

Hello Pine Ridge!

This month marks two years since our clubhouse was demolished. In February of 2020 we had no idea that the world would change forever. That our priorities would shift. Most of us have spent the last two years learning a new way to be social and interact. During that time PRCA's social hub, our clubhouse, has sat abandoned to projects that were a bigger priority. We have tried to work on it when there is extra time. Life got in the way. As a board we have tried a few different ways to get this project moving within the budget we have, but it is not moving fast enough for us. We know it is not moving fast enough for you either.

Starting Thursday February 10th, I'm inviting anyone that is interested to come in and help me work on it. I'm going to be there with maintenance every Thursday (weather permitting) at 9:00am. If you have carpentry or construction skills please come join us. If you can prep, paint, plan, or organize, join us! If you would like to see what's going on stop in. On February 10th we will share our plan with anyone that shows and see how far we can get. There is plenty that can be done with no experience. Our resources are still spread thin but if we all come together, I know we can make magic happen. Join us February 10th, 17th, and 24th this month at 9:00am.

As a community we have changed and rebuilt so much since February of 2020.... Help us rebuild the clubhouse so that we can truly celebrate how far we've come!

# <u>lanager's Message</u>

I can't believe it is February already. Time is rolling along so fast. On February 2nd, we will find out if Punxsutawney Phil will see his shadow, which means there are six more weeks of winter. If not, then we will have an early spring. Or so the legend goes. Valentine's Day is celebrated on February 14th when we will show our significant others love and affection and enjoy the day. Lastly, February 21st is Presidents' Day which honors Presidents George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

We need to keep in mind that snow and ice showers can always be around the corner (despite Phil's prediction). Depending on the type of weather/storm we may receive, Maintenance often will pretreat the roads before leaving for the day or get called out to plow at any time of the day or night. Please slow down when the roads are being addressed. Also, please replace worn tires. We all care about you.

Progression on the Clubhouse is ongoing with spackling, primer on the walls, and insulating the restrooms. Bids have been received for installing the floors. We are in the process of finding a gas stove repairman to inspect the kitchen stove. Organizing the kitchen is a priority. A divider wall between the kitchen and dining hall with a serving window will be installed. Cabinets and counter space will also be installed. Bids will be accepted for plumbing in conjunction with new sinks. Bids will also be accepted for work in the restrooms. Thank you,

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#### CONTACT PROA

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#### Office Hours

#### SUNDAY OFFICE IS CLOSED

**MONDAY** 10:00am-4:00pm **TUESDAY** 10:00am-4:00pm **WED** 10:00am-4:00pm **THUR** 10:00am-4:00pm **FRIDAY** 10:00am-4:00pm **SATURDAY** 9:00am-12:00pm

(Every other Saturday)





# **Public Safety**

Hello from public safety,

Once again, we'd like to remind our residents that school is in session and the roadways are being utilized by our students walking to the bus stop and home. Please use caution always.

Remain vigilant and watch for our children in the bus stop area parking lot and allow our children to load and unload the school buses safely. If you see, something say something! You can remain anonymous. Contact the office, send us your videos. We will take action.!!! Winter is going to be with us a little while longer. So, it's important that your vehicles' tires can handle the changes in these road conditions.

Also, if you reside in Pine Ridge your vehicles must be registered with the community. You can stop into the office and pick up a registration document for your vehicles.

During snow removal times please make sure your green address signs are visible for emergency services, and bring your trash cans in off the road so maintenance can clear the road safely.

Most important SLOW DOWN while driving on the roads, obey the traffic signs, and be patient with your fellow neighbors. Let's keep our community safe, thank you.

Public safety phone number 570-269-8842.



### Committee's Corner

As most of us know, the annual election is coming up and candidates will soon start to submit their letter of intent to run for the board. A Nominating Committee could be very helpful in organizing the candidates as well as helping to vet them. If you are interested in helping us get the committee started, please sign up to volunteer, we can really use the help.

The **Book Club** will resume starting in February. The schedule for the month is the 3rd at 7:00pm for the adult book club and the 8th at 2:00pm for the kids book club. Both held at the clubhouse, reach out to the Recreation Committee if you would like to be a part of any of them!

Recreation@pineridgecommunity.net

Budget & Finance Committee is still hard at work getting our budget ready!

The **Bylaws Committee** is looking for new members to join the team, email them at bylaws@pineridgecommunity.net if your interested or fill out an application at the office. They have started to tackle our bylaws and need your help.







SCAN HERE TO GET STARTED

REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES TO OUR COMMUNITY. ALL TIPS ARE ANONYMOUS AND CONFIDENTIAL.





# Calendar 2022

February 3rd- Adult Book Club @ 7pm February 8th- Kids Book Club @ 2pm February 13th- Super Bowl Sunday February 14th- Share the Love February 21st- President's Day February- Budget and Finanace W/ PRCA BOD; Budget Q&A

#### Fun FACT about February!

Each month in the modern Gregorian calendar consists of at least 28 days. That number would be a nicely rounded 30 were it not for February. While every month besides the second in the calendar contains at least 30 days, February falls short with 28 (and 29 on a leap year). So why is the most widely used calendar in the world so inconsistent in the lengths of its months? And why is February stuck with the fewest number of days? Blame it on Roman superstition.

The Roman king Numa Pompilius added January and February to the original 10 months. The previous calendar had had 6 months of 30 days and 4 months of 31, for a total of 304 days. However, Numa wanted to avoid having even numbers in his calendar, as Roman superstition at the time held that even numbers were unlucky. He subtracted a day from each of the 30-day months to make them 29. The lunar year consists of 355 days (354.367 to be exact, but calling it 354 would have made the whole year unlucky!), which meant that he now had 56 days left to work with. In the end, at least 1 month out of the 12 needed to contain an even number of days. This is because of simple mathematical fact: the sum of any even amount (12 months) of odd numbers will always equal an even number—and he wanted the total to be odd. So Numa chose February, a month that would be host to Roman rituals honoring the dead, as the unlucky month to consist of 28 days.

Despite changes in the calendar as it was altered after Numa's additions—alterations that include the shortening of February at certain intervals, the addition of a leap month, and eventually the modern leap day—February's 28-day length has stuck

## Committee's Corner continues...

Grievance will resume February.

Our committees are always looking for fresh new outgoing people to apply their talents to enhancing Pine Ridge, so please help us grow our committees and apply today! You can do so by filling out a volunteer form at the office or you can find the application on the portal under documents and email it to info@pineridgecommunity.

net.

If anyone would like to help set up the election and count the votes, please reach out to Shante at the office.





# Pine Ridge Student Feature







One of our very own teen resident Jai Griffin was featured on the Service Electric Network for his accomplishments. Born totally deaf, Jai has overcome his handicap with hard work and dedication such as traveling for over an hour every day to his school located in Bethlehem. He's up early and around 5:30am he's already in route to school at Liberty High. Jai's original school district could not provide an interpreter for him but with Liberty High School, which is a mainstream school, they offer a hearing-impaired program that meets his needs.

So far Jai is a very active junior who has excelled academically and has always had a love for football. Standing tall at 6'3 he plays defense for Liberty High School football team which he has an interpreter on the sidelines as needed along with visual cues from his coaches, that helps him communicate on the field. His coaches and teachers are very supportive and jumped through hoops to get him to play football for the district. Jai has never complained about his commute nor the work he does in class and on the field. In fact, in addition to his schoolwork and activities he also finds time to works out every day and at 9:00pm his day ends. He believes in the future he can play for Gallaudet University which has a football program for the deaf.

Jai's parents and grandparents are extremely proud of him, and they continue to support him with his journey to success. Pine Ridge wishes Jai Griffin a Happy 17th birthday on February 3rd and keep up the great work!

We need volunteers for the following committees, Nominating, Election and Rules & Regulation. Sign up at Pineridgecommunity.net!





Sign up for our community portal to receive important information and much more at www.Pineridgecommunity.net

Residents may opt in to receive text message alerts from Pine Ridge from the PRCA portal

Residents will have access via Zoom to view Board meetings and Membership meetings. You can also access them on our portal.



**Pine Ridge Community** Association is hiring for the following positions:

- \*Chief of Public Safety
- \*Public Safety Officer
- \*Assist. Maintenance Supvr.
- \*Plow Drivers
- \*Gate and Pool Attendants



**Apply online at** Pineridgecommunity.net/employment

#### IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

#### **SCHOOLS**

Bushkill Elementary	570-588-4400
Lehman Intermediate School	570-588-4410
E. Stroudsburg High School North	570-588-4420
E. Stroudsburg School District	570-424-8500

#### **TOWNSHIP**

Lehman Township Municipal Bldg.	570-588-9365
Bushkill Post Office	570-588-6514

PA AMERICAN WATER COMPANY	800-565-7292
SEPTIC - ALLSTATE SEPTIC	800-858-3111
DOG WARDEN - JAMES RICKERT	570-350-3589
Tax Collector - BONNIE WARGO	570-431-6588

BLOOMING GROVE STATE POLICE	911/570-226-571
Bushkill Fire Department	570-588-7667
HOSPITAL; Lehigh Valley Hospital	570-421-4000
DEPT. OF MOTOR VEHICLE	800-932-4600
POCONO LOCKSMITH	570-534-4614

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#### LOOK TO BECOME A SUBSTITUTE **TEACHER!!**

East Stroudsburg Area School District is offering a FREE Substitute Teacher Training on February 18th, 2022 from 8:30am to 12:30pm at our Central Administration building located at 50 Vine St, E. Stroudsburg, PA 18301.

- Substitute teacher rate is \$150 per day!
- Flexible schedule, work when you can, you choose!

Click here to sign up!

Additional questions please email hr@esasd.net





