

# Pine Island

## RESOURCE GUIDE



# Pine Island Mayor David Friese

On behalf of the City of Pine Island, I want to give you a warm welcome to our city and all it has to offer for fun and activities. This community has a long and rich history, which makes it one of the most desirable places to live in the area. We embrace our long-time residents and welcome those looking to make Pine Island their new home.

The City of Pine Island is located in a tri-county area, including the counties of Goodhue, Olmsted, and Dodge. It provides our residents and guests with the opportunity to enjoy both urban and rural living. Our proximity to the City of Rochester and the Twin Cities makes it an ideal place for our citizens to work and have access to world-class edu-

cational institutions and entertainment. In Pine Island, our well-planned business districts and housing developments make it a desirable place to call home. With year-round festivals and events, abundant outdoor recreational activities, excellent schools, and historic downtown, Pine Island is a great place to do business as we look for opportunities to grow.

We are a community with a growing population that has a wealth of volunteers eager to develop and continue to improve our quality of life. We invite you to visit and experience our community as we look to a bright future and all that it has to promise!



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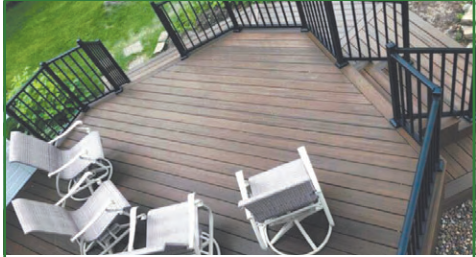


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website: [pineislandareahomeservices.org](http://pineislandareahomeservices.org)

**A non-profit agency that enlists local volunteers and professional staff to create a community of care and support for adults 65+ and their caregivers.**

- Volunteer rides
- Meals on Wheels Delivery
- Chore services
- Newsletters
- Cubii rental
- Evidence based classes
- Knox Box
- Educational classes
- Home visits/ friendly visits



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- Chair Volleyball
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- Flu Shot Clinic
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- Dementia Friends
- Tax preparation

**If you or someone you know could use our assistance, please contact us at: 507-356-2999 to become a client.**

### **Mission Statement:**

Provide volunteer and professional services to promote home-based living for adults 65+ in the Pine Island and Oronoco area.

Our mission is dedicated to helping people remain in their homes; where they really want to be.



**Do you have time and talent to share and looking for a meaningful way to give back to your community? Consider volunteering and being a part of something bigger.**



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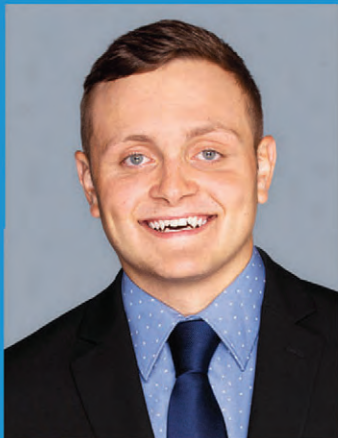


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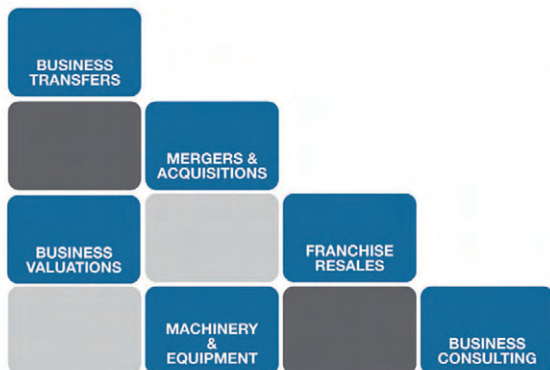
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## The First Outdoor Festival of the Summer



There are lots of activities for families including fireworks, a carnival, food vendors, craft vendors, a 5K Ribbon Run, fire department water fight, volleyball & pickleball tournaments, a raffle, an activities-filled Kid's Day on Saturday, a wine & cheese gala, and a pancake breakfast, plus contests and games. Outdoor street dance concert on Saturday night and don't miss the spectacular Grand Parade down Main Street on Sunday.





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**We are not a private club, we are open to the public and a family-friendly organization. Stop in, take a look, and spend some time with us.**

We are located at 108 1st Avenue Southeast, Pine Island, just east on 2nd St. SE off of Main Street behind the Pine Island Sports Bar.

We have two large halls that are available for rent for events such as celebrations of life, weddings, meetings, parties, reunions, and more.

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Our Post has a full bar which is also open to the public seven days a week.

We conduct many different types of events that help us support the local community such as Legion Baseball, high school scholarships, and providing the replacement flags for the local schools, cemetery, and much more.

**And if you are a veteran and not a member please consider joining. Give us a call or stop by anytime. Our membership meetings are on the second Monday of each month starting at 6 p.m.**

**The American Legion is the largest U.S. veterans organization with more than 1.6 million members who strengthen the nation through programs, services, and advocacy for those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.**

**The American Legion is dedicated to inspiring leadership, good citizenship, and excellence in America's future leaders through a variety of youth programs.**

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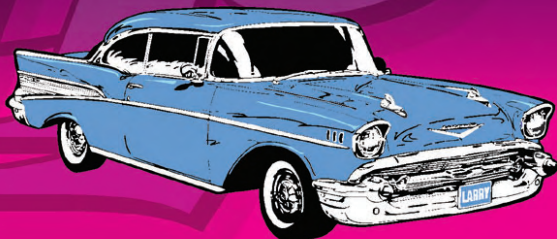
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## Ice Rink

**Located next to the Cheese Factory on East Center St. The warming house is in the Butter Factory building.**



## Pickleball Courts

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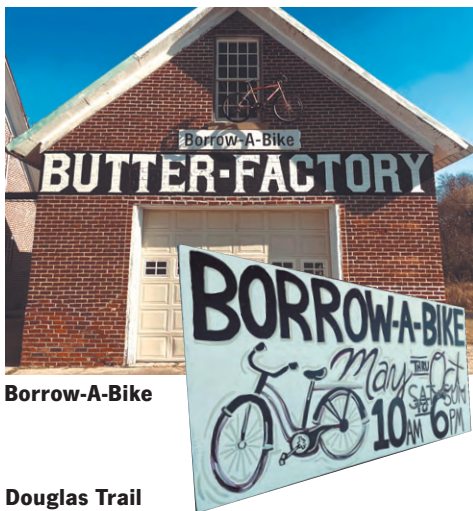




Butter Factory - 101 East Center Street  
Houses the Borrow-A-Bike program, and seasonal ice rink and pickleball courts located across the parking lot.



Douglas Trail



Borrow-A-Bike



Pine Haven Care Center and Rehabilitation Center  
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- **One Town One Title** *February-March*. The library gives away over 100 copies of that year's book and has a slate of programs that tie in with the book's themes and topics.
- **Summer Reading Program** *June-July*. This annual program brings children, teens, and families into the library for reading and activities. Participants can do challenge sheets to earn prizes along with attending events that range from storytime, to arts & crafts, and programs led by a variety of professional performers like magicians or singers.

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- Support Youth and Education
- Support Community Projects and Activities
- Promote Local History

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## Northeast

22. RV Park - 4 spots (electric and water hook-ups, sewer dump, picnic tables, trail access)
9. Dog Park - East of Center St and Trailhead Park - 101 East Center St (open running area, rivers edge, Trail Head access)
3. Custer Park - 450 Prairie View Drive (Playground, ball field, picnic tables)
10. Waletzko Lot - (shady picnic area)
12. Community Space - (ride share parking lot)
13. Community Gardens - (18 plots, 8 raised beds, rest area. Plots are one per family/organization on a first-come, first-served basis). To reserve a plot contact, Pine Island Public Works City Shop, 507-884-1653
19. Brush Dump - (compost, brush, dirt, wood mulch, leaves, wood logs).





# PARKS & TRAIL MAP

## Southeast

20. Z-Trail - 1112 County Road 3 - one mile loop of hiking and horse trails, canoe launch, parking, picnic tables, and fishing.

8. Hassler Park - 828 20th Ave SE - features a playground.

7. Turnberry Park - 2182 Turnberry Lane (river access)

16. Tennis Courts - 311 SE Fifth St (parking lot) with room for two games.

23. Pine Meadows Landing - (canoe landing, fishing)

## Southwest

2. Kispert Park - 868 10th Street SW - features a playground and room to run. Open year round.

1. Wazuweeta Park - 713 5th Ave (4 1/2 acres, Playground, 4 raised garden beds, seating)

21. Band Shell - Main Street Business District (seating, picnic tables)



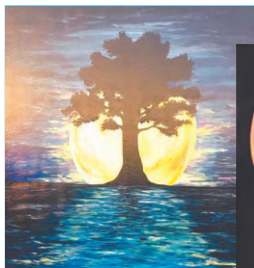
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| 1. Wazuweeta Park      | 13. Community Gardens |
| 2. Kispert Park        | 14. Butter Factory    |
| 3. Custer Park         | 15. Pool              |
| 4. Trail Head Park     | 16. Tennis Courts     |
| 5. Collins Park        | 17. Cheese Factory    |
| 6. Nature Reserve Park | 18. Collins West      |
| 7. Turnberry Park      | 19. Brush Dump        |
| 8. Hassler Park        | 20. Z Trail           |
| 9. Dog Park            | 21. Band Shell        |
| 10. Wletzko Lot        | 22. RV Park           |
| 11. Welcome Shelter    | 23. Pine Meadows      |
| 12. Community Space    | Landing               |

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EXISTING TRAILS (GRAVEL)	
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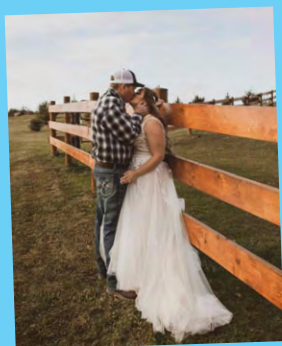
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## Flower Baskets

Every year in the spring the Pine Island Chamber of Commerce raises funds for 50+ flower baskets to adorn the light poles on Main Street in Pine Island, Trailhead Park, and the Welcome shelter area. The flowers add to the attractiveness of Main Street for many months throughout the summer and fall! If you are interested in helping make Pine Island beautiful this summer and want to donate, please send an email to [piareachamber@gmail.com](mailto:piareachamber@gmail.com).

Pine Island Pioneers Amateur Baseball  
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Please join us on the second Tuesday of the month at noon at the Pine Island American Legion in January, March, May, July, September, October, and November for lunch and networking.

## **The Pine Island Area Chamber of Commerce supports the following projects each year:**

- **Career Collaboration and Exploration with Pine Island High School**
- **Main Street Beautification; Hanging Flower Baskets**
- **Hosting the Welcome Booth at Cheese Festival**
- **Main Street Car Show**

*Please support the PIACC members found in the chamber member directory online at [pineislandmnchamber.com](http://pineislandmnchamber.com)*

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# Government Services

## Brush Dump Facility

Pine Island Public Works City Shop  
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The Brush Dump is a free service for Pine Island residents (only) that is open from May through Fall (weather permitting) to drop off or take: brush, compost, dirt, mulch, leaves, and logs

The Recycling Center & Brush Dump are located on East Center Street between Trailhead Park and the Water Treatment Plant Pine Island MN

## Public Works

Park & Street Maintenance, 507-356-8545  
Water or Sewer Information, 507-356-4390



## City Wide Cleanup

Cleanup day is typically a Saturday in May at the Public Works Shop 502 3rd Ave NE

## Economic Development Authority



Pine Island is a vibrant and growing community that perfectly balances small-town charm with big opportunities. Conveniently located along Highway 52, Pine Island provides quick access to Rochester and the Twin Cities, making it an ideal location for businesses seeking connectivity without the congestion of larger metropolitan areas.

Pine Island is home to a skilled workforce, driven by its proximity to world-class institutions like the Mayo Clinic and the thriving industries of southeastern Minnesota. With a strong agricultural heritage, a growing tech and manufacturing presence, and a supportive local government, businesses in Pine Island benefit from a pro-growth environment designed to help them succeed.

Pine Island offers an exceptional quality of life. Our community is known for its top-rated schools, beautiful parks, and scenic outdoor spaces, making it an attractive place for families and employees to live and work. Residents enjoy a welcoming atmosphere, safe neighborhoods, and year-round recreational opportunities, from hiking and biking to fishing and golfing.



## Van Horn Public Library

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Books, internet access, multimedia  
Adult and children programming



## City Hall

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Meeting the third Tuesday at 6 p.m.

## Emergency Management

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## Pine Island Lions Club

The Pine Island Lions Club is a fellowship of men and women who serve the needs of our community through Service Projects and Fundraising events. Our membership consists of families and individuals ranging in ages from 20 to 80.

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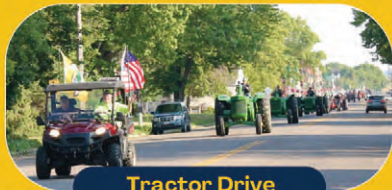
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**Breakfast with Santa**



**Tractor Drive**

Our motto is “We Serve” and Lions put it into action every day. We’re caring men and women who come together to be the difference in our communities. We believe we can do so much more together than we can alone.

Whether we are taking care of our community by cleaning ditches or picking up bulk trash, serving our community at events like the Tractor Drive or Breakfast with Santa, or funding local businesses, agencies, community and school groups, Pine Island Lions members aim to serve our community in a variety of ways.

The PI Fly Your Flag program kicks off in May and our Tractor Drive is coming up in August. Check out our Facebook page or email us for event and sign-up information!



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## Trailhead Park

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Trailhead Playground



## Pine Island

### Wa-zu-wee-ta "Isle of Pines"

Prior to settlement, southeastern Minnesota was part of the tribal homeland of the Mdewakanton branch of the eastern Dakota Nation. The area west of the junction of the two branches of the Zumbro River to the bluff held a large grove of white pines surrounded by hardwood forest. The pines stood out like an island and was a favorite winter camp site called Wazuweeta "Isle of Pines" by the Dakotas. It was taken for settlement by the Treaty of Mendota in 1851 and named Pine Island by the settlers.



The first settlers at Pine Island were Josiah Haggard and H. B. Powers in 1854. A sawmill and Post Office were established in 1856. The white pines yielded 200,000 board feet of lumber.



Erastus Dennison, John Chance, Moses Jewell and M. Woodley had the town site surveyed into lots. The plat of Pine Island Village was recorded in March of 1857.



The business district grew by serving the surrounding agricultural area, starting with small grains and cattle, and shifting to dairy about 1900.



The first railroad, the Chicago Northwestern, was built in 1878 from Rochester to Red Wing. In 1902 the Chicago Great Western built a parallel line from Rochester to Zumbrota that is now the Douglas Trail.



In July of 1911 a group of small dairies cooperated to build a Prize Winning World Record 6,000 lb Cheese on a railroad flatcar.

By 1920 there were 43 cheese plants in the surrounding area. Half of them combined to form the Minnesota Cheese Producers Association with a large plant in Pine Island. It, and the adjoining Butter Factory, are part of this park just West of where you stand. In 1947 an even larger plant was built two blocks to the North.

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**Pine Island was given its name from the Native American term "Wa-zu-wee-ta," which translates to Isle of Pines. Located along the beautiful banks of the Zumbro River.**



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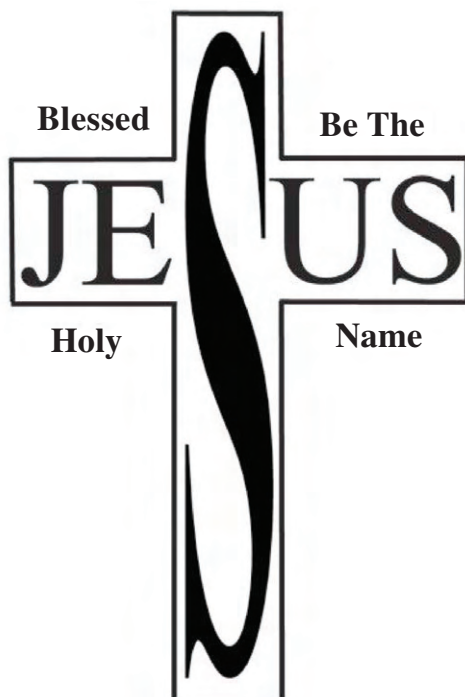


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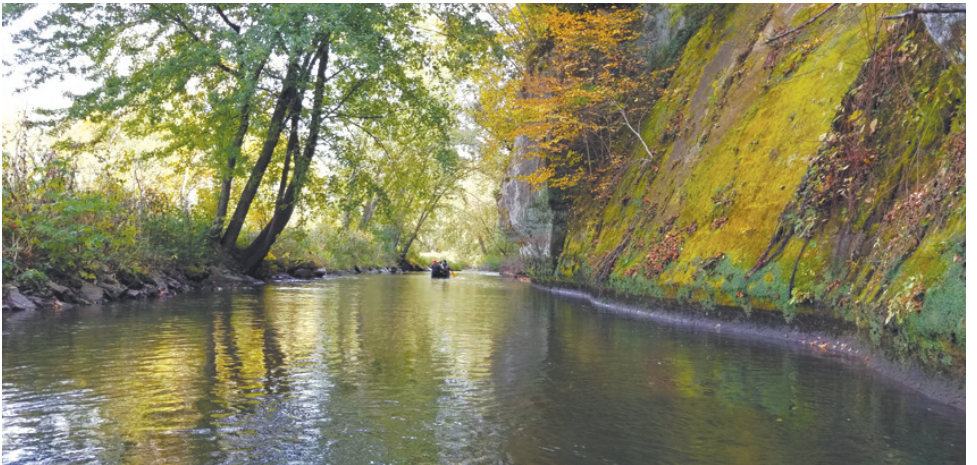
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