

Beech Mountain Lakes Community Newsletter February 2020



♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥



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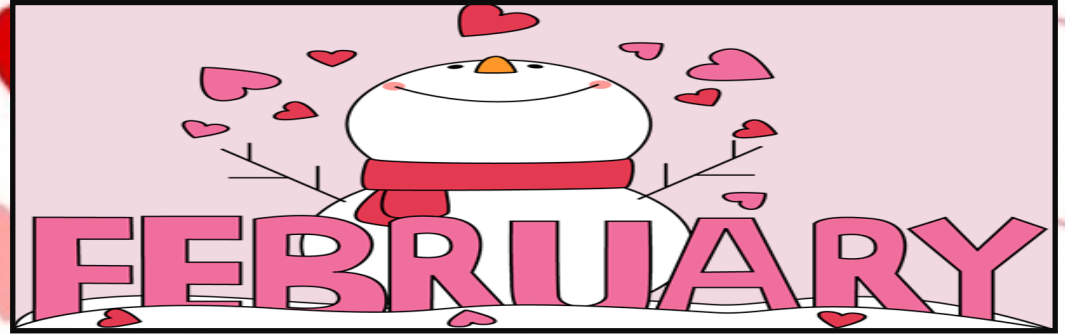
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2019 Membership Cards WILL NOT Be Accepted After February 15, 2020!

THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IS OPEN FROM 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY TO OBTAIN A NEW VEHICLE STICKER. AFTER FEBRUARY 15th, ANYONE WITHOUT A NEW 2020 STICKER OR PASS WILL BE ISSUED A **\$100.00 FINE**.
PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR CAR REGISTRATION TO RECEIVE A NEW 2020 STICKER.
Remember you can also obtain a 2020 Guest Sticker for \$25.00 for your visitors who frequently come to BML. A copy of their car registration is required.

The Deadline to Receive a 2020 Vehicle Sticker is February 15, 2020!



FINANCE REPORT NOVEMBER 2019 YTD

DUES COLLECTION: 94% OF BILLED.	(95.90% at this time in 2018)
NON-OP INCOME: \$1407K WHICH IS \$2.4K OVER BUDGET	
INCLUDES: Membership Dues, Quail Hollow Reimbursement, Misc. Income, Late Fees, Interest Income, Resale Certificates, ACC Filings, CEO & ACC Fines \$ Fees, Rental Fee Income, Garbage Fees, and Over/Short.	
NOTE - Collections Income is not included in this number.	

NON-OP EXPENSE: \$563K WHICH IS \$28K OVER BUDGET
INCLUDES: Unrestricted Reserve Fund, Garbage Expense, Lake/Dam/Spillway Reserve Acct, Reserve Fund, Building Replacement Fund, Property & Liability Insurance, D&O Insurance, Dam Insurance, Interest Expense, Bad Debt, and Dock ROI to Capital.
NOTE- Collection Inc to Reserve Fund and Depreciation Expense are not included in this number.

NET DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE/(INCOME): \$773K WHICH IS \$21K UNDER BUDGET			
INCLUDES:		Y.T.D.	Y.T.D TO BUDGET
	Administration:	\$180K	\$15.3K Under Budget
	Clubhouse:	\$99.5K	\$1.3K Under Budget
	Recreation:	\$51.2K L	\$3.2K L Over Budget
	Maintenance:	\$138.5K	\$15.1K Under Budget
	Security:	\$164K	\$3.1K Over Budget
	Campground:	\$8.3K Inc	\$1.2K Inc Over Budget
	Food & Beverage:	\$47.3K L	\$25K L Over Budget
	Road Maintenance:	\$101K	\$19K Under Budget

TRANSFER FEE INCOME: \$4.2K WHICH IS \$1.7K OVER BUDGET

THE BOTTOM LINE EXCLUDING THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACCOUNTS IS A NET INCOME OF:
ACTUAL \$15K PLAN \$63K



CASH IN THE BANK:		
OPERATING FUNDS	\$84,896	(OP SAVINGS & CHECKING, PETTY CASH)
CAPITAL FUNDS	\$456,218	(LONG AND SHORT TERM CAPITAL)
RESTRICTED FUNDS	\$478,594	(SPILLWAY, BUILDING REPLACEMENT)
TOTAL	\$1,019,708	TOTAL NOVEMBER 2018 \$773,617

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Administration - administration@bmla.us

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**BEECH MOUNTAIN LAKES ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OPEN SESSION
January 29, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: The open session meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

ROLL CALL: Those present for the meeting were: Kevin Walsh, Jim Gurzler, Linda Jo Robbins, Karen Trubela, Bryan Chittester & Kevin Ferra. Atty. Rockman was also present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The January 3, 2020 Board Reorganization Executive Session minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Financials for October and November were approved in December. The Financials for December were reviewed but could not be approved until the audit is completed.

LEGAL REPORT: No report.

QUAIL HOLLOW REPORT: No report.

MANAGER REPORTS: Karen Amici read the Maintenance, Recreation and ACC, CEO & ROVING reports.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE: The Volunteer Committee did not meet in January. They are planning plant sales for Easter and Mother's Day. They are planning on a scarecrow contest for the Fall Festival and a wreath contest for December.

EAP COMMITTEE: No report.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: No report.

OWNER COMMENTS:

James Gurzler, Board President stated the following: Damar Gower, Cook, was promoted to Restaurant Manager. The Next Door APP is not a positive environment and that if anyone wants to know facts they can call the Administration Office, email Admin or the Board. The Board of Health closed the hot tub due to chemical treatment issues. The Board is exploring replacement. The pool area needs a new dehumidification/air exchange system which is very costly. The Board is reviewing the Engineering study and will review the submitted bids. The Board has hired a Code Enforcement Officer- his name is Ray Drasher. In addition, no large raise was given in Admin. The employee went from being an hourly overtime eligible employee to a salaried employee with no increase in compensation. The Board is taking their time in hiring a new General Manager.

An owner asked about the Deep Woods Lake lots for sale on Four Seasons Dr. The board made an offer to purchase them, but has since rescinded the offer. An owner stressed the importance of the ownership continuing to pressure the SRBC, DEP, etc. to answer questions and concerns. An owner asked if we are going to continue dredging. The need to dredge will always be there, the issue is can the Association obtain grant money assistance. Several owners complained about security- Administration and the Board are focused on this important issue. An owner commented that it is refreshing for all of the Board members to speak and contribute in the meeting. Several owners complimented the Restaurant. Several owners indicated that improvement is needed in greeting customers and overall service. An owner suggested giving Restaurant gift cards for the contests instead of cash. An owner asked if there is going to be a Beech Fest this year. The Board indicated not at this time, but they are open to suggestions.

BEECH MOUNTAIN LAKES ASSOCIATION, INC.

2020 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

January 29th

February 26th

March 25th

April 29th

May 27th

June 24th

July 29th - Begin 2021 Budget Discussion

August 26th - Continue 2021 Budget Discussion

September 30th - 1st Review of 2021 Budget Proposal

October 28th- Annual Meeting & Present 2021 Budget

November 25th - Pass 2021 Budget Meeting

December 22nd - Only if Deemed Necessary



**Open Session Board Meetings Start at 6:30 PM and are held in the
Community Room.**



2/5 - Will Dynarski
 2/18- Toni Ortiz
 2/18- Robert Guzik
 2/20- John Ortiz
 2/24- Kim Baronio



Would you like to have your special announcement

Published in the Newsletter?

Contact Rec at:

recreation@bmla.us

(570) 788-1199

It's time for a potluck!

February Potluck will be on Monday, February 3rd and March Potluck will be held on Monday, March 2nd. This event is free to all residents and Quail Hollow guests to attend.

Please bring a covered dish for all to share.



Fireworks at BML
Will be held on July 5th
Rain or Shine !



Fishing Derby Day

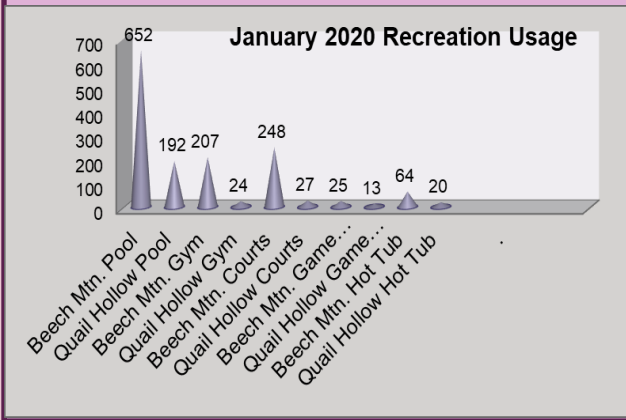
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BML Clean Up Day To be announced.

Stay tuned for the announcements of these dates and information in the upcoming Newsletters.

January 2020 Usage Log



Recreation Clubhouse Hours

Sunday through Thursday 10am-8pm
(pool, hot tub & fitness room close at 7:30pm)

Friday & Saturday 10AM-9PM
(pool, hot tub & fitness room close at 8:30pm)

Pool Activities: Monday thru Friday

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM... Adult Lap Swim

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM... Water Aerobics

Pool Activities: Saturday and Sunday

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM... Adult Lap Swim

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM... Adult Only Swim

POOL: 11:00 AM ... DAILY OPEN SWIM

Fitness Room Opens Daily at 7:30am

Spring Candle Decorating Class

With Blanche Kania



To be held on

Wednesday, February
12th



At 6:30PM

In the Community Room

\$5.00 fee– pay at class

Sign up at the recreation department for
your spot today.



**BML
February
2020**



**We are now
accepting
donations for the
Swans!**



**Upcoming events
to be
announced .**



BML Volunteer Committee 2020



**Volunteer Committee Meetings are held
the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30
PM in the Community Room.**

Come join us !

GARDENING CORNER

TIPS FROM PENN STATE MASTER GARDENERS



HELLO BEECH MOUNTAIN GARDENERS!

Wild bird populations around the world are in decline. Much of this decline is due to habitat loss due to climate change, development and agriculture. There are some things that we can do to help the birds that live in Beech Mountain or those migrating birds that pass through. This month we will look at some suggestions from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

MAKE WINDOWS SAFER, DAY AND NIGHT

Windows are deadly to birds: an estimated 599 million die per year from collisions in the U.S. alone. Homeowners can make a big difference by focusing on window safety. Skyscrapers may seem like the main threat, but the sheer number of small single-family buildings makes them responsible for nearly half the annual toll. The issue has two parts: at night, lighted windows attract and kill migrating birds; during the daytime windows reflect foliage or sky, encouraging birds to fly into them. So turn down lights at night; and explore options like window tape and “zen curtains” to keep birds away from your windows during the day.

KEEP CATS INDOORS

The issue of outdoor and feral cats is perennially contentious, but the cumulative effect of millions of outdoor cats is clear cut. An estimated 2.6 billion birds die in the U.S. and Canada each year when they are caught by cats. Outdoor cats also live shorter, harsher lives—they suffer from tapeworms, contract diseases such as from feline immunodeficiency virus and leukemia, are maimed in fights, killed by predators, and run over by cars. Bird enthusiasts are not anti-cat—many of us have cats as cherished companions—but keeping them inside is good for the cat and good for the local wildlife. Think about this. If you see cats in your neighborhood, stop feeding the birds. You are just baiting a trap.

HELP A CHILD DISCOVER BIRDS

Help a child forge a connection with nature and you don't just enrich the child, you make a brighter future for birds. The child will benefit from a life-

time of wonder and discovery; and the birds will benefit from having another passionate advocate. All children need is for a mentor to give them a little nudge in the right direction.

GARDEN WITH NATIVE PLANTS

From window boxes to the most spacious of backyards, the plants you grow around you can make a difference for birds—the ones that live with you year-round as well as the migrants that may stop in, exhausted and hungry, just twice a year. Mounting evidence shows that in many settings, native plants support more insect food than non-native plants. And by using native instead of non-native fruiting shrubs, you can give birds natural food without having them spread invasive species across the landscape. Overall, we encourage people to reduce the amount of grass and non-native species planted in a yard, while increasing the variety and coverage of native plants.

BUY A MIGRATORY BIRD STAMP

One of the best bargains in land conservation is the U.S. Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, also known as the Duck Stamp. Fully 98 percent of the stamp's face value goes toward protecting and maintaining land in the majestic National Wildlife Refuge system—more than 500 areas across the United States. Buying a Migratory Bird Stamp is a win-win-win: it proudly proclaims your support of public land, it funnels money directly to the refuge system, and it gets you free entry to the refuges all year.

USE LESS PLASTIC

Sometimes a problem is so enmeshed in daily life that it's invisible. Plastics are this way: they're in almost everything we touch, in every room in our houses and in our cars. Plastic is wrapped around the stuff we buy and it's in the bags we carry it home in. We routinely drink from plastic containers and eat with plastic utensils. Yet discarded plastic does not biodegrade and winds up in the ocean, where it accumulates toxins and disrupts food chains. It may not be possible to avoid plastic entirely, but by taking note of their ubiquity many people can reduce their usage with little disruption to their routine—and help birds in the process.

*TIPS from Master Gardeners is an educational outreach from the Penn State Extension. Master Gardener volunteers utilize research-based information to provide education on best practices in horticulture and environmental stewardship



FM Kirby Center, Wilkes-Barre

Moon Struck - Friday, February, 7th at 1:00Pm and 7:30PM

Almost A Queen : A Tribute to Queen- - Saturday, February 8th at 8PM

Rent : 80th Anniversary Tour - Tuesday, February 11th at 7:30PM

Sweet Chariot - Thursday, February 13th at 10AM

The NEPA Philharmonic PNC Pops Concert - Friday , February 14th at 8PM

Songs In The Attic : A Tribute To Billy Joel - Saturday, February 15th cat 8PM

Turning 15 On The Road To Freedom - Friday , February 21st at 10AM

Blippi LIVE! - Wednesday, February 26th at 6PM

Howard Gospel Choir - Friday, February 28th at 8PM

Mohegan Sun Arena, Wilkes-Barre

AHL Hockey: Penguins VS Sound Tigers - Saturday, February 1st at 7:05PM

AHL Hockey: Penguins VS Devils - Wednesday, February 5th at 7:05PM

AHL Hockey: Penguins VS Bears - Friday, February 7th at 7:05PM

AHL Hockey: Penguins VS Phantoms - Saturday, February 8th at 7:05PM

Monster Jam Triple Threat Series - Friday , February 14th through Sunday , February 16th

AHL Hockey: Penguins VS Bears - Friday, February 21st at 7:05PM

The Harlem Globetrotters - Saturday , February 22nd at 2PM & 7PM

Jeff Dunham - Sunday , February 23rd art 3PM

AHL Hockey : Penguins VS Bruins - Wednesday, February 26th at 7:05PM

PIAA District 2 Highschool Basketball Championships - Thursday, February 27th through Saturday, February 29th

Mohegan Sun Casino, Wilkes-Barre

Wise Crackers - Mike Yard with Neil Rubenstein and Jesse Blanco– Saturday, February 1st at 9PM

Keystone Grand Ballroom -Joel MCHale - Saturday, February 22nd at 8PM

Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe

Sons Of Apollo - Friday , February 7th at 8PM

Three Dog Night - Saturday , February 8th at 8PM

Live And Let Die : The Music of Paul McCartney - Saturday, February 15th at 8PM

Hollywood Nights - Saturday , February 22nd at 8PM



Mauch Chunk Opera House, Jim Thorpe



Dead On Live 73-74 Era - Saturday , February 1st at 8PM

Keller Williams - Thursday, February 6th at 8PM

TUSK - Friday, February 7th & Saturday , February 8th at 8PM

Vanessa Collier - Friday, February 14th at 8PM

The Stranger Billy Joel Tribute - Saturday, February 15th at 8PM

John Nemeth - Sunday, February 16th at 8PM

Back in Black The Original AC/DC Tribute - Friday, February 21st at 8PM

The British Invasion– Saturday, February 22nd at 8PM

Ana Popovic– Friday, February 28th at 8Pm

Broken Arrow : The Neil Young Show - Saturday, February 29th at 8PM

Nescopeck State Park, Honey Hole Road, Drums

Full Build A Bird Feeder - Saturday, February 8th at 10AM

Full Guided Snowshoe Hike with GWVAS - Saturday, February 8th at 1PM



Restaurant Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Closed

Thursday- Bar 4 PM to Close ... Restaurant 4PM -8PM

Friday - Bar 4 PM to Close Restaurant 4PM to 9 PM

Saturday - Bar 4 PM to Close ... Restaurant 4PM to 9 PM

Sunday - Bar 4PM to close ...Restaurant 4PM to 8PM



Lakeside Lounge

February Specialty Cocktails

\$8 French Martini ...

\$8 Chocolate Covered Cherry Martini

\$8 Key Lime Martini ... \$6 Angel's Kiss

\$6 Absolute Blush ... \$6 Love Me Do



February Entertainment

February 2nd ~ Super Bowl

February 7th ~ Karaoke 8PM ~ 12AM

February 8th ~ Different Strums 6PM ~ 9PM

February 9th ~ ALV Trivia 5~8PM

February 14th ~ Hot Shot 8:30PM ~ 12:30 PM

February 15th ~ Acoustic Andy 7PM ~ 10PM

February 21st Mardi Gras Celebration / DJ Dakota 8PM ~ 11PM

February 23rd ~ ALV Trivia 5PM ~ 8PM

February 29th ~ Kelly Reilly Duo ~ 7PM ~ 10PM



Beech Mountain Lakes
Lakeside Restaurant & Lounge

Valentine's Weekend Features-

Please Join Us For A Elegant Dining Experience

Friday & Saturday

February 14th & February 15th

~Twin Filet Mignon~ \$20.95

*Twin center cut 4oz filet mignons cooked to perfection and topped with herb
Garlic butter*

~ Assorted Broiled Seafood Platter ~ \$20.95

Broiled haddock, shrimp, and scallops in a lemon butter sauce

~ Surf & Turf~ \$26.95

4oz center cut filet mignon cooked to perfection with a 4oz lobster tail in a lemon butter sauce

~ Chicken & Broccoli Alfredo Over Pasta ~ \$18.95

Traditional chicken and broccoli tossed in an Alfredo cheese sauce

~ Shrimp & Scallop Creole Over Rice ~ \$20.95

Shrimp and Scallops Creole served over rice

~ Grilled Boneless Pork loin ~ \$18.95

Grilled boneless pork loin topped with sautéed apples.

- All entrees are served with rolls, butter and your choice of soup du jour or salad. **
- All meat and seafood entrees are served with Chef's potato and vegetable du jour. **

A selection of desserts, displayed tableside, will be available upon request.

Call The Restaurant At (570) 788-3101 For Reservations.

*****Food may be cooked to order. Thank you for your patience. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, sea food, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of food borne illness*****