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#### FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS By: Suellen Coito, President

Happy Summer everyone. I'm sure you have all heard of all the changes that have gone on at Pinestone over the last few months.

We have a new attorney, management company and maintenance person. Kevin Wells is our new attorney and his firm deals strictly with Homeowner and Condominium Associations, and is well versed in Condominium law. His office is in downtown Sarasota. Our new Management Company, Progressive Community Management (PCM) is taking over June 1st. This should be a seamless transition as we do not have to change banks. You will still continue paying your condo fees as you have been. Their office is located at 3701 South Osprey Ave, Sarasota. Jeff Vetter, our new Maintenance Technician will start June 6th. Please introduce yourself and welcome him to Pinestone but please... no lengthy conversations as he has a lot to learn!

Have a happy, healthy and safe summer!

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For after business hours (<u>emergencies only</u>) call Progressive Community Management <u>941-921-5393</u> and you will be directed to the after hour answering service.

#### MANAGER'S CORNER By: Arvilla Brito, C.A.M.

Hello Pinestone Residents! I hope everyone is having a great start to the summer of 2016!

I am pleased to announce the hiring of Jeff Vetter as the Maintenance Technician. Jeff starts June 6th. As many of you know, Cynthia Stewart has left Pinestone. Jeff will definitely be an asset to the community as he has over 20 years of construction and maintenance background experience. Please welcome him to Pinestone!

PCM (Progressive Community Management) is now the management company for Pinestone. There is no change to your payment of dues – the bank and mailing information is the same.

I am in the process of developing a new website that will have public information and a password protected section for residents. The rental and sales application is being updated so that it will be a one page application. Background checks will be done on all applicants. The new application and procedure will be sent to all owners and rental/sales agents.

Just a friendly reminder that the next inside pest control treatment will be June 8 for Buildings 23-26; July 13 for Buildings 1-6 and August 10 for Buildings7-9.

If you or your lender needs a Certificate of Insurance from the Association you may request one from the Association's Insurance Agent, Brown and Brown by either calling Jean Connolly at 941-893-2225, or you may request it via fax 941-893-2300.

Building 1 has a new Wind Mitigation Report and it is available in the office and can be sent via email or regular first class mail to the owners.

The Annual Fire Sprinkler Inspections are scheduled for Tuesday, June  $21^{st}$  – alarms will sound and there will be no access needed into units.

Curry Roofing has started clearing out all gutters and will be completed by June 4<sup>th</sup>.

# The Handrails have been installed at the Mail Kiosk:



Have a wonderful summer!

# NOTICE

## There will be no Board Workshops or Board Meetings in June, July or August

## Editorial Comment by Terri Kathman, Editor

It seems like the theme for this month's issue is change. Change can be good because it challenges you take a fresh look at everything to be sure things are headed in the right direction. Even in our own lives we go through phases where things change. When we are young we are full of energy and ambition and it seems nothing can slow us down. Then we may fall in love, maybe have a family and our priorities change so that they are the most important part of our lives. Our jobs take up a large part of our lives. Then the kids grow up, become independent and although they are still important to us, they are not the center of our world the way they once were. Another change may be in order where we look at what would be best for us at this phase of our lives. I think life at Pinestone is perfect for this phase. They say it is important to stay active, do things with your friends and keep mentally alert in order to lead a long, fulfilling and healthy life. You look around Pinestone and see all the active seniors and you know this is the place to be. Some of us are still pulled north by our children and grandchildren but for part of the year it's Pinestone for us. Personally, we feel fortunate that for this phase in our lives we have found what we hope will be our "Pinestone North" and will be moving there soon.

#### FACILITIES, SYSTEMS, TECHNOLOGY AND SECURITY

This is our first report in a few months and as always there is a lot going on. We started with some unlocked cars entered on Castlebridge Lane. Nothing was taken but the insides were a mess. A lesson learned - an unlocked car is an open invitation. We had a couple of incidents in the hot tub where soap was thrown in resulting a need for shutdown and clean up. There were problems with vandalism in the bathrooms outside the Gym. One resulted in flooding damage to the card room requiring extensive repair and costing us the payment of the \$5,000.00 deductible. The pool had to be shut down on two occasions for fecal matter. This required a one-day shutdown each time and 2 service calls. Also we had a report of a stolen bicycle that had its lock chain cut. You can buy lock chains and locks that cannot be cut. Check it out.

The Facility Committee held a meeting to discuss possible changes to the front entryway. We learned that any changes made in that area would require a 2/3 vote of the Pinestone Owners and approval from Palmer Ranch and the County. This was enlightening. Further research will have to be done by the committee. The numbers were replaced on the mailboxes and they really look good, Next step is the painting of the floor in that area. Several ID tags were missing on electric meters and they are being replaced.

The rubbish area continues to be a problem. There were several occasions of unauthorized items being left and rubbish left on the floor. As you are aware we won't have a maintenance person until June.

Tom Barry

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Honestly, we were beginning to think we would never get spring weather. Believe it or not, in our neck of the woods, it was hailing, snowing, 4 degrees Celsius and we were wearing our downfilled winter coats <u>on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>!</u> Now, a week and a bit later, it's gorgeous – sunny and warm and a welcome treat!

Your Social Committee has many events planned for the 2016-2017 season including (but certainly not limited to): an Awesome Breakfast in November, a Welcome Back Party with a "Circus" theme in January (after all, Sarasota <u>is</u> a Circus town) and a Mardi Gras Party in February. So start thinking about your costumes now! We look forward to another fun winter!

If you have any ideas or suggestions for next season's "*Let's Talk*", please feel free to share them with Hélène Fee via email to <u>iamhelene27@gmail.com</u>. Any and all suggestions will be considered so please don't be shy.

Also, Sue Hosler will be hanging up her "outings" hat this year and we are looking for someone to take over her duties. If you think this is something you would like to do and have some ideas for our "monthly outings" next season, please let Hélène Fee know via email at <u>iamhelene27@gmail.com</u>. Even if you're not prepared to organize these activities, we welcome any suggestions you may have for possible destinations.

The Social Committee would like to extend its appreciation for your support and best wishes to all our fellow Pinestone residents for a happy, healthy and safe summer.

> Hélène Fee and Donna Adams Social Committee Co-Chairs

Ed and I would like to thank all of our friends and neighbors at Pinestone for the many beautiful cards and expressions of sympathy for the passing of our son, Todd. We're very grateful for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Terry and Ed Green

#### SUNSHINE LADY INFORMATION



The Sunshine Lady sends cards out to those Pinestone residents who are ill, hospitalized, have a special anniversary (25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>), or to the family of those who have passed away. Just call our sunshine lady, Pat Sacks, at home

at 941-388-7891 or on her cell at 941-320-4594 if you know someone who could use a little sunshine.

## Patter List of Long Term Renters

Jane Doernberg 8350 Wingate Dr. Unit 911 941-552-8039 Chuck Meyers 4200 Castlebridge Ln. Unit 1911 941-925-7161

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If you are a long term renter and wish to have your information published in the Patter please send a request with the information to <u>tmkathman1@gmail.com</u>.

The next Patter will be published in September. The deadline for that issue will be August 29<sup>th</sup>. Information can be sent to Terri Kathman at (<u>tmkathman1@gmail.com</u>)

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