

## The Pinecrest Post

### Greetings, Fellow Homeowners!

**Association dues deadline is March 31. Once again, dues will remain \$110.** This newsletter is only being sent via email this year, to save on time and costs, unless a paper copy has been specifically requested. The dues payment coupon will be mailed to each house as required, and will reference back to the fact that the newsletter and most other communication will be done electronically. You may sign up to receive information from the subdivision at the website [www.pinecrestsub.com](http://www.pinecrestsub.com). The site includes neighborhood news, events, reports of vandalism and other reported problems.

All 2012 dues were paid with few issues, compared to previous years. **THANK YOU!** If someone anticipates issues paying the 2013 dues, please contact the board before the due date, to avoid the additional legal fees. [Email: [boardmembers@pinecrestsub.com](mailto:boardmembers@pinecrestsub.com), (586) 303-7638]

### Critical Notes:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) designated the Sedimentation Basin (aka **pond/wetland area**) as overflow to the Clinton River. It is also a Wetland Conservation Area, home to a large variety of wildlife. If you wish to visit this area, please be respectful to the land and animals.

The **ONLY access to the wetlands** is at the South end of the subdivision between lots 114 and 115. This access is not to be used by motorized vehicles except in an emergency. Please ensure your children are aware that crossing private property to access the wetlands, without the consent of the homeowner, is illegal trespassing.

The **speed limit on subdivision streets** is 25 MPH. Several drivers are intentionally taking the corners too fast, to skid around the corners when it is slippery. This is especially dangerous in unfavorable conditions, posing extreme risk of harm to younger children and pets. Non-licensed vehicles (quad cycles, snowmobiles etc.) are not to be used on the subdivision streets and property. Unlawful and dangerous behavior can and will be reported to the Macomb County Sheriff's office. (Lt Brosard (586) 286-5445/ (586) 469-3001)

**There were several incidences of vandalism** this past year. Emails were sent out as soon as the board was notified of the problems. Over the summer, one of our neighbors on Beacon Square had her car locks glued. The front entry "Pinecrest" sign has been damaged with spray paint. The sheriff was notified. Please keep your eyes and ears open. Also, remind your children and teenagers to throw their garbage away when they get home, rather than onto other people's property.

**Once again, a coyote was spotted** twice (middle of the afternoon) walking along the wetlands and along Black Oaks. It is estimated to weigh about 60 pounds.

**The association awarded the subdivision snow plowing services** to Kurts Lawn Service to maintain our subdivision this season. If there are any problems or issues, please contact them at (586) 949-5857. Along with the major intersections and bus stops, we are trying to keep the front entrance salted, so that everyone can safely (as safe as possible) pull out onto 22 mile. It is not cost effective to salt the entire subdivision. Please remember to shovel your sidewalks. Maintaining sidewalks is a Macomb Township requirement. Macomb Township requires each homeowner remove snow within 48hrs of a snowfall. The sidewalks are to be cleared for the safety of all in the neighborhood. **DO NOT BLOW OR SHOVEL**

**SNOW INTO THE STREET AFTER THE SNOW HAS BEEN PLOWED.** Also, please remember to park your car in the driveway on snow days/nights so the snow plow can do a better job.

If you notice someone not following the law or are having an issue with your neighbor not keeping up his or her home, please contact the Township Ordinance Enforcement Staff at (586) 992-0710 who will contact the homeowner and address the issue. This is the same office to contact regarding trailers left in driveways beyond 48 hours and other nuisance issues including not maintaining grass/landscaping etc.

**SPRING SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup>.** Pinecrest will hold its Annual Garage Sale the first week of May. This is around the same time we have had it the last couple of years and there is usually an excellent turnout with lots of people to help you empty your basement and pass on your treasures. It's not too early to start cleaning up the basement and garage and organizing your good stuff for the Spring sale. We will continue to just have the one sub sale at the beginning of the year on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Typically, by the end of summer, most people are "Garage Saled out." If you have never done a garage sale, Thursday is the busiest day. Some people even start on Wednesday.

**The Annual Meeting will be 7:30pm on Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> at the North Macomb Library branch (24 mile and Romeo Plank).** If you have any ideas, suggestions or information you would like to see on the web newsletter, or discussed at the annual meeting, please call or e-mail your ideas to the Board. The best way to contact the board is through the [website](#). Messages may also be left on the subdivision phone number. [Site: [www.pinecrestsub.com](http://www.pinecrestsub.com), Phone: (586) 303-7638, Email: [boardmembers@pinecrestsub.com](mailto:boardmembers@pinecrestsub.com)]

**Interested in becoming a Pinecrest board member?** Commitment is approximately 10 hours per year. The board meets 8 or 9 times a year (approximately one hour each time, in the evening). A volunteer board keeps association dues to a minimum. Without board members, Pinecrest would require external management, which is expected to double (almost triple) association dues. If you are interested, please contact the board for an upcoming meeting. Details will be available at the Annual Meeting (April 10, 7:30pm, North Macomb Public Library on 24 Mile, West of Romeo Plank).

Sincerely,

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