

WEST BROOKWOOD NEWSLETTER



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Avon.....Anthony Laulette.....347-1950
Banker.....Dan Forlenza.....347-5526
Beech.....Kevin Tevis.....879-4528
Belton.....Laura McVicar.....448-8680
Broad.....Elaine Carr.....347-4461
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River.....Yvonne Reeves.....347-8807
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West Brookwood Board of Governors 2013-2014

President.....Barbara McLoughlin
Vice President.....Laurie Joudi
Secretary.....Barbara Kostiuk
Treasurer.....Harold Wyckoff
Governor.....Marsha Wyckoff
Governor.....Daniel McLoughlin
Governor.....Kevin Tevis
Governor.....Dan Forlenza
Governor.....Sandy Epstein

Members: Meetings are scheduled the 4th
Wednesday of the month at the Byram
Municipal Building at 7:30pm.

Please check your e-mail for the meeting
agenda.

Let's talk about our new...

Board of Governors

I would like to take this opportunity to
thank our members who sent in their ballots
to vote for the Board of Governors.

The new board members are: Barbara
Kostiuk, Kevin Tevis & Dan Florenza.

One write-in vote, Sandy Epstein

Re-elected member, Laurie Joudi
Congratulations!

It would be a pleasure to see our members
of this community come out to the next
board meeting and welcome your new
Board of Governors.

ASSOCIATION NEWS...

**Thank you to our West Brookwood
Residents** who volunteered for our annual
CLEAN UP Day on Saturday, April 6, 2013.
It was a success.

A luncheon was provided at Riverside Park
following the clean up. Take a look on the
BMRPOA's website for recent photos.

Street Representative:

If you are a street representative and will be
away for an extended period such as a
vacation please notify a Board member and
we will make sure someone makes the
phone calls for your street.

Also, we will need volunteer street
representatives for Adair, Ash, Banker,
Beech & Union Streets.

Do you have news to share?

If you have a birth, graduation, someone
going in or coming home from the military,
please e-mail Marsha Wyckoff at
hmcwyckoff@verizon.net

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

In an effort to curtail Water Department
costs and address the rising number of
accounts that remain unpaid after the
payment due date; starting with the July 3Q
2013 water service billing, the Water
Department billing policy will change.

NO CHANGE: Customers will still have
30 days to pay their bill in full or use the

Easy Pay Plan by paying 1/3 of their bill each month. As long as the Easy Pay participants adhere to the payment schedule, no statement or late fees will apply.

CHANGE: One week before the payment due date a courtesy reminder email will be sent and/or a telephone call will occur.

CHANGE: for accounts 1-30 days delinquent past the due date, statement reminders will no longer be mailed and a statement charge of \$5.00 will no longer be applied. The non-payment fee is increased from \$35.00 to \$40.00.

CHANGE: For accounts that remain delinquent 31+ days past the due date, a Statement Reminder with a Red Tag is generated with a \$5.00 fee, plus a non-payment fee of \$40.00 will apply. Delinquent customers will have 10 business days from the date of Red Tag notice to satisfy their bill or be subject to termination of water service.

Water service customers are reminded to submit their email address and that their correct telephone number is on record. Additional notification of the policy change will appear on the website www.bmrpoa.homestead.com

Customers... do not date your payment check with the bills payment due date. The check that is issued by the bank will arrive on a later date. This causes statement and late fees that will be applied to your account

Reminder: If you are changing from a landline phone to your cell phone as your main phone number, or if you have a new e-mail address, please notify the Water Dept. office.

There is no way we can notify you about important issues if we do not have the current information and please print legibly.

COMMUNITY NEWS...

This year's scholarship winner is **Kimberly Rochette** of Banker Drive. Kimberly has graduated Lenape Valley Regional School and will be attending Sussex County Community College in the fall.

Kimberly's Winning Essay:

For over 17 years I have been blessed to be a part of West Brookwood, a neighborhood which is considerate and loving. There are numerous reasons why West Brookwood is fantastic, but what sets it apart from other neighborhoods is the fact that everyone in this community genuinely cares about one another. Our neighborhood does what most do; we lend each other sugar when we need it, and we also carpool to soccer practices, but what some people do not realize is that this section of Byram is a united family. We check up on one another when we know someone is sick and we bring over meals to show how much we care.

One of my favorite memories of West Brookwood actually happened to me this year. I took a walk with my neighbor and our dogs, and I knew that we really do love each other like family, which is something I cherish most about Byram. This event made me realize that even when I am at college I have my entire family of West Brookwood that will support me in everything that I do.

If there was one thing I could change about West Brookwood, it would be the lack of street lights situated throughout the town. This addition would benefit the community as a whole; because once the sun sets it is

completely dark in the area of Byram. It would enhance the neighborhood and make it safer for everyone who lives in it if we could install street lights.

I think that everyone in West Brookwood makes me feel at home, no matter whose house I am in. Ruth Reichl once said, "Pull up a chair. Take a taste. Come join us..." I believe that this is an excellent summarization for my home—West Brookwood.

Editor's Note: I wish to thank the students that participate in our Scholarship program. We understand that it means a great deal to you because of the effort that you put into your essays.

That being said, I turn my attention to our members who help keep this program running. We are in need of your financial support with any amount you deem necessary to donate to our **Scholarship fund**. We cannot continue this program without your support. Thank you.

BLOOD DRIVE Byram Girl Scout, Lauren Rochette is hosting a Blood Drive on Saturday, July 20th from 2PM - 8PM. It will be held at the Lakeland Emergency Squad Building.

LOST and FOUND

Description: Silver chain link necklace with cross. The cross has a silver lining with a black inlay. The cross bears an inscription on the back. If you or someone you know is looking for this necklace then please call the Water Department and someone will get back to you.

