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FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS By: Suellen Coito, President

During these unprecedented times for the last three plus months the Board had to make decisions that they felt were in the best interest for the health and welfare of the Pinestone residents. The closure of our amenities had a few detractors but was overwhelmingly viewed by the Board and residents as a necessary step to protect the health of our residents. While proceeding with an abundance of cautious optimism, we reopened our amenities with some restrictions. We strongly suggest that everyone practice social distancing.

The project behind buildings 11, 12 and 13 has been completed and looks terrific. Also the drainage behind buildings 1 and 2 was also done. Many thanks to Rob and Rick for overseeing these projects and to all the volunteers for the work they put into it.

Our new front signs should be completed by the end of June.

I have been working very closely with Waste Management to resolve the bulk pickup that has caused such an eyesore near our compactor. I have had them come out and look into how we can use the recycling area for both bulk and recycling. They are going to send me several different ideas and pricing.

After a prolonged search for a new manager I'm pleased to announce we have hired Carole Bowden as our new CAM. Carole has twelve years experience as a CAM. If you have a chance please go in and welcome her to Pinestone. The new office hours are 8:30 to 5:00.

On behalf of the Board I want to wish you and your family a very safe and healthy summer.

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Community Association Manager: Carole Bowden
Maintenance: Kevin Thomas

This information was submitted by our former Community Association Manager, before she departed because it covers the period since the last issue of the Patter.

Manager's Corner

Happy Summer!!

Sad to say it appears that self isolation and staying home has become our new normal.

With all events being canceled there's not much to write about

Items of Interest:

WATER HEATER REPLACEMENT: If your water heater is original you might want to change it out before it goes bad and leaks or just lets go and you have a real mess.

PROJECTS

I hoped to have a date for the repainting of Buildings 4 and 26 with this printing of the Patter. Unfortunately this will remain on hold until after the COVID-19 restrictions.

Please welcome the new owners:

Correction to listing in the last issue, unit 2111 is actually Mark & Joanne Durziak and Maryanne Wilson purchased 527. Lynne Girard purchased 523, Iryna Strilka purchased unit 2622

Because of the Coronavirus these amenities are open with the following restrictions until further notice:

POOL: Social Distance of six feet.

SPA: One person at a time limited to 20 minutes.

TENNIS COURTS: Open for doubles play.

PICKLE BALL: Open for doubles play.

CARD ROOM: Four residents at a time while obeying social distancing of 6 feet.

GYM: Two residents at a time.

LIBRARY: One person at a time.

THEATRE: Closed.

When using the amenities please practice social distancing and sanitize before and after use to reduce the risk of possible exposure to the virus.

Editorial Comment by Terri Kathman, Editor

It is hard to believe that this little virus has caused such destruction and loss of life and continues to plague us for who knows how long. Thankfully, we have some of the brightest minds on the planet searching for a solution but in the meantime I guess this is our new normal.

Things have been very quiet here at Pinestone. The pool has reopened with social distancing required. Tennis and some of our other activities have resumed with restrictions. The Clubhouse and most other facilities are open. With our facilities slowly opening hopefully we will be able to see some of our friends up and about while social distancing keeps us safe from the virus.

Many of us snowbirds have decided to stay a little longer here at Pinestone since the areas we head to up north have more of a problem and are slower at relaxing the restrictions on everyone. We get to enjoy the 90 degree temperatures, daily showers and love bug invasion which is better than a virus invasion!

Maybe by the time the next issue of the Patter comes out in September things will be much better and we can look forward to an Awesome Breakfast in November and a Christmas Party in December. In the meantime enjoy your quiet time, working puzzles, catching up on your reading, calling an old friend, taking in some of those new TV shows and getting out and looking around at the beautiful place we have to live here in Sarasota. I have seen some of our neighbors working tirelessly helping to keep our grounds looking beautiful. Many thanks to them and to all the volunteers we have here at Pinestone that make it the best place to live on Palmer Ranch.

But most of all, stay safe and healthy because Pinestone wouldn't be the same without all of you.

PLANT AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

We are happy to report that after a slow start with the landscape manpower shortage, we are now back in full swing. The Irrigation system near Building 10 has been fixed and sod has been put down. Variations of Arboricola, Alocasia, Cordyline and Croton have been planted behind Buildings 11, 12 and 13, sod has been installed and the area looks absolutely beautiful.

Rick and his team of volunteers have been busy weeding and removing the geraniums from the entrance way and the front of the clubhouse to make way for the beautiful coleus plants that have been planted in these areas. The bromeliads continue to thrive around the community. Palm trees have been trimmed throughout the complex

and that job has made a huge difference to the landscape.

The Committee wants to give a special thank you to all of our volunteers who have given their time to make Pinestone the beautiful place that it is.

Patti Decina Plant and Beautification Committee

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

So much has happened to change our lives these past few months and the Social Committee hopes that everyone in our community is safe and well. We need to look forward to a time when we can continue our fun activities, which we have many planned for the upcoming season.

I would like to express our gratitude to **Donna Adams** for her dedication, hard work, enthusiastic attitude (always with a smile), and excellent leadership as Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Social Committee for the past six years. Donna has expanded our activities, worked to encourage new people to get involved with the Social Committee and has always been open to new ideas, which have made our events successful and fun. She still plans to be active and we are counting on her continued guidance and support.

Donna, on behalf of the Social Committee and the Pinestone Community we say

THANK YOU!

The Social Committee encourages and welcomes all, who would like, to join the Social Committee and to attend our events.

I hope that everyone stays healthy and safe and that you enjoy the summer.

RoseAnn Buglione, Chairman Pinestone Social Committee

SUNSHINE LADY INFORMATION

Our Sunshine Lady, Liz Collister, is the one who sends cards to those Pinestone residents who are ill, hospitalized, have a special anniversary (25th, 50th), or to the family of those who have passed away. Just contact Liz at 941-925-0579 or bubbalizzy@aol.com if you know someone who could use a little sunshine.

During these rough times I thought a chuckle or two would lighten things up a bit so here we have...

Coronavirus Jokes

I'll tell you a coronavirus joke now, but you'll have to wait two weeks to see if you got it!

The grocery stores in France look like tornadoes hit them. All that's left is de brie.

Did you hear the joke about the germ? Never mind, I don't want to spread it around.

What types of jokes are allowed during quarantine? Inside jokes!

What's the best way to avoid touching your face? A glass of wine in each hand.

What's the difference between COVID-19 and Romeo and Juliet? One's the coronavirus and the other is a Verona crisis.

What did the man say to the bartender? I'll have a corona, hold the virus.

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We inherited my father's Pinestone condo after he passed several years ago. In 2011 we contacted Brian to rent out our Pinestone condo for for several years. This year we decided to sell. Brian kept us well informed of open houses, showings etc. Brian sold the condo and as with the rentals, everything went smoothly. We highly recommend Brian for any of your real estate needs. – Kathleen Centner #310

Brian was very helpful and professional selling my parent's Pinestone condo. This estate sale occurred after our Mother's passing. My brother and I live in New Hampshire, he made it easy for us to electronically receive, review and sign offers and fill out all paperwork. He also gave us advice and resources to use in order to donate and sell furniture and home items. We recommend Brian. He has a good knowledge of the Sarasota area market and helped us to expedite our closing. - Chris Webb #421

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Pinestone Market Update

FROM ROBERT AGNELLO, REALTOR®



^{*}Source: MFRMLS data from 1/1/20 - 5/15/20

Inventory is low after an active year in Pinestone. It's no wonder demand is so high with a convenient location and resort-like amenities.

Have you considered selling your Pinestone residence? Now is a great time to get on the market with no active listings.

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