



Pine Line

Pine Meadows Community Newsletter

July 2025

Canada Day is here as you read this message on July 1st. Celebrated each year, it commemorates the joining of three British colonies [Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the (Province of Canada: Upper/Ontario and Lower/Quebec Canada)] into one nation known as the Dominion of Canada on July 1, 1867, through the British North America Act. Originally named Dominion Day, it was officially renamed Canada Day in 1982. This holiday signifies the country's birth as fully independent from the United Kingdom, thanks to the Canada Act of 1982, which also included the Constitution Act of 1982.



July 1st is usually celebrated with fanfare, especially here at Pine Meadows, where we enjoy our festivities with cake and the annual photograph in front of the Community Centre. Make sure to be there to take part in the photo. We will be in the heat of summer, so enjoy.

Many of us may be away for part or all of July visiting the cottage, family, friends, travelling to further destinations in Ontario, or going further afield. Perhaps the East Coast is calling you, as it is calling me, to spend some time in Nova Scotia, not far from Yarmouth. Canada is an amazing country ready for you to explore. However if you happen to be more housebound, search out some travel programs on television and imagine the beauty and grandeur that we often take for granted.

July deserves fun and laughter, so I want to leave you with some charming bits of humour that hopefully will put a smile on your face or a chuckle in your demeanour. Enjoy these and have a wonderful July month.

When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.

The older I get, the earlier it gets late.

I had my patience tested. I'm negative.

I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever!

Someone asked what I did last weekend. I squinted and asked, "Why, what did you hear?"

Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you out. Haha.

When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free; it means I am doing nothing.

I hate it when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning, and don't know whose side I'm on.

Chris Rynberk, President, PMHA

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Maintenance Cost Review Committee (MCRC)

Barry Wood, Recording Secretary

The MCRC Committee did not receive the report on the maintenance costs for May by the time of the meeting but we have some good news from the April report. For the second month in a row, the maintenance costs were less than our monthly maintenance fee. Our favourable position continues to improve but we are starting into the part of the year when we can expect higher costs.

The maintenance cost report for May, 2025 will be posted in the Boardroom as it becomes available for you to review. In addition, it will also be 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 Nancy Ottewell, the MCRC chair, by email at nottewell@gmail.com and she will be more than pleased to research your questions or you can contact any of the MCRC members.

Maintenance Cost Review committee (MCRC) Opening

The Maintenance Cost Review Committee (MCRC) is currently seeking to fill the position of Recording Secretary. The Committee meets monthly to review Pine Meadows Maintenance Costs. The position involves recording the Minutes and forwarding it to the Committee members. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please contact Nancy Ottewell (nottewell@gmail.com) or Ted White (tedwhite83@yahoo.com).

Cards Cards Cards

For card requests, please contact: Kathryn Dancey 519-843-521 or Marni Henry 226-486-2432

Our community sent “**Thinking of You / Get Well Wishes**” to the following residents:

In May, Norm Webb 57 Pine Ridge Road received a card. Nicole Benou did not receive a card.
(Apology from Editor Linda Webster)

Eileen Wingate	61 Meadow Lane
Evelyn Goodfellow	168 Pine Ridge Road



Sympathy cards were sent to:

Family of Diane Teeter 102 White Bark Way on Diane's passing.

Brenda DeJong 109 White Bark Way on the passing of her brother.

Lois MacPherson 156 Pine Ridge Road on the passing of her son.

The Place To Be from Nicole Bernou

Last month my name appeared in the newsletter for receiving a card. Many people asked me how I was feeling and if everything was ok. I am fine! To all the people who asked me – thank you! People are so considerate and caring here. It does feel like a big family. Pine Meadows is really the Place to Be.

Display Case
Joyce Giddings

A big thank you to all our wedding photo participants!

Did you find it easier to guess who was in the wedding pictures this time? I'm not sure I would have been able to identify most of them. It's amazing the changes that take place as we age – a wrinkle or two, grey hair, less hair, no hair, a few additional pounds here and there. Then you look in the mirror and wonder why your parent is staring back at you.

And forgetfulness! When I checked to see what was planned for the July display case, oops, I didn't have anything. Luckily, my embroidery buddies came to the rescue.

Four of our residents are members of the CEGG (Canadian Embroiderers' Guild Guelph). Julia Adams has been a long-time member and was instrumental in convincing Lisa Haas, Tina Henderson and me to join. We call Julia the embroidery queen. Her workmanship and the pieces she creates are unbelievable.

CEGG is a teaching guild open to those interested in traditional and contemporary forms of embroidery. They aim to refine needlework skills, promote members' creativity, and extend awareness of embroidery in the community.

CEGG is quite unique in that it is one of the only teaching guilds in Canada. Meetings are held biweekly during the fall and winter. Registration is held in early September. There is a slate of 5 or 6 different classes to choose from, beginner to advanced.

Meetings are held at the Kortright Presbyterian Church in Guelph. A typical day starts with an information meeting at 9:30. Then everyone goes to their classroom until noon. After lunch there is either a speaker or a small project workshop.

If you would like more information, feel free to contact Julia, Lisa, Tina, or me.

Don't forget "the dog days of summer" in August. I have been asked about the information to be included with the photos. The name of the dog, breed, age, and the owner's name(s) should be sufficient. You can drop off your pictures at 121 Bristlecone Court, put them in my internal mailbox, or I can pick them up. This should be a super fun display!

If you have ideas for future displays, please contact me at joycegiddings1@gmail.com or 519 843-6244



PINE MEADOWS MIXED GOLF SCRAMBLE JULY 10TH, 2025
VICTORIA PARK VALLEY GOLF CLUB

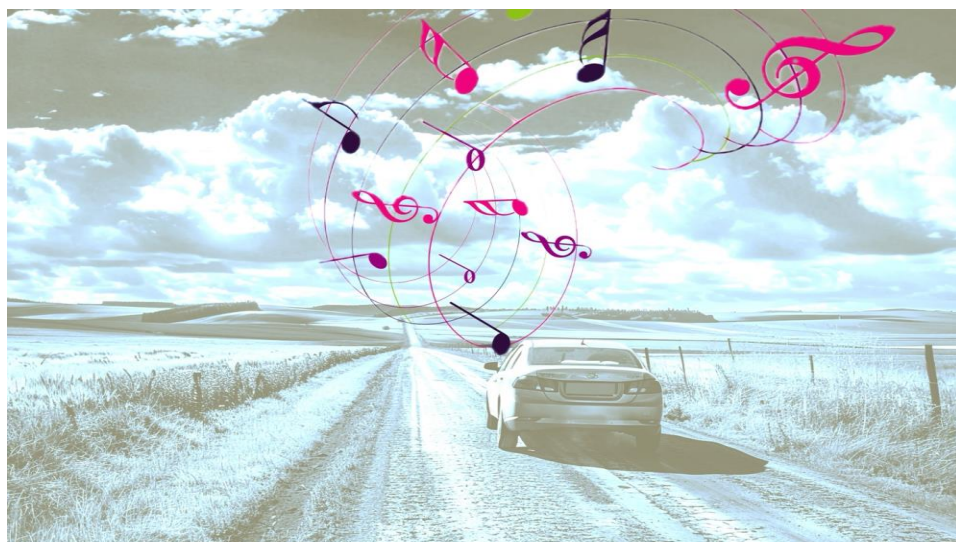
Come join us again for another great golf event. The cost this year is \$55.00 that includes coffee before tee off. We have a shotgun start at 10:00am. with a great lasagna lunch also included after the round back at our Pine Meadows hall around 1:30.

Please sign up on the sheet posted in the hall and **pay before the end of June.**

Payment can be made to John Campbell, Ted White or e-trans to klhampton167@gmail.com.

Jive Drive 25

Larry Pope



Plans are well underway for this year's Pine Meadows Car Rally, to be held **Monday October 6, 2025.**

The cost per person this year is **\$60.00** which includes lunch and dinner.

See sign up sheet in Hall and mark your calendars today!

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Submitted by Larry Pope

June Bingo

It was another good turnout on June 9 for bingo in the Meadows. The regular game jackpots were \$26 each. The winners were (games won bracketed): Jackie Piercey (3), Nicole Bernou (2), and John Campbell (2). Single Game winners: Brenda DeJong, Sylvia Lawson, Joanne Alexander, Terry Favrin, Joe Piercey, and Joan Ferrier.

The \$100 Jackpot was split between Peggy Barton and Bonnie Tetrault. Share The Wealth was divided up three ways, with winners Peggy Barton, Joy Carbonara and Sue Sewell each taking home \$38.

Overall top winners were Peggy Barton with \$88 and Jackie Piercey with \$78

A scoring controversy was narrowly avoided after the caller dumped the balls in between ONE LINE and TWO LINES in game 7.

Next up:

- **Canada Day** falls on **July 1** again this year. As usual, you'll be treated to a mess of delicious strawberries and a group drone photo (wear some red if you can). If you know somebody who would like to attend but can't get to the Hall, let the Social Committee know. There's a sign up list in the Hall. Please arrive at 1:00 pm to allow marshalling time for a 1:30 pm photo.

- It's not too early to start your training program but always remember to warm up first as you prepare for the **Senior Olympics on August 14**

PS: There are no Bingo photos this month as the official photographer is on vacation. Hope you are having a good time Chris!



Life of a Cecropia Moth / What we found in our backyard by Bonnie Norris

Spotting this unusual 3 in. caterpillar (teal blue) we were able to capture its life cycle with photos.

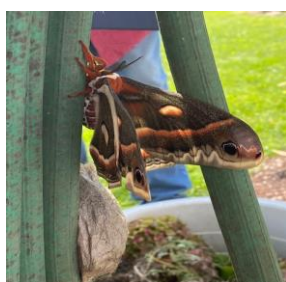
This moth in the silk worm family is the largest in North America growing up to 7 plus inches.

Interesting fact: The Cecropia has no digestive system and the adults live approximately 10 days.

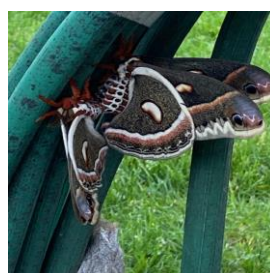
Thanks to Kathryn and Bob Dancey for leaving your hose out all winter and providing a safe environment.



The colour and size caught my attention in the fall.



The cocoon was spun on a garden hose and the female moth emerged June 8th.



Immediately the female released hormones through her antennae to attract a male. He appeared the next day.



The pair were gone the following day. We cut the cocoon open and found a thick silk lining.

Pine Meadows Ladies Group

Lois MacPherson

The Pine Meadows Ladies Group ended up their 2024-2025 season with two significant events.

Since changing our name and focus in 2022 we maintained a small financial balance. These monies have not been used, except for coffee etc. purchases. This spring the group made the decision to donate the majority of these funds to the Aboyne Rural Hospice building fund.

The second special event was our year end trip. On June 16, 34 ladies from our community visited Hereward Lavender Farm. This local farm is just minutes away from Pine Meadows but provides lavender products to many places around the world. It was a very informative and enjoyable experience. They are open Wednesdays to Saturdays, and a place you might want to visit. We had fun.

Another significant fact regarding our community is that over the past season we have contributed a total of 31 afghans to Wellington Terrace, Caressant Care and to patients at the oncology department at Groves Hospital. Special thanks to those who have donated wool, and to the members of our community who made these welcome gifts to those in need. Anyone interested in helping out with this on-going project should contact Peggy Barton (519 787 5439) for wool and size information. We do not meet over the summer. Our next meeting will be on September 8, and plans are that it will be a 'sparkling event'. Watch the bulletin board for further details.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for July

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



Birthdays

Stewart Lawson	July 2
George Goodfellow	July 2
Betty Dykstra	July 7
Kelly Laurila	July 9
Nancy Cook	July 13
John Campbell	July 19
Erik Neilson	July 19
Jack Tocher	July 25
Mary Ann Simpson	July 28
Terry Favrin	July 29
Jean Ritchie	July 29
Bob Patterson	July 30
Jackie Piercey	July 30

Left Out in June

Happy Belated Best Wishes

Alana Coulson	June 15
Ken and Jane Ashton	June 26



Anniversaries

Paul and Elke Lingen	July 3
Ken and Judy Busch	July 4
Gord and Kathy Perry	July 5
John and Sandra Barr	July 6
Doug and Sharon Wansbrough	July 10
Todd and Penny Curtis	July 11
Bud and Pearl Davis	July 14
Reg and Joanne Black	July 14
Robert and Cathy Clendenning	July 16
Ross and Lois Armstrong	July 17
Tim and Linda Moore	July 20
John and Barb Hodgson	July 24

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

DRAWING AND SKETCHING CLASS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

by Bonnie Norris

Have you ever had the desire to learn to draw or are you a skilled artist? We are starting a six week art group each Wednesday from 2-4 in the Grand Hall starting September 3rd.

I will post a sign up sheet in the Community Centre. There is no fee and all that is required are a few pencils, an eraser, ruler and sketch book/paper. A detailed suggested material list will be provided if interested.

There is no such terminology as, "I can't draw". Surprise yourself and give it a try!

For more information, I can be reached at:

(519)994-4773 bnorris8864@gmail.com

Koffee Klatch

Jackie Piercey



July 2nd

Estate Planning Seminar by Susan and Del Wilmont.

Great info for 55+ age group



July 9th

Video

Why are we the “Pinnacle of Evolution” and not them?



July 16th

Mayor Shawn Watters will return for an informal talk about what is happening in our area.

Q & A to follow



July 23rd

Video

“Top 25 Wonders of the World: Travel Guide” 15.52 minutes



July 30th

Comedienne Monique Marvez

“You will never be able to change a man.” 10.12 min

Plus

“Explaining the past to the ypunger generations” 8.59 min

PMHA BOARD 2024-2025

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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, Grant Swift and Nancy Ottewell.


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



Pine Meadows Homeowners' Association – Events Calendar

July 2025



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Canada Day 1 pm 	2 KK -Estate Planning	3	4	5
6	7	80	9 KK-Video Evolution	10 Golf Scramble	11	12
13	14	15	16 KK- Mayor Shawn Watters	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 KK Video Travel Wonders–	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 Dry Bar Comedy	31		
	Safety/Security Dave Ellis	Open Swim & Children Allowed Pool hours: 2:30 - 6:00 p.m. daily		Reservations & Kitchen Committee - Heather Waring		
10:00 Pickleball 11:00 French Club	8:30 Walk for Fitness 9:00 Water Aerobics 9:00 Wood Carving 10:00 Water Aerobics 11:30 SMART Program 12:00 Billiards – Men 1:00 Men's Aquafit 1:30 Ladies Group 7:00 Billiards – Men	9:00 Water Aerobics 10:00 Tai Chi 10:00 Water Aerobics 11:15 Pool Volleyball 12:00 Pickleball 1:00 Billiards – Men Aquafit 2:00 Chair Yoga 1:30 Bridge 7:00 Mixed Darts 7:00 Poker	8:30 Water Aerobics 9:30 Koffee Klatch 10:15 – 12:00 pm Pool Cleaning 11:30 SMART Program 1:00 Men's Aquafit 7:00 Euchre (2nd and 4th Wednesday) Bid Euchre (1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday)	9:00 Water Aerobics 9:30 ROMEOS 10:00 Water Aerobics 10:15 Pole Walking 11:15 Pool Volleyball 1:00 Men's Aquafit 2:00 Ladies Billiards 6:30 Pickleball 7:00 Table Tennis	8:30 Walk for Fitness 9:00 Water Aerobics 10:00 Bridge 10:00 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