

# Village Newsletter

## U. S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP RETURNS June 13-19, 2005



The 2005 U.S. Open Championship will be held in Pinehurst, N.C., from Monday, June 13, through Sunday, June 19, on the Pinehurst No. 2 course.

The Village and our community at large have yet another opportunity to showcase the Sandhills region to the rest of the world. The Village of Pinehurst has worked very closely with Resorts over the past several months in an effort to make this world-class event run as smooth as possible.

### *Transportation and Parking for the Event*

To reduce the impact of more than 50,000 guests daily who are expected for the tournament, event planners have devised a transportation plan that is similar to the one in place during the 1999 U. S. Open.

Essential to the transportation plan are the accommodations for parking. Open ticket holders have access to designated Open parking lots, an amenity included in the cost of tickets. Most Open ticket holders will use the two satellite parking lots which will provide continuous bus service to and from the Open.

The satellite parking lot on N.C. 73 (the Red lot) is recommended for use by Open ticket holders who are north of the Pinehurst traffic circle. This northern lot is about three miles from U.S. 15-501 and six miles from N.C. 211 and situated between Murdocksville Road and Beulah Hill Road. Roundtrip time from the north lot is estimated at 10-15 minutes.

The other remote parking lot (the Blue lot) is recommended for people south of the Pinehurst traffic circle. It is located in Pinebluff about one mile from U.S. 1 via Roseland and Sandpit Roads. Roundtrip travel time is estimated at 10-15 minutes.

About 125 buses will deliver and pick up passengers to and from the satellite lots and the Open main gate near the half-mile Harness Track on Route 5.

Parking for Open volunteers will be at the 50-acre field on Linden Road extension. Buses will be used to transport the volunteers to the Open.

Parking will be restricted near First Health/Moore Regional Hospital and other First Health facilities to patients and facility visitors. This will be monitored by the First Health security staff.

Citizens may park in the village business district to carry out normal activities, such as visiting the post office, banking, and shopping. Parking for the Open is not allowed in the business district, however. Residents should use designated Open parking lots when attending the event.

Peak Championship arrival and departure times are expected to be 7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

To help manage the thousands of travelers to the Open, an estimated 120 highway patrol troopers will be assigned to direct and control

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traffic. Changeable message boards will be installed on N.C. 211, U.S. 15-501, and U.S. 1 North to aid Open-bound visitors. N.C. DOT will also broadcast current traffic conditions on FM radio and Southern Pines' WIOZ radio station will also have regular radio reports.

***Admission Gates***

There will be three public admission gates to the U.S. Open:

1. The main gate will be located on the 17th Tee of Course No. 1 (near the Harness Track) - this gate will be accessed by spectators using the general spectator shuttle;
2. A second gate will be at the entrance to the Pinehurst Country Club below the croquet courts near N.C. 5; and
3. A third gate will be located at the former site of the World Golf Hall of Fame off Midland Road (N.C. 2). This site is restricted to shuttle drop-off and pedestrians with no parking allowed.

Gates will open Monday through Friday at 6 a.m. and remain open until one hour after play ends, about 9 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, the hours will be one hour before the first tee time (about 7 a.m.) until play concludes (about 7 p.m.).

***Road Closings***

Although Midland Road (N.C. 2) and N.C. 5 will be open to traffic during the Championship, the N.C. DOT has recommended that travelers avoid these roads, particularly during early morning and late afternoon hours, which are peak hours for shuttle bus traffic.

During the Open, a portion of Morganton Road will be closed to through-traffic. The closure will extend from Monticello Road to the N.C. 5 intersection. Travelers should use Monticello Road as an alternate route.

Pine Tree Road will be closed at NC 5. Through-

traffic should utilize Lake Hills Road as a detour route.

Access to Doral Woods, Sulky Lane, and Dogwood Terrace will be monitored by the State Highway Patrol. Only those vehicles with authorized hang tags will be allowed access.

***Drop-Off Points***

A drop-off area will be provided at the Hall of Fame Admission Gate located off Midland Road (N. C. 2) near the traffic circle. There is no parking or staging, so please coordinate any pick-up times accordingly.

***Normal Business***

Normal parking is still allowed in the village business district where the post office, shops and banks are located; however, parking in this area to attend the Open is not permitted. This area will be monitored for compliance by the Village authorities.

***Tow-Away Zones***

Except for designated Open parking lots, a no-parking "zero tolerance" tow-away zone will be enforced on Midland Road, N.C. 5, and in the core village area. In addition, no parking will be allowed on any Village right-of-way.

The following streets will be posted as tow-away zones and adjacent rights-of-way will be roped off: Cherokee, Palmetto, Everett, Laurel, Magnolia, Chinquapin, Community, Kelly, Fields, Dundee, Orange, Ritter, Village Green East and West, Short, Campbell, Dalrymple, Monticello from N.C. 5 to Blake Blvd., Woods, McIntyre from Woods to Short, Craig, and Short.

***Golf Carts***

The use of golf carts for transportation during the Open is not recommended by the Pinehurst Police Department. Private golf carts will not be allowed on the Open grounds.



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**Parks and Recreation Facilities**

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to inform residents that portions of Cannon Park will be closed to the public during the US Open. The park, which is bounded by N. C. 211, Rattlesnake Trail, Woods Road and McIntyre Road, will be closed from June 6<sup>th</sup> through June 24<sup>th</sup>. In Cannon Park, field No. 1 and No. 2, the practice soccer area, picnic shelter and parking area adjacent to the old Village Hall site will be closed due to these areas being leased by a corporate hospitality group during the tournament. This closing does not affect Camelot Playground which will remain open, as will a portion of the parking lot along McIntyre Road.

**Village Services Will Continue During U.S. Open**

Normal municipal services in Pinehurst will continue during the week of the 2005 U. S. Open, June 13-19. This includes fire, police, sanitation, recycling and building inspections.

The Village Hall will be open and Village personnel will be on duty as usual. While there may be inconveniences in the delivery of municipal services, it is the intention of the Village staff to carry on with business as usual for the citizens of Pinehurst.

**MEETING CHANGES**

During the week of the U. S. Open, the following Village meetings will be changed:

- The Village Council Meeting scheduled for June 14 has been moved to June 7<sup>th</sup>
- The Board of Adjustment Meeting on Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.
- The Community Appearance Commission Group Meetings are cancelled during the week of the Open. There will also be no CAC inspections during the week of the Open.

**Home Rentals**

During the week of the U. S. Open (June 13-19, 2005) the Village anticipates the rental and use of private residential homes by Open guests for lodging and hospitality. Residents who plan to rent their homes should be aware of applicable health and safety regulations and recognize that outside organizations or groups using their property will need to comply with all applicable Village and state codes. Permits may be necessary in the following circumstances:

**If you plan to have a tent on your property** - Please call the Village Planning and Inspections Department, as the State building code and fire codes regulate tents, the occupancy of public spaces and other building code issues. A permit and an inspection are required for tents. Applications for tent permits should be turned in as soon as possible.

**If you plan to have alcohol for guests on your property** - Please check with the Moore County ABC Board to determine if a permit is necessary.

**If you plan to have events catered on your property** - Please check with the Moore County Health Department about any permit requirements or applicable regulations.

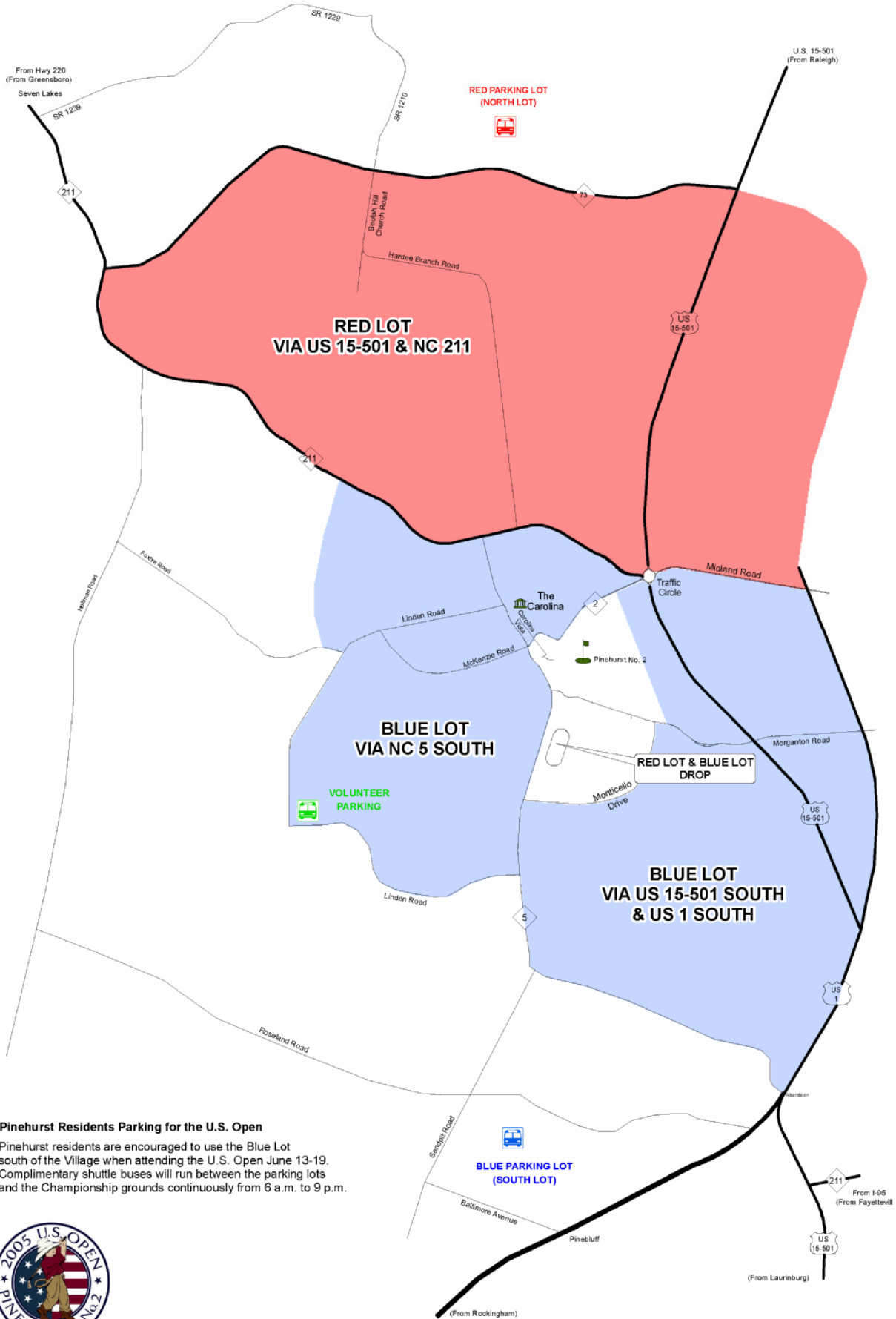
**If you plan to have portable toilets on your property** - Please check with the Moore County Health Department about any permit requirements or applicable regulations.

The Village Planning and Inspections Department and the Fire Department will continue to enforce applicable regulations throughout the Open. Therefore, residents are encouraged to obtain an understanding of what regulations are applicable to them. **Any violations of regulations will be the responsibility of the property owner.**

**Private Parking Lots are Prohibited**

The Village **does not permit the use of private property as a parking lot.** This prohibition is necessary to control traffic and prevent gridlock on Village roads. It will also enhance the convenience and safety of the residents, visitors and customers of local businesses and shops throughout Pinehurst.





**Pinehurst Residents Parking for the U.S. Open**

Pinehurst residents are encouraged to use the Blue Lot south of the Village when attending the U.S. Open June 13-19. Complimentary shuttle buses will run between the parking lots and the Championship grounds continuously from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.



## Spectator Guidelines

If you observe the following guidelines, your experience at the U.S. Open will be a more enjoyable one.:

- **Please do not attach your U.S. Open ticket to your clothing until after your ticket has been scanned at the Admission Gate.**
- **Your U.S. Open ticket must be displayed at all times.**
- **Please stay behind gallery ropes and cooperate with the marshals at all times.**
- **Please be considerate of others and kneel or sit if you are in the front row of the gallery.**
- **Drink plenty of fluids to prevent dehydration.**
- **To ensure your safety at all times, walk carefully and never run.**
- **The U.S. Open involves substantial walking on grassy hills, dirt paths and other uneven surfaces. Please wear appropriate footwear such as sneakers.**

## Security

Heightened security procedures for this year's Championship have been implemented. We appreciate your patience and cooperation with all of these procedures.

Spectators, volunteers and staff will not be allowed on the shuttle buses or through an Admission Gate with any of the items set forth below.

Please be sure to read the following list of prohibited items carefully.

- **No Cell Phones** - including any cell phones with photographic capabilities
- **No Noise Producing Electronic Devices**
- **No Cameras and/or Camcorders** (other than Monday through Wednesday for personal photographic use only and without their cases)
- **No Bag Larger than 12"W x 12"H x 12"D in its natural state**
- **No Cases and/or Covers** (such as chair covers)
- **No Signs, Posters and/or Banners**
- **No Televisions and/or Radios**
- **No Food and/or Beverages**

- **No Containers and/or Coolers**
- **No Pets** (other than service animals)
- **No Lawn and/or Folding Armchairs**
- **No Bicycles**
- **No Ladders**
- **No Metal-spiked Golf Shoes**
- **No Weapons** (regardless of permit, including but not limited to firearms or knives) **Any other items deemed unlawful or dangerous by the USGA and/or Championship Security Personnel, is at their sole discretion.**

## General Information

### Autographs

Spectators should keep in mind that the players' first responsibility during U.S. Open week is to compete for the national championship. For this reason, a "no autograph" policy is in effect throughout Championship week. Spectators should not approach a player for an autograph from the time immediately preceding the player's starting time, up to and including the player's completion of his round, including the time when the player is at the practice range and practice green or in route to his first tee. This policy applies to Practice Rounds as well as Championship rounds.

### Camera Policy

Cameras and camcorders are only allowed on-site at the course during Practice Rounds, Monday through Wednesday, for personal photographic use only and without their cases.

### Disabled Spectators

A Disabled Services facility will be located at the main Admission Gate next to Will Call to provide disabled spectators with complimentary scooter carts. The Disabled Services Committee will have a limited number of scooter carts available for the disabled on a first-come, first-serve basis; no advance reservations will be taken. Special viewing areas for disabled spectators will be provided at various locations around the course. Preferred parking for disabled spectators will be provided in each general parking lot. Vehicles with a handicap license plate or hang tag will be allowed access into this area. For spectators who are wheelchair bound, require supplemental oxygen or have any other special needs, please call the Championship Office at (910) 235-8220 to make arrangements.

### First Aid Stations

A first aid station will be located on the west side of the Clubhouse behind the Practice Range and a handful of satellite stations will be located around the course. If a medical emergency arises, please notify a U.S. Open volunteer or USGA official.

### Food and Beverage Service

There will be 18 concession stands on the course that will have food and beverages for purchase.

### Grandstands

Grandstands will be located near strategic viewing areas. There is no reserved grandstand seating; seating is provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

### Restroom Facilities

Portable restroom facilities including facilities for disabled spectators will be located throughout the course.

### Weather Warning

The USGA will have meteorology staff on-site monitoring the possibility of inclement weather. If a storm is approaching, special "weather warning" signs will be posted on leaderboards around the course. When the sign appears, spectators are advised to take immediate precautions prior to any suspension of play. Grandstands will be cleared when weather warning signs are posted. If play is suspended, close your umbrella and seek shelter immediately. In the event of a weather warning, please avoid: open areas, hilltops, high places, isolated trees, golf carts and wire fences.

### Will Call

Will Call will be conveniently located at the Main Admission Gate for spectators to drop off and pick up tickets. Photo identification will be required to pick up any tickets left at Will Call. Will Call cannot be accessed by vehicle during Championship week. Spectators must park in general parking and take a shuttle bus to the Championship in order to go to Will Call.

( From the official US Open website: [www.usopen.com](http://www.usopen.com))

# What's Happening at the Fair Barn...

### Carolina Brass Concert

Friday, May 27, 2005 7:30 p.m.  
Tickets \$20  
Benefit Carolina Brass Guild

### Blue Jean Ball Cancer CARE Fund

June 4, 2005 6:30 p.m.  
Tickets \$45  
For info call 910-695-7500

### Moore County Chamber of Commerce Business Expo

September 22, 2005 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
For info call 910-692-3926

The Fair Ban will be busy during the summer months with weddings, receptions and parties for private patrons. Watch for coming announcements concerning fall concerts and events.



## Holiday Closings

The Village of Pinehurst will be closed on Monday,

May 30<sup>th</sup> for **Memorial Day** and Monday, **July 4<sup>th</sup>**. There will be no garbage or yard debris pickup on these days.

Yard debris will be picked up on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup>. Garbage will resume the regular service on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and July 5<sup>th</sup>.

## “GIVE A LOT, MEAN A LOT” LOT DONATION UPDATE

Followers of Village government activities know that the Village started the “Give a lot, mean a lot” lot donation program in mid-2003. To date, the Village has acquired eleven lots under this program, due to the generosity of Pinehurst property owners who have donated their vacant lot to the Village for open space purposes.

Under this program, the Village pays the closing costs associated with facilitating the donation, and donors can realize a tax benefit in certain circumstances.

Pinehurst, Inc., (Resorts) has assisted greatly in this program by allowing donors to transfer their club membership at no charge, from the vacant lot they are donating to the Village, to another piece of property they own in Pinehurst or to their individual selves. The Village is grateful to Resorts for this cooperation as it has been instrumental in helping property owners make the decision to donate their lot to the Village.

Should you have any questions about the process of donating a lot you own to the Village, or if you just want to talk to someone at the Village about the “Give a lot, mean a lot” program, please call Village Manager Andy Wilkison at 910-295-1900.

## Fire Station Ground Breaking Held

A ground breaking ceremony was held on April 26, 2005 for the new Pinehurst Fire Station which is under construction on the corner of Rassie Wicker Drive and Magnolia Road across from the Village Municipal Complex. All past Pinehurst Fire Chiefs, current Moore County Fire Chiefs, the Pinehurst Village Council and the public were invited to attend.



Construction of the fire station began in late April and should be completed in the spring of 2006. The station will have four bays for fire trucks and equipment, sleeping quarters, a day room and exercise room for firemen as well as office space. This station will replace the historic fire station located on Community Road.



## EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Darrell McKenzie, Assistant Director of Public Works, was named the “Employee of the Year”. Darrell has held the position of Assistant Director since January, 2000. Darrell is also a member of the East-wood Volunteer Fire Department and has a lovely wife - Karen, and three children – Chasity, James, and Joshua.

For being named Employee of the Year, Darrell received both a personal and monetary award. Also, an “Employee of the Year” plaque has been hung in the lobby of Village Hall with Darrell’s name engraved on it.



There were six additional nominees for the Employee of the Year award including:

- Ellis Dick, Streets and Grounds
- Patrick Dowd, Streets and Grounds
- Anna Hardy, Engineering
- Jesse Joyce, Planning and Inspections
- Tina Sheppard, Police Department
- The Public Works Department

The Employee Recognition Committee, made up of an employee representative from each department, selected the most deserving employee from the nominations submitted by co-workers.

## Village Arboretum Update

The Village Arboretum, a project of the Pinehurst Historic Preservation foundation, together with the Parks and Recreation Department, has announced that construction of the first phase is under way at the corner of McCaskill and Magnolia Roads.

A support group, known as the Friends of the Village Arboretum, has been established and is soliciting membership. Inquiries should be directed to Betty Hurst at 295-4139, or write to P.O. Box 398, Pinehurst, N.C. 28370.

### Did You Know?

1. The right-of-way in front of your home where the sidewalk is (or will be), even if you plant on it, is still Village property. Don't think of it as your property.
2. If you purchase liquor from the ABC store at Pinecrest Plaza, the tax money goes to Southern Pines, not Pinehurst. If you want your tax money to stay in Pinehurst, make your purchases at the ABC store on Route #5.
3. The occupant of every residence is required to have a garbage can made of galvanized iron, plastic or other non-rusting material. The can is required to have a tight fitting cover made as the same materials as the can. The cans must be of a size that a sanitation worker can handle efficiently. Holding capacity of the can should not be more than thirty (30) gallons and not weigh more than twenty (20) pounds while empty. ***All garbage must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. for your trash to be picked up!***

### **THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS**

Congratulations to the following folks who have recently been appointed to serve on boards for the Village:

Tom Campbell- Planning and Zoning Board  
 Judy Townley- Planning and Zoning Board  
 Charles Butters- Community Appearance Commission

A thank you is extended to the following folks who have just completed terms of service to a board for the Village:

Margaret Goodfellow- Planning and Zoning Board  
 Donald Van Roosen- Planning and Zoning Board

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## **Voluntary Water Conservation**

Summer is nearly upon us, and with it comes summer heat and the need for irrigation. While last year's abundant rainfall provided a much needed recharge for the Middendorf Aquifer, which is the main source of drinking water in our area, we must all remain vigilant in our water usage. For those of us who were not yet part of this community, all of central North Carolina experienced the worst drought period in all of recorded history from 1999 until 2002. This drought culminated in mandated water restrictions throughout our community. As the current summer begins, we are once again looking to conserve the water that is available to us.

The Village is not yet being mandated to conserve on water usage, but everyone is being urged to be conscientious in how they use their water, hopefully to avoid any mandatory restrictions in the months ahead. All homeowners, including those with private wells, are urged to closely monitor their water usage in irrigating their landscapes.

The new Pinehurst Water Conservation Committee will have some recommendations for assisting residents in efficient water usage in the very near future. These will be added to the Village website at [www.villageofpinehurst.org](http://www.villageofpinehurst.org). In the meantime, please keep in mind the best hours for irrigation are between 4 a.m. and 6 a.m.