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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 Davenport Secretary

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> **Orange County Non-Emergency** 407-836-4357

Contact: Jackie Davenport, President lidave@bellsouth.net **IT IS CHRISTMAS TIME IN PINE CASTLE** A Gathering of Friends & Neighbors YOU AND YOURS ARE INVITED JOIN THE CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON DECEMBER 2, 2024 at 7 p.m. BRING A COVER DISH AND YOUR FAMILY THERE WILL BE FOOD, GAMES, LOTS OF CAMARADERIE, DOOR PRIZES, AND TREASURES AT THE PINE CASTLE WOMAN'S CLUB 5901 S. ORANGE AVE—CORNER OF OAK RIDGE ROAD

President's Message moving forward. We

continue the path to improvement of our community. I am happy to report that due to the proactive work of the Orange County Public Works Department, Stormwater Management Division (Operations), Drainage, MSBU Retention Pond Program, and Heavy Equipment & Aquatic Spray Sections, our community was prepared to mitigate the anticipated potential for flooding from the storms. We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Jeff Charles of those agencies. Mr. Charles is not just an expert in his field; his devotion and respect for those he serves is unsurpassed. With his responsiveness, professional demeanor, and commitment Mr. Charles has earned credibility from our community for Orange County government.



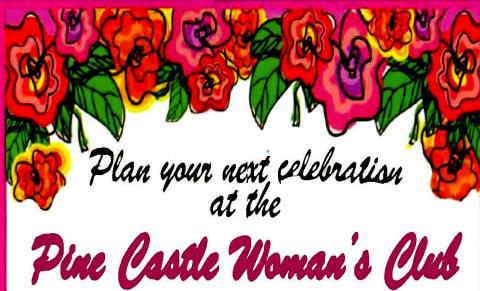
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~ Working to Make Our Neighborhoods Beautiful and Safe ~

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5901 S. Orange Avenue - Corner of Oak Ridge

Call 407-494-9118

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Let us begin by giving thanks! Helene and Milton were disruptive and painful. While they slowed us down, they Jackie Davenport have not kept us from

On October 21, 2024, the newly re-elected District 3 Commissioner Mayra Uribe facilitated a Town Hall in which all in attendance had the opportunity to glean further insight from Mr. Charles, Lieutenant Collington Campbell of the Orange County Sheriff's Office, and Humberto Castillero, P.E., PTOE, manager of the Orange County Public Works Department Traffic Engineering Division. At the meeting, we discussed community needs and considered potential changes to improve areas of concern to the community.

On November 4,

2024, we hosted Lynn Sandford, who provided a question-andanswer session, those guiding present through



the Medicare Maze. The program was so successful that we had to extend the time we had allotted for the presentation to satiate the audience's thirst for knowledge of the topic.

We will close out our agenda this year with the Gathering of Friends & Neighbors. You and Yours are invited. It is our desire that you join the Celebration of the Season, this December 2, 2024, at 7 p.m. at the Pine Castle Woman's Club, 5901 S. Orange Ave- Oak Ridge Road. All are welcome. Please bring a covered dish of your choosing.

Upcoming Events December 2024-February 2025

DECEMBER 2, 2024 — ANNUAL GATHERING OF FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

BRING & COVER DISH AND YOUR FAMILY, JOIN THE CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON

There will be food, games, lots of camaraderie, sing-a-longs, and treasures.

COME ONE COME ALL!



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JANUARY 6, 2025: - JOIN THE FESTIVITIES AS WE WELCOME THE NEW YEAR.

PROGRAM - MAUREEN KENNEDY HALE WILL PRESENT - PREPARING FOR THE ANNUAL TAX FILING: Bookkeeping Best Practices FOR INDIVIDUALS AND SMALL BUSINESSES. Learn how to organize tax records to reduce the anxiety when the crisis happens.

FEBRUARY 3, 2025 - COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP: Helping People, Changing Lives.

Obtain first-hand information about supportive services, such as childcare, public transportation, access to emergency housing, and elder resources.

REFERENCE GUIDE TO SOME RESOURCES IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

ELDER HELPLINE/SENIOR RESOURCE ALLIANCE-Information on elder programs & services to disabled adults age 18 + CENTRAL FLORIDA: 407-514-1800 Staffed 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. www.seniorsourcealliance.org STATEWIDE: 800-963-5337 Staffed 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. www.elderaffairs.org

Information for individuals of ALL AGES: Dial 211 (staffed 24/7) or www.hfuw.org/2-1-1-information-assistance-helpline/

GOVERNMENT HELPLINES: resources for all ages ORANGE COUNTY: Dial 311 or 407-836-3111 Staffed 7 a.m. through 9 p.m. Monday through Friday & 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. Sat & Sun www.ocfl.net/311

EHEAP-HOME HEATING/COOLING BILL ASSISTANCE: 407-514-1800 "PRESS 1" SENIORS FIRST MEALS ON WHEELS-Congregate and in-home support services 407-292-0177 SHARE THE CARE-ADULT DAY SERVICES: 407-423-5311 SHINE-UNBIASED MEDICARE OPTIONS COUNSELING: 407-514-1800 "PRESS 3"

COMMUNITY ACTION COMMUNITY CENTERS: 407-836-9333

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Dear Neighbors,

As the holiday season approaches, I want to take a moment to thank you and extend my warmest wishes. This is a time for celebration, connection, and giving back to our community.

We've had some incredible events this fall, including the Hooks Kids on Fishing, Spooktacular Stroll and the Thanksgiving Turkey Drive. We are excited to announce a series of upcoming holiday events, including our Holiday Food Drive and our annual Holiday in the Park. These events are a wonderful opportunity to come together and celebrate the spirit of the season.

To stay informed about all the happenings in our community, please ensure you're subscribed to our newsletter. You can register to be on our mailing list by calling 407-836-5140 or by sending an email to District3@ocfl.net. You'll receive timely updates on County information, event dates, locations, and ways to get involved. Let's make this holiday season memorable for everyone!

I look forward to seeing you in the community, and as always, please contact my office with any questions or concerns. We are here to serve you.

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.

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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.

From Orange County Sheriff's Office



Friday, January 17, 2025, from 3:00-

5:00 p.m. at Dr. P. Phillips YMCA

Family Center, 7000 Dr Phillips Blvd.

Orlando, Florida 32819

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