

PINE RIDGE HAPPENINGS

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FROM THE BOARD...

It is with gratitude and thankfulness that we at Pine Ridge enter the Holiday season. Thankful for our families and friends. Appreciative for a place to call home. Delighted to have food to eat.

Soon enough, decorations will brighten our units, guests will line our streets over the next few months, and children will be outside with Grandma and Grandpa on the paths or yards. This season we urge everyone to share kindness with your neighbors. Show compassion for those who need it.

Around Pine Ridge, a few end-of-year projects are still being completed. Pond work, landscaping cleanup, and other repairs will finish out the year. We remind everyone that should a problem arise at your condo, please communicate with Carl and the Board for repairs, if at all possible. We have a Manager to assist with many of these things that can allow you to keep costs lower than some contractors. The cost of some repairs can often be minimized when proper communication occurs.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to you and your families.

DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS: (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED DECEMBER CALENDAR AND REFER TO THE ONLINE PINE RIDGE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT WWW.PRCUOA.FRONTIER.COM)

PINE RIDGE CHRISTMAS DINNER, Thursday, December 7, 5:30 PM: This year's Christmas Dinner will once again be held at Malcuit's Restaurant on Thursday, December 7, at 5:30 PM. After dinner, we will be returning to the Community Center for a social gathering to include dessert and door prizes. If you have further questions, please contact Chris Rabes at 330-878-4091.

HANUKKAH BEGINS & PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY, Thursday, December 7:

COMMUNITY CENTER RESERVATION, Sunday, December 10, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM:

BOARD MEETING, Monday, December 11, 7:00 PM: The Board will meet on Monday, December 11, at 7:00 PM at the Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.

BOOK CLUB, Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 PM: The Book Club will meet on Wednesday, December 13, at 7:00 PM at the Community Center. We had a lively discussion of Lucy by the Sea (led by Chris Rabes) for the November meeting. For the December 13th meeting, we decided that each member would select their own Christmas-related book and give a short synopsis of it at the meeting. Looking ahead to 2024 and the January 10th meeting, the book selection will be The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave and Colleen Crowley will be the discussion leader. Everyone is welcome to attend and hope to see everyone there.

COMMUNITY CENTER RESERVATION, Thursday, December 14, 5:30-9:00 PM:

POKER NIGHT, Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 PM: December's Poker Night will be held on Wednesday, December 20, at 7:00 PM at the Community Center.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING, Thursday, December 21, 6:00 PM: The Pine Ridge Carolers will be visiting shut-ins on Thursday, December 21. We will be singing and giving each resident a small treat. We will be meeting at 6:00 PM at the Community Center, and after caroling, we'll return to the Center for free pizza, hot chocolate, and other festivities. If you would like to join this group of great singers, please contact Dave Fiegl at 330-401-6920. Hope you can join us!

FIRST DAY OF WINTER, Thursday, December 21:

CHRISTMAS EVE, Sunday, December 24:

CHRISTMAS DAY, Monday, December 25: Merry Christmas to all!

COMMUNITY CENTER RESERVATION, Saturday, December 30, 9:00 AM-9:00 PM:

NEW YEAR'S EVE, Sunday, December 31: Welcome in 2024!

PICKLE BALL, Mondays, December 4, 11, and 18 at 7:00 PM: Gatherings for Pickle Ball games are held each Monday evening at the Community Center at 7:00 PM, except for the second Monday of each month when it is at 7:30 PM after the Board meeting and Christmas Eve. Come out and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

GAME NIGHTS, Tuesdays, December 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 7:00 PM: Gatherings for game nights are held on each Tuesday evening at the Community Center at 7:00 PM. Come out and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

UPCOMING EVENTS/SAVE THE DATE:

POTLUCK DINNER, Thursday, January 18, 5:30 PM: The Social Committee is planning a potluck dinner for Thursday, January 18, at 5:30 PM at the Community Center. There will not be a charge for this event, but we are requesting that each attendee bring a dish to share. Paper products, condiments, coffee and water will be available. Come out and enjoy a fun evening with your Pine Ridge neighbors and friends!

BREAKFAST AT ROSALIE'S, Saturday, February 10, 9:00 AM: The Social Committee is planning a breakfast at Rosalie's for Saturday morning, February 10, at 9:00 AM. If you would

like to attend, please RSVP to Colleen Crowley (703-969-0383) by Wednesday, February 7. Hope to see everyone there!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY, Thursday, March 14, 6:00 PM: The Social Committee is planning a St. Patrick's Day gathering to include appetizers and BYOB for Thursday, March 14, at 6:00 PM at the Community Center. Further details will be forthcoming in the 2024 newsletters.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR:

- 1) What is your name? Bill Murphy.
- 2) Where do you live? 703 Spruce Lane.
- 3) Describe your very first job and how old were you? 14 years old. I caddied at Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale, New York.
- 4) What is or was your occupation? Sales Manager at Truck Sales and Service.
- 5) What is the name of the high school you attended? New Philadelphia High School.
- 6) Tell us about any hobbies or things you collect. Golfing and collecting arrowheads.
- 7) If you have traveled, please tell us about one of your favorite trips. Annual family vacation to Emerald Isle, North Carolina.
- 8) Who is your favorite author or book? Jack Carr – The Terminal List.
- 9) What is a TV show you like to watch? Any sporting event.
- 10) List one of your favorite songs or artist. Neil Diamond.
- 11) Who was your favorite actress or actor when you were a child? Shirley Temple and John Wayne.
- 12) If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be? Play a par round of golf.
- 13) Describe the most daring thing you have ever done. Enlist for 4 years in the USMC and drank the water at Camp Lejeune.
- 14) If you could have someone help with a chore, what would it be? Wash windows and blinds.
- 15) Describe your favorite food. Surf and Turf.
- 16) Tell us what you would do if you won a large lottery. Donate to our church, share with family and buy a new putter.
- 17) Are you a morning or night person? Both.
- 18) Describe a family Christmas tradition. As a child going to Rockefeller Center to see the Christmas tree; now being with our sons and family.
- 19) What is one advice given to you by your parents? Live by the Golden Rule.
- 20) What is your favorite exercise? Riding a bicycle or a golf cart.
- 21) What skill would you like to learn? To putt.
- 22) Tell us about one of the biggest changes you have seen since you were 15. Body piercings and tattoos.
- 23) Tell us about your bucket list. Take a train ride across the Canadian Rockies.
- 24) What is something you would like people to know about you? I own and occasionally still drive a Harley Davidson Heritage.
- 25) How did you hear about Pine Ridge? Realtor Jeff Mathias.

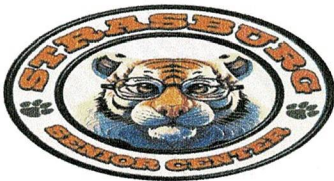
MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR:

- 1) What is your name? Karen Murphy.
- 2) Where do you live? 703 Spruce Lane.
- 3) Describe your very first job and how old were you? Bowers Battery.
- 4) What is or was your occupation? Transportation – Bus Driver, NPCCS.
- 5) What is the name of the high school you attended? New Philadelphia High School.
- 6) Describe your family including pets. Husband Bill, 2 sons – Mark and Michael, and cat "Rascal."

- 7) If you have traveled, please tell us about one of your favorite trips. Family vacations at Emerald Isle, North Carolina.
- 8) Who is your favorite author or book? The Bible.
- 9) What is a TV show you like to watch? Chicago Fire or PD.
- 10) What was your favorite movie as a child? TV – Lassie.
- 11) List one of your favorite songs or artist. Hymn – Trust and Obey.
- 12) If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be? To be with family and friends.
- 13) Describe the most daring thing you have ever done. I guess I'm not a daring person.
- 14) Describe your favorite food. Meat, potatoes and salad.
- 15) Tell us what you would do if you won a large lottery. First, help the church, then our sons and their families.
- 16) Are you a morning or night person? Morning.
- 17) Describe a family Christmas tradition. Going to Christmas Eve service; now with our sons and family.
- 18) What is one advice given to you by your parents? Dad always told us to never let the gas tank get below ½ full.
- 19) What is your favorite exercise? Walking and bike riding.
- 20) Tell us about one of the biggest changes you have seen since you were 15. Lack of self respect.
- 21) Tell us about your bucket list. Two things: Spec a bus and take a ride in a helicopter.
- 22) What is something you would like people to know about you? People are surprised that I still drive a school bus.
- 23) How did you hear about Pine Ridge? Realtor.

MISCELLANEOUS:

PINE RIDGE CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT: This year's Pine Ridge Christmas Service Project will benefit the new Strasburg Senior Center. If you would like to make a donation, needed items are listed below and/or checks made payable to the Strasburg Senior Center. Checks should be enclosed in an envelope marked "Pine Ridge Christmas Project" on the front of the envelope and then deposited in the lock box on the front porch at the Community Center. If donating needed items, please place them in the box located inside the Community Center near the TV. **Donations can be made from December 1 - 20.** Needed items include: clock; printer paper; printer ink; stamps; puzzles; books (new or slightly used); 1-3 pound weights; paper towels; toilet paper; plastic silverware; napkins; coffee; electric pencil sharpener; tape; white out; envelopes; Uno & Uno flip cards; dominoes (set up to #12); Skipbo cards; acrylic paints; paint brushes; glue; and board games (new or slightly used).



STRASBURG SENIOR CENTER: The Center is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM at the United Methodist Church in Strasburg. Membership is \$10 per year. Membership includes a newsletter with all the month's activities as well as the menus for the month. Lunches come from the Dover Senior Center and are \$4.00. They must be ordered and paid for a week ahead. It is possible to order for the whole month. Every week there are

Euchre and Bingo games as well as exercise and Bible study. Several times a month there is a craft in which you can participate. You need to sign up for specific classes listed in the newsletter.

The Center is on Facebook under Strasburg Senior Center. You can see some of the activities there. In November they are selling several styles and colors of shirts with the Center's logo on them, and they can be ordered on-line. There is also an Amazon symbol on Facebook showing donations that can be made. While the Center does get some tax dollars through the main center in Dover, there are still expenses which the Strasburg Center incurs such as the expense of printing the newsletter, prizes for games and many other, including rent.

INFORMATION FROM STRASBURG FIRE CHIEF LASKEY: At Fire Chief Laskey's presentation on November 2, he provided us with some valuable information and contact numbers.

- 1) He left some magnetic FILE OF LIFE pockets for us to put on our refrigerators. The paper inside the pockets needs to be filled out with your specific medical information and then attach the pocket to your refrigerator. The pockets can be valuable tools in case you are unable to tell the EMTs the information they need to assist you, expedites your medical assessment and provides them with your specific contact information. The pockets are available at the Community Center, if you would like to pick one up.
- 2) He also demonstrated a security box to place your house key in and can be hung over the top of your door. The first responders are the only people who can access the key. Their key is kept in their vehicle in a secured lock box. These house security boxes are free and you can get one by contacting the Fire Department.

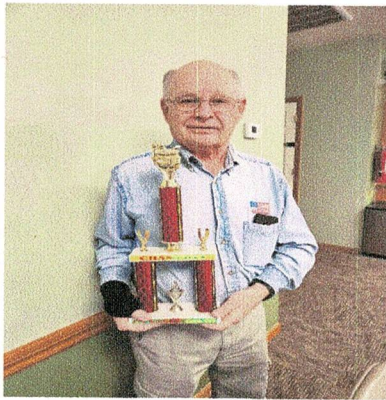


Chief Laskey stressed that they want to help whenever needed. Please call and they will come out and answer questions or help fill out the FILE OF LIFE informational sheet.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Emergency:	911
Fire Department:	330-878-7112
Chief Laskey:	330-827-4026

CHILI COOKOFF AND VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION: Congratulations to Bob Fuller who is this year's proud winner of the Chili Cookoff trophy.



And, the recognition of our Pine Ridge Veterans was well attended; we appreciate their service to our country! Pictures were taken of each honoree and a couple of them are featured here – Ron Tarleton and Jerry Plate.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

December 2 – Brent Johnson
December 14 – Lois Jarvis
December 28 – Jane Grosse
December 28 – Liz Dreher
December 29 – Karen Erb
December 31 – Sally Dreher

THINKING OF YOU:

Irene Dyson
Lynn McMillen

December 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 26	27	28	29	30	Dec 1	2
	4 12-3pm Admin 7pm Pickle Ball	5 12-3pm Admin 7pm Game Night	6	7 1-3pm Admin 5:30pm XMas Dinner-Malcurt's	8	9
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10 10am-6pm CC Reserv	11 12-3pm Admin 7:30pm Pickle Ball 7pm Board Mtg	12 12-3pm Admin 7pm Game Night	13 7pm Book Club	14 1-3pm Admin 5:30-9pm CC Reserv	15	16
17	18 12-3pm Admin 7pm Pickle Ball	19 12-3pm Admin 7pm Game Night	20 7pm Poker Night	21 1-3pm Admin 1st Day of Winter 6pm XMas Caroling	22	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 12-3pm Admin 7pm Game Night	27	28	29	30 9am-9pm CC Reserv
31 New Year's Day	Jan 1, 24	2	3	4	5	6