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# Pinewood Village Newsletter



A newsletter for our owners and residents both here and away to let you know what is happening in your community here at **Pinewood Village**.

## Pinewood Village

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### Upcoming Events

**9:30 AM Coffee** 10  
**Valentine's Day** 14  
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**7:00 PM Board Mtg** 20  
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## The President's Corner

January was pretty much doing 'catch-up' as a result of losing two Board members within just a period of days after the new year began.



Please be patient with your 'new' Board, as we jockey duties and responsibilities.

On Friday, January 26, we welcomed a 'new' Ameri-Tech Property Manager — **David Fedash**. He has been a Property Manager for many years. A 'walk-thru' of the community with David Fedash is scheduled for Feb 2.

### Insurance Update — Snow-birds

Not here year-round? No problem. But it could be. **Tony LaCorte** and I met with our insurance carrier (Bouchard) on January 24. **David Mohns** informed us that Florida insurance law is this — if you are a snow-bird, and you do not have someone checking on your unit while you are away, and you have, let's say—a flood in your unit, if your unit is not checked at least every 14 days, you will be responsible for the flood—this is called negligence. If water creeps in to your neighbor's unit—you will be responsible for that also.

Please consider having someone 'look after' your unit on a frequent (bi-monthly) basis.

One of the things that Snow-birds can do is to install a Humidistat (\$30 at Home Depot) to help prevent mold and mildew. Also, when not in Florida, set the air conditioner to 78-80 degrees. This will also help prevent moisture damage. And if you have ceiling fans, consider setting them on a 'low' speed. A small price to pay for peace of mind.

### Soups — Pictures (January 26, 2018)



*Be ruthless with time, but be gracious with people*

## Safety at Pinewood Village

**Safety** — In January, we had a very unfortunate event — we had a robbery at one of our units. Several items were taken by two unknown persons.

As **James Fitzpatrick** mentioned at the January Board meeting—“Never allow anyone you do not know, into your home”.

When you leave your house — lock your door — several hundred dollars went ‘missing’ from another resident.

Also, cars were broken into at Building 10 during one night this past month. These cars were ‘locked’, but thieves managed to open the doors nonetheless.

To keep our community as ‘lit’ as possible, please report front and/or rear outside lights that are not working to Ameri-Tech.

We have a new Ameri-Tech Property Manager. His name is **David Fedash**, and his email is [dfedash@ameritechmail.com](mailto:dfedash@ameritechmail.com).

David Fedash can also be reached at 727 726-8000 x252.

Another safety issue that can be addressed is your main electrical breaker box. The very ‘old’ Federal Pacific boxes originally installed at Pinewood Village do not meet current standards. If your breakers are ‘tripping’, please consider replacing the breaker box. We have received several quotes for replacing these boxes—from \$900 to \$1,200. One Company — **Justice Electric** (727 430-3039) will install a new box for \$800. Several Pinewood Village residents have had this done. You will take a hit on the wallet, but you will also sleep better.

‘old’ box

‘new’ box



## Social Committee Update

The **40<sup>th</sup>** Anniversary Dinner/Dance will be **February 24<sup>th</sup>**. The colors for this years Anniversary Party will be **purple** and **silver**. No shorts, please



Social hour begins at 5 PM and dinner will be at 6 PM. Food will be provided by **Banquet Masters**. Wear your dancing shoes, there will be a 3 piece band. The music will start around 7 PM. See Candy (1506) for tickets. They are \$20 each.

**Jean Mall** (205) drafted **25** residents to **Rusty Bellies** in Tarpon Springs for a fine lunch on January 18th—a record turn-out. Congratulations!

The **Pinewood Lunch** on 2/15 will be at the **Safety Harbor Resort & Spa**.

The **January Pot Luck (Soups!)**, hosted by **Stan & Sue Schmitt, Sue La France**, and **Barbara & Fred Pyle** was a very big success attended by almost **30** residents who enjoyed **ten** soups.



### New Residents

- 901 William & Sherry Peak
- 1303 Paul Milkamp

## Buildings and Grounds

The first thing I would like to do is recognize that I inadvertently left out Stan Schmitt (105) in my thanks to the volunteers in the January Newsletter, for assisting with the painting of sidewalks. We have painted the sidewalk at Building 15, and this year will paint sidewalks at Buildings 10, 11 and 16.

This is what the roof tiles will look like after cleaning. (see left side)



We will continue to replace ‘old’ wooden indoor shed doors with ‘new’ metal exterior doors.

Also, working with our roof vendor Urethane Systems, we will develop a comprehensive roof maintenance plan. On January 18 & 19, Urethane staff walked all 16 of our buildings, and will present us with a report soon.



**Hanny Barram** (Secretary) met with the **Green Thumbs** group on Friday, January 26, and discussed

possible planting and landscaping issues they could do to add color and beauty to our community. Thank you to all 12 residents who attended.

We will have a new Landscape company starting in March. February will be spent getting bids and selecting a new landscape vendor. Stay tuned for updates.

### Condolences

- 1204 Jerry Hendrickson
- 1406 Irene Houman
- 1607 Glenn Cross