

THE PILLARS AND THE POND

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Dear Neighbors

I hope that everyone is enjoying the amazing spring weather. It was wonderful to see some of your faces at the Annual Meeting and Picnic last year. I appreciate the participation and enthusiasm for our little neighborhood! We've had a busy year of new construction projects and home renovations and there are more to come. Bloomfield Estates continues to be a place that attracts a lot of attention in Oakland County and I'm happy that you're here. Cheers to a fun-filled year ahead!

— Vince Demski, *President*

Chips and Path



BIG thanks to Rich Sorensen for his leadership and resourcefulness. When Rich saw a downed tree in the pond, he and Vince Demski worked to collect and chip the tree, asked Chris Nowak to use his tractor to spread the chips, rallied neighbors Jim and Angela Jurson, Nancy Harrison, Becky Sorensen and Perry Greene to pull weeds, rake chips, pick up trash, move fallen logs, and clear the drains. All-in-all, we have a beautiful new walking path by the pond.

Thanks to all who helped; it truly does take a village to maintain the common areas and none of it would have happened without our trusty chocolate-lab supervisor Toro.



BEIA Annual Meeting

Each year, residents meet to review the budget and discuss construction projects and other neighborhood business.

Please join us Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00pm at the Bloomfield Township office on Telegraph Road.

BEIA Dues Collection

Dues are collected annually from each homeowner and vacant land owner. The dues are used toward: the maintenance of common areas, the legal fees to defend our deed restrictions, postage and supplies, web-server fees, post office box rental, public storage, and the annual picnic. Please submit your payment in a timely manner. Additional reminder mailings unnecessarily exhaust our limited administrative funds.



Charing Cross Pillars

These iconic, art deco pillars at Charing Cross Road (pronounced “sharing” for any newcomers) and Woodward Avenue were likely designed by Eliel Saarinen in the late 1920s. These once-illuminated pillars marked the gateway to the suburbs for Detroiters moving north. After years of neglect and a recent accident, BEIA president Vince Demski is working to address the repairs: tuck-pointing of the brickwork and pillar-caps, and securing the pillars from any further weather damage.



Neighborhood Clean-Up Activity

Each year, BEIA hosts a clean-up activity in April. Thanks to all who came out to help! And a special thanks to Boy Scout Troop 1034 for making Charing Cross Road their clean-up project of 2022; we really appreciated the support. All-in-all, more than 30 construction-sized bags of garbage were collected. If you can't make it out to the annual clean-up, you can do your part by keeping your property debris-free all year long.

BEIA Annual Picnic

It was great fun to gather in person again for the annual picnic last year. We enjoyed beautiful weather and rekindled friendships. While the burgers and hot dogs were cooking, neighbors caught up, kids played and dogs roamed. Thank you to Community Relations Officer Nick and K-9 Unit Officer Angela for bringing out the dogs for demonstration and interaction with our kids. **Please join us Wednesday, June 21 4:30 to 8:30pm at the Springdale Golf Course on Strathmore Road.**



BEIA Board Members

Board members volunteer their time for a two-year term. Many of the existing board members have remained on the board, but in different positions, for many years. We would love to see more involvement from other neighbors. If you are interested in serving, please contact a board member at bloomfieldstates.org.

Welcome Wagon



Please contact Brian Butler at 248-770-1770 when a house has sold near you; a member of the BEIA board will reach out to welcome all new neighbors with an information packet about the neighborhood and its history. Additional resources: Bloomfield/Birmingham Newcomers Club at bbnewcomers.com, and Bloomfield Township Senior Services at bloomfieldtwp.org/seniors.

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