

Litter in Pinehurst

Preventing litter in our community means educating ourselves about the litter issue. Did you know?

- Litter is defined as misplaced solid waste.
- Research has shown the most frequent litterer is a male between the ages of 18 and 30.
- Litter is detrimental to the community's efforts to attract visitors and prospective new businesses.
- According to Keep America Beautiful (KAB) there are 7 sources of litter

1. Motorists (including boaters)
2. Pedestrians
3. Improperly containerized commercial refuse
4. Improperly containerized household refuse
5. Loading/unloading docks and areas
6. Uncovered vehicles
7. Construction and demolition sites

As more people move to Pinehurst, litter becomes an ever increasing problem. Please do your part to eliminate litter in our community. You can refrain from littering yourself and pick up any litter in your neighborhood that you may see.

While not often thought of as littering, not picking up after your pet qualifies as misplaced solid waste if it is not on your property. Please bag your pet's waste and discard it appropriately. Recently, some residents have been bagging their pet's waste, but leaving it out at the ponds of the Municipal Service District.

The Village's Municipal Code addresses littering and there is a \$50 fine for any person found littering. Please do your part to keep our community clean.

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Introducing the New Village of Pinehurst Web Site

The Village is proud to announce it has launched its NEW AND IMPROVED website. The site has several new features aimed at making it easier for residents, visitors, and potential job applicants to obtain information about the Village. We hope you will find the new website more user friendly and loaded with plenty of information that you can now access 24 hours a day. Some of the more significant new features include:

Citizen Service Desk – Citizens can now pay parking tickets online. Builders and homeowners can now request building inspections online. Residents can sign up for e-news announcements to get the latest Village news in their inbox. Utilizing the Village Help Desk, registered users can now submit a question or comment and even report a problem online.

Community Resources – Several useful Village documents and forms are now located in a central location in the Document Library. We have also compiled a list of Frequently Asked Questions that can be accessed by category.

In addition to this added functionality, the Village's website now contains a search feature and has printer friendly pages. Enhanced graphics and improved navigation also make the Village's website more user friendly.

We encourage you to visit our website at www.villageofpinehurst.org to view the enhancements we have made in an effort to serve you better.

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Do You Know?

2008 Observed Holidays

In 2008, the Village of Pinehurst will observe the following holidays:

New Years Day
Tuesday, January 1st

Martin Luther King Day
Monday, January 21st

Good Friday
Friday, March, 21st

Memorial Day
Monday, May 26th

Independence Day
Friday, July 4th

Labor Day
Monday, September 1st

Veteran's Day
Tuesday, November 11th

Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 27th and
Friday, November 28th

Christmas
Wednesday, December 24th and
Thursday, December 25th

The offices at Village Hall will be closed and there will be no trash pickup. Trash collection will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

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New Village Council Takes Office

On December 18, 2007 Mayor George Lane presided over the first official Village Council work session since his election to office in November. Joining Mayor Lane, were two other Council newcomers, Joan Thurman and Jeff Dawson. Veteran council members Lorraine Tweed and Virginia (Ginsey) Fallon complete the five-member governing board.

At the organizational meeting held on November 27, 2007, members of the Village Council elected Lorraine Tweed to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem and Jeff Dawson to serve as Treasurer.

Since coming to Pinehurst, Mayor George Lane has served the community in a number of ways. He has served on the advisory Council at Pinehurst No. 7 and served as president of the Pinehurst Civic Group. He was an initiator of the Moore County Summit and is currently President of the English Speaking Union and a member of the Moore County Symphony Board. Prior to retiring, Mayor Lane was a Superintendent of Schools for several communities.

Also elected in the November election was Joan Thurman. Councilmember Thurman also has an extensive background in community service. Since moving to Pinehurst in 1995, Mrs. Thurman has served as president of the Pinehurst Civic Group and chaired the Moore Republican Women. In addition, she has served on the Executive Committee of the NC

Federation of Republican Women, acting as Parliamentarian and Secretary. As a military wife, Mrs. Thurman led spouses of those under her husband's command and both served and chaired numerous committees.

Councilmember Jeff Dawson joined the Village Council in November 2007 when he was appointed to fill the two remaining years of the term of Douglas A. Lapins. Mr. Dawson is a founding member and partner of Dawson & Hasty Wealth Management Group, which manages private client and foundation assets. Councilmember Dawson has served the community in a number of ways by chairing and sitting on several boards and committees including the Sandhills Children's Center, the Tufts Archives, and Given Memorial



Virginia (Ginsey) Fallon, Mayor George Lane, Lorraine Tweed, Jeff Dawson, and Joan Thurman

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Phase II of Automated Arm Trash Collection To Be Implemented in Spring 2008

As you are likely aware, the Village of Pinehurst rolled out Automated Arm Trash Collection in two sections of the Village in the spring of 2007. An area west of Lake Pinehurst and the Pinehurst #6 neighborhood were the first to receive the new service.

Automated Arm Collection utilizes a trash compactor with a robotic arm to pick up a Village-provided trash receptacle at each household. The system is cleaner, safer and more efficient than the system of small trucks that is currently employed in most of the Village.

During the summer of 2008, the Village conducted a direct mail survey to gauge the level of acceptance of the new system as well as the overall success of the program in the two sections of the Village that were receiving Automated Arm Trash Collection service. Results of the survey indicated an overwhelming approval among the users, with 87% preferring the new system over the old. With the positive results in hand the Village is now preparing to roll out Phase II of the implementation schedule.

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Village Receives the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) recently awarded the Village of Pinehurst the GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its June 30, 2007 budget. This is the first time the Village has applied for or received this award.

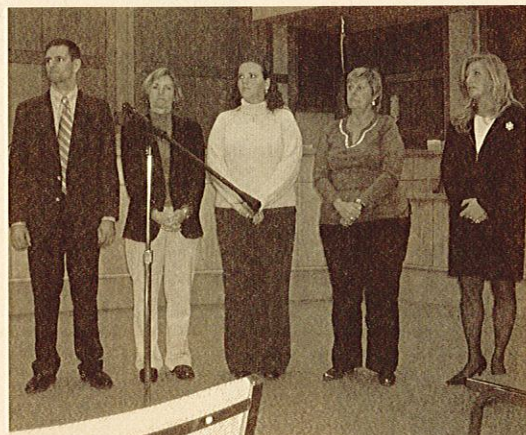
The award reflects the commitment of the Village Council and the staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the Village had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

1. A policy document,
2. A financial plan,
3. An operations guide, and
4. A communications device.

The Village's 2007 Budget was rated at least proficient in all four categories, qualifying it for the award.

A Certificate of Recognition for Budget

Presentation was presented to Natalie E. Dean, Assistant Village Manager, and the Financial Services Department as the individual and department primarily responsible for having achieved the award. Mr. Jeff McCauley, Deputy Financial Director for the City of Raleigh and GFOA representative, presented the award at the Village Council's Regular Meeting on December 18, 2007.



Left to right: John Frye, Becky Jensen, Stacie Jackson, Susan Key and Natalie Dean

In an effort to produce a high quality budget document that serves as an informative and useful tool for residents, the Financial Services staff has been gradually incorporating the Budget Award requirements over the past four years. The Village is the only government in Moore County to receive this award and is included in the 4 percent of NC municipalities that achieve this outstanding honor. "I am extremely proud of the accomplishments of the Financial Services Staff and am happy to see the Village receive this prestigious award," said Assistant Village Manager, Natalie Dean.

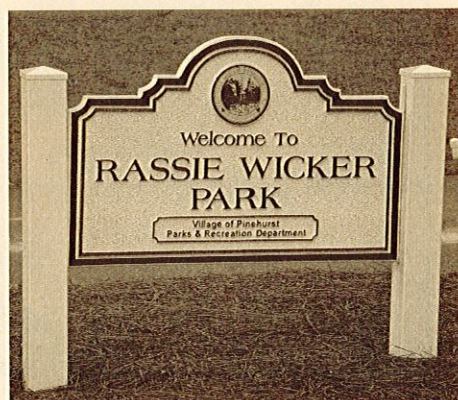
Hometown Heroes Award

On Thursday the 20th of December 2007, the Pinehurst Police Department was presented with a "Hometown Heroes Award". The award was presented by the Modern Woodmen of America for the Police Department's volunteer services and quality of life improvements in the Village of Pinehurst. Capt. Floyd R. Thomas received the award on behalf of the Police Department from Michael J. Bernard, District Representative for the Modern Woodmen of America. Additionally, the Modern Woodmen of America will make a \$100 donation to the North Carolina Special Olympics in the name of the Pinehurst Police Department.

Wicker Park Longleaf Pine Eco-System Restoration

The Parks and Recreation Department, in cooperation with the Village Heritage Foundation, recently completed work in an effort to restore a portion of Rassie Wicker Park to a Longleaf Pine ecosystem. Work on the roughly ten acres of land bounded by McCaskill and Graham Roads was completed in December and consisted of thinning the area of invasive trees and understory.

Future restoration efforts will include additional thinning, chemical treatment of invasive species, and controlled burns. This is done to re-establish the natural structure and function of the ecosystem, to improve the regeneration of the longleaf pine stand, and to provide habitats for other native species and wildlife. Work on the site is being done in accordance with the Forest Management Plan developed for Rassie Wicker Park by a consulting Forester and Certified Arborist.



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Library. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of FirstHealth of the Carolinas and the Board of Dormie Club, which he co-founded. Politics are not new to Councilmember Dawson, as he has worked for The Republican National Committee and also served in the White House Office of Political Affairs during the administration of George H. W. Bush.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lorraine Tweed has served on the Village Council since being elected in November 2001. During her tenure, Mrs. Tweed has been instrumental in the creation of the Pinehurst Conservation Commission, which she chairs. Her Council responsibilities have also included the Signage Committee and the Transportation Committee. Prior to moving to Pinehurst in 1996, Mrs. Tweed served as a Legislative Aid to a State Representative in Illinois. She has recently served on the Board of the Pinehurst Historic Preservation Foundation and been President of the Pinehurst Garden Club. Councilmember Tweed has also been an active member of Community Presbyterian Church and the Moore Republican Women's Club.

The longest serving Councilmember, Virginia ("Ginsey") Fallon, was re-elected in November 2007. She has served on the Village Council in various capacities as Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem, and Treasurer since 1993. Mrs. Fallon currently serves as a representative on the New Core Board and is the liaison with the Moore County School System. Prior to moving to Pinehurst, Councilmember Fallon was a Reading Specialist for the Bernardsville School System. Mrs. Fallon has been an active member and volunteer with Keep Moore County Beautiful, the American Cancer Society, and the Village Chapel.

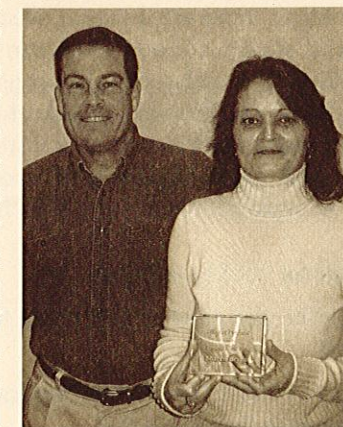
The Village Council meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month in Village Hall. The meeting on the 2nd of the month is held at 5:30 p.m. On the 4th Tuesday of the month, the Village Council meets twice. The first meeting is a work session held at 9:00 a.m. and the second meeting is held at 1:00 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend Village Council meetings to hear firsthand what is going on in the Village.

Village of Pinehurst names

SHAREN BRYANT

2007 Employee of the Year

At the annual Employee Holiday Luncheon held at the Fair Barn on December 20th, Village Manager Andy Wilkison announced that Sharen Bryant was the 2007 Employee of the Year. Before making the announcement, Andy introduced the eleven employee nominees for the award. Wilkison commented that there were more nominees this year than any year in the past, and that everyone nominated was well deserving of the honor. A committee consisting of the Village Manager and two Council members reviewed all of the nominations that were submitted by their co-workers and selected Sharen Bryant as the Employee of the Year.



Village Manager Andy Wilkison and 2007 Employee of the Year Sharen Bryant

desk in Village Hall where she served the resident population and many Village visitors. Early on in her employment, Sharen demonstrated great people and organizational skills and expressed a desire to expand her contributions to the Village. In May of 2007 she was asked to assume additional responsibility that included the supervision of two Village employees. She accepted that responsibility and relocated to the second floor of Village Hall.

Sharen has received numerous P.R.I.D.E. (Pinehurst Recognizes Its Dedicated Employees) Awards from both residents and co-workers commending her on the outstanding and professional work she does each and every day for the Village. She was an integral part of the Web Site Development Team and currently serves as the Chair of the Employee Recognition Committee, an appointment made by a group of her peers.

Sharen Bryant exemplifies the Village of Pinehurst Core Values of Respect, Proactive, and Integrity, and is a well deserving winner of the 2007 Employee of the Year Award.

2007 Outstanding NC Traffic Safety Community Award

The Village of Pinehurst received a "2007 Outstanding North Carolina Traffic Safety Community" award. The award was given to the Pinehurst Police Department for its commitment to creating a safe on-road environment for citizens as well as providing programs that make traffic safety an ongoing priority. The award is sponsored by the AAA Carolina Motor Club Foundation for Traffic Safety. The

award was presented to Chief Ronnie L. Davis at the fourth annual Outstanding Traffic Safety Communities Awards at the Washington Duke Inn & Golf Club in Durham, NC on October 25, 2007. The ceremony was also attended by Andy Wilkison, Village Manager and Sgt. Ray Evans of the Pinehurst Police Department Traffic Team.



Pet Licenses are Required Each Year

Your dog or cat that is over four (4) months of age must be licensed annually by the Village. Pet Licenses should be renewed in January of each year and cost \$2.00 per animal. Please complete the Pet License Form available on our website or at the Front Desk of Village Hall. Once the form is completed, return it along with documentation of rabies vaccination and payment to Village Hall at 395 Magnolia Road. If you have any questions about the pet license requirements, please contact Village Hall at (910) 295-1900 or visit our website @ www.villageofpinehurst.org.