

## WHAT'S NEW

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### *Pine Forest Then and Now*

#### Pine Forest Then ...

The Pine Forest Inn, in its heyday, was a premier resort on the East Coast and was a favorite stop for the moneyed crowd who enjoyed golf, hunting and horse-racing along with the garden-like setting in historic Summerville.

The Pine Forest Inn was a rambling three-story wood building that contained about 200 rooms, dining rooms capable of serving more than 250 guests, ballrooms, private parlors, wine and smoking rooms. The entire structure had elaborate woodworking that gave the place a majestic appearance. Every room in the Inn was furnished with a fireplace, and later on, steam heat, the last word in modern conveniences at the time. Additionally, the Inn had its own 900-foot well that was well known for their medicinal qualities. This majestic state-of-the-art complex was even replete with its own power plant, dairy, hennery, telegraph office and long-distance telephone service.

The recreational amenities of the Inn were numerous and diverse. The amenities of the day included an 18-hole golf course, 2,000 acres of hunting grounds, elaborate stables, tennis courts, a croquet pitch, fishing areas, three bowling alleys, a billiards room and a shuffle board area. And of course, excursion trips to Tea Farm, Middleton Place and Magnolia Gardens were also available if patrons wanted to take a walk through gardens and experience the peace of the area's unique natural beauty.

The heyday of the Inn lasted from 1891 into the 1930's. Unfortunately, the combination of the depression, World War II and an increased interest in resorts in Florida had a devastating effect on the Inn and eventually forced it to close. When the Inn was finally dismantled in the 1950's, many Summerville residents obtained pieces of the Inn's mantle and woodworking as a memento of Summerville's Golden Age. The Pine Forest Inn and Summerville's Golden Age may be gone, but they certainly are not forgotten.

#### Pine Forest Now ...

The Twenty-First Century version of Pine Forest is a booming real estate development and semi-private country club that offers an impressive array of recreational opportunities reminiscent of its' historic predecessor. Pine Forest has been called Summerville's "Most Family Oriented Country Club Community".

Pine Forest offers a quiet, secure neighborhood with easy access to employment centers, schools, churches and shopping. Whether retiring or raising a family, Pine Forest is a perfect choice. Pine Forest's master build group can capably craft the ideal home to suit individual tastes and needs. A new phase of construction has begun and homes are available from \$165,000 up to a million dollars. For more information on real estate, contact our sales staff at 851-2852.

The 18-hole golf course was recently rated four stars by Golf Digest placing it in the top 5% of courses in the United States. The course has earned the nickname "the hidden gem" and host the prestigious Lowcountry Amateur Tournament. Five sets of tees are available so that players of all ability levels can enjoy the unique challenges provided by the course. Our PGA golf professionals are also available to help you improve your game through a variety of lessons and clinics.

The lighted tennis complex is also considered one of the finest in the region with its' six meticulously maintained clay courts. While the junior Olympic sized swimming pool allows members and their families to take a refreshing dip in order to cool down after a hot summer day. With the addition of a full-service clubhouse that was completed three years ago, Pine Forest is now capable of hosting wedding receptions, corporate events and other special events.

Come Home To Pine Forest. It's a great place to live and play...

