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*History, Charm, and Southern Hospitality*

## Holiday Closings

April 3 Good Friday

May 25 Memorial Day

The 2015 “One and Done” solid waste collection maps and calendars are posted at [www.vopnc.org](http://www.vopnc.org). Remember the Village will collect all three solid waste types- trash, recycling, and yard debris- on the same day. From the website, select the Residents tab and “Solid Waste Pickup Schedule” to view more information.

## Deer Management

At the January 13, 2015 meeting, the Pinehurst Village Council approved four recommendations from the Deer Management Task Force. The approved recommendations include: enforcement of the already adopted ordinance prohibiting feeding wildlife, a public information program on public health concerns related to deer, creation of a public information program regarding car/deer accidents, and creation of public education on plants and spray products to deter deer from eating residential landscaping.

## Get Connected

Stay connected with the latest Pinehurst happenings through the monthly e-news. Register your e-mail address using the sign-up link on the right sidebar on the Village website homepage. The Village also has a free mobile app available to all iPhone and Android phones. Download it today! Also, don't forget to follow the Village of Pinehurst on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

Make sure your telephone number is registered in the CodeRED Emergency Notification System. You can register using the link on the Village website or call 910-295-1900 and our Customer Service Representatives will be happy to assist you.

## Vision

The Village of Pinehurst is a charming, vibrant community which reflects our rich history and traditions.

## Mission

Promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.

# Welcome Spring with Village of Pinehurst Events

Spring is almost here and the Village of Pinehurst has events to keep you active throughout the beautiful season. Mark your calendars to attend these special events.

## Saturday, March 14: St. Patrick's Day Parade

Everyone's a wee bit Irish in Pinehurst during the 14th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade through the Village begins at 11:00am, followed by center stage entertainment and activities for all ages at Tufts Memorial Park. If you are interested in volunteering at this event, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 910-295-2817. 🌿



## Sunday, April 12: Spring Matinee Races



The Pinehurst Harness Track turns 100 years old this year and the Pinehurst Driving Club invites you to join in the celebration of this historic facility by attending the 66th Annual Spring Matinee Races. Admission is \$5.00 per person (12 & under are free) and gates will open at 11:00am for parking. Opening Ceremonies are scheduled for 1:00pm with the first of eight races scheduled for 1:30pm. Bleacher seating will be available for general admission and food and beverages will be available for purchase. The Fair Barn will host a museum style exhibit filled with historical displays and photographs highlighting the rich history, traditions and significant milestones of the Pinehurst Harness Track. 🌿

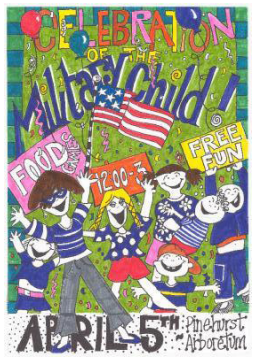
## Friday, April 10 and May 8: Live after 5 Concert Series

Live after 5 returns with two Friday night concerts scheduled this spring in its new location, Tufts Memorial Park, from 5:30pm-8:30pm. On April 10, “The Band Punch” will kick off the season with a high impact show to include Top 40, 80s, Rock, Funk, and Motown hits that we all know and love. “The Carolina Breakers” will perform on May 8 for a night of beach music favorites that have stood the test of time. Food and beverages will be available for purchase with picnic table seating available. Lawn chairs and blankets are welcome. 🌿



## Saturday, April 18: Celebration of the Military Child

April is the “Month of the Military Child,” a time to recognize the sacrifices made by military families and their children. Join the Kiwanis Club of the Sandhills and Pinehurst Parks and Recreation Department in recognizing and showing appreciation for our military children at the 5th Annual Celebration of the Military Child event at the Village Arboretum on Saturday, April 18 from 12:00pm-3:00pm. The event will include a cookout, the 82nd Airborne Chorus, pony rides, and activities for children including a video game trailer, bounce house and lawn games. This event is free and open to all. 🌿



## Saturday, May 2: Pinehurst Concours d'Elegance A Vintage Auto Showcase in a Championship Setting

The Pinehurst Concours d'Elegance blends the history, heritage and grandeur from three of North Carolina's proudest traditions— motorsports, golf and military. Don't miss the opportunity to see some of the most historic and rare automobiles staged on the fairways of Pinehurst Resort on Saturday, May 2. Three Dog Night will also perform in concert on the fairway following the awards ceremony. Tickets are available at [www.pinehurstconcours.com](http://www.pinehurstconcours.com) and at Village Hall at 395 Magnolia Road for \$25 plus tax. Tickets are \$40 at the gate and kids 14 and under are admitted free. The day's ticket includes entry into the Pinehurst Concours and the Three Dog Night concert. 🌿



## New Parks and Recreation Programs

The Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce many new program opportunities coming your way. In addition to regular classes and athletics, the department will offer monthly senior outings, senior club opportunities, and programs for people with disabilities such as our REC-ing Crew Social Club, Fun Fridays, and the annual Prom. Also new this year will be the addition of out of town day trips to our full day camp. Be on the lookout for the new Parks and Recreation brochure and find more information on [www.pinehurstrec.org](http://www.pinehurstrec.org). 🌿

### Village of Pinehurst

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## Upcoming Events:

**March 6:** Spring Home & Garden Expo at the Fair Barn

**March 14:** St. Patrick's Day Parade in the Village Center

**April 10:** Live after 5 Concert with "The Band Punch" in Tufts Memorial Park

**April 12:** Spring Matinee Races & Centennial Exhibit at the Harness Track & Fair Barn

**April 18:** 5th Annual Celebration of the Military Child in the Arboretum

**April 29:** Run for the Roses- Wine, Beer & Food Tasting at the Fair Barn

**May 2:** Pinehurst Concours d'Elegance at Pinehurst Resort

**May 8:** Live after 5 Concert with "The Carolina Breakers" in Tufts Memorial Park

**May 8-10:** Dressage in the Sandhills at the Harness Track

**May 17:** Antique Horse Carriage Parade & Strawberry Festival in the Village Center

**May 17:** American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at the Harness Track

**May 17-18:** Pleasure Driving Show at the Harness Track

**May 30-31:** Carolina Polocrosse at the Harness Track

## Village Council Meeting Dates

March 10, 2015

March 24, 2015

April 14, 2015

April 28, 2015

May 12, 2015

May 26, 2015

June 9, 2015

June 23, 2015

All Regular Meetings are held at 4:30 pm in Assembly Hall at Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, NC 28374. These meetings are open to the public to attend. All Council meeting agenda packets are posted 5 days in advance on the Village website.

## Welcome New Village Employees

Randy Chappell, Police Officer,  
Police Department

Matt Kuhn, Solid Waste Equipment  
Operator, Public Services

JoEllen Richter, Customer Service  
Representative, Administration

## Volunteer Today!

The Village of Pinehurst has over 250 active volunteers currently serving the Village and continues to seek additional volunteers throughout the year. The volunteer application is posted on the Village website under the residents tab and "Volunteer Opportunities." If you have questions, contact Lauren Craig, Village Clerk, at 910-295-8644 or [lrcraig@vopnc.org](mailto:lrcraig@vopnc.org).

## Garden Club Plant Sale

On Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 10:00am-3:00pm the Pinehurst Garden Club will be hosting its annual plant sale at the Pinehurst Fire Department Station 91 at 405 Magnolia Road. Plants can be pre-ordered from any Pinehurst Garden Club member or by calling 910-295-3798. All proceeds will provide a scholarship for a landscape gardening student at Sandhills Community College and benefit local beautification projects.

## The Village is Seeking Your Feedback Using The New Online Civic Engagement Portal

### OPEN VILLAGE HALL

Join the Conversation.

The Village of Pinehurst is excited to announce a new service called Open Village Hall, an online forum for civic engagement that allows the public to read what others are saying about important Village topics, then post a statement. Village leaders and/or elected officials will read the statements and incorporate them into their decision-making process. Open Village Hall is run by Peak Democracy, a non-partisan company whose mission is to broaden civic engagement and build public trust in government. Be sure to check the site regularly as there will be new topics posted throughout the year.

The first topic for input is now posted on the portal! The Village is seeking the public's input for developing a new state-of-the-art Village website. This initiative, budgeted for in the FY 2015 Strategic Operating Plan, will enable the Village to be more customer focused with an updated, user-friendly platform. Join this conversation today at [www.vopnc.org/openvillagehall](http://www.vopnc.org/openvillagehall).

## Szurgot Receives Presidential Volunteer Service Award

The Village of Pinehurst is proud to announce that Reserve Officer Ron Szurgot was awarded the Presidential Volunteer Service Award's prestigious Bronze Medal, Silver Medal and Gold Medal President Awards for his hard work and dedication in volunteering as a reserve officer with the Pinehurst Police Department. Ron was given the Bronze, Silver, and Gold metal awards for logging over 891 hours of volunteer service with the Pinehurst Police Department as a reserve officer. Ron was presented with the medals, corresponding certificates, and a letter from President Obama thanking Ron for his service. The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes United States citizens who have achieved the required number of hours of service over a 12-month time period or cumulative hours over the course of a lifetime. Congratulations on this outstanding accomplishment, Ron.



Reserve Officer Ron Szurgot and Police Chief Earl Phipps

## Bocce Ball and Shuffleboard Courts Coming Soon

Some new additions to Rassic Wicker Park are coming soon! The Pinehurst Parks and Recreation Department is constructing bocce ball courts and shuffleboard courts near the tennis courts at the park, with completion expected this month. Equipment for bocce ball and shuffleboard will be available to residents at the front desk of Village Hall and the Parks and Recreation Department plans to offer classes, clinics, and tournaments for those interested in playing. The public is invited to a grand opening event celebrating the new courts on Thursday, March 19 at 11:00am at Rassic Wicker Park. Please RSVP to Dave White at [dwhite@vopnc.org](mailto:dwhite@vopnc.org) if you plan to attend.



## Village Council Meeting Videos Are Now Online

In an effort to increase citizen engagement and promote transparency, the Village of Pinehurst is pleased to announce that Village Council meetings held in Assembly Hall of Village Hall, are video recorded and posted to [www.vopnc.org](http://www.vopnc.org) within 24 hours of the meeting. The Village Council meeting videos are archived by date and include a bookmarked agenda allowing the user to skip ahead to an agenda item on the video. From the Village homepage, select the link in the right sidebar for "Council Meeting Video" to access the page.

### CORNER

COMMITTEE

## Conservation Commission Greenway Wildlife Habitat Committee

The Greenway Wildlife Habitat Committee (GWHC) is responsible for the Pinehurst Conservation Commission's efforts to protect habitats for wildlife throughout the Village. All



along the Pinehurst Greenway Trails, this group of dedicated volunteers maintains and monitors a song bird trail, identifies and labels native plantings, and maintains the butterfly garden near FirstHealth Fitness Center. In addition, these volunteers are involved in downtown events, providing trail walks to groups, and other public education programs on a range of nature topics. The GWHC will be hosting a nature day camp for kids this summer- check the Village website for more information soon.

## The Given Outpost Opens for Business

The Given Outpost, located in the old Post Office building at 95 Cherokee Road, opens for business this month. The Given Book Shop, formerly located in Olmsted Village, and the Roast Office, a coffee shop operated by Mark Elliott, are now located in the Given Outpost. Through partnerships, the library plans to bring a variety of life-long learning opportunities in the heart of the Village, and to lease space for outside events.

In addition to the book shop and Roast Office, the Outpost includes a small meeting room, an audio-visual system, and free WiFi. Stop in to see the beautifully remodeled Given Outpost, grab a great read, a cup of coffee, and relax with your friends.