

BROOKWOOD ESTATES

July 2011

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ANNUAL MEETING

The Brookwood Estates Association Annual Meeting was held on April 4, 2011 and a Livonia City Engineer spoke about the upcoming street paving. The entrance island landscaping is on hold until all paving is completed. Tony Amadori was elected to the Board of Directors.

SPEEDING IN SUBDIVISION

There are still many complaints of drivers speeding in the subdivision. Remember that children are out of school for the summer and playing in front yards. Also remember to not park your car in your driveway across the public sidewalk and to lock your car.

A Big Thank you to Gary Ontko for painting the Bjarnesen Barn on Merri-man Road

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The Garage Sale will be held on the week-end of September 10-11 this year providing the streets are done. Deadline for permits will be Sept. 1. (Use the tear off below) The permits are \$5 and a \$1 charge is added for newspaper advertising. The permit is good for one full week. The Association applies for the permit and delivers it to you. The hot dog stand, which is a big draw for our sub, will once again be at the Kevra home on Bobrich. Second location is still undetermined. We need volunteers to set up the tent the night before and to cook and sell food on Saturday and Sunday (2hr shifts). The profits from the food stands fund the ice skating party, block party and any additional events in the sub. It is a great time to meet your neighbors and help out the sub. Please call Karl Kevra at 421-7243 to volunteer or use the tear off below.

LARGE BRANCH AND BRUSH PICK UP

Please call Livonia Public Service at (734)466-2655 for guidelines on what the City will do in picking up branches and brush in front of your property.

2011 BROOKWOOD ESTATES ASSOCIATION DUES/GARAGE SALE PERMIT

NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

Make checks payable to "Brookwood Estates Association" and deliver to Annette Schropp, 30905 Bobrich.

_____ YES, Please find enclosed my 2011 BEA dues @ 27.00

_____ YES, I am enclosing my 2011 dues and will participate in the garage sale @ \$33.00

_____ YES, I can help at the hot dog/refreshment stand, or set-up

SAT _____ TIME _____ SUN _____ TIME _____

NOTE: Residents cannot sell food/refreshments! The Health Department prohibits and checks.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Board would like to thank the residents and Board Members who attended the annual meeting on April 20. The condition of the split rail fence was discussed and future plans and cost of replacing it. The budget at the present time does not allow us to replace it. The entrance signs at Stamwich and Six Mile also need repair and/or replacement. The Board is investigating replacement at this time.

Other items discussed were the collecting of late dues, the upcoming garage sale and speeding in the subdivision.

The dues were raised to \$20 for the next year. The fiscal year has been changed to the calendar year, January 1 to December 31.

Carol White read the Treasurer's Report and Minutes of last years meeting.

CHANGING BY-LAWS TO MAKE DUES MANDATORY

The dues in the Brookwood Sub have been extremely low since the conception of the Association. Research of neighboring subdivisions that have associations indicates that our dues are by far the lowest, especially in light of what is accomplished with the funds.

In reviewing the By-Laws, it has been suggested that we make a change to immediately make the annual dues mandatory and at the same time make them retroactive to any residents who have not paid them over the years. This could be collected at the time a resident sells their home by placing a lien on that home. This may sound

severe but many of the other subdivisions already practice this means of collecting dues.

Each year it is difficult to collect the dues to maintain our common areas.

LOST AND FOUND

A Motorola cell phone was found on Bobrich at Merriman and turned in to Livonia Police. Carol White is in charge of all lost and found items for the subdivision. Please contact her.