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FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By: Suellen Coito, President

After what can only be described as a very challenging year the Board of Directors want to thank you all for your patience, understanding and cooperation throughout the year. We are going to continue to proceed with an abundance of caution and as a result our Annual Meeting scheduled for January 19 will be relayed on Zoom. We will notify everyone the particulars once they are ironed out.

Because we only had three people apply for four seats on the Board, there will not be an election. The Board will then appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

Meanwhile the project to update the landscaping at our entryway and the first stage of our new improved and secure bicycle area is under way and both projects should be completed in the first quarter.

The Board would like to thank all the volunteers who worked tirelessly all year long to keep our property looking so good. We all hope that the coming year brings us back to a sense of normalcy.

Thanks to Rob and Janet for their hard work and contributions to the Board in 2020. I personally want to thank Bob Collister, who is retiring from the Board this year, for all the time, hard work and effort he has put in over the last 20 years. Thank you, Bob, and we all appreciate your dedication to making Pinestone a better place to live.

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Editorial Comment by Terri Kathman, Editor

In some ways it is really great to have the year 2020 come to an end. This has been the most stressful

year that I can remember in my lifetime. Of course, I am very grateful that no one in my own family has been infected with the coronavirus but we have some dear friends who have been infected and some of them have passed away. My thoughts and prayers go out to those who have been affected and hope that this scourge will be over soon as we get everyone protected by the vaccine.

On a lighter note, I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season and although we aren't planning any activities here at Pinestone, it will be great to see all of our friends arrive from up north and share stories of the past year while social distancing for all of our safety.

I am stocked up with puzzles, and books on my kindle to help me through the rest of the virus quarantine and my phone is set up for Zoom so I can see my grandkids from afar. I'm hoping that before we leave to head north in the fall we can get together after receiving the vaccine and tell each other how much we missed being able to share the Pinestone spirit!

**PLANT AND BEAUTIFICATION
COMMITTEE**

Happy New Year from the Plant and Beautification Committee. Hopefully, 2021 will be significantly better than 2020.

We hope everyone enjoyed the Christmas trees, lights and decorations. Thank you to everyone who helped make these beautiful decorations possible.

We are happy to report that the new lights have finally been installed on the walls in front of the clubhouse. The light radiates from the top and bottom of these fixtures. The flag lights have also been installed. Drive by at night to see the whole effect.

New plant beds have been added on both sides of Players Place and trees have been planted behind

building 20. Mulch has been placed around the entire complex.

During the month of January, the mailbox floor will be refinished and lighting will be updated in that area. We will also be re-landscaping our entire entrance island and both wings.

We are currently in Phase 1 of our new bike storage area between the basketball court and the clubhouse.

As mentioned in the last Patter, those residents who are in need of sod around their condo should submit a request to the office specifically stating where the sod is needed.

Our faithful volunteers continue to maintain our trees and shrubs so that our community is appealing to both our residents and guests and we really appreciate their efforts.

Patti Decina
Plant and Beautification Committee

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee would like to wish all of our Pinestone neighbors a very Happy Healthy and Safe New Year.

The year 2021 can bring lots of possibilities but most important is that we remain safe.

There will be a time when togetherness and socialization will be the norm and the Committee can once again be able to hold our events.

We welcome back our winter residents and for those who did not return because of the virus we look forward to seeing you in the future.

Enjoy the New Year!

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.

WELCOME BACK

It is that time of the year when our seasonal residents start coming home to roost. We all welcome you back and hope the trip was good and the start-up will go well.

The following may help this part go a little better. Your unit has been operating on its own for a few months and now is the time for some start up maintenance.

The AC unit will need a filter change and don't forget the bleach/water treatment for the condensate line. If you have a service plan, now is a good time to have the unit checked out.

Make sure the air is out of your water lines since the system was shut off. Running each faucet and flushing a few times will ensure a good flow. Before putting that lanai furniture back out, give the deck a good cleaning. Try vacuuming first and it makes the finishing go better.

If you have made your calls from up north, all deliveries and electronics should be up and running. If not, have those phone numbers waiting. Also not a bad time for getting that dryer vent cleaned out if you haven't had it done recently. The office has the name of a company that does that work in Pinestone.

Last but not least...check in with the office, let them know you are back.

Have a great winter and we will see you at the pool - socially distanced, of course!



JUST A REMINDER

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The next Patter will be published in February. The deadline for that issue will be January 25th. Information can be sent to Terri Kathman at tmkathman1@gmail.com.

CHUCKLES FOR THE MONTH

“Hey, Johnny,” a fourth grader said to his friend as they sat down in the school cafeteria for lunch, “do you say prayers before you eat?” “Nah,” Johnny replied, “my mom is a good cook.”

“I CAN HEAR JUST FINE!”

Three retirees, each with a hearing loss, were playing golf one fine March day. One remarked to the other, “Windy, isn’t it?” “No,” the second man replied, “it’s Thursday.” And the third man chimed in, “So am I. Let’s have a beer.”

It’s hard to say when one generation ends and the next begins—but it’s somewhere around 10 o’clock at night.

If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

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We worked with Brian on 4 Pinestone sales and 2 rentals. His honesty, professionalism and knowledge of Pinestone is the best. We wouldn't trust anyone else for Pinestone real estate.
- Ted Unkel #2322

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 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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