



2018/2019 Membership Dues

Payment plans will be available for those members who have a hardship and cannot pay the Dues and Special Assessment in full. The terms and conditions will be explained in the documentation that was enclosed with your bill. A payment plan application form was included with your Annual Dues and Special Assessment bill.

Deadling to apply for payment plan without a penalty is April 15th. April 16th to June 1st there is a \$25.00 penalty fee and after June 1st there is a \$50.00 penalty fee. Dues and Special Assessment payments are due the 1st of every month.

Payment Options

- At the BLCA Office we accept – checks, money orders or cash. No credit cards.
- Pay online with PayLease - 3% for credit cards (Master Card/Discover/Visa) or \$2.95 per ACH Transaction. Log on & create account using the account number as it appears on your statement and the email that you provided to the office.
- Most banks can do auto pay. You can have your bank send reoccurring checks directly to the office on a set date.

FREE TAX PREPARATION

IRS Certified Volunteers are ready to help you get the most from your Federal and State tax return. Tax preparers will be at Blooming Grove (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday) and Tuesday in Matamoras Boro Hall for tax payer assistance for low income to moderate income, with special attention to those age 60 or older. This will be by appointment ONLY call: 570-775-5550

It is imperative that you bring a copy of last year's income tax return and photo ID. If you purchased health insurance through the Health Care marketplace, you must bring form 1095. Bring any health care exemptions received from the IRS or the Health Care marketplace.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Deadline for **Candidacy Statement** to the Board of Directors is June 1st. Please be sure to follow the procedures in the By-Laws for submission of your Candidacy Statement. Forms are available at the office.

Birchwood Lakes has a **CURFEW** of 10 pm on Sunday through Thursday and 11 pm Friday and Saturday. As a courtesy to all members, please observe the curfew hours.



Sign up for the BLCA Wellness Check-in List

In the past we have offered the membership a wellness check option in the case of emergencies with little success. When we have devastating storms, we at Birchwood Lakes ask our staff and volunteers to travel every road in our community to assess the damage to our roads, drainage, and property. Unfortunately, we are unable to know if residents inside the houses are coping well with no electricity or heat. This is particularly true when our neighbors are senior citizens or people with infants or those with special health needs, such as requiring a working oxygen machine.

With this in mind, we encourage those members that would like our staff or volunteers to stop at their house after a devastating storm or other emergency situation to sign up for our "Birchwood Lakes Wellness Check-in List" by calling the office.

We also ask that our membership encourage their vulnerable neighbors to sign up. The safety of our membership is important to us. Help Us Help You!

CHILDS PARK IS CLOSED INDEFINATELY

Information on the status and conditions of the park trails is posted on the park's website at: www.nps.gov/dewa; or on the park's Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/DelWaterGapNPS.



If you have permission to cut down tree(s), please notify the office once the tree(s) have been cut. Please remember that tree permits are good for 1 year only.

If a tree has fallen down due to the winter storm, you do not need a permit to cut it up.

2018 SEPTIC REMINDERS

Homeowners who have had their septic inspected and/or pumped out in 2013 are now due by June 1, 2018. Please provide the office with a copy of your receipt.

April Fun Facts

- The diamond is April's birthstone.
- Two flowers signify the month of April; the Daisy and the Sweet Pea.
- April 6, 1868- Isaac Hodgson received patent #88,711 for the roller skate.
- April 2, 1889 - Charles Hall patented an inexpensive method for the production of aluminum, which brought the metal into wide commercial use.
- April 3, 1973 - Francis W. Dorion was granted patent #3,724,070 for a dual razor blade assembly.

**DELAWARE TOWNSHIP
2018 BULK DUMP**

The Delaware Township Bulk Disposal will be open the first and third Saturday of each month from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm for Delaware Township residents only.

April 7th Electronic Recycling Day
May 5th and May 19st
June 2th and June 16th
(570) 828-2347



Come to the Board Meetings

Our Next Board Meeting is Saturday, April 14th at 9 am in the Clubhouse Conference Room. Regular Session Board Meetings are open to the membership. The Board encourages attendance as it is a good way to learn about the Association's activities and gain an understanding as to why the Board makes the decisions they do. As a member of the Association you should keep informed and find out what lies ahead for the membership. The meetings may sometimes be long, but they are interesting. Come on out, get to know your Association and your Board of Directors

Amenity badges have arrived, but they are not ready for pickup. Once they are ready, we will let you know by posting notices and via email

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