

PINE MOUNTAIN ESTATES

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- Committee News
- Garden Gate
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Pine Mountain
Property Owners, Inc.

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If you have something you want published in the next or future Newsletter publications, please submit your article, news, party or gathering announcements to the [POA office](#).

All bits of information will be published based on allowable space. ;)

Join a Committee:

If you, as a Pine Mountain property owner, would like to join a committee, Please attend the next POA Board meeting **July 13 at 7pm** or contact the POA office.

To view committee descriptions of Standing Committees: see page 12 of the By-Laws.

Suggestions: Animal Policy, By-Laws/Covenants & Restrictions, Collections & Read Estate, Dues & Lots, Emergency & Security, Golf and more.

Please, we need your help, contact the POA office or make your interest known at the next POA board meeting, **July 13th @ 7pm.**



July 2015

Pine Mountain Quarterly Newsletter

Welcome...

Spring is in the air, the birds are singing, flowers are blooming, bees are—well scaring me! We're new here, on Pine Mountain—so bare with me as we explore our new surroundings and find all kinds of fascinating things to brag about.

I understand not everyone that receives this newsletter lives here full time...I get that. You

have full lives somewhere else and unfortunately you can only visit occasionally.

When I was presented the opportunity to be the new editor, I wondered if I would be able to fill the shoes of our past editor, *Katherine Lee*.

My goal is to provide those that continue to live on this wonderful mountain and those that only visit with interesting news and information about where we live and opportunities

around us.

I'll throw in any advertisements you want to share about your business or hobbies. Exciting stories you think others will enjoy and an occasional joke or two.

Thank You to the wonderful staff in and around the office areas that help take care of us and make us safe.

Thank you for this opportunity!
Wanda Merial

Golf Course Greetings!

Well Summer has come in like a lion this year, which usually is a double edged sword. The hot weather sometimes leads to dryer weather which is always popular with golfers, as evidenced in the very good play we saw in May and much of June so far as well. But it also means lots of extra care and work to keep the greens and other areas looking as good as possible.

It's similar in some ways to firefighting/prevention, requiring a constant eye on the changing conditions.

Many golf courses in our area suffered substantial damage from "Winter Kill" which affects Bermuda grass. While we have had some damage to our tee areas, fortunately we were spared extensive damage overall. Some area courses are not

only fighting winter kill now, but also now battling the heat with the greens.

Thanks to Greg and the golf course staff, our greens continue to be some of the best in the region and players from other areas are taking notice. With the recent closure of 1 local course and the struggles of a few others we have been seeing new customers from Forest City, Rutherfordton, Kings Mountain and Shelby areas. While we certainly DO NOT take pleasure in others trials and tribulations, we have taken the opportunity to provide the best course and customer service we can for these new players, many of whom are coming on a weekly basis now and even considering some of our membership offers.

Regarding memberships, we are offering several different types with yearly, 6-month and our 3-month summer memberships available. So far we have 14 new members taking advantage of these offers. We are excited by play so far this summer and if Mother Nature is agreeable are very encouraged about the road ahead.

A word of note, we are in the early planning stages of a **special golf event in July**. No date so far as we are working around the 4th since many people travel during that time. Stay tuned to bulletins and/or you can also keep tabs on our Facebook page. Here's to a great summer of golf and from of all of us here at the course we hope you have a happy and safe summer!

THANK YOU
Kelly Leonhardt

Hours: Open Year Round—weather permitting: 8:00 am — 6:30 pm

Members Men's Group:
Monday and Thursday @ 10:30 am

Members Ladies' Group:
Tuesday @ 1:00 pm

Non-POA Annual Membership:
\$400 single; \$520 family
\$315 senior: single/family

Past President...

On a recent return trip home I noticed that "somebody" had planted flowers by the speed bump on Pine Ridge Dr. I learned later that that somebody was Wenke Surface, who along with Patti Cline weeded out an area along the Golf Course that revealed a wall that had been obscured. This action was noticed by a golfer named Bernie, who in turn donated several flowers for the Pine Mountain Golf Shop Deck. One positive action begets another.

If you look at the intersection of Hwy 18 and Hwy 10, which is by far the busiest intersection in the area, you will see a new, beautiful, and very detailed, Pine Mountain Golf Course sign. This

sign was constructed by Ron Schwing and hand painted by Kathi Yarnall. It sits on a prime piece of real estate owned by Bobby Davis. All of them are Pine Mountain Property Owners pulling together for the greater community good. This sign has already brought in new golfers, and there are two more signs coming.

For the past several years the PMPOA Adopt a Highway stretch of Ward's Gap Road has been maintained by Russ Heechen. He has been assisted by Jim Collison, who can also be found helping out Ron Schwing maintain and beautify the many area gardens.

Jeannie and Patrick O'Bryan can be seen planting and maintaining a flower bed up by the mailboxes. Katherine Lee and Priscilla Wallace created a rock garden to

the left of the Pine Mountain Security Gate. The artistic rendition of St Francis of Assisi is a sculpture created by Priscilla and it is made from some of Pine Mountain's finest elements.

Matthew Kelly offered to help and has pitched in where and when needed. A spirit cooperation and volunteerism is an essential component to a vibrant community.

These are all examples of people in your community who are pulling together to help make Pine Mountain a beautiful place to call home.

What we focus on expands, when we focus on the beauty that surrounds us, and come together as a community, we will make Pine Mountain a premier destination and a community to call home.

Dave Frank

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Announcement:

Please! DO NOT flush any oils (vegetable oil, cooking oil, hamburger grease, motor oil, etc.) down drains.

Please! Wipe all cooking utensils with paper towels to remove excess grease and discard in waste receptacle, then wash utensils.

Please! DO NOT flush any disinfectants down drains. Anything designed to KILL bacteria should not be flushed down the drain.

Thank you,
Juanita James
James & James Environmental
Mgt., Inc.
828-697-0063

**Farmer's Markets In
Morganton**

Saturday's Market
300 Beach Street
Time: 8am—12 noon
Behind Maria's Italian Eatery
at Morganton Station

**Wednesday Mini-
Market**
111 North Green Street
Time: 2pm—6pm
Corner of Green Street
and Avery Avenue

Need Help?

Routine housekeeping,
Spring/Fall cleaning, vacation
property, special events,
moving in/out, laundry,
grocery shopping, organizing,
And much more...

Schedule today!

Call Tammy: 828-781-0473

Blue Moon

When a season has 4 full
moons instead of 3. Next
Blue Moon: End of July.

POA Office...

As our fiscal year ends, I wish to **Thank all of the 2014-2015 Board members** for all their time and dedicated service to our community. It takes time away from your home life to serve on the board to represent us, doing the best for all of us. We wish to Thank: Dave Frank, Katherine Lee, Glenn Cline, Jim Collison and Jim Sayball for all their service as President, VP, 2nd VP, Secretary and Treasurer. We also say Bye to Jean Thorne who represented Single Family Lots.

We are now heading quickly into the HOT season. Please remember to drink plenty of water and take breaks from the sun while you're working in your gardens/yard. Heat Stroke can

happen quickly but can be avoided.

Road Updates:

1. We have filled in the ditches where the road(s) had washed away.
2. REA & Wolf Tree Service is currently cleaning all the debris & trees cut this past Winter. Each day we see progress.

Car Registration: All residents, please make sure all your vehicles are registered through the POA office and contain a resident tag on your front windshield. Our new security cameras are helping us track unregistered vehicles through license plate identification. Please register, if you haven't already.

Garbage Bins: With the new security camera system, we are able to detect residents who have excessive and/or too large items. To ensure room is available to all residents, take your unusually large amounts of trash and/or large items to the county Convenience Center: 6135 Rhoney Rd.

Lots for Sale (low cost): POA office is your first stop. If you're selling a lot, ensure it's added to the list. Can never have too much publicity.

POA Meetings: Second Monday each month at 7:00 pm at the POA office.

Patti Cline
POA Office Manager

The Garden Gate

Summer heat arrived early this year, so we do have to protect our plants from the heat. Plants are stressed from the heat so watering is important, especially with the younger plants that are very tender. Watering in the early morning before the sun rises and again just as the sun goes down. I know Horticultural Agents don't advise night watering because of mildew, but I don't have a problem with this in my garden.

Fertilizing once a week with a weak solution doesn't hurt the plants. Some Plants like more shade than others, move them if they are in pots to relieve them from the sun. Experts say that rose bushes and tomato plants take more energy and water than any other plant.

I believe that plants need more attention this time of year than any other time.

Happy Gardening everyone.
Ron Schwing

Out and About...

Fourth Annual Western NC Studio Glass Exhibition:

The mountains of NC are home to some of the world's most talented studio glass artists. To recognize the exceptional work of these distinguished artists, and others—an exhibition is scheduled **June 13—July 17** at The Burke Arts Council, Treat, John S. Payne Photography and Hamilton Williams Gallery.

The Skinny Santa Art & Craft Sale:

This sale will offer holiday gifts under \$50 and will benefit The Meeting Place Mission. When: Sat, Sept 19th 8am-4pm Where: Collett Street Rec Center
The Meeting Place Mission provides assistance to all that come to our doors. By providing much needed funds, you allow more people the opportunity to end their homelessness.

Call: 828-438-5350 for more information.

Kathi Yarnall

Recreation Committee

The Recreation Committee sponsored four events during the past year—the Halloween party, Christmas party, the Chili Cook-off and the Plant exchange. These events were a success. Hopefully, there will be a better turn out at events held in the future.

The last event schedule by the current Recreation Committee, the First Responder Gold Tournament is scheduled **Sept 12, 2015.**

I sincerely hope that all residents of the Mountain will come out and support this event by assisting them and our golf staff in whatever way possible on the day of the event. The first responders are on call 24/7. I have personally seen them in action many times this past year. Not just one, but three or four on the same call in the middle of the night with snow and ice.

PLEASE SUPPORT THEIR CAUSE.

Glenn T. Cline

Morganton Greenway System

Enjoy the natural beauty of the great outdoors just a moment away from the heart of downtown Morganton. The Morganton Greenway System offers year-round biking, jogging, strolling and picnicking in the Catawba River Greenway and the Freedom Trail Greenway. Currently, there are five pedestrian access points with parking. In 2009, the Greenway System was included as part of the North Carolina Birding Trail.

The Catawba River Greenway Park offers 3.8 miles of a paved, fully accessible walking trail that runs along the Catawba River from the Rocky Ford Access area off Lenoir Road/NC 18 N. to the Greenlee Ford Access adjacent to the Catawba River Soccer Complex Loop located off Greenlee Ford Road. Along the trail there are picnic shelters and open tables, ADA compliant rest rooms (open year round), a playground, fishing piers, canoe launches, a gazebo, multilevel observation decks and pedestrian bridges which cross the river and tributaries.

Kathi Yarnall