

# <u>Beech Mountain Lakes</u>

# <u>Community Newsletter</u> <u>February 2021</u>







## -Support Our Restaurant -

Check Out Our Daily, Weekend, and Valentines Day Specials!

Find us on Facebook @ The Lakeside Lounge Restaurant

Do you need to contact us?

Administration – 570-788-1010

Restaurant - 570-788-3101



Recreation - 570-788-1199

Security- 570-788-5071

The Deadline to Receive a 2021 Vehicle Sticker is February 15, 2021!

THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IS OPEN FROM 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, YOU NEED TO CALL 570-788-1010 TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT DUE TO THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC - TO OBTAIN A NEW VEHICLE STICKER. AFTER FEBRUARY 15th, ANYONE WITHOUT A NEW 2021 STICKER OR PASS WILL BE ISSUED A \$100.00 FINE.

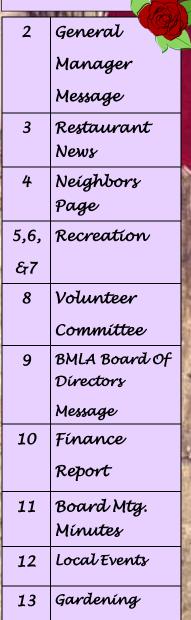
PLEASE BRING A COPY OF YOUR CAR REGISTRATION

TO RECEIVE A NEW 2021STICKER.

Remember you can also obtain a 2021 Guest Sticker for \$25.00 for your visitors who frequently come to BML. A copy of their car registration is required.

2020 Membership Cards WILL NOT Be Accepted After February 15, 2021! To view the Newsletter in full color, visit www.bmla.us

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# **Beech Mountain Lakes Association**

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# **BMLA Property Owners**

Feb. 1, 2021

Well, the ugly covid-19 challenges continued to infringe in our daily family and professional affairs. Is anyone else tired of this?  $\Box$ 

Let's talk "Restaurant-Bar".... If you have not heard, BMLA has a wonderful Restaurant & Bar just off our beautiful lake, and even though we are adhering to the state governed restrictions, plenty of room is available. The Lakeside Restaurant & Lounge is now offering "Pizza" and "Rotisserie Chicken" and may I say, it's good!!! Every weekend your Lakeside restaurant offers specials, and they are delicious as well!

Just like any other club or lounge if members choose not to participate it will weaken. I challenge all property owners to give your Lakeside Restaurant & Lounge a chance and bring your family and friends, I bet you'll enjoy the experience. Winter hours are as followed: Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sunday 3pm to 8pm.

Reminder: BOD's are seeking volunteers to fill the following committees; Financial, Volunteer, Advisory, Security, Appeals, Recreation, Restaurant, and Architectural. If interested, please forward an email to **generalmanager@bmla.us** or drop off a short letter of interest at the administration office.

Edward Florentino, GM BMLA POA

#### **E-Mail Addresses**



General Manager- generalmanager@bmla.us

Administration - administration@bmla.us

Board Of Directors- bmlaboard@bmla.us

Recreation- recreation@bmla.us



# Lakeside Restaurant & Lounge Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday ... CLOSED



Thursday... 3PM to 8PM

Friday... 3PM to 8PM Saturday... 3PM to 8PM

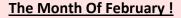
Sunday ... 3PM to 8PM



### Check out our website or call for

updated weekly and monthly food /drink specials.

& Our Valentines Weekend Specials For



<u>Dine –in and take out</u> options available.

If you have a question

or if you would like place an order

Call: 570-788-3101

New restaurant Facebook Page is now available

@ Lakeside Restaurant and Lounge

# February Weekday Specials

**Thursdays:** Burger & French Fries - \$7.00





Fridays: Steamed Clams - \$7.50/

Beer Battered Cod With French Fries & Napa Slaw Salad \$10.50

Saturdays: London Broil With Mushroom Gravy, Served with Soup or

Salad \$12.95

**Sundays: 1LB Chicken Bites \$6.95/** 

Chicken Cheesesteak With French Fries \$7.50



Neighbors 4



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









Congratulations to

Thomas Manley

WINNER of the 2021 BMLA Dues

Raffle!

Congratulations

# Greater PA / BML Cleanup!

Stay tuned for more information!



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# Homeowners & Guests

When allowing a guest to use the facility, The homeowner must be present when a Guest Card is being issued, or the guest will be turned away.



Thank You - BML Management

# BML YOGA

Peaceful & Serene~ Won't you join us for Yoga?

Saturday mornings at 8:45 AM to 9:45 AM. Yoga is open to all Beech Mountain Lake & Quail

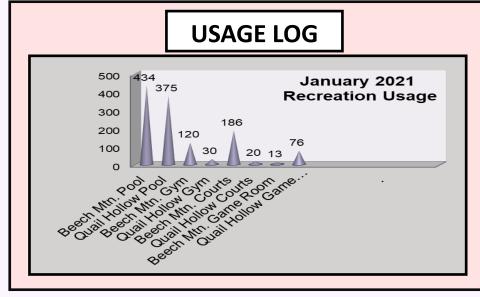
Hollow Residents in good Standing. Feel free to bring a guest! You must bring your own mat, water, and towel. You will also to need to sign a waiver to participate.



Until further notice,
due to Covid-19,
Limited capacity and the
wearing of face masks is still
required here at BML.



We hope everyone stays safe and healthy!





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# Beech Mountain Lakes Clubhouse Recreation Hours



Sunday through Saturday 9:30 AM - 7 PM

Reservation times differ for each amenity.

Check with the Recreation Attendant for an available reservation time slot.

Before using each amenity you must present your membership card, wear a mask, and be ready to have your temperature taken.

570-788-1199

If you need to speak with someone in Administration, please call the office and speak to them regarding setting up an appointment.

570-788 1010

Thank you!

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# **Ice Rink Update**

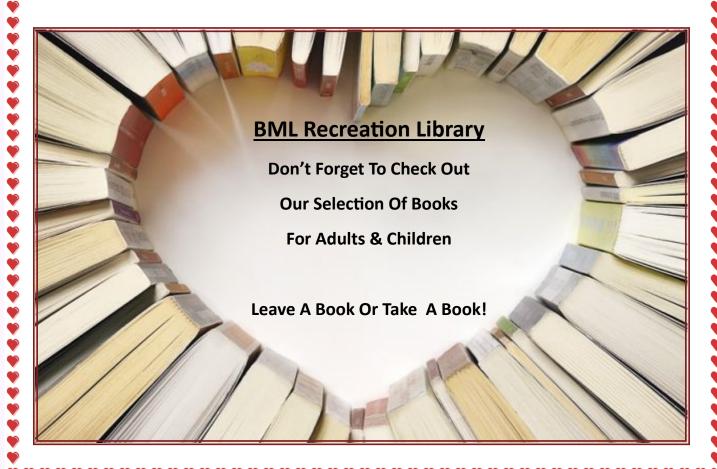
Maintenance has blocked the drain so that the area will maintain water.

When it is full and freezes and we have the okay From Management, the rink will be open to use.

- Recreation & Maintenance -

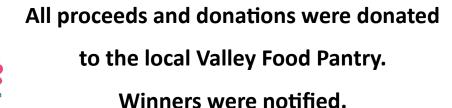






Thank You

# **February Raffle & Food Drive**





Thank you to all who participated, made monetary donations, and food donations for the Valley Food Pantry.

Also, congratulations to all the winners!

Stay tuned for upcoming raffles and events.



# **Meeting**

We will be having a meeting on Tuesday, February 9th.



The meeting will be held at 6:30PM in the community room.

Please join us-



Volunteers needed!

**Help your community today** 



# **Monthly Board Update**

Happy New Year from Jo Robbins, Kevin Schuetrumpf, and Dave Davis.

We have been working to prioritize our visions for the community. We are very anxious to get moving.

The restaurant has a great chef and assistant. The restaurant could be brightened up a bit and (maybe) even get the loft ready to use. We would like to see more residents take advantage of the good food and reasonable prices that are offered. The Bar is open! The chef added Rotisserie Chicken and just introduced pizza. Regardless of what we do, the restaurant can only succeed if the residents patronize it.

Security is definitely an issue. We are looking at other options that may work. The residents will be consulted before any new options are put in place.

To get more residents involved in the BMLA operation; we are trying to resurrect some committees that existed in the past. We encourage you to get involved. The Committees are: Advisory: makes suggestions for rules updates and is working on a user-friendly website among other things. Appeals: Hears appeals for fines and citations from the residents. Architectural: Issues permits and follows up to ensure the job the permit was issued for is completed to standards and help CEO to check for violations of BMLA's rules and covenants. Finance: Reviews the monthly expenditures and income as well as helps develop the budget for the following year. Recreation: Assist the recreation department in planning events and help make them happen. Restaurant: Working with Damar and Gina to create a friendly and appealing atmosphere and menu suggestions. Damar has the final say on any menu or décor changes. Security and Public Safety: Be on the lookout for possible danger within BMLA and work to improve the security operation. The Volunteer Committee: Special events planning in addition to what Recreation is doing. Flower Sales, Basket Raffles, etc. The money raised is either donated or used to pay for any events that are held.

Please email (generalmanager@bmla.us) or call the Administration Office (570-788-1010) and leave your name and the committee(s) you are interested in. The next step will be to set up a meeting day and time for those interested to find out more about the committee and review the mission statement. Also, at this meeting, a chairperson will be elected, and a monthly date and time will be decided.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, Kevin and Dave for issues that you are concerned about within our Community. An email will be available shortly and we each have a mailbox in the Admin Office.

Our first meeting as new board members with Quail Hollow went very well with good participation from both sides. A nice way to start a new year.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world, indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. Margaret Mead

Pre-Audit

#### **DECEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

DUES COLLECTION: 93% OF BILLED.

(94% at this time in 2019)

NON-OP INCOME:

\$1508K WHICH IS \$12.2K UNDER 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: \$724K WHICH IS \$7.3K UNDER 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): \$689K WHICH IS \$145K UNDER BUDGET									
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INCLUDES:	Administration:	\$174K \$31.5K Under Budget							
	Clubhouse:	\$105.7K \$2.4K Under Budget							
	Recreation:	\$5.6K L \$47K L Under Budget							
	Maintenance:	\$122.7K \$3.5K Over Budget							
	Security:	\$199K \$31K Over Budget							
1	Campground:	\$10.4K Inc \$2.4K Inc Over Budget							
	Food & Beverage:	\$2.2K L \$15.1K L Under Budget							
	Road Maintenance:	\$80.3K \$64K Under Budget							

TRANSFER FEE INCOME: \$7.2K WHICH IS \$4.7K OVER BUDGET

THE BOTTOM LINE EXCLUDING THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACCOUNTS IS A NET INCOME OF:

ACTUAL \$131K

PLAN \$24K

CASH IN THE	BANK:				
OPERATING	3 FUNDS	\$140,656 (OP SAVINGS & CHECKING, PETTY CASH)			
CAPITAL FUNDS		\$228,483	(LONG AND SHORT TERM CAPITAL)		
RESTRICTED FUNDS		\$460,075	(SPILLWAY, BUILDING REPLACEMENT)		
	TOTAL	\$829,214	TOTAL DEC 2019 \$705,517		
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#### 01/09/2021 BMLA Special Meeting

Meeting Minutes (Thursday, January 07, 2021 – 5:08pm/6:12pm)

Attendees (Community Room): BOD's Jo Robbins, Kevin Schuetrumpf, Dave Davis, Ed Florentino (GM) & Joe Baranko (Slusser Law Firm).

Attendees (Tele-conference): BOD's Lena Fowler, Kevin Ferra & Jacob Meyer.

#### **Agenda Items:**

- Certification of New Members Joe Baranko (Slusser Law Firm) performed the certification of Kevin Schuetrumpf and David Davis. Activity was formally documented and recorded.
- Election of Officers

President - Jo Robbins

**Motion - Dave Davis** 

Second - Kevin Schuetrumpf

Approved – Unanimous

Vice President - Kevin Schuetrumpf

Motion - Jo Robbins

Second - Dave Davis

Approved – Unanimous

Secretary/Treasurer - Dave Davis

Motion - Kevin Schuetrumpf

Second - Jo Robbins

Approved – Unanimous



Newly Elected Board Members

Kevin Schuetrumpf and Dave Davis

With Solicitor Joe Baranko

Authorizing Bank Account Resolution 2021-01 (Landmark Bank)

Motion to approve - Dave Davis

Second - Kevin Schuetrumpf

Approved - Unanimous

• PLCB Liquor License Resolution 2021-02

Motion to Approve – Kevin Schuetrumpf

Second - Dave Davis

Approved - Unanimous

**David D Davis** 

Local Events 12

## Penn's Peak



Triple Rail Turn—Concert Triple Rail Turn - THE Modern Country Band:
Saturday, February 27, 2021 Doors open 5:30 PM Showtime 6:30 PM



#### **Scranton Cultural Center**

Visit our Facebook Page or YouTube Channel for live-streamed entertainment starting at 7:00 PM! On February 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd 2021

No Cover but Donations are accepted Click Here

2021! (Note: there will be no UGM on November 3 and 24, December 29 and January 5.)

To request to perform: http://bit.ly/UGMSignUp

For anyone interested in performing: there are no rules. We encourage free form prose, poetry, stand up, improv and original music. There is no better place to debut new material or projects.

We will continue where we left off in June, presenting as a virtual live stream on our Facebook page (facebook.com/sccmt) from the Raymond Hood Room located in the Lower Level. Once restrictions are lifted, and we know it's safe, we'll reopen the doors to our live audience. So, for now, UGM will remain a virtual live stream played for an online audience only. We'll keep you all posted as things change.

To learn more about the Scranton Cultural Center, visit SCCMT.org or follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/sccmt.

## **Lehigh Valley Zoo**

JANUARY 31st – FEBRUARY 5th - Join us at the Lehigh Valley Zoo between January 31st-February 5th to celebrate International Zebra Week. We will have an assortment of Zebra themed crafts and activities available as well as pop-up keeper chats on exhibit!



Zooperbowl Square Pool - Friday, February 5th

Introducing the Lehigh Valley Zoo's Zooperbowl Square Pool fundraiser! With over 100 winning squares and over \$3,000 in prizes, it's the perfect way for zoo lovers to get some skin in the game!

OTTER BOWL 2021 - It's the 10th annual Otter Bowl at the Lehigh Valley Zoo!

HUT. HIKE! Before you buckle down for the big game, stop on by the Lehigh Valley Zoo on Saturday, February 6th for our annual Otter Bowl Celebration! At 11AM we will be sending our two North American River Otters out on exhibit to make their prediction at who will win this year's Super Bowl! THROUGH SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2021

We get it — sometimes love sucks. So instead of feeling down that love may not last forever, why not put a twist on Valentine's Day and name a cricket after your ex!

Make a \$5 donation today to name one of our feeder crickets. We will then post weekly Facebook videos up until Valentine's Day with all of the previous week's named crickets being fed to some of our ambassador animals, as well as educational information about the animals who are being fed! Our animals get a tasty meal, and you get some animal knowledge and the ability

# TIPS FROM PENN STATE MASTER GARDENERS



#### HELLO BEECH MOUNTAIN GARDENERS!

Late winter is the best time to assess your deciduous trees and shrubs and take steps to correct problems. The fact that there are no leaves allows you to visualize the structure of your trees and determine where suckers and unhealthy branching are occurring. Now is the right time to prune unless you're your plant is a spring bloomer. Those plants like forsythia, rhododendron, crab apple and cherry should be pruned just after they are done blooming. You may remove dead or broken branches from these trees or shrubs.

How you prune your tree during its first few years will affect its shape, strength, and life span. Proper pruning will save you money and give you safer, healthier, easier-to-maintain, and more beautiful trees.

#### KEYS TO GOOD PRUNING

Two major types of pruners are available on the market. They are anvil and bypass pruners. Anvil Pruners have one sharpened blade that cuts against a flat "anvil" like a knife





Bypasss pruners

Anvil pruners

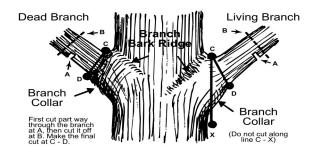
on a cutting board. Bypass pruners have a sharpened blade that slides past an unsharpened "hook" like the blades on a pair of scissors. While both tools have their uses, if you're getting your first pruner, or only have one, make it a bypass.

Prune early in the tree's life so pruning wounds are small, but do not start until the third year or so. A new transplant needs its leaves to produce for new growth.

Leave branches on during first year, unless broken. Cut off suckers growing from roots or base of trunk.

After a tree has been in the ground for 3 years you can start pruning. Identify the best leader and lateral branches before you begin pruning and remove any defective parts before pruning to form. Try to find and use lateral branches that form "10 0'clock" or "2 0'clock" angles with the trunk. Branches with such angles will have greater strength than those with sharper angles.

As you prune, remember that the branches do not move up the trunk as the tree grows. A branch 5 feet from the ground now will be 5 feet off the ground in 10 years — only thicker and longer than it is now. Try to visualize what a particular branch will look like later, and remove any branches that will cause an obvious problem, Prune shade trees as lightly as possible and only when there is a good reason to prune. Never remove more than one-fourth of a tree's crown in a season. Prune off water sprouts in the crown.



When removing heavier side branches follow the diagram above for three cut pruning in making cuts.

Be sure to cut close to the swollen branch collar, That structure will close the wound over time. If you cut too far from the branch collar you will leave a dead stump and the wound will not close. If you cut too close to the stem the branch collar will be destroyed and the wound will take much longer to close.

Avoid topping large trees to reduce size. That encourages the formation of weakly attached water sprouts that will grow quickly increasing the height of the tree again.

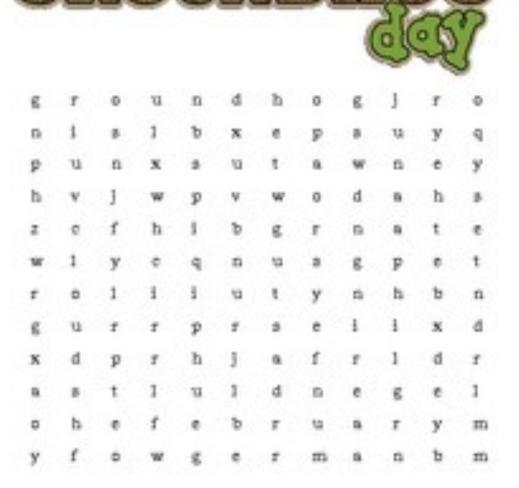
For comprehensive information on pruning, including reasons to prune and techniques used to prune, you can download a Free University of Minnesota Extension Guide "Pruning Trees and Shrubs." The guide is available at <a href="https://extension.umn.edu/planting-and-growing-guides/pruning-trees-and-shrubs">https://extension.umn.edu/planting-and-growing-guides/pruning-trees-and-shrubs</a>

TIPS from Master Gardeners is an educational outreach from the Penn

# Penn State Extension

State Extension. Master Gardener volunteers utilize research-based information to provide education on best practices in horticulture and environmental stewardship.

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