

The Needle

Pinewood Lake Homeowners Association

www.pinewood-lake.com

August 2009

COMMUNITY MEETING

There will be a Community Meeting regarding the proposed revision to the fence standard on Monday, September 21 from 7:30-9 PM in Room 221 A of the South County Center. All homeowners are encouraged to attend. To read the proposed revision, get a copy in the PLHA office or at www.pinewood-lake.com.

BOARD CANDIDATES NEEDED

Do you want to make a difference in Pinewood Lake? You can, because, unlike many other HOAs, we manage ourselves. Which means our future is in your hands!

You can contribute to our community by becoming a candidate for the Board of Directors. This year Jack Kaufman, Nancy Razzino, Burnette Scarboro, and Vicki McLeod's terms expire. We need you!

Do you have ideas about how to:

- sustain/improve our home values;
- maintain security/safety for your family, property and community;
- enhance community programs/ cooperation;
- maintain our common grounds?

Individuals must declare their candidacy by October 5, 2009, or be a write-in candidate.

Contact the PLHA office or any member of the Nominating Committee to declare your candidacy.

Bev Card 703-360-2528 bmwcard@verizon.net
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Dick Knapp 703-360-1941 rknapp4@cox.net
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Bill Gleason, Nominations Chair
703-780-2007 gleasonb1@aol.com

ACC REMINDER

When you want to make changes to the outside of your house, you must submit an ACC Request Form to the committee explaining the changes you want to make. Please be specific with your request. Drawings and paint chips are helpful to include in your request.

Mr Brad Center

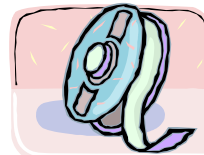
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PLHA Community Center

August 20, 2009

7:30 PM



Pinewood Lake Community Cinema

Saturday, August 29

8:30 PM Pool Parking Lot

Bring lawn chair/blanket/soft drink

Free Popcorn!



Choose the Movie!

- Go to www.pinewood-lake.com
- Check the PLHA listserv
- Watch for a flyer



Vote by August 10

NEED POOL or GUEST PASSES?

Come to the PLHA Office
Monday-Friday from 12-2 PM
Saturday from 9:30-10:30 AM

MUDDY HOLE GARDEN CLUB

An Interview:

Recently, I sat down to interview Jill Durante about her contributions to the Muddy Hole Garden Club. The conversation went as follows: "As Chairman of the Muddy Hole Garden Club, I had the opportunity to chat with a delightful resident, Jill Durante, who has favored the garden club with numerous contributions based on her real estate sales in the community. In conversation, she expressed her appreciation for the seasonal banner program and indicated the banners help to make the community 'unique and attractive.' Jill originally hails from Texas. Pinewood Lake is her home now, and she finds that it is a place in which she takes great pride. The tranquility of the lake and the sense of security found in Pinewood Lake are important assets. Her final reflection centered on the beautification projects of the common areas and how the garden club continues to enhance the community."

Over the past several years, Ms. Durante has donated substantially to the Banner Program. Through her gracious help, the Muddy Hole Garden Club has been able to have new flags for various seasons and we are very grateful to her for her kindness and thoughtfulness. In addition, Ms. Durante also donated money to purchase one of the bus stop benches. Our community is indeed indebted to this wonderful friend and neighbor.

The garden club welcomes all individuals, businesses or any organization who would like to follow Ms. Durante's example, or make contributions to continue the work of the Muddy Hole Garden Club, please contact the Community Manager at 703-360-6212.

Stephen Papanicolas 703-799-4328

FROM THE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Chairperson needed

After careful consideration, I have decided that in January, I will step down as Chairman of the Maintenance Committee. I will, however, remain on the Committee and continue to work on projects that improve the quality of life at Pinewood Lake. Please consider joining the Committee and possibly chairing the Committee.

Chris Ream

703-360-1712

PINEWOOD CURB APPEAL

Mow lawn, weed, and trim shrubs

Keep trash cans/recycle bins out of sight

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Office Hours:

12 PM - 3 PM Monday-Friday

9 AM - 12 Noon Saturday

Community Manager: Kirsten Davis

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To all who will listen,

Although I am no longer actively involved with the Board or ACC, I can say this about the proposed changes in the fence standards and the sudden interest in them. These proposed changes have been worked on by the ACC for many, many months. They announced these proceedings numerous times in the Needle and invited everyone to attend their meetings to provide opinions and input.

The ACC has not developed these proposals in a vacuum; they have tried numerous times to get homeowners to participate in these discussions and proposals. The only vacuum created is the one that has always plagued the PLHA community, the one created by the nonparticipation of residents. Few residents seem to want to spend their valuable time off attending PLHA meetings, whether they be Board meetings, ACC meetings, or any of the other meetings that are held in order to do the business of running our community.

All those who either were too busy, didn't care enough at the time, or did not participate in the development process of these proposals for one reason or another seem to come out of the woodwork at the tail end of the process.

Their valued opinions/suggestions/arguments were needed long ago. If you did not know about the Fence Standards being reviewed/revised, then shame on you! You should have. Far too much time and effort has been invested in this project to be wasted because of the non-participation of the majority of our homeowners.

Mark Brewer

NEED HELP OUTSIDE YOUR HOME?

Can you provide the materials but are unable to do the work? Volunteers may be able to help you. Please inquire at the PLHA office - 703-360-6212 - or plha@verizon.net to see if we have any volunteers able to assist you.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Jun 2009	Jun 2008
In transit	\$ 7,004	\$ 34,149
Operations	130,315	199,329
Reserve	1,626,683	1,369,219
Total	\$ 1,764,002	\$1,602,697
Delinquent	\$ 82,855	\$ 71,646

Caution: The delinquent balance is \$11,209 more than it was just one year ago.

PLHA Calendar

Regular meetings in PLHA office @ 7:30 PM

Aug 4	.....	ACC
Aug 5	.....	Muddy Hole Garden Club
Aug 10	.....	Neighborhood Watch
Aug 13	.....	Board
Aug 18	.....	ACC
Aug 19	.....	Pool
Aug 20	.....	Marketing
Aug 21	.....	Needle Deadline
Aug 27	.....	Maintenance
Aug 29	.....	Community Cinema

TOWING POLICY

PLHA is not liable for damage done to vehicles towed from the community. Call Dominion Towing at 703-360-1234.

Towing Reminder for Saint Annes Court:

No vehicle may double-park on Saint Annes Court.

Any double-parked vehicles will be subject to towing without notice.

DOG WALKERS

Residents still report dog walkers who are not picking up after their dogs.

PLEASE PICK-UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Parents, remind your children to pick-up, too.

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Topics:

- Where will our children attend school?
- What are the school boundaries?
- How does the feeder system work?
- What are the budget issues?
- Report on the recent Youth Study.
- How safe are the local schools?
- Report on test scores of our children.
- And many more school related issues.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Join a committee to complete your hours.
Contact PLHA office at 703-360-6212 or
plha@verizon.net for details.

**ACC APPROVAL NEEDED
BEFORE
DOING OUTSIDE WORK**

Before painting outside (*house, fence,
shed, or other structures*),

Submit an ACC Request Form

Available in the PLHA office or at
www.pinewood-lake.com.

ACC meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday
each month in the PLHA office.

Even if painting the same color(s), approval
is needed - **some colors may no longer
be approved.**


2009 Pinewood Lake Swim Team



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I'M JILL DURANTE
A Pinewood Lake Resident

I'd like to help you
sell your house
Or
Buy that smaller or bigger home
you're looking for!

Give me a call and let's talk!

For every purchase or sale in/from Pinewood, I will make a donation to the Garden Club in your name.





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CURB APPEAL IN PINEWOOD

What do your front, side and back yards look like? Are they well kept and free of clutter?

Did you know you are responsible to care for the alley behind your house?

Are trash cans and recycle bins out of sight until after sunset the night before pick-up?

Are trash cans and recycle bins put away by midnight after pick-up?

ATTENTION DOG WALKERS

Please remember:

- pick up after your dog;
- dogs must be on a leash when out of your yard;
- dogs may not run loose on common ground;
- dogs may not go on other people's private property.