



Belle Pointe Estates Newsletter

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Board of Directors News - Jason Newbound & David Girard

Financial Update



We are pleased to announce that we have hired a financial services company Lawyers Condo Management to process our invoicing, collect dues, and process vendor payments. In addition, they will be filing our required annual LARA report for our Michigan non-profit status and they will work with Michigan Community CPA firm to complete our required yearly audit of our financials and our required yearly tax return.

Also, all three bank accounts have been consolidated into one checking/savings account at MI Bank. With these adjustments, financially the sub will be working more efficiently and in accordance with the Bylaws.

Communication Update

BPE has a new website and Facebook page. Please check out our new website at BPECA.org. Please FOLLOW and LIKE our Facebook page at "Belle Pointe Estates" the new-correct page shows a picture of our pond or click the link on our website.



We know summer is the time for home improvement projects and outside fun! Please be sure to check with the Van Buren Twp. Ordinance Department at 734-699-8930 and the BPE Bylaws before installing any new pools, sheds, fences, decks, etc. to ensure you are in compliance with ordinances and approved.



BPE has consolidated the number of committees to make it more manageable for our size of a community. We would love to have your help! Please email the Board if you are interested in volunteering for one of the following committees: Block Captains, Beautification, Communications, Social, and Neighborhood Watch.

We hope you can help!

If a homeowner has a concern or needs assistance with a neighborhood problem, please do not hesitate to contact the Board at Bellepointeestates@outlook.com.

Events Update

The Board is working with the Social Committee to plan some fun events in the near future. Please stay tuned!

From the Block Captains

The Block Captains have a regular meeting to address concerns and bring the community together. Here are a few friendly reminders that they want to share for a SAFE summer:



- ◆ Do not fish or swim in the pond and refrain from playing basketball in the street
- ◆ Consider using dawn/dusk led porch/garage lightbulbs to increase visibility at night
- ◆ Call the Van Buren Police Dept. if you see anything related to crime - Officer Alex who spoke at the last neighborhood watch meeting said not to hesitate to call 911
- ◆ Parents please talk to your children about standing/playing in the Flower Bed on Belleville Rd waiting for the school bus.

From the Neighborhood Safety Watch



TAKE A BITE OUT OF
CRIME

Reduce the risk of becoming a victim of crime.

- Be aware of your surroundings when leaving and returning home.
- Keep doors, car doors, and windows locked.
- Become better prepared to respond to suspicious activity **Call 911**
- Get to know your neighbors.
- Reducing Blight will ultimately Reduce Crime in most communities (criminals view blighted communities as an open invitation to victimize residents) <https://yvpc.sph.umich.edu/reducing-urban-blight-crime-prevention-strategy/>

Do it yourself Safety Tip!

Ring doorbell

Alarm System

Driveway sensor alarm

Hide your garage opener.

Lockout your garage door at night

Report all questionable activities to the police.

BLIGHT FIGHT



Stay up to Date!

- <https://www.nixle.com/>
- <https://local.nixle.com/zipcode/48111/>
- Trash Pickup/Recycling
- [Welcome to Van Buren Township \(vanburen-mi.org\)](http://vanburen-mi.org)
- Environmental Complaints
- [CrimeMapping.com - Helping You Build a Safer Community](http://CrimeMapping.com)
- Nextdoor.com



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2023 Curb appeal Contest

Contest begins July 3rd !

You will have two weeks to get your yard in tip top shape.

Judging begins on July 17th.

The top three homes will win the prestigious yard sign award to be placed in your yard and a gift card.

