



The Pillars and Pond

The BEIA 2012 Annual Meeting

Our 2012 Annual Meeting took place at the Bloomfield Township Auditorium on April 12th and was well attended. In addition to normal business flow, we were paid a visit by Leo Savoie, the Bloomfield Township Supervisor.

The main topic of discussion quickly focused on Birmingham's plan to serve alcohol at Springdale Park. The BEIA Board of Directors have been working with the township to try and protect our subdivision from the possible abuses inherent in Birmingham's Plan.

Mr. Savoie has been a great help in marshaling the township resources to assist us.

The first step was to monitor and control vehicles traveling on Strathmore Rd. The township installed both a 'Speed Monitoring' device and upped police surveillance of the area. Speeders were ticketed with no latitude. We will keep you all posted on this issue.

Welcome to our New Neighbors!

- Alan & Julie Koffron
- David Mark
- David & Joey Turner
- Andrew & Jennifer Hubacker
- James & Stephanie Bickers
- Ginsberg Family
- Jonathan & Radmilla Kest
- Neeraj & Vandana Bhagat

Revised BEIA Info Packs

New and improved **BEIA Info Packs** were made available to all who attended the annual meeting. They contain our Architectural Review Procedures, Deed and Building Restrictions, BEIA Bylaws, and a history of our subdivision. To receive a copy contact Suzanne Townsend @ 248-644-7252 or email her at:

suztown@comcast.net

B.E.I.A. 2010-2012 Board of Directors

Suzanne Townsend, *President*
David Miller, *Secretary*
Brian Butler, *Architectural Review*

Vincent Demski, *Vice President*
Richard Sorensen, *Treasurer*
Julie Koffron, *Director*

BEIA Board of Directors Update

We have some exciting news about the newly elected Board of Directors for 2012-2013! Rich Sorensen has agreed to remain on as our Treasurer and that is very good news. Rich has been doing a great job and his extended term is greatly appreciated.

We have also been lucky enough to recruit a new resident who recently moved into our area, please welcome Dr. Julie Koffron to our community and to the board.

Lastly, Brian Butler has joined the board and is responsible for architectural review. Brian has served on the board in the past, we are grateful for his continued service.

Architectural Review & Approval Procedures

If you are planning any building or remodeling, or adding any outbuildings your plans must be reviewed and approved for BEIA Deed and Building Restriction compliance BEFORE they go to the township. Please contact our Architectural Review representative before you begin.

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BEIA ANNUAL DUES NOTICES
are mailed February 1st and are payable
March 1st

DUES: \$200 Homeowners
\$100 Lot Owners

We thank all our members who have paid their dues!

To those who have not, please consider supporting your subdivision and bring your dues up-to-date.

BEIA Website Update

The New and Improved BEIA Website is up and running! If you have not yet checked in to see all the content it contains, PLEASE DO!

We finally have a truly adaptive and modern website that offers residents many opportunities to find resources, communicate with the BEIA Board of Directors, see upcoming events and important dates. Please take a moment and give it a look!

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BEIA Fall Clean-Up Event

The Neighborhood Clean-up Committee of the Bloomfield Estates Improvement Association is organizing a Fall Clean-Up. We have been organizing clean-up events twice a year for over six years now.

Have pride in your neighborhood and share a few hours with your neighbors. Help add value to one of your most important investments and make our neighborhood a clean and safe place to live.

We will focus this fall's activity on general and pond clean-up, with some minor trimming and pruning to improve traffic sign and street crossing visibility.

Date: Saturday, October 20th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Rain day will be Sunday, October 21st, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Meeting Place: Common Grounds on the Charing Cross side of the pond (Charing Cross and Brookdale). We will organize into groups and tackle the proposed tasks. All we really need is you, but garden gloves, trimming tools and wheeled cart come in handy.

Help pitch in, meet your neighbors and enjoy the morning together. **Mark your calendars.**

Hard working kids are always welcome.

Thanks Chris!

Chris Nowak has retired from the BEIA Board of Directors after serving a 3 year term as Vice President. We are sorry to see him go, however, we are fortunate that he continues to support the BEIA Beautification Committee. Thanks for all your hard work Chris!

BEIA Summer Picnic

Our annual picnic was held at Springdale Park on June 5, 2012. It was very well attended and a good time was had by all. The weather was perfect and many families came with kids in tow! Special thanks to Suzanne Townsend for organizing the picnic, Dave Miller for the signs located around the subdivision, Marcia Robovitsky, Chuck Sache, and Rich Sorensen, for helping with the setup. And, a special thanks to Brian Butler and Averill Townsend for doing a terrific job keeping lots of Hot dogs, Bratwursts, and Hamburgers coming!

There were some new faces among us. A warm welcome to new neighbors Brian and Yvonne Kinnie and family, Tim and Catherine Sefton with son Ryan and Jennifer Dudick with daughter Ava. The picnic provides a wonderful way to meet new neighbors, catch up with old ones and see the progression of all of our youngest members. We are hoping to see an even larger turnout next summer!

We will be posting on the BEIA website pictures taken at the picnic, along with the requested recipe for the dish brought by Denise and John McKewan - 'Vegetable-Chickpea Chili'.

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Avondale Flooding

Another issue discussed at the annual meeting was the rather routine flooding on Avondale Road. Township crews have been working for a few months trying to isolate the cause of the flooding and trace the water flow as it happens.

This is an ongoing concern. It might be a side effect of the work being done on the various drainage systems that are old and in need of maintenance. We will continue our dialog with the township on this matter and keep you posted.

UHOA Representative Needed

Marcia Robovitsky is retiring after many years of service as our long standing liaison with the 'United Homeowners Association'. The UHOA is a nonprofit association of local homeowner groups, of which we are members. Marcia was tireless in her pursuit of accountability, local government's honesty, fiscal restraint, good communication and appropriate, and responsible action when needed.

Marcia will be greatly missed!

If interested in filling this important position, contact Suzanne Townsend 248-644-7252.

For more information check out the link below:
united-homeowners.org

*The BEIA wishes all our residents
and friends a very
HAPPY THANKSGIVING 2012*