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Spring Openings!

Dear Henry

The Winter is flying by, the highlight of which is the completion of our new beach. Here are a few things for you to consider as you schedule your return to the Pines.

Membership Drive



The membership drive is underway! Thank you to those who have already renewed your membership. To renew your membership, visit the Membership Portal by accessing your member profile here.

Are you a new homeowner? Click here to join FIPPOA! Are you a renter or contractor? Join as an Associate member!

Your membership helps enable us to continue to support the evolving needs of our community.

Memberships renewed by March 31st will receive your wagon sticker at the mailing address that is on file. For Memberships renewed after March 31st, your wagon stickers will be available to pick up at the Spring Membership Meeting which is on Saturday, May 17th. Please be sure to verify your mailing address on file by accessing your member profile.

Infested Tree Take Down – The Pines Conservation Society (PCS) in Collaboration with FIPPOA/The Pines Foundation (TPF)



Each year PCS, in collaboration with FIPPOA/TPF and the National Park Service (NPS), removes infested, dead, or dying trees from the Pines rights-of-way (ROW), defined as six feet on either side of a public walk. The program has helped combat the spread of environmentally dangerous southern pine beetles. The NPS reports that our rapid response and continued collaboration have been key in slowing it. The culling tactic has been a success. In 2016, the first year, 150 trees were downed.

The identified trees will be removed in March by Bartlett Tree Experts. If you have dead or dying pine trees on the property that are outside of the ROW, now is an opportunity to work with Bartlett. Please contact Victor Montano, at vmontano@bartlett.com, or on his cell - 516-424-8635.

Pines Conservation Society - Annual Tree Sale

Spring is coming and it's time to plant! Over the past many years, PCS has helped homeowners plant more than 4,000 trees. Tree planting is important to maintain the diversity of the Pine's fragile ecosystem. Trees are purchased directly from the nursery and delivered to the Pines freight dock. By ordering in bulk, PCS passes the savings on to you.

After a hugely successful launch last year, in addition to pine and oak trees, they are once again offering two starter pallets containing a mix of native pollinator plants and shrubs.

Please click here to order your trees and plants.

A special thank you to the PCS Board of Directors and the many hard working community volunteers.



Waste Management

There are some important changes to the way our garbage is being picked up this season. Door to door garbage pickup started Monday March 3rd with Thursday household pickup starting on April 3rd. Recyclables (plastic, cardboard) and additional yard waste are now being collected on Wednesdays. The complete waste management calendar and information sheet can be found here.

What's New:

- Glass Recycling – our new garbage contract calls for the establishment of two glass recycling bins which are currently located behind the east end of the wagon rack with the signage below. Please deposit only your clean glass recyclables into these bins. We've been asked what happens to the glass once Brownie carts it off island to the landfill site used by the Town of Brookhaven. The answer is that at this moment, the glass is used for drainage at the landfill. Brookhaven continues to assure us that they are actively seeking opportunities for recycling that would result in conventional reuse of the glass, precisely what one would assume would be the case for glass recycling. As we press for a re-use option and as we learn more, we will keep you informed.



- E-Waste - there is a garbage bin located on the new area designated for residential freight pick-up (located next to Harbor Walk) for the collection of E-Waste - i.e., - TVs, computers, modems, phones, batteries.

- Bulk Pick-up - unlike in previous years, bulk items will be picked up on Thursdays with regular household garbage instead of Wednesdays. If you have any large bulk items, please call Brownie at 631-750-5325 or email them at Carting@BrownieNY.com at least 24 hours in advance.

- Landscaping Debris - pickup will only be on Wednesdays. What is accepted for pickup can be found here. Instead of using plastic bags for landscaping debris we strongly encourage you to use paper landscaping bags.

- Dedicated Landscaping Pickup Days - Brownie has established four Fridays (May 2nd & 9th, November 7th & 14th) for additional pick-ups for your landscaping debris at your home (according to their guidelines). This is separate from the FIPPOA sponsored landscaping clean-up day which is on Saturday, April 26th.

Finally, just a reminder that no household debris should be left on Fire Island Blvd. There's no need to haul your old nasty couch down to the Blvd when Brownie will pick this up from your front yard.



When Does It Open?

I get this question a lot, particularly at this time of the year. Here are a few answers, and as is always advised, please call or check relevant websites for updates and changes.

The Pines Liquor Shop opens as follows:

Saturday, March 22nd (noon – 4PM)
Friday, March 28th (noon – 4PM)
Saturday, March 29th (11AM – 4PM)
Friday, April 4th (11AM – 7PM)
Saturday, April 5th (10AM – 5PM)
Sunday, April 6th (11AM – 4PM)

The Pines Pantry: please refer to their website for opening information.

Pines Pizza and Sip n' Twirl will be open starting on Friday April 4th, with the **Bistro** opening on Friday, April 18th.

Post Office – the post office will start operating on Thursday, May 15th and as in the past, open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Our post office operates primarily on a volunteer basis and is always looking for extra hands to help out sorting packages. If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to postoffice@fippoa.org.

The Waterfront – Low Tea at the Blue Whale – Friday, May 2nd; Canteen and the Gym – Thursday, May 1st; Camp – first week in May. The Pavilion opens Memorial Day weekend and the Pool Deck will be open every day starting the Friday of Memorial Day weekend.

Upcoming Important FIPPOA Dates:

Community Cleanups
Saturday, April 26th Yard Waste
Saturday, May 3rd Household

FIPPOA Spring Community Meeting
Saturday, May 17th - 10AM

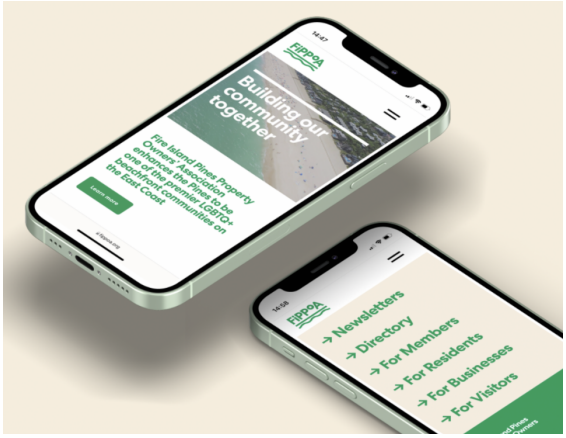
Call For Volunteers! FIPPOA is looking for volunteers to help out throughout the season for such things as our community clean-ups, our Spring Community Meeting, and other events. If you are interested, please sign-up here.

I look forward to seeing you in the Pines during the month of April, if not before.

Henry



Click here to renew or join FIPPOA Today!



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