

Pine Line

Pine Meadows Community Newsletter Hugust 2024

Time is flying by as we enter the month of August, and the second half of the summer season greets us. July and August are typically the hottest time of the year. Fortunately, we all have great geothermal furnaces that allow you to be as cool as you wish.

Perhaps many of you saw the recent article in the Wellington Advertiser accompanied by a lovely photo applauding the milestone reached of a \$500,000+ gift to Groves Hospital Foundation from Pine Meadows residents. The fundraising commenced as early as 2002. Pine Meadows continued to hold events and save money through donations. The gift will be directed to the new CT scanner. I say well done Pine Meadows community. This is something to be very proud of for a small community of 195 homes to complete a project like this.



I hope that increasingly more homeowners are using a computer or iPad and becoming more versatile with the internet. It can be a learning curve for some older residents who did not grow up with computers. Pine Meadows has a website, and the plan is to improve the site soon allowing for a better window of activities, news, and things going on around the Community to be shown. The Pine Meadows Homeowners Association (PMHA) Board approved the redevelopment of a website in August. We hope to make it userfriendly for everyone.

The Pine Meadows Residents' Contact Network (PMRCN) has been reviewed and updated. This document is used in an emergency where all homeowners need to be contacted within a short time. The Contact Network comprises four Response Marshals and 32 Communication Captains who would contact everyone at Pine Meadows with instructions in short order. The list is updated regularly as homeowners come and go and as a safety measure for all. The (PMRCN) falls under the responsibility of the PMHA Vice-President.

Regarding the expenditure of up to \$15,000 of our reserve funds, representatives of the Board are planning a meeting with Dana Burdenuk /Don Vallery to review the input received from the recent Survey and to determine how to move forward with an approved project. The July 10th Information Meeting was well attended, and some great ideas and comments forwarded to the Board were much appreciated. A heartfelt thank you to all who completed the Survey and enjoyed butter tarts and other sweets at the meeting. Stay tuned for more information soon.

I have been asked to remind the homeowners of the acceptable use of the facilities in the Community Center and the Workshop. Everyone is welcome to use the facilities here. However, quests of the homeowners MUST be accompanied by a homeowner when using any of the facilities including the Grand Hall, exercise room, pool, craft room, library, etc. Guests are not permitted to use the facilities alone. This is a longstanding regulation related to safety and liability.

The Board of Directors has reviewed the Pool schedule regarding children's hours. Thank you to those who sent in concerns and ideas via notes and letters. These have all been taken into consideration. The new children's hours will be posted by the pool. Hours for children will change to open swim hours for adults including children daily from 2:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Ladies Pool Volleyball is 11:15 until 12:30.

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I wish you all a pleasant August while summer weather continues to enhance our comfort before the cooler temperatures of Fall.

Chris Rynberk, Chair

PMHA Vice-President

Email: rynberkc@gmail.com



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For card requests, please contact: Kathryn Dancey 519-843-5216 Marni Henry at 226-486-2432

Our community sent "Thinking of You Wishes" to the following resident:



Mary Lou Dillon 128 Bristlecone Court



We were saddened to hear of the passing of former resident Joan Burleigh.

A Special Welcome to our New Residents

Pine Meadows heartily welcomes you to our beautiful and caring community.

Jane and Ken Ashton 15 Pine Ridge Road

Barbara Hern and Carl Severin 49 Pine Ridge Road



Maintenance Cost Review Committee (MCRC)

Barry Wood

The Maintenance Cost Review Committee did not meet during the month of July so there is nothing to report back to the community. However, a review of the Maintenance Cost Report for the month of June, 2024 shows that lawn cutting costs were significantly higher than last year due to the increased growth from regular rainfall this season. These costs, combined with some one time project costs, have resulted in total costs greater than our monthly maintenance fee and a small increase in the amount owing per household.

The maintenance cost report for June 2024 has been posted in the Boardroom for you to review. In addition, it has also been posted on the Pine Meadows Homeowners Association (PMHA) website. This report, prepared by the management of Pine Meadows Retirement Community Limited, shows all expense items, revenue items, costs per home per month and many other details.

Please take a moment to look at the report and, if you have any questions, you can contact Gabriele Filce, the MCRC chair, by telephone at (519) 843-2125 or email at **nanaFilce@yahoo.com** and she will be more than pleased to research your questions or you can contact any of the MCRC members.

Reminder: 2024 WHITE BARK WAY STREET PARTY

Chris Larsen

White Bark Way Residents! We have booked the Grand Hall for Sunday Sept 8, 2024 from 3pm to 6:30pm. We are planning a BBQ with Hamburgers and Sausage with Vegetarian options and Gluten Free Buns available at a cost of \$5 per person. We are asking for volunteers to prepare salads and desserts. It will be a BYO drinks and bring your own dishes. We are planning games for those that want to participate. Look for further information and a signup sheet on the bulletin board or email one of the coordinators with your salad or desert.

Please contact Chris Larsen at chrisrlarsen48@hotmail.com or 905-399-5692 or Ted White at ted.white83@yahoo.com or 647-293-1944 if you are willing to help out.

Annual Meeting September 18, 2024

Chris Rvnberk

Homeowners are reminded that our PMHA Annual meeting is coming up on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. If anyone in Pine Meadows Community wishes to bring a motion to the membership at the Annual Meeting, please send it to **Nancy Cook**, **PMHA Secretary before our August 21**st **Board Meeting.** Motions must be signed, and seconded and signed by another person. Please place in internal **mailbox 126** by <u>August 12, 2024</u>.

We need to fill up to 5 positions at the Annual Meeting including Secretary, Communications Director, Maintenance Cost Review Committee Director, and President. Presently, we have a consideration for Member at Large. If you have questions or wish to express an interest, please contact any of the current Board members...Larry Pope, Perry Adams, Nancy Cook, Chris Larsen, Andy Keen, Dave Favrin, Heather Hocken, Mike Stock, or me [Chris Rynberk].

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Thank you again Pine Meadows residents for all your support raising \$500,000.

The cheque presentation took place August 3, 2024 in the Grand Hall. Lori Arsenault, Executive Director of the Groves Hospital Foundation and 3 board members (Lynda White, Pamela Stumpf, Lisa MacDonald) were present. An appreciation reception for the generous residents of Pine Meadows followed with approximately 90 people in attendance.

Thank you to Solomon Decisions for their generous donation for the match of \$15,000.

Thank you to Don Vallery for his generous donation towards the reception.

And a *Big Thank You* to the Groves/Pine Meadows Fundraising Committee who worked tirelessly and were so dedicated to ensuring we met our goal. Well done!!!



From left: Sylvie Wesley (sitting) behind her Mary Drew (representing 1st \$250,000), Carol Doyan, 3 board members (Lynda White, Pamela Stumpf, Lisa MacDonald), Lori Arsenault (Exec Director Groves Foundation), Kimmie Komes, Debbie Pope, Sue Anderson, Elizabeth White (representing 1st \$250,000), Sandra Solomon, Jean Barratt (sitting). Missing were Betty Sansford, Suzie Parker, Sandy Hennessey.

Social Committee Updates

Chris Larsen

Don't Forget- Senior Olympics Thursday August 15

Opening Ceremonies with torch lighting planned for 1:30 pm behind the RECREATION CENTRE with games indoors and outside. Some of the games planned are *Hatchet Toss, Ladder Golf, Bean Bag/Washer Toss, Shuffleboard, Bocce Ball, Golf Games. Don't miss my famous Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Pickle, Kettle Chips and cold drinks.*

Signup sheet on the Bulletin Board. Tickets \$5 per person Starting July 31th Tickets available at KK, HH. SHARE THE WEALTH DRAW

Coming up Saturday Sept 9th CORN ROAST AND BBQ. Social hour at 4 pm follow by dinner at 5pm. Cost will be \$10 per person. Van Tols local corn, beef burgers or veggie burgers or sausage on a bun with cheese, tomatoes, onions, sauteed onions and condiments. Also, *Potato Salad, Pasta Salad, Ceasar Sald and Fruit cups for dessert. (Gluten free buns available on request).* BYOB. Bring your on dishes! **SHARE THE WEALTH DRAW**

Display Case

Joyce Giddings

Hard to believe summer is already half over. Too soon, some of our birds will be preparing for their migration to warmer climates. Once we see the geese heading south, it is time to get out our hats and mitts. I thought it might be a great chance to showcase Lois MacPherson's collection of ceramic birds.

For September, I am hoping to do a "Back to School Theme". My idea is to fill the display case with memorabilia from our grade school years. But I need your help. I am looking for year books, pictures, report cards, a globe, a picture of the Queen, (King?), beginning Readers such as the Dick and Jane books, lunch boxes, or anything else that you have saved that reminds you of your school days. Amina has a collection of ink wells and Ian has a yearbook (I think). Let's see what else we can find. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Thanks to those who have responded to my request for suggestions for future display case exhibits. I am always looking for more. If you have any ideas, please call me at 519-843-6244 or email me at joycegiddings1@gmail.com.

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Garage Sale Wrap Up

Debbi Pope

Well another garage sale has come and gone. This year we had fifty homes participating and approximately four hundred vehicles driving through our community. Terry and I would like to thank the many volunteers that helped make the day successful. It couldn't happen without you!

Thanks to everyone who donated treasures for the Groves Hospital sale run by Carol Doyon and friends which raised just under \$1100.00. A further \$159.00 was raised from a sale of books and puzzles from our library by Anne Chery and Heather Denomy.

A couple of changes were necessary this year. The mobile sign company that we have dealt with for years, did not respond to our request this year so we decided to buy the large sign you saw at our entrance. This was more expensive but can be used in the future making it more cost effective and convenient going forward. The other change was providing food and drink in the parking lot of our grand hall for our community and visitors alike. For many years, we had the Scouts here with their BBQ's and they were so well received. We are no longer able to do this because of Ontario Health and Safety regulations and liability issues when serving food to those outside of our community. Although this may be a little sad, it does simplify the planning of future garage sales.

This brings me to my final point. After three years, Terry and I have decided that this was our last year of organizing the annual garage sale. We are asking for someone else to carry on this much loved tradition. Ideally this would be two people. Of course, we would meet with you and pass along all the information we have just as Sandra Solomon and Joyce Giddings did for us over three years ago.

We must keep in mind and our leases clearly state that individual garage sales are not allowed. Hopefully someone will pick up the torch to keep this twenty-five year tradition alive. If this is of interest to you, please contact Debbi or Terry. Debbi Pope 416 274-8485. OR Terry Favrin 905 690-0109.

****** CD for Water Aerobics*******

Sue Anderson

The water aerobics CD for the ladies exercise classes has gone missing out of the locked room. This is being used regularly by several of the groups. This belongs to Sue Anderson and needs to be returned, so if you borrowed it, please return immediately. Thank you

Koffee Klatch

Jackie Piercey



August 7th

OPP auxillary officers Brad and James will discuss Fraud.

Some examples and tips for prevention.



August 14th

Social Time (You Tube)

40 strange dog behaviours explained. Jaw dropping facts about dogs. 21 – 33 minutes



August 21st

Veronica Negrin, owner of Pinetree Pet Resort will tell us about the many services offered for dog and cat care.



August 28th

Social Time (You Tube)

Dry Bar Comedy
Song lyrics are so stupid – Sid Davis

Full Special 35.52 minutes

2024 Car Rally - Miles For Smiles

Ted White (Chair)

This year's committee is happy to announce that the car rally will be on Monday September

23rd.In recognition of being the 25th car rally we have decided to go back to the original name of

"MILES FOR SMILES".

The format will be similar to the past with a coffee break, lunch, nap time and a get-together after. Lots more details will be announced later so please save the date.

We look forward to a great day with lots of memories to

share with friends and neighbours. See you then.





Birthdays and Anniversaries for August

The following are the names of Pine Meadows residents who are celebrating either a birthday or anniversary the month of August.

Birthdays		Anniversaries:	
Penny Curts	August 1	Perry and Julia Adams	August 11
Derek Seeley	August 1	Larry and Debbi Pope	August 16
Paul Lingen	August 3	Bob and Kathryn Dancey	August 17
George Ottewell	August 3	Chris and Diane Larsen	August 22
Sheila Vinden	August 5	Gary Renaud and Amina Miller	August 23
Gord Bartlett	August 6	Andrew and Jane Nicholas	August 24
Todd Curtis	August 7	lan and Carol Marr	August 25
Debbi Pope	August 14	Ron and Deahn Wilson	August 30
Perry Adams	August 18		
Beth Shackleford	August 19		
Marni Henry	August 24		
Carol Marr	August 27		

Congratulations Everyone!

To have birthdays and anniversaries noted in the Pine Line each month and announced at Koffee Klatch, please send your info to Jackie Piercey. Her contact info is (piercey.iackie@gmail.com) or call 905-703-

(piercey.jackie@gmail.com) or call 905-703-0372 and she will update her list.



Vacation Message from Dana Burdenuk

I wanted to give residents the heads-up on my vacation date this summer as follows:

• Aug 12-15

I won't be in the office during this week in August. As I am on-site now, I won't have anyone to back me up when I am away, so **emergency calls** will have to come to me.

The Pine Line

The Pine Line is the monthly newsletter of Pine Meadows residents and is produced for the Pine Meadows Homeowners' Association by the Pine Line Team which currently consists of:

Coordinators/Editors: Linda Webster and Perry Adams.

Pine Line Committee Members: Anne Chery, Joyce Giddings, Heather Denomy, Myra Manning and Grant Swift.

We are always looking for more team members to proofread the final draft of the Pine Line and attend our pre-publication meeting. If you are interested, please contact either Linda or Perry.

The Pine Line depends on submissions by the various activity groups within Pine Meadows and by you, the residents. Submissions should be made electronically (by email) to pinemeadowsnewsletter@gmail.com or can be placed in the Pine Line box in the main lobby of the Recreation Centre or internal mailbox #35 or #70. The submission deadline for the December issue, is the 14th of the month. The deadline for the remainder of the months is the 21st. While a high priority is to include all submissions, space requires that some submissions be omitted, or delayed to a future edition of The Pine Line

PMHA BOARD 2023-2024

Vice President/Chair	Chris Rynberk	Communications	Perry Adams
Secretary	Nancy Cook	Member at Large	Dave Favrin
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Gov't Liaison	Heather Hocken	MCRC Rep	Mike Stock



Pine Meadows Homeowners' Association – Events Calendar





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	1	3
4	5 Civic Holiday	6	7 KK OPP re Fraud	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 KK Social You Tube	15 1:30 pm Senior Olympics	16	17
18	19	20	21 KK Pine Tree Pet Resort	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 KK Social – You Tube	29	30	31
	Safety/Security - Jerome Lehman	Children's Pool hours	s: 2:30 - 6:00 p.m. daily 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. daily	Reservations & Kitchen Committee - Heather Waring		
	8:30 Walk for Fitness 9:00 Water Aerobics 9:00 Wood Carving 11:15 Water Aerobics 11:30 SMART Program 12:00 Billiards – Men 1:00 Men's Aquafit 7:00 Billiards – Men	9:00 Water Aerobics 10:00 Tai Chi 11:15 Water Aerobics 1:00 Billiards – Men 1:00 Men's Aquafit 1:30 Ladies Bridge 7:00 Mixed Darts 7:00 Poker	8:30 Water Aerobics 9:30 Koffee Klatch 11:30 SMART Program 1:00 Men's Aquafit 7:00 Euchre (2 nd and 4 th Wednesday) Bid Euchre (1 st , 3 rd and 5 th Wednesday)	9:00 Water Aerobics 9:30 ROMEOS 11:15 Water Aerobics 1:00 Men's Aquafit 2:00 Ladies Billiards 2:00 Line Dancing 2:00 – 4:30 pm Pool Cleaning 6:30 Pickleball	8:30 Walk for Fitness 9:00 Water Aerobics 10:00 Bridge 11:15 Water Aerobics 11:30 SMART Program 12:00 Billiards – Men 1:00 Men's Aquafit 1:00 Cribbage 4:00 Happy Hour	7:00 Mixed Billiards