, you can

contact me at 732-672-9109. We'll need additional people, as neither of us will always be available. Please contact me to be placed on the volunteer lumberjack list. It's not difficult, but it requires two people and ladies are able to participate. I found the easiest method to move a log in water is to use a bowline on the right side of the pontoon boat, and lasso it around the log about 3 feet from the end. The loop doesn't have to be snug, only tight enough so that it won't pull off with forward motion. The log will rest along the pontoon to the right of the steering wheel. This allows the pontoon driver to monitor it, as they slowly motor to the (dam) shoreline, where it can be beached. Any turns should be gentle rather than sharp.

I contacted Bob Farren about any new information on correcting the minor seepage occurring at the dam. Bob is the Resort's executive responsible for the dam's safety and structure. His response was, "We are continuing to work with our Engineering teams along with NCDEQ on the status of the Lake Pinehurst Dam. Progress is being made on further evaluating and prioritizing the scope of the work in order to design the repairs and submit for approval from NCDEQ. Withers and Ravenel, that we have had on retainer for a number of years, has engaged Schabel Engineering for their expertise in addressing the design and permitting phase once a path forward is established. We have no set timeline at this time, but rest assured it is a priority. The best thing to keep in mind is first of all, the dam is well designed in that it has a very adequate emergency overflow in the event of an extraordinary storm event that would otherwise overtop the dam, and secondly we are in regular communication with two of the most respected engineering firms in the SE as they work to manage the situation."

I hope all are enjoying this October weather.

Boat Rescue & Assistance

By Steve Davis

PCC Marina : The PCC boat is available to respond to requests for help during the hours they are open. They are also available to help move boats to the marina ramp when your boat needs to be pulled (this should be scheduled in advance).



The Marina Manager, Bill Janhonen, can be reached by phone (203-554-8075) or by email (wjanhonen@wsjenterprises.com)

LPA Members : Special thanks to these LPA members who have volunteered to assist those in trouble:

Call for Boat Help

PCC Beach Club	910-235-8759	only when open
Bill Janhonen	203-554-8075	Marina Manager
Steve Davis	215-801-1468	LPA Member
Larry Gleisner	336-404-1781	LPA Member
Henry Vess	630-269-8115	LPA Member
Mike Marsh	717-574-3195	LPA Member
Cliff Converse	585-281-3196	LPA Member
Glenn Davis	910-295-8093	LPA Member
Alan Naisby	832-405-2011	LPA Member
Rick Norland	732-672-9109	LPA Member

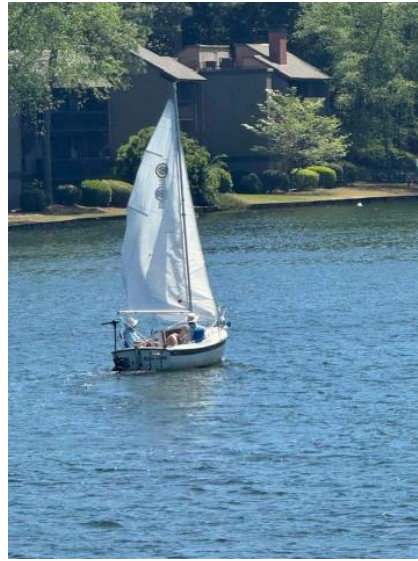
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Lake Photo Gallery – Views, Action & Friends

Lake Views



Action on The Lake

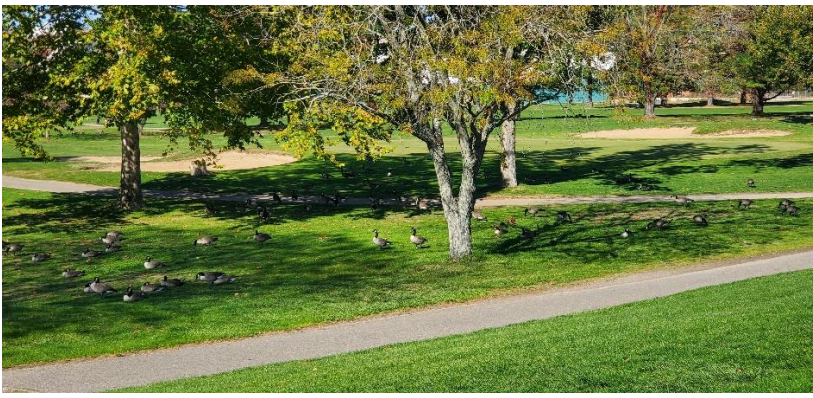


Our Neighbors in Nature





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Many thanks to our members who shared Lake photos on our Lake Pinehurst Association Facebook page, and thereby contributed to this newsletter!

