



The Needle

“Community Connected”

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Editor’s Side-Chat

What’s new in the neighborhood...read with caution.

First, let’s start with the fun stuff. Attention parents of tots!! Coming soon -- A new playground will be installed on Gramercy Circle for children ages 2-5 years old.

While we are working on providing safe places for our little ones to play, please be mindful as you take walks around the lake. The HOA office has provided the following statement regarding the recent sightings of snakes:

*“The Pinewood Lake office has received a few calls recently about snakes near the lake dam. Please be advised that these snakes are Northern Water snakes and are not poisonous. However, they are wild and should be left alone. **Please do not let your children play near the dam and inform them that they should never approach wildlife.**”*

Have a fun-filled and safe summer!!

S.J.

A Bit of News

MVCCA Health and Human Services Up-Date

The committee anticipates focusing, in remaining meetings in 2011, roughly as follows:

Seniors: How will rapidly increasing numbers of seniors, people with disabilities, and family caregivers find services that support aging-in-place?

Housing First: Will agreement on the Housing Blueprint end homelessness and provide “options” for those with “special needs”? How will the County identify, and inventory, the range of individual needs—emergency, transitional, or long-term supportive, etc.—in order to respond effectively?

Health Care Access: Will services—for primary care, crisis care, brain disorders, and more—be able to match anticipated growth in local populations of elderly and children, in FY 2012 and beyond?

Emergency Preparedness: Time for an update. Will personal and neighborhood training and capacity for crisis response be available locally, include “Mental Health First Aid,” require more volunteers.

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Cinema Nights at Pinewood Lake Featuring “Secretariat”

Presented by the Cinema Committee

Date: Saturday, July 23rd

Time: 8:30 PM

Place: Pool Parking Lot

Free admission and popcorn!



Housewife and mother Penny Chenery Tweedy agrees to take over her ailing father's Virginia-based Meadow Stables, despite her lack of horse-racing knowledge. Against all odds, Chenery -- with the help of veteran trainer Lucien Laurin -- manages to navigate the male-dominated business, producing perhaps the best race horse of all times, and ultimately fostering the first Triple Crown winner in twenty-five years.

Land Use For Lee District

At Lee District's June Land Use Meeting the following applications were up for review:

1. Belvoir Secure Building on Loisdale Rd. To be considered
2. In-door Ice Rink on Oakwood Rd. off of 95 and Van Dorn.
To be brought back to Land Use
3. Jefferson Funeral Parlor to be re-zoned to a Funeral Home. To be considered.

All of these cases will be brought back to Land Use.

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Costco should be opened by 2012 according to their sources.

Until Next Time

Vicki McLeod

Rep. Land Use, HHS and NAB

Note about June's article: "Changes to Route One Corridor". Take note of the following information that was omitted in the beginning section: "An Embassy Suites by Hilton is proposed to go into the site of the Hunter Motel at the intersection of the Fairfax Parkway and Loisdale Rd, This hotel will include 220 rooms, 7 floors and a coffee shop". As well as the **Officials Update** section: "Our State reps will remain the same as before: Scott Surovell, Rep and Toddy Pullen, Senator. Jeff McKay is our Board of Supervisors rep. and there will be a new candidate for the school board because Brad Center is leaving the position."

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

By Tricia Gosby

Pinewood Lake Neighborhood Watch invites the community to celebrate NATIONAL NIGHT OUT on **Tuesday, August 2, 2011**. Join your neighbors at the community pool from **7-9 p.m.** The pool will be open an extra hour. Fairfax County Police and Fire Departments have been invited. Pizza and soft drinks will be available to all residents of Pinewood Lake.

From the National Night Out Website: NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. (For more details about National Night Out, go to <http://www.nationalnightout.org>.)

BOARD HAPPENINGS

At its June 9 meeting, the Board of Directors took the following actions:

- Passed a new Driveway Rules and Regulations Policy Resolution, a copy of which is enclosed. This is part of an overall review of current Association policies. The Board will be discussing a revision of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (DCCR) at the July Board meeting.
- Passed a revised Pool Rules Policy Resolution, a copy of which is enclosed. This revision clarifies pool check-in procedures.
- Approved the replacement of various concrete sidewalks and gutters throughout the community. At its May meeting, the Board had approved the milling and repaving of Arendale Square and the Lakepark Drive service road serving addresses 8117 through 8143. Additionally, the Board approved repairing certain asphalt patches throughout the community. All of this work should be complete by the time you are reading the newsletter.
- Approved the replacement of the Gramercy Circle playground equipment. This includes the removal of the old asphalt pad in the park. The new playground is focused on children aged 2-5. The other parks in the community are more focused on children aged 5-12. The new equipment should be installed soon and will include new swings as well as a large multiuse play structure.
- Decided to review both the current Collection Procedures Policy Resolution and the Policy Resolution on ACC Due Process Procedures at its July meeting.

Please note that the agenda for each Board meeting is placed on our website (www.pinewood-lake.com) the Monday before the Board meeting. If you have any questions about or comments on any upcoming agenda items, please attend the Board meeting or contact the Pinewood Lake office at 703-360-6212 or plha@verizon.net.

Board meetings take place in the Pinewood Lake office at 7:30 PM on the second Thursday of each month. All residents and owners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

COMMITTEE NOTES

The ACC is currently reviewing rear fence standards. If you would like to be involved in the process, please contact Karen Jones at plhaacc@aol.com or attend the ACC meetings held the first and third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:30 PM in the Pinewood Lake office.

Other ACC items: Please remember that fences separating the yards of Pinewood Lake homes are shared fences. If these fences are in need of repair, please contact your neighbor to discuss the shared responsibility of maintaining the fences. Please also remember that trash cans and recycle bins must be stored in your rear yard unless they are out for collection.

The Maintenance Committee is working on replacing the speed limit and no trespassing signs on the private streets in the community. Additionally, the Maintenance Committee and Neighborhood Watch have come together in a joint effort to place new signs in each of our playgrounds informing users that the playgrounds and parks are for Pinewood Lake residents only and close at dusk. Please report any trespassing to the Fairfax County police at 703-691-2131.

PINEWOOD LAKE POOL

By Mike Shigley

The pool opened, as usual, during Memorial Day weekend. This year that meant 11 AM, May 28th. The pool will close 8 PM, Labor Day, September 5th.

Although the pool rules have not changed, we want to highlight the following:

- Pool hours are 11AM to 8PM daily. *However*, the last two weeks of the pool season, the pool will only be open 3PM to 8PM Monday through Friday. It will be open 11AM to 8PM on weekends.
- Admission only with a pool pass or a multi-use guest pass.
- Booklet of 10 guest passes costs \$25.
- No one-use guest passes purchased at the gate.
- Guests are your friends and family members who do not reside in Pinewood Lake.
- You may include only permanent residents on your pool pass.
- Adults must be within arm's reach of non-swimmers.
- Only adults may supervise children in wading pool.
- Family members of residents behind in their Association assessments will be denied entrance to the pool.

PINEWOOD LAKE SWIM TEAM



Applications are available in the office.

Contact:

Donna Lane

202-352-4076

POOL OPPORTUNITIES

- Join the Pool Committee! Help make the pool a center of community social activities (*We are really short of members.*)
- Encourage your child to join the swim team
- Host an after-hours pool party (applications and instructions available online or by calling 703-360-6212.

Pool Pass Notice

If you missed the May dates to apply for a pool pass, you may come during the office's normal business hours which are: M-F (12-3) or Sat. (9-12).

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TREASURER'S REPORT

MAY 2011

The total cash balance at the end of the month was \$2,190,712. An analysis of this balance and comparisons with prior periods follows:

	May 2011	Apr 2011	May 2010
In transit	\$1,495	\$2,655	\$ 2,773
Operations	\$151,758	\$155,723	\$112,423
Reserve	\$2,037,459	\$2,036,264	\$1,947,622
Total	\$2,190,712	\$2,194,642	\$2,062,818

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

The balance for delinquent accounts on May 31, 2011 was \$102,653 (\$93,595 for dues). The current balance and comparisons with prior periods follows:

	May 2011	Apr 2011	May 2010
Balance	\$ 102,653	\$ 103,228	\$ 93,105
90 days or more	\$ 85,412	\$ 80,884	\$71,495
# of accounts over \$1,000 in 90 day or older category	26	26	18

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Reminder: Office Closed on July 4th for Independence Day.



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If you would like to contribute or report anything news-worthy to print in the Needle, please email the Editor at plha@verizon.net by the 3rd Friday of every month.



PLHA Calendar for July

Regular meetings in PLHA office @ 7:30 PM

- July 5ACC
- July 6 Garden Club
- July 11 Neighborhood Watch
- July 14 Board Meeting
- July 15 Needle Deadline
- July 19.....ACC
- July 20 Pool Committee
- July 26 Maintenance Committee
- July 28 Marketing Committee

St. James' Episcopal Church

5614 Old Mill Road, Mt. Vernon, VA
Sunday Services

- 8 AM Holy Eucharist – no music
 - 10 AM Children's Activities & Nursery
 - 10:15 AM Holy Eucharist – music
- 703-780-3081

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