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Editor: Terri Kathman

FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By: Sandy Keir, President

It was nice to see everybody at the Annual Members Meeting on January 15. Thanks to all of you who showed up to hear the Committee updates and complete a ballot. Thanks also to the many people who filled out proxies. And, finally, a big thank you to Bob Packee and Debbie Fulton for providing coffee and cookies for all our members. They were appreciated by all in attendance!!

As a result of the Board election, Rocco Longo and I will remain on the Board for two more years, joining Paul Bourassa, Bob Packee and Suellen Coito. We'll be joined by new members Bob Collister and Janet Herbert.

It takes a lot of people to keep Pinestone running and we encourage all Pinestone owners to get involved. Committee sign-up sheets will be posted in the Library and we encourage new residents to join a group if you have a particular interest, have relevant experience or just want to meet your neighbors.

The Board is looking forward to a busy year and we invite all of you to join us at our monthly

workshops on the second Tuesday of the month and at the more formal Board meetings on the third Tuesday. All of us are available to talk to you about issues of importance or we encourage you to drop your concerns in the suggestion box in the library. Only the Board has a key to the box and we are dedicated to keeping your issues confidential. We're here to make the best decisions we can for Pinestone and your feedback is always appreciated!!!

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Hope this February finds you all well !!

Thanks to all of you who attended the Annual Members Meeting on January 15 and all of you who sent in your proxies! We had enough of both to achieve a quorum (156). I want to thank Bob Packee for providing cookies, to Bill and Christa for helping count ballots and to Christine for helping with getting everyone signed in. We apologize for the lengthy delay in counting the ballots, and want to thank all of you who stayed around long enough to hear the results.

I also want to apologize for announcing that the no-smoking amendments had passed. When we sent the results to the attorney so he could file the amendments so they could be added to our documents, he clarified that the voting requirements for this type of change is 2/3 of the voting interests present (in person or by proxy), rather than 2/3 of quorum. Because we had 202 owners in attendance and voting, we would have needed 135 yes votes to pass the amendments. The vote for Amendment A was 129 and the vote for Amendment B was 129. Since the amendments did NOT pass, smoking continues to be banned ONLY in the common areas (i.e., pool, tennis courts, mailbox area, Clubhouse grounds, patios and all green spaces). Please call me or stop by if you need clarification.

The new front gate callbox and electronic security system will be installed in the next 30-45 days and we're conducting information sessions for owners to

let them know what new devices they'll need, how the new system works and what they need to do to prepare for the transition to the new system. The first session was held January 16 in the Clubhouse and the next session will be WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, AT 10 am. If you missed the first session, you should plan to attend the February "Coffee with Debbie".

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

Florida Southern Roofing has begun work on Buildings 2, 4, 9, 17, 20, 21 and 26. Since we're not doing them in chronological order, I'll be sending OneCalls to owners, letting them know when to expect work to start on their building.

Siesta Key Décor has completed painting Buildings 15 & 16 and has started Building 22. From here, they'll start Building 20, move to the Clubhouse, the mailbox area and the trash areas.

There were two sessions of Unit Owner University, where our insurance brokers explain what type of homeowner's coverage you need for your unit, what protection it offers and how it works in conjunction with the Association's insurance coverage. We will be schedule another prior to the end of season.

Editorial Comment by Terri Kathman, Editor

Things are hopping here at Pinestone and after talking to family up north in the below zero weather, I am sooooo happy to be here in Sarasota. It may be chillier than we would like but the sunshine makes up for it. Our Annual Meeting provided a great kickoff to the new year and the new Board with some old and new faces will be tackling some big projects but I'm sure they will be up for the task. I'm confident they would welcome any feedback you might have related to life at Pinestone. As I was compiling the information for the Patter it reminded me once again that we have something for everyone. In addition to all the

parties and activities listed in this issue, just ask around and you will find groups that play golf and tennis and would welcome new people to their sport. I was pleasantly surprised to see that there were nine new people at the Friday Night Social last week. The social is a great way to meet new people and get involved in the community. Everyone is welcome - singles, couples, visiting friends, just bring a dish to share and your own drinks and meet some of the people that make Pinestone a friendly and welcoming place.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

The committee's first meeting was held January 11th where the status of all planned, proposed and active projects was reviewed and updated, as needed.

Three items are being brought forward to the February 12th Board Workshop. These are a proposal for new window coverings for the clubhouse to better control temperatures in various areas; a proposal for repairing or replacing the pool fence for security, safety and aesthetics; and, a proposal to provide a new location for Kevin's golf cart within the pool equipment area to remove it from view and free-up the space near the mailboxes.



You may have noticed the shell base at the end of the basketball court. We will be installing three anchored bike racks in this area.

There will be a one-call advising bike owners when they can put their bikes in the new bike racks. Bikes will need to get a new sticker at the office and pass an inspection to see that their bikes are in good working order and assure that any bike coverings are presentable.

The four present bike areas will be shut down by the end of March. It is strongly recommended that

bikes not used over the summer be stored in the owner's condo.

The committee is always looking for new members who are willing to contribute their time, experience, knowledge and desire to support our community. Anyone who is interested can find the role of the committee and a sign-in sheet in the library.

Our first meeting in February will be the 8th at 10am in the card room.

Ed Green, Chairman

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Pinestone Social season is in full swing. Your Social Committee has many fun activities planned. Be sure to check our glass cases in the lobby of the Clubhouse as well as the one near the mailboxes. Please mark your calendars with the upcoming events.

The Welcome Back Party (Island Beach Theme) was a great success. Some cute get-ups were seen and the food was delicious. Many thanks to our Hostesses, Sandy & Jack McManus and their committee for a job well done.

We are pleased to announce that Jill & Dave Notter will be hosting the Super Bowl Party, February 3rd at 5:30 in the clubhouse. This will be a Potluck food function. Bring an appetizer or main dish to share as well as your beverage of choice. A Super Bowl Cake will be provided for dessert. Wear your favorite team colors and come join us for a fun evening. Also, for those of you who are interested, the Movie Theater will be open that night to view the game on the big screen. Keep in mind that seating is limited to 32. Viewing is also available on the large TV in the card room.

The Lunch Bunch will get together on Tuesday, February 12th at Brio Tuscan Grille at 11:30 in University Town Center. Sign-up sheet, menu and directions will be posted in the Library two weeks

prior to the event. Please sign up by February 10th so we can provide an accurate count.

The next Thursday Night Movie will be “The Book Club” on February 21st. Show starts at 7:00, but come early as seats are limited. Bring your \$1.00 for admission and refreshments will be served.

On Saturday, February 23rd, Joan and Bob Newton will be hosting the “Country Western Hoedown”. The festivities will begin at 5:30 and will include dinner and dancing and fun and games. Sign up and payment of \$12.00 per person will take place on Saturday, February 9th at 11:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. Cash only please. Put on your western garb and join in the fun. Bring an extra \$1.00 for a surprise drawing.

Don’t forget to put a team together, name it and enjoy the Pub Quiz on March 8th, hosted by Sue & Mike Hosler. This will follow the Friday Night Social. Teams can consist of up to six people and the cost will be \$1.00 per person. Sign up begins February 22nd at the Friday Night Social and thereafter a sheet will be posted in the library. This is always a popular event so don’t wait to the last minute.

We hope our Friday “Line Dancing” classes will be resuming shortly. Check the bulletin board for updates.

A very big THANK YOU to whoever organized the kitchen utensils in the clubhouse. Great job and very much appreciated.

It is only through our volunteers that the Social Committee at Pinestone can offer all these wonderful activities. We are asking you to start thinking about how you can help us to continue these great events. Support is always available from the Social Committee so you’ll never feel like you’re on your own.

Donna Adams, Chairman
Pinestone Social Committee

The next meeting of the Social Committee will be held in the Card Room on Wednesday, February 6th at 10:00 am. Feel free to join us. Everyone is always welcome!



SUPER BOWL PARTY
Sunday, February 3 at 5:30

**Bring a dish to share and
your own beverages**

Kickoff is at 6:30

***FEBRUARY’S ‘CLASSIC’ MONDAY
NIGHT MOVIES***

Good news! In February *Monday Classic Movies* continues to present cinema gems in the Pinestone Theater, hosted by resident and retired film prof, Bill Muzzillo.



Each film is not only ‘classic’ in nature, but also restored and presented in its original format. Many have been saved from deteriorating film-rot, and have not been seen on the big screen for decades. On Monday nights, Bill offers a brief history of the film and encourages audiences to remain afterwards for a Q&A session.

The Bourassas (Lorraine and Paul) and Jim Tambllyn assist each week, popping the popcorn and serving beverages. A suggested donation (which includes refreshments) is \$1.00 (a buck, four-bits). Showtime is 7:00 p.m. sharp, and audiences are encouraged to get to the clubhouse theater early, as saving seats is not permitted.

Here's the lineup for Mondays in February:

FEB. 4th – “**Sophie’s Choice**” (1982) No one has ever found enough adjectives to describe Meryl Streep’s powerful, early-career performance in this profound and moving film. Also starring a young Kevin Kline, “Sophie’s Choice” remains one of the greatest films of the 20th century and established Meryl Streep as one of our most brilliant screen actors..

FEB. 11th – “**Spartacus**” (1960) Here is one of the grand epic films of the '60's, Directed by Stanley Kubrick, it stars (get ready for this) - Kirk Douglas, Tony Curtis, Laurence Olivier, Charles Laughton, Jean Simmons and Peter Ustinov. Produced by Kirk Douglas, “Spartacus” is considered one of the finest of the sweeping epics produced for the silver screen, and is a perfect example of what the word, ‘classic’ is all about.

FEB. 18th - “**Toast of New Orleans**” (1950) One of the most irresistible of the M.G.M. musicals, Mario Lanza sings ‘Be My Love’ to Kathryn Grayson... and made him the most famous romantic tenor in America! “Toast of New Orleans” was one of a handful of films that this handsome American-Italian tenor made before his untimely death, and we’re lucky to have it preserved on DVD for presentation on the big screen. What a voice!

FEB. 25th – “**Close Encounters of the Third Kind**” (1977). Do you want to talk ‘classic’? Steven Spielberg claimed his fame directing this wonderful film, which is still studied today in film schools. (He had already given us “Jaws,” and would later dazzle the world with “E.T.”) “Close Encounters” challenged all our beliefs in life outside of our galaxy, and made believers out of most of us. See for yourself what happened to film-goers in 1977!

OK - Mark your calendars accordingly, and come join the fun!

Bill Muzzillo



COUNTRY WESTERN HOEDOWN

on

Saturday, February 23rd at 5:30 pm

Put on your favorite boots (or shoes) and join the fun! We’ll have surprises and games along with music by Lynn’s Spins. Come and join the fun and games at the Hoedown. Bring an extra dollar for a surprise drawing at the end of the evening (Must be present to win!). **Western Attire Not Required**

Sign up for the party will be Saturday, February 9th at 11:00 am in the Clubhouse card room. Price is \$12 per person (cash only) . If you cannot make the sign up on the 9th, feel free to contact one of our gracious committee persons listed below:
Joan Newton (248) 202-1210
Marianne Powrie (330) 464-0985
RoseAnne Buglione (516) 524-6282



LUNCH BUNCH

will be held at

Brio Tuscan Grille

at **The Mall at University Town Center**

Tuesday, February 12

11:30 am

Sign-up sheet, menu and directions will be in the library two weeks prior to the luncheon.

There is a limit of 45 attendees.

Please sign-up by February 10th so we can provide an accurate count.



BRIDGE

Bridge continues to be played in the Clubhouse card room on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm and will continue monthly thru April. All level players are welcome. Dates are as follows:

February 13 & 27

March 13 & 27

April 10 & 24

A sign up sheet is posted in the library for those interested. For further information call Terri Rung at 203-577-8703.

BINGO

Mark your calendar and save your money as Bingo continues on the first and third Wednesdays of every month - you might even win some money! This month the dates are:



February 6

February 20

Hope to see you there!

PINESTONE BOOK GROUP

The Pinestone Book Group will meet January 31 at 10:30 to discuss *Suncoast Empire: Bertha Honore Palmer, Her Family, and the Rise of Sarasota, 1910-1982* by Frank Cassell.



On February 28 we will discuss a historical novel *The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter* by Hazel Gaynor (be careful that you get the book by the correct author). Hazel Gaynor is a best selling novelist and this book has received excellent reviews.

And on March 28 we will talk about *Girl Waits With Gun* by Amy Stewart a novel based on the real-life Kopp sisters who in 1914 found themselves in the headlines after a factory owner smashed his car into their buggy.

All meetings will be held at 10:30 in the Card Room.

Anyone interested in discussing these books are welcome to attend. For more information call Nancy Alger at 617-771-0440.

RANDY'S JEWELRY CLEANING PARTY!

Pinestone residents, Randy Ausloos and Ron Adams will be doing free jewelry cleaning on Saturday, February 23rd in the clubhouse from 10:00-11:30 a.m. Randy has ultrasonic machines that will have your jewelry and glasses sparkling clean and devoid of accumulated green gunk. So gather up your diamond rings, bracelets, necklaces, earrings, gold chains, expansion watchbands and glasses and have them cleaned while you wait. Hope to see you there!



Get Ready for the Pub Quiz

The annual Pub Quiz will be held on Friday, March 8 around 7 pm. following the social hour. So get your teams together with no more than 6 on a team and choose a fun name for your group. Sign-ups will start at the Friday Night Social on February 22 and following that, the sheet will be posted in the library. There is room for only 11 teams so don't delay in signing up. The cost is \$1 per person, which will be distributed as prize money to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams. The fee will be collected just prior to the start of the quiz.



If you are new to Pinestone, the Pub Quiz tests your knowledge of trivia with 6 rounds of 10 questions each on a specific topic or category. The questions are read aloud and each team will brainstorm and write their answer on the team answer sheet. Answers will be scored after each round and posted on a master chart displayed at the front of the room. There is a break half way through for desserts so you can refuel your brain cells. In addition to the 6 verbal rounds, there are two filler rounds, one per half that are placed at the table to be worked on throughout the game.

***PLEASE NOTE: Since this night generally has a large turnout of 60+ people at the social, most of whom stay for the Pub Quiz, much food is needed to feed the crowd. I ask you to consider making a larger quantity of whatever dish you are bringing, so we have adequate food for everyone.

Come join the fun, whether as a team member or an observer!

Thanks,
Sue Hosler

(Any questions, email me at suehosler@yahoo.com)

INFORMAL OUTINGS

Although these events are not planned Pinestone outings, you will find plenty Pinestone people in attendance.



The Brown Bag Concerts will commence this year on Thursday, February 7 at Phillippi Estate Park, 5500 S. Tamiami Trail. If you're not familiar with these

concerts, they take place at noon every Thursday during February and March and are free, though buckets for donations are passed to cover musicians traveling expenses. Bring your lunch and a lawn chair and enjoy a variety of musical genres. The concerts for February and March are as follows:

- Feb. 7 - Easy Street with Lisa Brande and Mark Trichka (fiddle, mandolin, guitar and vocals)
- Feb.14 - Suzanne and Jim (Americana music with guitar and banjo)
- Feb.21 - Good Time Groove Band
- Feb.28 - Kitt Moran with Mike Moran's Jazz Trio
- Mar. 7 - Jim Mazz-Music Comedy Impressions
- Mar.14 - The Jerry White Swing Band
- Mar.21 - Stephen Ditchfield of the Ditchfield family Singers
- Mar.28 - Sophisticated Swing Orchestra and Art Show

Silent Movie with Theater Organ Accompaniment

Another annual musical event is a silent movie accompanied by Clark Wilson performing on a Wurlitzer theater pipe organ. Clark is one of the finest practitioners in silent movie scoring in the world and is guaranteed to leave you laughing. This year will be a few Laurel and Hardy short movies.

The performance is Sunday, February 17 at 2:30 p.m. at Grace Church, 8000 Bee Ridge. For advance tickets at \$15 each, go to <http://www.theatreorgans.com/MTOS/> and click on "Buy Tickets" underneath Clark Wilson's name.

You can also call 941-776-3668 up until 6 p.m. the night before the concert. Tickets at the door cost \$18, cash or check only.

Information Hopefully You Will Never Need But... **"IN CASE OF A FIRE WHAT TO DO"**

If you happen to have a fire in your condo the smoke detectors and automatic sprinklers may go off. You should get out immediately and go to the fire box on your building and pull the fire alarm. This will alert the fire department and all the other residents of your building to get out of the building. After the fire department has taken care of the situation they will inform everyone when it is okay to return to their condo.

RESIDENTS' BOARD

There is a Residents' Board located in the Club House hallway, just outside the Theater. There you can advertise items for sale, unit sales and rentals and services offered by our residents. Check it out and you may find something of interest.

The next Patter will be published in March. The deadline for that issue will be February 22nd. Information can be sent to Terri Kathman at (tmkathman1@gmail.com)

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Tom S.

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Keith C.

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Chris N.

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