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DRAFT VILLAGE LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO BE AIRED AT PUBLIC MEETING

Editor's Note: The full draft of the Land Development Plan can be found at The Pitch's new website (www.wppitch.com) and at the Village's website (www.whisperingpinesnc.net/).

A public workshop for the initial presentation of the Plan will be held at the Whispering Pines Country Club on March 20th starting at 7:30 p.m.

With one full year in the making, The Land Development Plan Steering Committee unveiled the most comprehensive document yet to direct the land use and development of the Village. The Steering Committee, with Village Council liaison Frank Zamaroni, was chaired by Ed Hull and advised by Planning Consultant Carol Rhea, AICP. The Plan, as currently written mirrors, the recent Village survey. Its conclusion?- If its not broke, don't fix it.

The draft Plan calls for more open space in the future development of the Village and the ETJ, less density in the ETJ, more attention to environmental considerations during the development process, and expansion of recreation facilities for all demographic segments of the village.

The Plan will be first aired at a public workshop on March 20th at 7:00 p.m. The public workshop is the first step in the process of adoption. After the public workshop, the Plan will go to the Planning Board for a public hearing. After review by the Planning Board, the Plan would be presented to the Village Council with recommended changes by the Planning Board. The Village Council would then hold a public hearing on the Plan and, if adopted, it would be the guiding document for development of the Village and the ETJ for the foreseeable future.

The Plan is broken down into six categories: Land Use and Design, Environmental Quality, Recreation, Transportation, Utilities, and Intergovernmental Coordination and Cooperation.

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FOOD LION REZONING APPLICATION HITS SNAGS

An application for rezoning ran into a significant time delay when the Village Council, at its February regular meeting, cancelled a scheduled public hearing on the application without setting a new date. Indications are that the public hearing could be delayed until May or June. The purpose of the delay was to enable the Village Council to enact development standards for commercial projects. Currently, the Village ordinances have few guidelines for architectural, buffering and drainage control.

The rezoning also ran into a further obstacle which could conceivably spell its demise. Informed sources say that a neighbor has filed an official protest with the Village. This could not be confirmed because the Village Clerk has been out of the office this week. Under state law, if 5% or more of the neighbors file a protest to a rezoning, a supermajority of at least 75% of the Village Council would have to vote for it. This would require a 4-1 vote.

Editorial-
Hats off to the Village Council For Looking Before Leaping

At its February meeting, the Planning Board made short work of approving the application for rezoning that would allow the development of a Food Lion shopping center at NC 22 and Ray's Bridge Road. That was a mistake and the Village Council is now correcting it.

As shown on the diagram, the application for rezoning relates to a parcel of land that is currently zoned residential. The Parcel abuts the remaining property that would house the shopping center. The remaining property is already zoned to allow a neighborhood shopping center.

At the Planning Board public hearing, the Chairman of the Board limited discussion of the rezoning to the very limited issue of rezoning a residential property to commercial. Member Bob Kroll rightfully wanted to discuss the rezoning in the context of the entire development, but his protests fell on deaf ears.

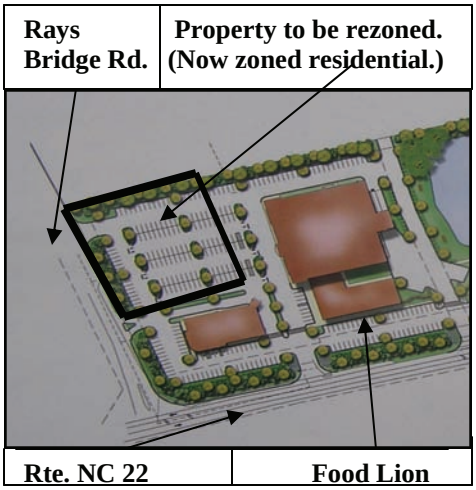
After Planning Board approval, the mayor immediately noticed a public hearing on the rezoning for February 14th. At its February workshop, Councilmen Saunders and Zschoche expressed deep concern over holding the public hearing before the Council had an opportunity to raise a myriad of questions they wanted to ask the developer. These questions included whether utilities were available and why the developer had tried three times to get Southern Pines to host the development across NC 22 from its current proposed location.

The Councilmen's concern spilled over into the next Council workshop on February 7th and as a result, the mayor cancelled the public hearing that he had scheduled for February 14th.

At its meeting on the 14th, the Council then postponed indefinitely a new public hearing on the rezoning.

Why has the Village Council brought the project temporarily to a screeching halt? The answer is simple: the Planning Board incorrectly viewed this application as a simple rezoning of one parcel without concern for the entire development. The Village Council, on the other hand, correctly understands that without the rezoning, the project cannot in all likelihood be developed.

The problem for the developer is parking. Understandably, supermarkets require parking in front of their stores, not to the side or rear. As shown in the sketch, it appears that the only place the developer can locate the parking is on the parcel that is currently zoned residential.



Thus, the zoning is like a car dealer trying to sell a car that is missing a back wheel. Village Council is holding the wheel and is not yet willing to let it go. It is a classic case of the tail wagging the dog. And, to its credit, Council understands that, before it even considers the rezoning, it has to shore up a woefully inadequate commercial development ordinance.

The Council recognizes that the developer does not have an automatic right to have this one small parcel rezoned. Rezoning is a privilege extended by a municipality, not a right. The Council can turn down the rezoning merely with an explanation that it wasn't in the best interest of the Village. Prior to rezoning, Council is in control of the project, even to the extent of refusing to permit its development.

If, on the other hand, Council adopts the rezoning, the developer is now in control. Since everything presented by the developer would be permitted by the Village zoning ordinances, the Village Council would have to approve the development plan even though our current ordinances contain no adequate building safeguards.

At present, our ordinances dealing with commercial development are almost non-existent. There are no architectural standards, no provision for landscaping or buffering, no environmental tests to be met, and no standards for drainage or utilities. Literally, the shopping center could be constructed as a bunch of butler buildings, and the Village would be hard pressed to stop it. Frankly, there are far more development standards for single family houses in our Village than for commercial developments.

Thus, the Village Council, having learned its lesson with the recent Newberry and Arrowhead rezoning applications, is holding the rezoning application in abeyance. During this period, Council is going to form a committee to develop standards for commercial developments; and, just as importantly, Council is going to get its questions answered *before*, not after, the property is rezoned.

Unlike the Planning Board, Village Council has correctly determined that it is pointless to have a public hearing on a rezoning when there has been no prior discussion of the relevant issues by the Council. How can the public ever be able to voice its concerns without first getting a look at all of the developmental issues surrounding this rezoning? Good job, Councilmen!

Skip Gebhardt

VILLAGE COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of Workshop February 3 and 7th and Village Council Meeting February 14th

- Council approved an ordinance allowing shadow box fences.
- Councilman Zschoche reported that the Whispering Woods Golf Club's engineer submitted a report to the State for approval of the design for the repair of Cardinal Dam. He stated that the report was given to the Village consulting engineer to review and determine that what is proposed will be in the best interest of the Village.
- Councilman Zschoche reported that the engineer's report on Spring Valley Dam provides options for the repair to the spillway located on the other side of the maintenance building and other areas of the lake that need attention. Work on all the areas of repair will be done in phases; however, the report will give the total evaluation of the lake.
- Council approved a request for annexation from Larry and Ann Oliver for a subdivision located off Dewberry Drive.
- Council discussed a Nuisance Ordinance. No action was taken.
- Council briefly discussed a request for rezoning from JDH Developers. Mr. Poston stated that the Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of a small strip of land from RS-3 to NS. A Public Hearing was to be held but it was canceled.
- Councilman Saunders explained that a water rate increase would pertain to all of Carolina Water Utility customers which include approximately 25-30 counties and 100-200 municipalities. He advised residents to oppose this substantial increase by sending letters or emails to the North Carolina Utilities Commission giving reasons why an increase is not warranted. He asked that a copy of the letters or emails also be turned into Village Hall before April 17th so that he can take them with him to the hearing at the courthouse in Raleigh.
- Council discussed the possibility of putting together an Ordinance Information Booklet for all residents. Committees were asked to give a report on their most common problems or the ordinances that are most violated. Mayor Hopkins appointed Councilman Bateman as the Chairman and Mayor Pro Tem Zamaroni to coordinate putting the booklet together.
- Council approved the sale of Village assets (carport & a trailer mounted tank and pump unit). Councilman Bateman made a motion to authorize the advertisement of the sale of the carport for $400.00 and the trailer mounted tank and pump unit for $500.00.
- Council discussed setting additional architectural standards for all areas of the Village including the ETJ area and commercial property. No action was taken.
- Council discussed combined planning with Southern Pines concerning the HWY 22 corridor. Councilman Saunders stated that he would like to have an open discussion with the Town of Southern Pines about the development of the Highway 22 corridor.
- Mayor Hopkins announced that the Volunteer Fire Department elected Reed Gaddy as the new Fire Chief. Council approved the election of Reed Gaddy as the Fire Chief
- Council approved an amendment request from the Arrowstone Subdivision to change the location of the water lines thru the wetlands.
- Council agreed to schedule a Public Information Meeting to discuss the proposed Village Complex and the Land Use Plan for Tuesday, March 20, 2007 between 7:00 PM and 8:30 PM at the Whispering Pines Country Club.
- Councils discussed the Blue Dam engineering study and a request from the developer to bond completion of the dam. By consensus, Council agreed to withhold action until both owners sign the request.
- Council discussed the status of the revaluation of real property. Councilman Zschoche reported that *The Pilot* will run a story in the newspaper on February 14th about the revaluation of property in Moore County,
- Council approved a request from the Tax Collector to post and advertise delinquent taxes once between March 1 and June 30. G.S. 105-369 (a), 369 (c).
- A Public Hearing will be held on March 14, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. to review the proposed Architectural Standards that were prepared by the Planning and Zoning Board and reviewed by the Community Appearance Commission.

By consensus, Council agreed to send the update to the pool fence ordinance back to the Planning and Zoning Board for further definition of the types and styles of pool fencing. The Community Appearance Commission will review the proposed amendment before the draft is presented to Council.

Comments from Council and Staff:

Planning and Zoning: Mr. Poston reported on the following:

- Two zoning permits were issued in January and no certificates of occupancies were issued for the Village or ETJ.
- Work was done on the Steering Committee Land Use Plan.
- Subdivision oversight and the Pine Ridge Drive traffic study were done.
- He completed the second level of training for the GIS software program.

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C C W P News and Coming Attractions

MEMBERSHIP -

CCWP offers memberships that fit your active lifestyle…for golfers and non-golfers alike.
CCWP strives to provide programs and amenities to keep you physically and socially active.
Our Associate Family Golf Membership is ideal for the 45 year and under golfing family.
$150.00/month plus initiation.
Includes: cart fee only, pool, fitness center, tennis, social activities, charging privileges
CCWP Golf members have reciprocal golf privileges at Foxfire. Active military get a 20% discount.
Call 949-3000 x354 for details.

GOLF
Pro Shop hours
will change on March 15th to 7A.M. to 7 P.M.

WORK OUT ROOM:
Open to all members 24 hours a day. Get a key to the workout room from Maureen at the Club.
Children under the age of 12 may not use the equipment in the fitness center. Children over 12 but under 18 years must be supervised in the fitness center by a parent or guardian.

FOOD and FUN:
Schedule for our Thagard Grill & Bar
Breakfast: Every Day — 7 a.m. – 10 a.m. (continental)
Lunch: Every Day —11 a.m. to 3 p.m. . (limited Bar Menu)
Bar: Every Day— 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Dinner: ***Friday only / Thagard Grill Room (served 5 to 8 P.M. with reservations)***

VILLA ROOMS

41 VILLA ROOMS ARE AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED EXTRA ROOMS FOR FAMILY OR FRIENDS.

Y O G A
Looking for an activity that will stimulate your body as well as your mind?
February 6 and February 13 Yoga classes will be held at the clubhouse.
TIME - 8 to 9:30 A.M.or 4 to 5:30 P.M.
Cost - CCWP members $15.00 per class
Or $50.00 for the series.
Drop Ins are welcome
Instructor - Karen Wheeler
949 6578 / 978 501 1875
Coming attractions T B A
for beginners and intermediate yoga classes.

CCWP March - 2007 Club Events

Starting March 1, 2007

The Half Way house on the EAST Course will be open daily from 9:00 a.m.to 4:00 p.m. . and
The Club House will be serving a breakfast buffet every *Saturday* and *Sunday* from 7:00 am to 10:00 am
All you can eat for $6.95
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March 2 - Twilight Golf/3:00 p.m. - 9-holes
Thagard Grill Dinner
(served 5 to 8 P.M. with reservations)
March 5 - Mah Jong (EDR) 10:00 am
March 6 - Yoga 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. (WDR)
March 7 - Art Class 9:00 a.m. Pool House
March 9 - Twilight Golf / 3:00 p.m.
Birthday Dinner / 5:30 p.m.
(Members only in the grill room)
March 11- Sunday Golf & Lunch 10:00am
March 13 -Yoga 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. (WDR)
March 14 - Art Class - 9:00 a.m. Pool House
Whispers Luncheon - MDR
Line dancing 6 to 8 p.m. MDR
March 15 - BINGO 5:30 p.m. / MDR
March 16 - Twilight Golf / 3:00 p.m.
Thagart Grill Dinner
(served 5 to 8 p.m. with reservations)
March 17 - St. Patrick's Dinner 6 to 10 p.m.
March 19 - Mah Johgg 10:00 a.m. (EDR)
March 21 - Art Class - 9:00 a.m. Pool House
March 28 - Art Class - 9:00 a.m. Pool House
Line Dancing 6:00 p.m. MDR
March 30 - Twilight Golf / 4:00 p.m.
(served 5 to 8 p.m. with reservations)

TEE TIMES FOR DAILY PLAY
CALL PRO-SHOP OR GO ONLINE
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MAY CALL PRO-SHOP OR BOOK VIA INTERNET STARTING

COUPLES SUNDAY GOLF AND LUNCH
Sunday, March 11, 2007
East Course - Shotgun Start - 10:00 A.M.
Gold and Silver Tees
Fried Chicken Lunch Follows Golf
Mark your calendar - find a couple to partner with.
Sign up sheet posted in the Tournament Room

St. Patrick's Day Golf and Dinner

March 17, 2007

GOLF
Two-person Best Ball Net
Time - 9:00 to 9:45 Sign In
Shotgun Start / 10:00 am / East Course
Entry Fee $21.00 (includes golf and dinner)
If you golf you must attend the dinner that evening.
Sign up as a couple or as a single golfer.
Single golfers will be paired by the committee.
Field limited to the first 64 couples who register.
Contacts are Linkins --3695 and Tanseys -- 3810

DINNER
CCWP House Salad
Corned Beef & Cabbage
Guinness Beef Tips Mashed Potatoes
Irish Soda Bread
Crème de Menthe Parfait
Entertainment / DJ King
$18.00 inclusive

Sandy Gerdes, Chairman
Mary Jakucyk, Vice Chairman
Mimi Schoolcroft, Secretary
Marcia Osborne, Treasurer

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WHISPERING WOODS - CLUB NEWS - JANUARY, 2007

LGA

March 6, Opening Meeting
6-6-6 Tournament.
March 13,. Low net minus putts
March 20, Total Net Team Score
March 27, Low Gross ./ Low Net

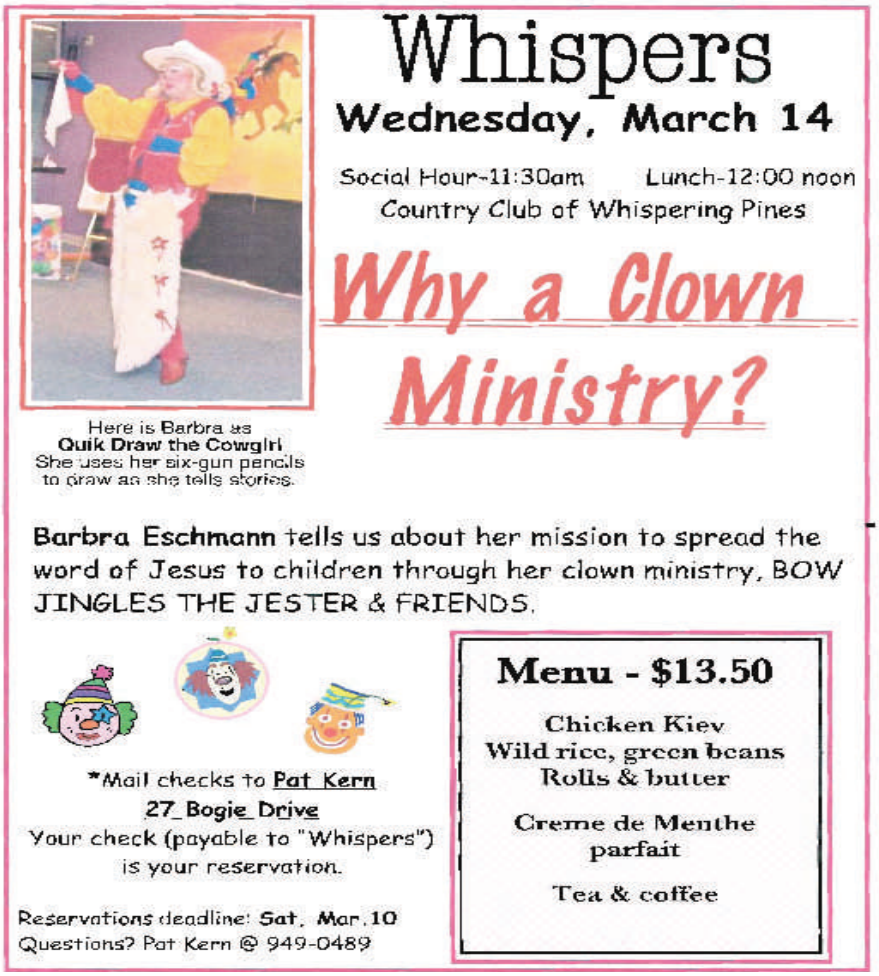
MGA

March 7, Red, White, Gold Tees
Two low net scores.
March 14, Two low net scores, using
odd holes front / even holes back
March 21, Peer Tourney - gross and net
March 28, Man-in the-Box Team Choice /
plus one net.

WHISPERS

.Whispers had 60 women turn out for their annual luncheon and card party on Feb. 14th. After a soup and chicken salad luncheon, the women organized themselves for bridge, mah-jongg, dominos, and other games with Valentine chocolates for prizes. The event was planned by Sandy Manninen and her committee, Rita Briskie, Joan Bruno, Arlene Jenkins, and Jackie Wilson.

The next meeting of Whispers will be on Wednesday, March 14. Local resident, Barbra Eschmann, will tell us about how she creates stories and songs for children in her Christian clown ministry. Barbra, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse Clown College, portrays ten different clowns and characters who comprise BOW JINGLES THE JESTER & FRIENDS. She currently performs twice a month at Grace Church in Aberdeen but is also available for churches, libraries, preschools, birthdays, and nursing homes. Don't miss the chance to learn everything you ever wanted to know about clowns. Menu will be Chicken Kiev with wild rice and green beans, Mail checks for $13.50 to Pat Kern, 27 Bogie Drive. Reservations will not be taken after March 10. Call Pat at 949-0489 if you have and questions.



BALLROOM DANCING

Come try out the beautiful facility with a spacious wood floor in downtown Carthage! You're invited to take a beginner's lesson by an award wining, professional instructor on Fridays, or attend a social dance the second Saturday each month.

March 10 the theme is Wearin 'o Green for St. Patrick's Day. Please join other dancers at 105 McReynolds Street, 2nd floor for a 7 p.m. complimentary lesson - polka, or 8 - 10 p.m. social dancing. Beverages provided. It's your first visit? Half price, only $4. For other details, call 949-5500. Sponsored by Carolina Pines, USA Dance

"Broadway....Sandhills Style"

Barbershop Music by
SANDHILLS HARMONY CHORUS

Saturday, March 3, 2007, 7:30 p.m.
At Pinehurst Elementary School
100 Dundee Road

Also Featuring:
Southern Yankees, Regional Championship
Sweet Adeline Quartet and an ensemble
from the NC Harmony Brigade

TICKETS: $10
At the Country Bookshop and Campbell house or at the door. Information: Call Joan Bruno 949-4172 or

NEW VILLAGE HALL COMPLEX HEARING SET FOR MARCH 20

(Ed note. The PITCH agreed to print information from the Council about this important issue.)

What is a Municipal Complex?
Although the subject of a new Village Hall has been discussed for several years, it was not until April 2006 that the Village Council allocated any money for planning. The budget development process during March and April of that year concluded that a comprehensive look at the future facility needs of all Village departments was required, not just a look at a proposed Village Hall.

During a Public Hearing held on May 10, 2006, the subject of funding the planning, and only the planning, was discussed. Because the study would encompass more than a new Village Hall, the label 'Municipal Complex' was given to the project. After planning had been authorized, the Council asked all Departments to provide information about current and future needs and appointed Councilman Bateman to chair a project to develop proposals for Council consideration. John Heckethorn was retained as the Architect, numerous meetings and site visits were held, and multiple options were considered.

What about the location?
A key planning consideration was—should the Village utilize property already owned by the Village, or should it consider the purchase of additional property? After much public discussion, the Council concluded that, if existing Village owned land was available and suitable, the purchase of additional land would not be in the best interest of the taxpayers.

Available land was reviewed for suitability and the nine acre parcel where the Fire and Police Departments are currently located was determined to be the best available location. After several months of working on various options, the Village received a presentation from the architect on November 1, 2006. That presentation included a drawing of a site 'foot print' where various facilities might be located. A suggested location for a new Village Hall and a suggested location for a new Maintenance Department Building were shown on this proposal plus suggestions about the accommodation of Fire and Police Department expansion when and if that becomes necessary.

Why do we need a Municipal Complex?
-Current facilities will require renovation or replacement at some point. The current Village offices are more than thirty years old and can no longer accommodate personnel office needs and meeting space requirements.
-The current location of Village Hall will not support expansion or renovation at that location. The land parcel is not large enough.
-Consolidating Village facilities at one location will result in economies and efficiencies for Village residents, staff and visitors.
-Village-wide activities such as a Halloween event, Christmas tree lighting, Santa's house, and the Village election polling place are held at less than ideal locations. While the Fire Department is always gracious about the use of the Fire House, the Village should have proper facilities for these events.
-A building with a properly sized 'Community Activity' room will help continue the increased community interest generated by the Activity Committee.

A new Maintenance Building?
-The Maintenance Building does not meet current standards for employee basic needs (no bathroom, no industrial eye wash station, etc)
-The Maintenance Building is not able to house all Village equipment and some equipment must be left out of doors which accelerates deterioration. (Equipment purchase has kept pace with the Village growth; garage and storage space has not)

-A new Village Hall?
-The Maintenance Building is located below Spring Valley Dam and needed work on an emergency spillway for the dam will require

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Land Use Plan

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The Plan is accompanied by a Land Development Map which recommends the development of new zoning districts and the alignment of prior zoning districts to achieve the lower density and open space recommended by the Steering Committee.

Under each of the six categories, there are a series of action plans designed to achieve the vision statement of the plan. The vision statement describes the Village as a "vital and thriving community recognized for its high quality residential areas, recreational opportunities, community facilities, environmental resources and natural beauty." The development of the Village is designed to "integrate with, and complement, existing development and infrastructure within the Villager and the ETJ by protecting and promoting the traditional way of life in Whispering pines as a desirable residential, retirement and recreational community.

The plan provides for a sweeping overhaul of the Village ordinances regulating development. It expands the duties of the Planning Board, and transfers certain applications for special use permits to the Board of Adjustment. It call for the creation of an architectural review committee to ensure that minimum residential designs and landscaping are met.

At the centerpiece of the Land Use and Design is the creation of Conditional Overlay zoning for each category. This conditional zoning is of recent vintage, and enables the Village to maintain strict controls over residential and commercial development. For example, under this type of zoning, a developer asking for a rezone to change existing Agricultural zoned land to residential, would have to submit all of his plans and all of his design and engineering plans to the Village *prior* to receiving rezoning approval. The Village Council could then deny the application outright, or impose conditions which would lessen the developmental impact on the community. This would have avoided the current problems the Council has faced with the Arrowstone and Newberry subdivisions.

The environmental segment of the Plan calls for low to moderate intensity development plan within the Village and ETJ. It calls for a rating system and prioritizing of the Villages wetlands for added protection in those sensitive areas. In that connection, it proposes a limitation on development adjacent to significant wetlands and a prohibition on filling wetlands. The Environment segment also calls for a management plan for each of the Village's lakes, and constant monitoring of the water quality in the lakes.

The Recreation segment of the Plan recommends the creation of a recreation committee, and the employment of a director of parks ands recreation. It also calls for an emphasis a greenway which would tie into the greenway system that has been developed by Southern Pines. Pinehurst will soon be linked to the existing greenway system and the Village portion would connect into those tow systems, providing biking, walking and nature trails through each of the three towns.

At left is the proposed zoning map which would govern future development in the Village. Under state law, all local land use decisions must be in accordance with the Plan.

Municipal Complex

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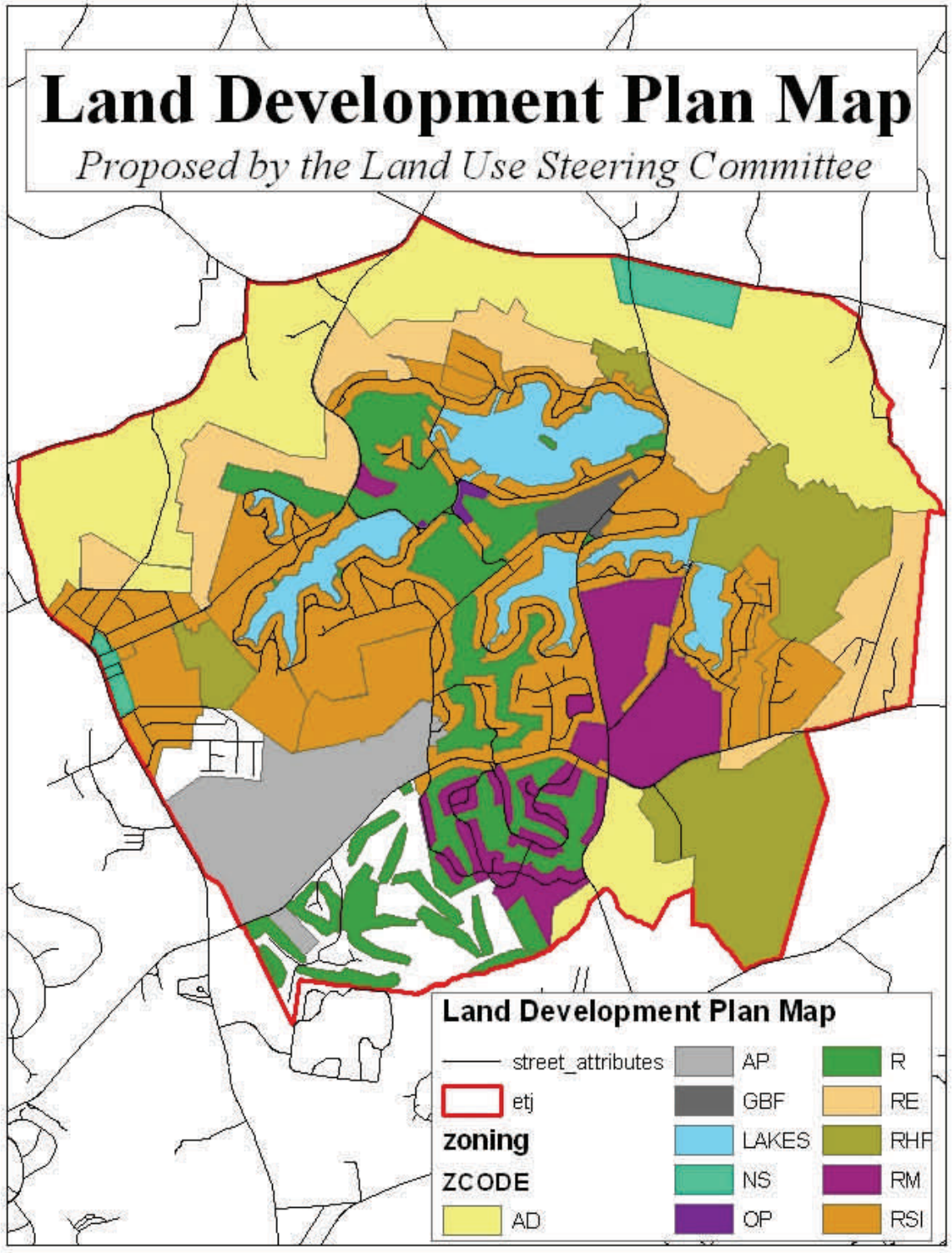
the building be demolished.
(Currently the dam has a siren in lieu of an emergency spillway; however, the siren will only warn people the dam is about to fail, it will not preclude failure)
The present Village Hall was built in 1973 when the Village population was half what it is today. In ten years, the population may double again. Originally, the building housed Village Administration, the Fire Department, and the Police Department. The original Council meeting room occupied approximately 1/4 of the upstairs level. Activity groups, such as the Garden Club, met in the Rescue Squad Building.
-Space for any additional Village employees is limited/nonexistent. As the Village population continues to grow, new residents will pay taxes for Village services and will expect appropriate Village facilities.
-The present Village Hall does not support modern technology such as a computer server/machine room. File space and fire proof records storage is inadequate.
-A growing Village will have more activity groups requiring meeting space and some will require club storage space.

What about the current Village Hall?

-If Village Hall functions were relocated to a new building, the existing building would be available for other possible uses.
-Whispering Pines has grown larger than some towns in Moore County but lacks some of the municipal services of those towns such as a library.
-The establishment of a Village library would enable Whispering Pines to add a service for residents while maintaining our residential village ambiance.

The Council invites all Whispering Pines residents to attend the public meeting on March 20, 2007. Please come and share your thoughts about this important decision for the future of Whispering Pines.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Proposed by the Land Use Steering Committee
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THE PITCH

Letters to the Editor

WP Letters to the Editor on the Webb.

On the facing page**,** the new webpage for The Pitch's website is shown. The site has a special page dedicated solely to Letters to the Editor relating to events and issues in Whispering Pines. We not only encourage you to go the the site to read the letters, (User name *subscriber* - Password *thepitch)*, we also very much invite you to post letters telling the residents and Village leaders of any concerns that you might have. This is a feature only available to subscribers to The Pitch.

Nonsubscribers who may gain access to the Letters to the Editors page will have their letters deleted.

We can assure you that most of the Village leaders will be going to this webpage regularly to find out what their constituents are thinking. The Letters will be deleted after a month. Obviously, letters should be in good taste and should be restricted to Village matters. While terribly important, we don't think letters about county, state, or federal issues are appropriate.

To start the Letters to the Editor off, we would ask you to comment on the following:

Should Village Council approve the zoning application that would allow a Food Lion on the corner of Ray's Bridge Road and NC Rte. 22

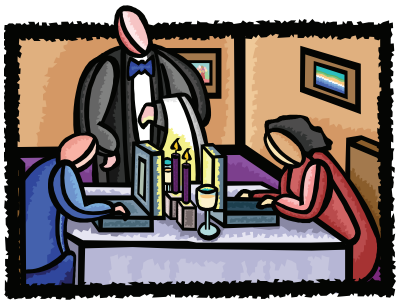
DINING OUT

Another monthly critique of restaurants in the Sandhills area for the non-connoisseur. **Thursday, February 8, 5:30 p.m. The 1895 Grill, Holly Inn.** *See menu at http://www.pinehurst.com/new/menus/1895Grille061025.pdf.*

Sometimes we forget that we are in one of the great resort golf areas in the world. With such resorts comes an abundant choice of upscale restaurants. Call us nostalgic, but ***The 1895 Grill*** at the Holly Inn, with its rustic yet beautiful décor and famous golfers of the past smiling at you from all sides, ranks in the top five local restaurants for fine dining in an atmosphere that captures the very essence of the Pinehurst area.

Jack and Alice Sheridan accompanied the investigative food editors of The Pitch when we took advantage of the "2 for 1" promotion that was advertised in The Pilot. (Watch for these promotions during the winter months.) No one in our group was disappointed; the meal was excellent.

Alice, Jack, and the Entrée Editor started with the Carolina She Crab Soup, a bisque type soup loaded with crab. It was excellent, rivaling the Lobster Bisque at Nina's Café.
The Entrée Editor wanted to try the appetizer Crab and Shrimp Rémoulade, but couldn't pronounce it so he moved on. The Dessert Editor had the Baby Arugula Friseé Red Oak Salad and felt it was one of the best salads she has had anywhere.



For their entrées, Alice had the Cider Brined Grilled Carolina Pork Chop and loved it; Jack had the Outer Banks Jumbo Lump Crab Cake and Sea Scallops and pronounced it excellent. The Desert Editor's Grilled Filet Mignon was cooked to perfection and "fork" tender. The Entrées Editor had the Pecan Roasted Veal Tenderloin, and it too, was excellent. Sides selected by this group were mashed potatoes, sweet potato soufflé, and grilled veggies which were perfectly cooked...

The Dessert Editor, was in an aggressive mode after the recent acquisition of a new pair of elastic-waisted slacks. She ordered the 1895 Triple Chocolate Soufflé and it was to die for. On her instructions, whatever you do, save room for this decadent dish and, since it takes a little while to prepare, order it early.

On a less positive note, the service of the main meal was a little slow. We were just getting ready to complain when the dinner arrived. Nothing can ruin an appetite faster than slow service, and on this night it was borderline. On the upside, however, we were promptly seated, and drink orders were taken and delivered immediately.

A dinner for two with a drink each will be around $80, which is on the high side of the local restaurant spectrum. With the 2 for 1 entrée, it was $60. One note of caution, have your drinks before you get there. Gimlets are $7 a piece (and who can stop at one gimlet).

All in all, it was a great evening and a wonderful restaurant for a special occasion

Introducing the new Pitch Website
http://www.wppitch.com/

We are pleased to bring you the new Pitch website. This website is available only to subscribers of the Pitch. It will provide information that cannot be published in the Pitch because of space limitations. In the next month, a complete copy of the Proposed Village Land Use Plan and Map will be available in the Village Events section of the website. We will also accept pictures of social events for posting.

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BIRD CHIRPINGS- FEBRUARY 2007

(Courtesy of Susan Campbell)

Well, with all of the cold weather, the bird activity has really picked up! I have had a good number of reports from around the Village and been seeing record numbers of birds here at our feeders.

Our female Rufous Hummingbird is still around; taking advantage of our nectar feeders but spending the majority of the day bug hunting along the lakeshore. As a result of close inspection on banding day, it is clear that she is an adult bird. She has extensive rufous at the base of her tail feathers and is sporting more than a dozen iridescent red-tipped feathers in her throat.

Surprisingly, a young male Baltimore Oriole turned up at our peanut butter suet feeder with the sleet on February 1st. It was joined by a second bird, a female, two weeks later. These two birds may have been loosely associating with the huge flocks of robins and Cedar Waxwings that have been moving through our area this month. Like robins and waxwings, orioles take advantage of winter fruit bearing plants but also seek out nectar sources such as flowering shrubs and sap wells created by Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers.

And an Orange-crowned Warbler has been mixed in with the Pine and Yellow-rumped Warblers feeding on lard-covered pine cones around the yard. Orange-crowned is a drab species that can be easily overlooked especially if mixed in with other warblers. They are rare birds here in our area in winter. They are more commonly found along the coast in winter. But several Orange-crowneds have been reported at feeders inland this year.

Also in addition to the usual wintering White-throateds and Song Sparrows, I found a small flock of Fox Sparrows near the dam on Fly-rod Lake recently. These large rusty sparrows prefer wet, deciduous woodlands and so are very uncommon feeder birds.

Pictures:
Top: Immature Baltimore Oriole. Bottom: Banded Yellow-rumped warbler. Column 2. Red-bellied Woodpecker.

All photos courtesy of Frank Ripp.

Bruce Sorrie is seeing a Gray Catbird at his suet. Some catbirds do overwinter here in the Sandhills but they are few and far between. Like Robins, they become frugivores in the colder months, taking advantage of whatever berries they can find.

The **Ripps** have had loads of warblers feeding on sweets in their yard including a banded Yellow-rump. Frank and Jean have also been watching a feisty male Ruby-crowned Kinglet at their suet. Ruby-crowneds are our smallest regular winter visitor here. They spend most of their time hunting for small insects in thick vegetation (just like hummingbirds do).

This is the time to definitely take note of the waterfowl on our lakes. They are all now in brand new plumage in preparation for the upcoming breeding season. **Ken Burditt** noticed a pair of male and female Bufflehead ducks mixed in with the Ring-neckeds on Shadow Lake recently. Before long these two species will begin to head back north. In Fact, our Mallards have already begun pre-courtship behavior as they strengthen their pair bonds in preparation for nesting.

And both the **Burditts** and **Len and Millie Mills** reported Pileated Woodpeckers foraging in their yards. They very well may have seen the same birds given how large the home range is for Pileated families. They need lots of dead and dying trees to forage on throughout the course of the year since they are non-migratory

Kenneth Benway, who was participating in the Great Backyard Bird Count recently looked up and saw an Accipiter soaring overhead from his property: either a Coopers or Sharp-shinned Hawk. Both of these are very maneuverable bird hawks that can be seen in the Village year round. And although an individual may stake out a set of bird feeders for a time, it will most likely move on in a matter of days as the local birds recognize its presence.

On a similar note: I have a correction to the report from **Joan Bruno**: after seeing a photo of what she thought was an Eastern Screech-owl last month, we now realize the unusual individual in her yard was actually a Sharp-shinned Hawk.

Please continue to send wildlife sightings and photos to susan@ncaves.com or report by phone to 949-3207.

WHISPERING PINES THRIFT SHOP

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CCWP
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Helen Montoro 3180

THE PITCH IN COLOR ALL OF THE TIME?

TRY THE PITCH BY E-MAIL

This month we are bringing The Pitch to you in color– at least a part of it that is. Unfortunately costs will not permit us to do that all of the time. However, if you elect to receive The Pitch by e-mail, every issue will be in color. To see what The Pitch looks like by email, go to our website at www.wppitch.com and click on prior issues. If you are interested, give us a call.

There are several advantages to receiving The Pitch by Email. First, you get it before anyone else. Second, it doesn't get lost in the mail, and third, you are saving the aching muscles of the Good Hands Gang who seal and label the hard copy of The Pitch each month.

VILLAGE MINUTES

(Continued from page three.)

- The Planning Board is working on the pool fence ordinance amendment, street lights, and the conditional use application of the shopping center on HWY 22.
- The Land Use survey results were mailed out.

Planning and Zoning: Mayor Pro Tem Zamaroni thanked everyone who participated in the Pine Ridge Drive traffic study. The results are expected by mid February and a special meeting will be scheduled with Wilbur Smith Associates for presentation of this survey.

Mayor Pro Tem Zamaroni also reported that the results of the Land Use survey are on the Village website and the Land Use Steering Committee met on February 15th to prepare for the presentation of a Public Work Shop to discuss the Land Use Plan. Notices will be sent to the entire community.

THE PITCH GROWTH REPORT
(Provided by Mike Poston , Dir. Village Planning and Zoning)

Bldg. Permits Issued		Average Square Feet
January		
Village	2	2373
ETJ	0	—
Year to Date 2007		
Village	2	2373
ETJ	0	-0-
Year-To-Date 2006		
Village	2	2373
ETJ	0	-0-

Finances: Councilman Bateman reported that the Village is right on budget with 60% of the year gone by, 70% of the budgeted revenue collected, and expenditures at 56%.

Lakes/Roads/Dams: Councilman Zschoche reported that all the Village dams were inspected recently by the Village consulting engineer. Secondly, he reported that the Lakes and Watershed Board will be asking citizens for their input on lakes to implement the individual lake management plans.

Utilities: Councilman Saunders reported that there have been fewer problems reported with the trash collection due to better communication. He asked that everyone continue to recycle because it is appreciated.

TIPS FOR THE GARDENER
MARCH

Courtesy of John L. Gerwig, Ph.D.
Agronomist
Pruning Your Rhododendron:

To prune or not to prune – that is the question. Rhododendrons do not need a lot of pruning. Young plants will usually develop good form and size without pruning or removal of spent flowers, but less quickly.

Look closely at the buds that are now swelling. You will find two kinds of buds. The large fat ones open to become blossoms; don't touch them!!! The slender buds, in contrast, become shoots. Three or more of these slender buds cluster at the tip of the stem, but usually only the middle one grows. Pinching out the middle bud allows two or more of the others to grow. This will make your plant more compact and less leggy.

The next time for pruning is after their blossoms have faded. That pruning might entail nothing more that snapping spent flower stalks off with your fingers to direct the plants energy into growth rather than seed production.

Next you might do something more drastic – pruning back stems. This is a good way to reduce the size of an overgrown plant. Be careful though, because not all rhododendrons will sprout new growth from old stubs left after drastic pruning. Play it safe by cutting back no more than 2 or 3 large stems any year. Then, watch to see if new sprouts appear within a few weeks. No sign of new sprouts means no more drastic pruning.

Rhododendrons that do sprout from older wood awaken new buds just beneath the cuts. These buds grow into shoots where there was only one stem.

You can cut out dead wood anytime of the year but the three methods of pruning described can only be done: first, in early spring where you pinch out the middle bud; second, after blooming when you remove the flower stalks; and third, drastic pruning immediately after blossoming, where you cut back a couple of stems and hope new buds will develop below the cut.

Mulching rhododendron and supplying fertilizer (10-10-10) will help insure success. Do not lime!!!

Dr. John Gerwig is professor emeritus of Rutgers University and was for 30 years the Director of Rutgers Cooperative Extension in New Jersey

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GARDEN CLUB NEWS

(Courtesy of Ernest Abrams)

Arlene Hartjis, guest speaker for the February Garden Club meeting presented a program on Xeriscape Gardening. Xeriscape is a term that was

coined by the Denver Water Company in response to a water problem. Xeri comes from the Greek word xeros, meaning dry. Xeriscape gardening uses drought tolerant plants to conserve water. This type of gardening is prominent in the west but is becoming more popular in the east.

Arlene is coordinating a project that will establish Xeriscape gardens in accessible places throughout Moore County and will provide educational programs that will teach the value of using drought tolerant plants. The population growth of Moore County is moving at such a fast pace there is a concern about conserving water. It is imperative people are educated about this matter.

The fundamentals for establishing a Xeriscape garden are:
1. Plan and design for water conservation and beauty; 2. Create practical areas with manageable sizes and appropriate grasses; 3. Group plants of similar water needs together;
4. Use soil amendments like compost and manure; 5. Use mulches;
6. Irrigate efficiently by applying the right amount of water at the right time; 7. Maintain the landscape by mowing, pruning, and fertilizing properly.

If you are interested in establishing a Xeriscape garden, a list of drought tolerant plants for our area can be obtained from the Master Garden Office. There are also numerous websites available with lists that will help with plant selection. Arlene also recommended Taylor's Guide to Water Saving Gardening, The High Country Garden Magazine and Xeriscape Plant Guide produced by Denver Water Co.

In other garden club business, Paul Nealon reported it has been another quiet month for the park caretakers. Repairs were made to a damaged wall at Cardinal Park. All of our village parks now have a caretaker assigned to them.

The next Garden Club meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., March 6 at the Whispering Pines Rescue Squad building on Ray's Bridge Road. Helen Munroe will present the program "Gardening for Hummers."

COMPUTER CLUB

March 2007 Meeting

The Computer Club of The Sandhills will hold its March meeting on Monday the 12th at 4:00 pm in the lower level meeting room of the Whispering Pines Village Hall. The guest speaker will be Alison Earl, an instructor at Sandhills Community College, who will present the program "Excel: A Powerful Tool YOU Can Use".

Excel is a Microsoft program that can be used to create spreadsheets and analyze data to make informed decisions. While Excel is extremely powerful, it has many functions that an individual can put to everyday use, from simple lists to databases with formulas and more. Alison will discuss and demonstrate some useful functions of Excel. The main focus of the presentation will be using Excel 2003, but will include some of the new features of Excel 2007 and its benefits.

Alison retired in 1995 following a 26 year career with NY Telephone/ AT&T/NYNEX (now Verizon). Later that year she, her husband Warren and their daughter Rebecca (now a Teaching Fellow sophomore at UNCG) moved to the Sandhills. In early 1996 Alison accepted a computer instructor position in the Continuing Education department of Sandhills Community College. She has taught various courses including, Computing for Beginners, Windows, Word, Excel, and PhotoShop Elements (5.0 is her new personal favorite). Visitors are always welcome.

Good Hands Gang

Sometimes numbers can be pretty boring; but we thinks these numbers are pretty impressive: 38=number of food bags we'll assemble; 96=number of mini-Easter baskets for Meals on Wheels; 400 = the number of Easter baskets to make for children who would not otherwise get one.

One of the most important numbers is missing: ***<u>???</u>*** = the number of volunteers who will help in the East Dining Room CCWP the morning of 3/12. *We hope to see you there.*

Candy and grocery donations may be dropped off at 165 Pine Lake or 23 Cardinal Drive by 3/10.

FREE INCOME TAX HELP!

AARP will be opening their tax-aide offices the beginning of February at several locations to offer assistance to taxpayers with middle and low incomes with special attention to those age 60 and older. Returns will be prepared and filed electronically.

If you have some questions that need answers, they will be happy to help you as well. The Tax-aides will be available at the Centura Bank in Carthage (947-1000) on Monday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; at the Library in Southern Pines on Tuesday and Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; at the Boys and Girls Club at the Southern Pines Recreation Center (692-0777) on Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to stop in during those hours or call to make an appointment. If you have any questions, call Sallie Daughtrey at 949-4211.

MOORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGING

Senior Enrichment Center Grand Opening.

The Moore County Senior Enrichment Center will hold its Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening Celebration on Monday, March 5th, from 12 noon - 4 p.m. There will be music, refreshments, tours and the unveiling of the state-of the-art fitness room available to residents age 50+ for $1 per use.
For information call: ***Jill Sherman, Program Coordinator***

Past, Present and Future of Moore Regional Hospital

A look inside the new construction and enhancements on the campus of FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital. Bob Boone, Senior VP of Professional Services at FirstHealth, will provide an informative session explaining the exciting changes that have aroused curiosity in all of us.

Wednesday, March 7, 10 - 11 a.m. Moore County Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 Highway 15-501 (2 miles north of the Pinehurst traffic circle Call to reserve a seat 947-2881.

Canasta is Here!

The Moore County Senior Enrichment Center, 8040 Hwy 15/501 (2 miles north of the traffic circle), is offering weekly Canasta on Thursdays from 1 - 4 p.m., beginning March 1. Instructions are available for those who haven't played or those who could use a brush-up. call 947-2881 for information and to sign up.

Note: our phone number will be 215-0900 beginning mid-February.

DON'T FORGET

LIMITED SEATING

THINGS AND TIMES

(Courtesy of Bob Tice)

- **I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.**
- **I work hard because millions on welfare depend on me!**
- **Some people are alive only because it's illegal to do away with them.**
- **I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.**
- **Don't take life too seriously, you won't get out alive.**
- **Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.**
- **Earth.... is the insane asylum for the universe.**
- **I'm not a complete idiot; some parts are missing.**
- **Out of my mind. I'll be back in five minutes.**
- **The gene pool could use a little chlorine.**
- **It IS as BAD as you think and they ARE out to get you.**
- **I took an IQ test and the results were negative.**

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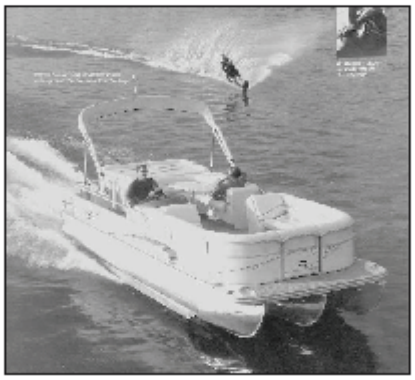

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Some History of Whispering Pines from the Pitch

-From the PITCH of yesterday. By Bob Zschoche

February 1972 (35 years ago).

♦ The Council receives a report about the design of a proposed Municipal Building. The Village Office is in the Rescue Squad Building and A.B. Hardee has donated land for a new Village Hall at what will become 10 Pine Ridge Drive.

♦ A developers request to change the Zoning Ordinance to allow for the construction of a shopping center has been referred to the Planning Board for consideration.

♦ The Council approves a request from property owners to change Pine Court Drive to Pine Crescent Drive.

♦ The out-of-town mailing list for the PITCH includes folks living in Addis Abba, Ethiopia.

February 1982. (25 years ago)

♦ Whispering Pines Resident Reid Voss (Voss Park on Pine Ridge Dr) has been selected as the Chair of the county wide program, Keep Moore County Beautiful.

♦ Donations are requested for the annual auction sale at the Rescue Squad.

February 1992. (15 years ago)

♦ Carolina Water Service notifies the Village that it has filed for a rate increase.

♦ A report on recycling indicates participation is good and volume is high.

WHISPERING PINES PROPERTIES

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WANTED

Active and Retired Federal Employees and Postal workers to be an active part of an organization that is safe guarding our retirement benefits and the future benefits of current active Federal and Postal Employees. Call Wilma Geisert, 215-5898; Pete Feeney, 695-1554; Glenn Lazarus, 235-0178; George Sandoval, 949-7287.
Babysitter Needed who loves children: in Whispering Pines for 8 month old. Part time 12 -15 hours a week and occasional evenings or weekends. Very flexible. Need good references. Good pay. Call 949-2134 or cbglackin@aim.com
Bamboo rods: any condition and old used fishing tackle. call 949-2342.
Day Bed in good condition. Adjustable bed (twin or 3/4) in good condition. Call 910 949-3396 Ask for Brad.
Dog Equipment for large dog. Crate, dog run, harness, long lead etc. Call 949-2143
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Caregiver: Looking to sit with elderly or run errands, etc. Experience. WP references. Call 245-4296**.**
Caregiver: Lady seeks position looking after elderly or disabled – call Christie at 947-5600 and leave message.
Care Giver: Private duty in home. Local area. 25 years experience. Reliable, honest. Excellent references. Call 245-7274.
Care Giver. I, Ora Watkins, am looking for work as a care giver to the elderly or handicapped. Price is negotiable and I will work first or second shift. Call 944-1586 and please leave a message.
Caregiver's Services. I have 15 years experience in Moore County. References. Please call 910-246-3414.
Care provider. Healthcare provider/ companion for employment. Certified with WP references. Personal care, house cleaning, errands, etc. Part time or full time. Call 947-3835.
Cleaning and Caregiver Services: If you'd like someone reliable to clean your home, call 245-4194. Excellent WP references.
Cleaning Services: Mrs. Clean will make your home sparkle & shine. References upon request. 295-1535
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CLASSIFIEDS *(Continued from Page 19)*

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Insurance: First Casualty Insurance Group – Dare to compare – call our agency for a free no obligation quote. Call 910-692-8303.

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Irrigation Services: Install and service available. Call 949-3532.

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Travel Services: Need help with arrangements for tours, cruises, vacation travel? Former travel agency owner with extensive experience abroad can help with bookings. Don Winslow at 949-3565 or donwin@charter.net

Yard Services: Prim's Lawn Service **–** Will install gutter guards. Eliminates cleaning your gutters. 949-3301.

Yard Services: T & H Yard Service—Residential & Commercial—we do yards, driveways, etc. Call 673-1508; 673-0664.

See you next month. *Johnnie & Skip*