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# Sno-Bird Connection



A newsletter for our owners and residents both here and away to let you know what we are working on to save money and make things better at Pinewood Village.

## PV Board of Directors

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**Pam Sherock**, Director at Large

## The Presidents Corner

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend to everyone our best wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. I would also like to thank everyone for all the compliments and good wishes extended to me after presiding as President at my first Board of Directors Meeting in December. I appreciate your support.



The Board of Directors is charged with working together for the good of Pinewood Village Condominium Association, Inc. To help accomplish this, I appointed several committees and their members at our December Board Meeting for the purpose of bettering our community. These committees are posted on the boards by the mail boxes and by the main entrance to the clubhouse. They are also included in this newsletter. If there is a committee on which you would like to serve or an area for which you would like to volunteer, please see me. You can usually find me somewhere checking the grounds.

Thanks to the initiative of Pam Sherock, the Communications Committee is in the process

of creating the 2017 Phone Directory. They hope to present the format to Board for approval at the January 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Once again Stephanie Hanks (506) will be donating the printing of the Directory. Thank you, Stephanie. Stephanie is a resident and a realtor.

Laurase Lawns, Inc. will begin the landscape maintenance of Pinewood Village this month at a significant savings to our budget. Please remember as with all contractors, if you have any questions as the work being performed please see the appropriate committee chairperson and not those who are doing the work.

The Board is also in the process of updating the signage on Hercules Ave for Pinewood Village and will have an updated report at our January Board Meeting.

In order to keep all owners and residents up to date and informed as to what is happening at Pinewood Village, we will be inviting those who rent a unit to attend our board meetings as observers only. If there is something that anyone would like to bring to the attention to the Board please contact me in writing, I'm in unit 1305, or by email at [RJSWJB@ADL.COM](mailto:RJSWJB@ADL.COM)

Thank you  
Bob Surbeck, President

Your Board will continue to work hard this year to curtail unnecessary spending and diligently maintain our property.

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*Nothing can stop a man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude.*

Thomas Jefferson

## The Blizzard of 1966

If you live anywhere near Lake Ontario in Upstate NY you know that Buffalo has the reputation for getting the most snow, but actually Oswego NY does get the most snow year in and year out averaging over 150 inches a year. Being right on the shores of Lake Ontario, seldom does the snow fall straight down, it is driven by high winds.

The next to last week in January, 1966, I left Queens New York to visit the campus of Oswego State College.



The storm hit the weekend before spring semester started. I



arrived before the first flake fell and witnessed snow being driven by 60 mile an hour winds. At the end of the 34 hour blizzard, 102 inches of new snow had fallen. After seeing this spectacle, I was committed to getting my college education in this most amazing place. Being 50 years older and a bit smarter, I now live in Florida.

## New January Residents

304 Bill Macartney and Sue Pratt

1105 Roger and Adrienne Detert

1504 Angela Marlette

## Year In Review

After a contentious and tumultuous start to 2016 with our 2015 election being postponed to February 2016, the Board of Directors had a productive year. The HDA fee was reduced by a few pennies per month and we added roughly \$20,000 to our reserves. Here are the other things we were able to do for the betterment of our community.

- Changed schedule for dumpster pick-up on the South side of our property from twice a week to once a week while the snow-birds have flown North.



- Researched and purged old documents that were stored at Stevens & Stevens. These documents were not required to run our business in the future. Remaining documents are being stored in our office. The Tenant Files were reviewed and missing documentation was secured to bring the files up to date.



- Changed cleaning schedule for Clubhouse. QFC is currently cleaning the Clubhouse twice a month, instead of once a week while the snowbirds are gone.



- Changed our management company from Resource Management to Ameri-Tech Property Management.



- Our parking lot lights have been changed from sodium vapor to LED by Duke Energy to better illuminate our buildings.



- The Pool mechanical room was rewired and brought up to code. The pool was grounded to ensure no one will be hurt in the future due to electrical surges.

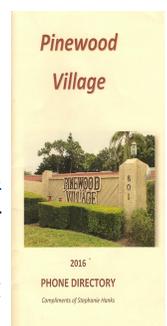


- The shed door replacement project at Pinewood Village, has replaced six of the hollow core interior wood shed doors with metal exterior doors. In the next month we will replace three more doors. Our goal over the next year or so is to replace all 26 doors that have been identified for replacement. The worst doors are being replaced first.



If **YOU** have an idea, contact the Board at [pinewoodvillagebod@gmail.com](mailto:pinewoodvillagebod@gmail.com). We have yet to meet a person that has cornered the market on all the good ideas that are out

The Board is in the process updating information for the 2017 Phone Directory. Send changes you want made via email to [pinewoodvillagebod@gmail.com](mailto:pinewoodvillagebod@gmail.com). No email? Call Jim Knapp @ 727-333-5817. Deadline for changes is January 31st 2017. If you don't want your information published, you must notify the Board of Directors in writing.



## Board Committees Appointments

### Sales, Rentals and Orientation/ Welcoming Committee

Charlie Lopipero, Chair  
Jaye Faticone  
Beverly Sperling  
Kathie Sheridan ex-officio

### Budget Committee

Bill McNeill, Chair  
Jim Knapp  
Bob Surbeck

### Communications Committee

Jim Knapp, Chair  
Charlie Lopipero

### Fining Committee

Jaye Faticone  
Jim Knapp  
Anthony Marchetti

### Rules Committee

Bill McNeill - Chair  
Lori Battaglia  
Charlie Lopipero

### Social Committee

Charmaine McNeill, Co-Chair  
Candy Choppolla  
Carol Callahan - Bingo  
Katie Colosimo - Bingo Refreshments  
Bob Surbeck, Co-Chair

### Pinewood Luncheon

Nancy Wilson, Chair  
Cathie Ormond

### Building, Grounds, and Volunteers

Bill McNeill - Chair  
Trish Benke  
David Berrios  
George Haines - weekends only  
Claude LaFrance  
Charmaine McNeill  
Dominic Pelle  
Ron Quevillon  
Jackie Roodnat - painting  
Stan Schmitt  
Sue Schmitt  
Bob Surbeck

### Library Committee

Norma Fitzpatrick

### Insurance Review Committee

Jeff Chase, Chair  
Pam Sherock

### Front Sign Committee

Jim Knapp, Chair  
Bill McNeill  
Bob Surbeck

### Pool Oversight

Anthony Marchetti  
Bill McNeill - back-up



A Winter Sunset on the Gulf of Mexico

## Ladies' Luncheon with a Twist

The tradition at Pinewood Village for the ladies of our community has been on the 3rd Thursday of the month, they gather for a luncheon at restaurant determined in advance. It is an opportunity for the ladies to get together and chat, catch up on things and share a meal together.



Nancy Wilson and Cathie Ormond decided to buck the tradition for the month of December and to invite the men of Pinewood Village to the luncheon which was held at Nauti Nancy's.



Before the event there was speculation that the men would not attend and it would be the same event sans men. SURPRISE! There were 11 ladies and 10 men. Nancy Wilson was so happy with the turnout that she announced that from that day forward it would be The Pinewood Village Luncheon, open to all. Some of the married couples said it was a great opportunity to go out for lunch with their spouse and have their friends there too.

The Luncheon will continue to be held on the 3rd Thursday of the month. As always, everyone will meet at the clubhouse at 12:30 PM and carpool to the selected restaurant.



*"Do what you feel in your heart is right for you'll be criticized anyway." Eleanor Roosevelt*

## Walkway Painting Project

While most of us were running around getting our last Christmas shopping and decorating done, three of our snowbird volunteers were working to beautify building 1. Stan Schmitt, 105, Claude LaFrance, 104 and Ron Quevillon, 103 painted the sidewalk in front of the building.

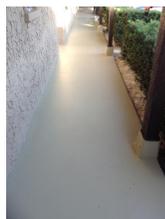


The 3 step process took several days.

First the sidewalk had to be pressure washed to clean the surface and remove any loose paint. They also pressure washed the stucco walls to remove many years of dirt that had collected on the rough surface. The sidewalk then had to dry for several days to ensure that there was no moisture left in the cement that could cause the paint not to adhere to the surface.



The cracks were filled with a polymer and the posts were caulked where they met the surface of the walkway, then allowed to dry thoroughly. Finally, after several days of prep work, the walkway was painted with a special paint designed for walkways. The results are dramatic. They will do another one soon. Thank you volunteers for a job well done.



## SOCIAL COMMITTEE

### HAPPY NEW YEAR

Last month was very busy here at Pinewood. We had the community yard sale and made around \$600. We have several items at consignment. The items that didn't sell were donated to St. Vincent DePaul and one other charity. Many thanks to all who gave their time and donations to make this event a success.

Again, the clubhouse had a very festive look for Christmas. We want to thank everyone who gave their time to decorate. A very special thanks to a gentleman who did the outdoor decorating.

The December Ladies Luncheon at Naughty Nancy's was such a great success with men being added. Nancy Wilson and Cathie Ormand will continue to co-chair this event. Your suggestions as to restaurants are always appreciated.

The signup sheet for Coffee Hour and Pot Luck has been posted on the Bulletin Board at the Clubhouse. Please sign up to host one of these

events. It is very easy to host either one of these events.

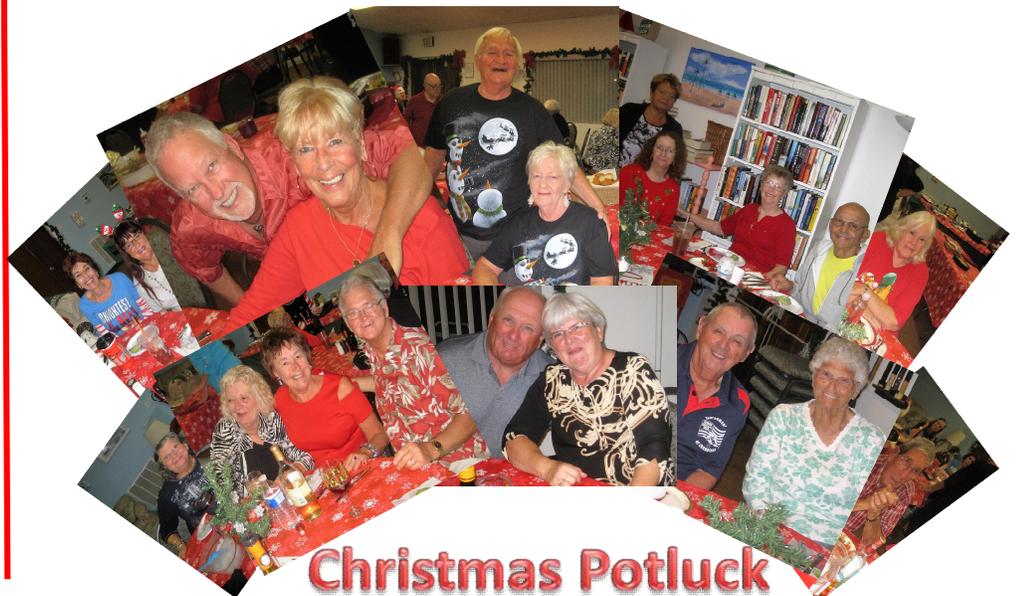
Get your dancing shoes ready!! The 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Dinner will be February 18, 2017. Tickets will go on sale the middle of this month. See Candy or myself for your tickets. Tickets will be \$20.00 each again this year. The event will be catered again this year and music will be provided by the same DJ as last year. All you need to bring is yourself and your drink of choice. So get ready to cut loose and boogie on down.

Again many thanks to everyone who helps out with our social events throughout the year. These events would not happen without people donating their time. It takes a village to make these events happen.

Thanks ya'll,

Charmaine

Co-Chair Social Committee



**Christmas Potluck**