

PLAINTalk

NEWSLETTER FOR THE PINE LAKE ASSOCIATION OF INVOLVED NEIGHBORS



Happy Holidays

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Celebrations! November 1, Saturday

At the Beach House

PLAIN's Day of the Dead Breakfast

8:30—10:30

Kids under 12 eat free

Pine Lake Birthday/Halloween Party

Adult Costume and Dance Party

\$10 per person

7:00—11:00 PM

**Contact Greg Creech 404-299-1706 or
creechgreg@bellsouth.net for tickets/RSVP**



Enjoy two events on one day; both events at our fabulous renovated Beach House! On Saturday, November 1 8:30—10:30, PLAIN will have the Day of the Dead Breakfast with kids under 12 eating free.

Then as night falls the creatures of Pine Lake appear for our 77th Birthday Bash beginning at 7:00. We will have hors d'oeuvres and beverages with entertainment and dancing. This is an adult costume party and tickets are \$10 per person. Volunteers are planning a great menu, and beverages are \$1.00 for soft drinks, \$2.00 for beer, and \$3.00 for wine. Volunteers needed for bartending, set-up, clean-up, etc; volunteers attend the event at no cost. A team of Pine Lake's volunteers is coordinating this event to ensure a fun and memorable evening. Contact Greg Creech at 404-299-1706 or creechgreg@bellsouth.net to purchase tickets/RSVP. So, come on down and do the monster mash at our 77th birthday bash.

LakeFest Wrap-up!

LakeFest 2014: Celebration of Community

Neighbors, the weekend was a delight: homegrown music, food trucks, happy vendors, beautiful fall days, contests, laughter, surprise performances, conversation coves, popsicles, and you.

Thank you for helping, thank you for planning, thank you for coming!

We couldn't have done it without you, of course, and we're already looking ahead to what we might do with you in 2015! -Lalah Manley

Caring and Sharing

As many of you know, Pine Lake neighbors get together at the holidays to help our neighbors in need. We raise funds to help provide food for Thanksgiving or Christmas.

To Make a Referral: If you or one of your neighbors need help with food for Thanksgiving or Christmas, please let me know. The identity of the families that receive help is held in the strictest of confidence, and it will be known only to me. Therefore, if you refer a family or a person to me for help, you will not know if they received help unless they tell you.

How to Donate: If you would like to make a donation to help your neighbors, you can bring the donation to my home or City Hall, or I will pick it up .

Thank you in advance for Caring and Sharing! Faye Ridling 635 Ivy Rd. 404-294-6577

Beach House Opens!

After a l-o-n-g wait, the Beach House is finally open! There were many twists & turns -- from the months of regulatory back-and-forth that allowed us to build on the very edge of the lake, to a roof that was so far out of whack that our architects re-engineered it, to the last-minute requirements for a backflow preventer and grease trap. Kudos to our volunteers who negotiated the twists and turns: Bitsy Pitts, Kim Larsen, Cindy Diamond, Brian Carr, Erika Brown, Valerie Caldwell, and, particularly, Kathleen Lower. Also thanks to our contractor Paul Kent Construction and architects Moon Brothers. –Mayor Kathie deNobriga

Dinner for 7—Pot Luck Dinners

There will be a pot-luck dinner for all folks who have participated in Dinner for 7 over the past few years and for those who would like to join for the next round that begins in January. The date is yet to be determined but will be one week-end in November (not Thanksgiving.) Dinner for 7 is a small group of residents who meet monthly over a six month period to share dinner and discussions. Each participant hosts one meal in their home or a favorite place. This is an opportunity to get to know some neighbors beyond, "Hi". You will also experience great food, laughter and interesting conversation. Watch for details on Pine Lake announce in the next two weeks. For more details call Ellen Mintzmyer at 404 421 8476.

Happy Fall, Y'all

PLAIN Sponsors Vests for Our Police Force by Lynn Callery

The Pine Lake Association of Involved Neighbors is soliciting donations to help buy bullet proof vests for the city's full-time police force. The city may be able to apply for matching funds to assist us in buying 3 vests which will cost about \$600 each.

There is a donation jar at City Hall, and you can also donate at any upcoming PLAIN meeting or event. Checks may also be mailed to PLAIN P.O. box 44 pine lake ga 30072.

PLAIN is a 501c3 nonprofit and donations are tax deductible. Help us to protect the people who protect us all.

Shades of Green Permaculture Design by Brandy Hall

This year, Shades of Green Permaculture Design, Inc. is partnering with the City of Pine Lake on our annual Permaculture Design Certification course. As part of this process, student groups will create thoughtful ecological designs of various aspects of Pine Lake over the 6-month course. Students will be collecting data and doing site analysis to make thoughtful designs that incorporate as much resident feedback as possible.

We have already had enormous community support and are hoping residents continue to give input into what they would like to see happen here in our great city! Our main concern is to have the voice of Pine Lake represented in the designs, so if you have an idea/desire/concern, share your voice! One easy way to do so is to take a moment to fill out this multiple choice survey: <http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07e9v0j3yui08g1k66/start>.

The course culminates with design presentations on March 14th, 2015. Students will present to the City and interested residents. Presentation times and location will be announced as the date approaches. We're excited to be here in Pine Lake and learn together!

Day of the Dead by Amy Colburn

“What is Day of the Dead?” It is a gathering of family and friends to honor and pray for loved ones who have died and to rejoice in their memories. Day of the Dead takes place Oct. 31 - Nov. 2. and is celebrated in many countries. In the US it is generally most closely associated with Mexico. Altars (ofrendas) are made and decorated with photos, marigolds, sugar skulls, paper flowers and favorite foods and beverages of the deceased. People also visit the graves of the departed and decorate them.



There will be a Day of the Dead altar with photos and traditional offerings and decorations at the Pancake Breakfast. A more in depth article on Day of the Dead will be available. So come to the breakfast, visit with your neighbors and find out about this special celebration. You are more than welcome to bring objects of remembrance of a loved one for the altar.

Pine Lake Holiday Events

Saturday, December 6 at the Beach House
PLAIN's Breakfast with Santa 8:30—10:30
And
Cookie Exchange and Lighting of the Lake
6:30—7:30



Our Annual PLAIN favorites return with breakfast with Santa and the Cookie Exchange as we celebrate the City of Pine Lake's Lighting of the Lake.

Pine Lake Lounge—Second Saturday
Holiday Variety Show
Saturday, December 13 at the Beach House 7:30
\$5 donation

Pine Lake Lounge returns on December 13 for our Holiday Variety Show! Now on the second Saturdays of the month in the Beach House at 8pm. A song or two, comedy, goodies, and a showing of some of Pine Lake artists' work. Barry Suttles- Polished Stones, Lalah Manly - earrings, Lawrence Andrade- photos, Susan Lightcap - polymer clay and handmade paper. With you, we are certain to bring some magic into our new year together!

Holiday Progressive Dinner
Saturday, December 20 5:30—10:30

Let's enjoy a great holiday evening with our annual progressive dinner. We need a host for each part of our progressive dinner cocktails/appetizers, soup and salad, entrée, and desserts. We'll tour each home and enjoy food, fun, and fellowship starting at 5:30. Please contact creechgreg@bellsouth.net or 404-299-1706 to volunteer, participate, and to be a host. Look for details in December.



November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	BH Beach House CH Club House CC City Chambers					1 8:30 -PLAIN Breakfast-BH 7:00 PM- Brithday Party-BH
2	3	4 Election Day-7:00 AM -7:00 PM CH ARB-7:00 PM-CC	5	6 Town Hall 7:00 PM-CH	7	8
9	10 City Council Meeting- 7:30-CC	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 TAB-6:30 PM ARB-7:00 PM CC	19	20 PLAIN Mtg 7:00 PM BH	21	22
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