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#### Do You Know?

**Upcoming Holiday:** 

Independence Day- July 4, 2007 Offices will be closed and there will be no trash pick-up on this holiday.

#### Recycling

Since allowing residents to commingle their recyclables, the Village has seen a tremendous increase in the volume of recycling. Total tons recycled increased 42% from March to April. 67.4 tons were diverted from the landfill in April. Keep filling up those recycling bins and help conserve our natural resources.

#### Voluntary Water Restrictions In Place

On May 30, 2007 Moore County Public Utilities announced Voluntary Water Restrictions. These restrictions apply not only to Moore County Public Utilities customers but also to property owners with private irrigation wells. Sprinkler usage is restricted to 3 days per week and is recommended to be between the hours of 7 pm and 10 am when evaporation rates are lower. The Water Restriction Notice contains some helpful tips for saving water, and can be found at <u>www.villageofpinehurst.org</u>

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# **July 4th Celebration**

The Pinehurst Parks and Recreation Department will once again host an oldfashioned 4th of July Picnic and Fireworks Celebration! Events held at The Fair Barn beginning at 5 pm and running through

8 pm will include the Vision Band, pony rides at a cost of \$3, face painting with Party Animals, and the Delta Express (sponsored by Delta and better known as Frank Riggs' hay wagon). Fun games for kids will be held from 6 pm to 7:30 pm and will be sponsored by Givens Library and Tufts Archives. Exhibits in the Fair Barn will be presented by Tufts Archives, Pembroke College. Free ice cream will be provided, as long as it lasts, from Cold Stone Creamery. The

Village of Pinehurst Employee Recognition Committee will provide cold drinks, hot dogs and hamburgers while Talbert's Catering will provide alternate food concessions. A dropoff area will be provided for chairs, baskets, coolers etc., before parking at the half-mile track. Fireworks are planned to begin around 9 pm at the 1-mile track. Bring your family, friends and neighbors for a fun-filled evening of entertainment and camaraderie reminiscent of days gone by!

*Please note:* There will be a new route for traffic exiting the grounds after the conclusion of the fireworks display.

SEE EXITING TRAFFIC MAP ON PAGE 3

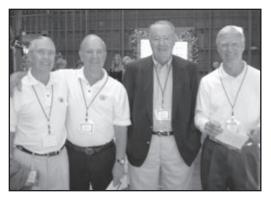
All cars parked in the ½ mile track infield should exit the infield through the middle lane in single file until they reach the posted directional signs. Immediately exiting the infield, vehicles will have the opportunity to turn right and exit onto Morganton Rd. Please note that the Morganton Rd. exit will be a Right Turn Only and no vehicles will be allowed to turn left towards Hwy. 5.

All other vehicles will enter the main two lanes leading toward the main exit on Hwy. 5. Cars in the right hand lane will turn right only on Hwy. 5 toward downtown, while vehicles in the left hand lane will turn left only on Hwy. 5 toward Aberdeen. We appreciate your cooperation in advance to assist us in keeping traffic moving in a safe and orderly fashion.

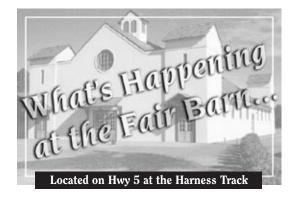
## **Village Recognizes its Volunteers**

During National Volunteer Week, the Village of Pinehurst recognized the contributions of its Magnificent Volunteers of Pinehurst at a luncheon held at the Fair Barn. Special guest speakers from the Jimmy V Celebrity Golf Classic shared the vision and goals of the Jimmy V Foundation, an organization built entirely on the commitment and success of its volunteers. Frank McCann, Executive Director (and a close personal friend of Jim Valvano) and Anna Jackson, Director of Marketing for the Jimmy V Celebrity Golf Classic, shared inspirational messages about their organization, and their excitement about hosting their August cancer benefit here in Pinehurst. Entertainment was provided by the Joyful Noise Handbell Choir, led by Beverly Dunlap. These musicians are

a group of talented home educated students from in and around Moore County.



Volunteers Tom Campbell, Bob Hughes, Dick White and Bill Lewis enjoy the luncheon.



Fourth of July Celebration at The Fair Barn July 4, 2007 5:00 pm Ponies, games, fireworks! Bring your own picnic, chairs, etc. Call 910-295-0166

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU ) Reunion FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital September 22, 2007 2-4 pm Call 910-715-2275

Oktoberfest at The Fair Barn September 29, 2007 Authentic German food, music and beverages! A day of rousing good fun Call 910-295-0166

Pregnancy Fair FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital October 18, 2007 6-7:30 pm Call 910-715-2275

Contemporary Celtic Music Bill Leslie of WRAL in Raleigh to perform October 20, 2007 7:30 pm Co-Sponsored by Arts Council of Moore County & Pinehurst Parks and Recreation Department

Moore County Chamber Business Expo October 25, 2007 Call 910-692-3926

Moore County Historical Society Antique Show November 2, 3, 4, 2007 Call 910-692-2051

Episcopal Day School Dinner and Auction December 1, 2007 6:30 pm Call 910-3492

## Village Employees Attend Safety Fair

The 3rd annual Safety & Wellness Fair, sponsored by the Pinehurst employee Safety Committee, was held on May 16 at the Fair Barn, with 10 vendors and 80 employees in attendance. Participants took advantage of FirstHealth screenings such as blood pressure check, glucose and cholesterol testing. They also had the opportunity to meet with representatives from the

Laser Institute of Pinehurst about skin care, and Family Eye Care regarding protecting our eyes against sun damage. Financial wellness was on the program too, with representatives from the Local Government Federal Credit Union and Prudential 401(k) providing information on their services. The Village Fire and Police Departments



Bill Scales, Ray Skellington, Eric Williams and Wilson Smith gather information at the Safety Fair.

had informative, interactive displays, including the Fatal Vision Driving Course which allowed participants to maneuver a golf cart through an



Molly Russell attempts to navigate the Fatal Vision Course with the assistance of Jason Council and Daryl Bender.

obstacle course while wearing goggles that simulate the vision of a person who is impaired. Ranger Bill from Weymouth Woods brought a live snake, and talked to employees about local area poisonous plants, bugs and other creatures. JASCO was on hand to educate employees about first aid and personal protective equipment. The Safety Committee treated

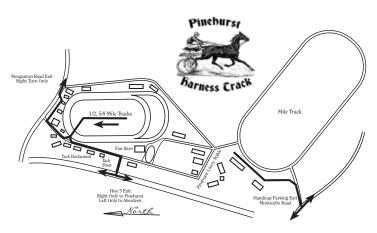
their co-workers to a box lunch, and many Fair attendees enjoyed a relaxing chair massage, compliments of CIGNA. During the event Pinehurst's own roving reporter, Bea Healthy, captured the fun on tape, interviewing participants about their wellness habits.

# Village Right of Way

All residents are reminded that the Village has a right-of-way that extends thirty (30) feet from the center line of most residential streets in the Village, for an overall width of sixty (60) feet. Along some streets, the Village's right of way is actually eighty feet or 100 feet in width. In most cases this means the Village actually owns about the first twenty (20) feet of yard from the edge of pavement on either side of the street. Residents are reminded that encroaching into this space with irrigation systems, underground dog fences, reflectors, fences, stakes, landscaping etc. without an approved Village Encroachment Agreement is against Village ordinances and policies. If landscaping, irrigation systems, or other items in the right of way are damaged by Village staff or contractors retained by the Village doing repairs or any other work within the right of way, the Village is not responsible for the damage and will not pay for repairs.

If you need to encroach into this space for some reason, you are asked to contact the Village's Engineering Department at 295-1900.

# July 4th Fireworks Exiting Traffic Plan



# Yard Debris Reminder . . .

All light yard debris items such as leaves, pine straw, pine cones, etc. must be securely bagged and weigh less than 50 lbs. to be collected. Heavy yard debris items such as limbs and branches must be securely tied in bundles with each bundle not to exceed four feet in length, 18 inches in diameter and 50 pounds in weight. No individual piece should exceed 6 inches in diameter.

Bags and bundled items must be placed curbside by 7:00 am on the day of collection. Collection of yard debris is twice weekly during the summer on Mondays and Fridays.

## Randall Arendt Workshop Held

The Village Council recently hosted Randall Arendt for a workshop with the Planning and Zoning Board and Historic Commission to discuss the New Core Master Plan and open space subdivisions. Randall Arendt is a landscape planner, site designer, author, lecturer, and an advocate of "conservation planning". The workshop was held from 9 am to 5 pm in the Assembly Hall on May 1st. In a follow up memo dated May 2, 2007, Mr. Arendt went on to state, "I was greatly impressed with the New Core Master Plan, reflecting a huge amount of work and thought."

The option to develop an "Open Space Subdivision", which Mr. Arendt discussed, has been in the Pinehurst Development Ordinance since May, 2005. Currently such subdivisions are allowed as an option only in the R-210 district in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ). The Planning and Zoning Board held a meeting on May 31st to discuss what they learned at the May 1st workshop. They also discussed what the next steps should be in further studying open space subdivisions.

## **Pinehurst Greenway Phase IV**

Phase IV of the Pinehurst Greenway System should be under construction soon. This phase will continue the route along Linden Road that will eventually tie into a utility easement behind Pine Vista Rd. leading toward Lake Pinehurst. The new section of trail is estimated to add an additional ½ mile to the more than 3.6 miles of greenway trails already in place. Construction for the current phase will begin at the corner of St. Andrews and Linden Rd. and end just short of the entrance to Pinewild.

As a reminder, the greenway trails are only accessible to pedestrians and bicycles. Residents are not allowed to use motorized vehicles, including golf carts, on the trails. For more information on Phase IV or general information regarding the Pinehurst Greenway System, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 295-2817.

### Architect Selected for Public Services Facility

The Village has selected an architect from Raleigh, NC to design the new public services facility on land purchased earlier this year on Juniper Lake Road. The Village Council selected Giffels Architects, Engineers and Planners after they conducted interviews with three firms in April. Giffels brings credible experience to the project having completed several public work facility designs around the state.

Initial meetings will be held in June between the architect and the seven-member Public Services Design Team, which is composed of senior Village Staff from multiple departments. In preparation for the initial meetings with the architect, the Design Team has visited Public Works facilities around the state to gather the best and brightest ideas. Site visits have included Jacksonville, Kannapolis, Concord, Chapel Hill and Cary. While all of these are larger cities, their facilities are relatively new and have many features that can be scaled down and incorporated into the Village's new facility. The Design Team believes the time spent in these early stages of design will ultimately save time and money as well as help produce the best end result for the Village.

## And the Winner is . . .

The Village recently gave away a free round of golf for four at Pinehurst No. 8 to Mr. Jerone Doubroff for completing a website survey that was included in the April 2007 newsletter. Over 90 Village residents participated in the survey and provided the Website Development Team



with some valuable information. A sincere thank you goes out to all of those citizens who participated in the survey.

The Village's Website Development Team, made up of representatives from various departments, is currently in the process of selecting a consultant to assist with the redesign of the Village's website. The Team anticipates having the new and improved site up and running in November 2007. You can visit the Village's website at <u>www.villageofpinehurst.org</u>.

# **Reverse 911 – Reminder**

As published in the April newsletter, the Village of Pinehurst has contracted with Emergency Communications Network, Inc., for its "CodeRED" notification services. This system gives Village officials the ability to deliver pre-recorded telephone messages to selected areas or to the entire Village.

On the morning of Wednesday, June 6th, Village officials performed a test of the reverse 911 system. Approximately 15,000 calls were placed over a span of 20 minutes, with a connection rate of over 66%. If you or your business did not receive the call, please take a moment to add your address and phone number to the database. The process of entering your contact information is outlined below:

- Visit our website http://www.villageofpinehurst.org.
- Click on the CodeRed Emergency Notification System link under In the News.
- Under the Emergency Notification System heading, click the link in italics that says "Click Here To Register Today!"
- Enter your contact information. If you are a business owner in Pinehurst, you may click the button on the top that says "Click to Switch to Business Data" and enter the contact information for your business.
- If you are unable to access this online, you may call the Village Hall front desk at 910.295.1900 and they will enter your contact information for you.

Ensuring the accuracy of the database is an essential component to notifying residents in a rapid and efficient manner.

### New Election Laws to Impact Municipalities

Several new election laws will have a major effect on municipal elections this fall.

#### FILING FOR OFFICE - YOU WON'T HAVE LONG

In accordance with 2006 legislation, the filing period for persons wishing to run for office has been considerably shortened. This year, for the first time, candidates will have only two (2) weeks to file for office. Persons, wishing to file for office, may do so beginning at 12 noon on Friday, July 6, 2007 and ending at 12 noon on Friday, July 20, 2007 at the Moore County Board of Elections. The offices of the Moore County Board of Elections are located at 700 Pinehurst Avenue in Carthage. Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **REQUIRED TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES**

All candidates are now required to receive Campaign Reporting training from the State Board of Elections. Classes are given in Raleigh, regionally, and will soon be offered on-line. Campaign Reporting manuals are given to candidates at their time of filing. This requirement is a result of 2006 legislation.



Questions concerning filing for office or being involved in this year's municipal elections should be addressed to the elections office. Their telephone number is 910.947.3868.

### 2007-2008 Budget to be Adopted

The Village Council held a budget work session on May 25th to review the proposed budget for the 2007-2008 fiscal year. The budget, which goes into effect on July 1st, totals \$15.2 million, which is up 3.9% over the current budget. The budget contains a reduction in the property tax rate from \$0.31 per \$100 valuation down to \$0.27. A public hearing on the budget will be held on Tuesday, June 12th at 5:30 pm. Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed budget will have an opportunity to speak at that time. The complete budget document along with a copy of the Village manager's budget presentation can be viewed online at www.villageofpinehurst.org.

