

# PINE RIDGE NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM POA BOARD PRESIDENT

It's almost summer and not the usual summer with the kids out of school early this year because of COVID-19. We want to remind the parents that children should not be playing in the street. Drivers should be cautious and keep an eye out for children in the street while navigating through Pine Ridge. This is especially important on those streets without sidewalks.

A reminder also that while "portable" or "moveable" basketball goals are allowed, they cannot be positioned at the end of the driveway or on the lawn with gameplay happening in the street. This is a safety hazard for the kids as well as drivers.

There has been concern regarding the alligators and we had many reports of kids shooting something at them or throwing a soccer ball in the lagoon. Parents should explain to their children the dangers of approaching or agitating alligators and playing in or near lagoons. The lagoons are not a place for fishing, swimming, or playing in canoes or kayaks.

The quarterly property inspection will be done thru the month of June. You may see a person or persons walking through the neighborhood, stopping in front of each home. The inspections are done at street level and at no time will anyone enter your property or home. For more details about this process please see the Pine Ridge POA website at <http://www.pineridgepoa.com/property-inspections/>

We are excited to announce that **Atlas Sign** has been contracted to replace all the street signs in the community. Work should begin within the next few weeks.

We have also contracted to replace the bad spots on the street with new asphalt in the near future. We will keep you informed & updated.

The landscapers, **Island Environments**, will be giving a facelift to our entrances with new plants and flowers over the next few weeks. Remember, our landscaper is available to give homeowners advice on how to spruce up your yard. The advice is free, but any work they do will be the responsibility of the homeowner. Please contact me or Kathy Bundy for details.

- Betty Black, Pine Ridge Board President

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## ALLIGATOR WARNING!

Residents, and particularly new residents living near lagoons, should be aware the alligators are native to our area and are as much a part of the ecosystem as squirrels and deer. Alligators are dormant through the winter months, becoming more active during mating season (May & June) and when temperatures are between 82° & 92°.

They can find their way between our lagoons via the outfalls (connecting lines) or by traveling over land. It is not uncommon to see them sunning themselves during cooler Spring & Fall days.

If you see one, you should not approach them. Do not feed them. Keep your children and pets away from the water. **Alligators are normally not a problem for residents if left alone.**

If you encounter an aggressive alligator, notify Bundy Management at (843) 524-2207, who will contact SCDNR. **If there someone is in danger from an alligator or any other animal call 911.**

## ASSESSMENT RELIEF



In recognition of the financial distress placed on many of the families who live in our community, the Pine Ridge Board of Directors has elected to defer collection of Quarterly POA Assessments and to waive all late fees and interest payments until October, 2020 for families whose employment has been negatively affected by the COVID-epidemic.

To learn more about applying for relief, please visit the Pine Ridge POA website online at [PineRidgePOA.Com](http://PineRidgePOA.Com) or contact the Bundy Property Management office via email at [kathy@bundyinc.com](mailto:kathy@bundyinc.com), or call 843-524-2207.

## BJWSA IRRIGATION PROGRAM

Beaufort Jasper Water Sewer Authority has implemented an irrigation program to alleviate usage during peak hours and ensure public safety. High demands during peak hours can result in reduced water pressure in the distribution system and low levels in water storage tanks, both of which adversely affect the performances of fire hydrants and other fire suppression facilities.

**HELP US PROTECT OUR INFRASTRUCTURE**  
 Irrigate responsibly based on house number  
**Avoid irrigating between 3-9 AM**  
 Choose midnight to 2 am or 9 am to noon on your day!  
**MONDAY: NO WATERING**

Wed   Fri   Sun	Tue   Thu   Sat
	

*(Note: The image also shows three water sprinklers between the two house icons.)*

## HURRICANE PREPARATIONS

**Hurricane Season is June 1 - November 30.**

Now is the time to educate and prepare your family & home with a Hurricane Plan.

The South Carolina Emergency Management Division (SCEMD) has several recommendations for hurricane prep:



- 1) **Know Your Zone** - Establish before a storm comes what your evacuation zone is and if your home is vulnerable to storm surge.
- 2) **Plan Ahead** - *What will you take if you have to evacuate? Where will you go?* Write it down! Make a list that includes important papers, ID, medications, and any records needed for your pets.
- 3) **Emergency Supplies** - Sheltering in place? Plan ahead by stocking up on batteries, water, non-perishable food.
- 4) **Check Insurance** - Know what your homeowners or renters insurance will and won't cover. Take pictures or record a video of your home's outside & content.

**As a Pine Ridge resident you are responsible for securing or removing any property outside your home that can potentially cause damage to neighboring homes. This includes patio furniture, unsecured storage sheds, recreational vehicles, pots & planters, yard decorations and tools.**

If you shutter your home for protection during a hurricane, shutters must be removed within 30 days of the storm.

For more storm preparation information and education, please visit [SCEMD.ORG](http://SCEMD.ORG).

## RECYCLING DOS & DON'TS



According to **Waste Management**, the following items are accepted for recycling:

- **Plastic or Glass Bottles & Containers** - Clean & dry bottles, jars, jugs and tubs only! *Containers must be free of any food or liquid!*
- **Food & Beverage Cans** - Clean and dry only! No food or liquid!
- **Paper** - Newspaper, magazines, paper bags. Anything wet or soiled needs to go into your compost, not recycled!
- **Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard** - MUST be flattened! Pizza boxes are acceptable without leftovers or liners.

### Items NOT accepted are

- **NO Foods or liquids**
- **NO Foam cups & containers** (takeout containers, foam cups, etc.)
- **NO Loose plastic bags, bagged recyclables or film** (plastic wrap)
- **NO Batteries**
- **NO Green waste** (grass clippings, etc.)
- **NO Clothing, furniture or carpet**

**Items not in a recycle bin will not be picked up by WM!** If you do not have or need an additional recycle bin contact the Waste Management office at (888) 964-9730.

**If you need a new trash cart**, call the Town of Bluffton at (843) 706-4500. **To request an additional cart**, call Waste Management office at (888) 964-9730.

**To get a cart repaired or replaced** use the form on the Waste Management site at <https://www.wm.com/us/en/support/request-a-container-repair/request-a-container-repair-form>

## COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

The Pine Ridge Community has several committees open to residents to both support and improve our neighborhood.

### Current Committees

- ACC Committee
- Community Improvement Committee
- Communications Committee
- Social Committee
- Grounds & Lagoon Committee
- Parking & Security Committee

See the [PineRidgePOA.Com](http://PineRidgePOA.Com) website for more information and to signup for any of these committees.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- **June 1 - 30**  
Summer Property & Lagoon Inspections
- **June 8**  
POA Board Meeting
- **July 1**
  - Quarterly POA Fee Assessment sent
  - Yard of the Quarter Nominations begin
- **July 13**  
POA Board Meeting
- **July 31**
  - Quarterly POA Fee Assessment Due
  - Last day for YOTQ Nominations
- **August 1**  
POA Board Meeting
- **September 1 - 30**  
Fall Property Inspections

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