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# Pine Castle Preservation Press

The Pine Castle Safe Communities Preservation Association, Inc.

Meetings **First Monday of Every** Month, Except Holidays **at 7 p.m.** 5901 S. Orange Ave. Corner of Oak Ridge Road

**Board Members** 

President

Jackie

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*Important* 

Numbers

211 Crisis & Elder Hotline

**411 Telephone Directory** 

**611 Telephone Repair** 

711 Hearing Impaired

811 Call Before You Dig

**Orange County Non-Emergency** 

407-836-4357

**Contact:** 

Jackie Davenport, President lidave@bellsouth.net

911 EMERGENCY

**511 Traffic Info** 



President

The attendance and, therefore, the input from our residents at our meetings have increased exponentially. Thank you to all of you for your outstanding participation as we work to ensure that our community is endowed with those services that are so necessary for our quality of life and to ensure upward mobility for our property values. You need only drive through our neighborhoods to see the improvements that your efforts are achieving. I am thrilled to report that with the capable and professional participation of so many of *Jackie Davenport* you, we have been successful in, among other projects, (1) stopping special exceptions for a towing company seeking to store inoperable vehicles on a site off OBT, to the north of Woodsmere; (2) fighting the designation of a Brownfield (to be heard by the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday, August 27, 2024); (3) reducing blight on our streets; (4) removing weeds from our lakes and canals; (5) monitoring maintenance of retention ponds; (6) repairing sidewalks; (7) enforcing parking violations; (8) reducing the number of buses, semis, and car haulers traveling our residential streets; and so much more.

I look forward to hearing from you about programs and speakers you would like. Please see the second page of this flyer for upcoming events. If you have questions or comments, would like to participate in any of our committees, or simply attend our programs, we look forward to seeing you. In addition to this quarterly newsletter, we provide notification of ongoing development matters that affect our community and our homes to friends and neighbors that have provided their email address for that purpose. This function has proven to be very important to alert our community to County government matters and meetings that affect us, for which members of the community did not receive notice from the County. I would welcome the opportunity to add you to our contacts - visit infosafecommunities@pcscpa.org.

neighborhood? ~~Jackie



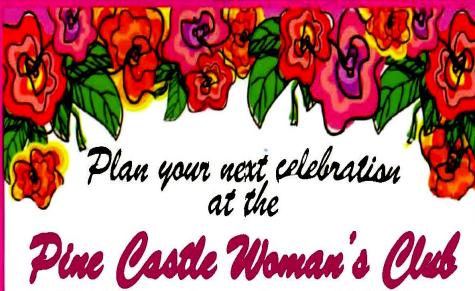
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~ Working to Make Our Neighborhoods Beautiful and Safe ~

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5901 S. Orange Avenue - Corner of Oak Ridge

Call 407-494-9118

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#### Dear Friends and Neighbors:

We have only begun to make a difference. Are you available to discuss improvements for your

# **2024 Upcoming Events October-December**

### ~~~SEPTEMBER 5, 2024 – LABOR DAY – NO MEETING~~~

#### OCTOBER 7, 2024 — PLANS ARE UNDERWAY FOR A TOWN HALL MEETING WITH DISTRICT 3 COMMISSIONER MAYRA URIBE TO DISCUSS SAFETY, CODE VIOLATIONS, DRAINAGE, TRAFFIC, AND

VISION 2050. Law Enforcement will address questions about crime and safety in our communities, Code Compliance Enforcement will address concerns regarding commercial and residential code violations, and the Planning Division will provide Vision 2050 updates.

NOVEMBER 4, 2024 — LYNN SANDFORD: NAVIGATING THE MEDICARE MAZE. Ms. Sandford expertly walked us through the Medicare Maze last year, and she was so well-received that many clamored to have her come again. She will answer questions and explain Medicare vs. Medicaid, describe creditable coverage, and the Medicare enrollment periods. She will discuss the four parts of today's Medicare, and the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services ("CMS") potential penalties for beneficiaries, the surprise Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount fees for high-earning beneficiaries, as well as Medicare marketing rules, plan variables, and Medicare enrollment. To read Ms. Sandford's most recent publication, visit the Friendly Passages of the Rupert J. Smith Law Library, at https://www.rjslawlibrary.org/friends. You may contact Ms. Sandford for information at 407-476-9460 or lynn.sandford@flretirementgroup.com.

**DECEMBER 2, 2024** — CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AND GATHERING – BRING FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND YOUR FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE WITH THE COMMUNITY. Join in the celebration where we will break bread and enjoy the camaraderie as we get to know our neighbors. Music and Door Prizes.



#### JANUARY 6, 2025 — MAUREEN KENNEDY HALE: RECORDKEEPING BEST PRACTICES FOR IRS FILINGS – PERSONAL AND SMALL BUSINESS

ON JULY 1, 2024 — DAPHNE FERIA: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT Ms. Feria, who serves the Global Engagement and Mobilization Team, PI-USA, brought home to us the meaning of the concept of community development, which largely focuses on developing and evaluating human service programs for the community, community involvement and change, and consensus organizing by applying these elements to our community's events and needs. Ms. Feria holds a master's degree in international community development and executes her passion of "bringing improvement to what ails a community" through her work at a nonprofit that has over 500 community development projects all over the world. For Ms. Feria's latest writings, visit the 2024 Summer Edition of Friendly Passages of the Rupert J. Smith Law Library https://www.rjslawlibrary.org/friends





#### <u>On April 1, 2024</u> — Richard Lee Cronin, Author and Florida HISTORIAN: PINE CASTLE THROUGH THE AGES. In riveting fashion, Mr. Cronin recounted the

rich history of Pine Castle as the audience reveled in the stories of prominent individuals and events from the first homesteaders to modern day Pine Castle. "Righting" Central Florida History, Mr. Cronin is a member of the Central Florida Railroad Historical Society, Central Florida Railroad Museum's vice president of Education and Public Relations, and a supporter of Orlando Remembered, Lake County Historical Society, Tavares Historical Society, Tavares Research Center, and the Pine Castle Historical Society. For a special review of the development of our areas and shaping of our community, turn the pages of Beyond Gatlin, A South Orange County, Florida History and Orlando, A History of the Phenomenal City. www.CroninBooks.com 941-993-7274 Rick@CroninBooks.com



Dear Neighbors,

August is a time of transition, excitement, and new beginnings as children have returned to school. I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all our students, parents, and educators a successful and fulfilling school year ahead.

The back-to-school season is always an exciting time in our community, from the anticipation of new classes to reuniting with friends and the promise of learning new things. To mark this season, we hosted a series of back-to-school events that allowed the community to come together, have fun, and get prepared for the academic year ahead.

As we move into the school year, let's remember the importance of maintaining a safe and supportive environment for our children. Please be vigilant when driving through school zones. Follow speed limits and watch for children crossing the streets. With the increased use of technology, it's crucial to monitor our children's online activities and teach them about safe internet practices.

I am confident that this school year will bring wonderful experiences and opportunities for growth for all our students. Let's work together to support students and ensure they have a safe, happy, and successful year

Warm Regards,

Mayra Uribe, District 3 Commissioner

#### Pine Castle/Skylake Safe Neighborhood

To the West is Orange Blossom Trail, to the East is the City of Belle Isle, to the North is Redman Street and the City of Edgewood, and to the South is Sand Lake Road.

Pine Castle Safe Communities Preservation Association, Inc.

Meets the first Monday of the Month at 7 p.m. Pine Castle Women's Club 5901 S. Orange Ave. — Corner of Oak Ridge Road

Pine Castle Safe Communities Preservation Association, Inc. is a volunteer association for Residents and Businesses of Pine Castle that is recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization.

#### **Code Compliance Question & Answer**

**Q**: How do I make a complaint and have Code Compliance investigate?

**A:** Call 407-836-3111 ("3-1-1"). Describe the situation

you observe and provide an address. It's best to specify if the violation is more likely to occur at certain times of the day or during the week. The County also has a 3-1-1 mobile app on which you can report code compliance issues. You can scan the QR codes to find the app.

# Commissioner's Corner Mavra Uribe. District 3

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