A new year is upon us and the BMRPOA wish you a happy and healthy holiday season and a spectacular new year!!

Winter Decorating Contest Winners

Best Use of Lights 1st 1 Banker 2nd 22 Mayne 3rd 1 Springbrook

Best Use of Decorations 1st 29 Broad 2nd 21 Beech 3rd 6 Belton

Honorable mentions 14 Chestnut, 33 Lockwood, 57 Belton, 3 Lockwood, 20 Lauren, 43 Waterloo and **66 Ash**

***Please be aware when snow is predicted there is NO parking on the street. Further information regarding this can be found on the our town's website: <u>www.byramtwp.org</u>

Know Your Street Representative

| AcornLissette Hernandez219-7329 |
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| AdairJanet Durica219-2056 |
| Ash/UnionDolores Bollinger769-7345 |
| AvonWallace Krake691-9489 |
| BankerHelen Perri201-919-8028 |
| Beech |
| Belton448-8680 |
| BroadBlaine Carr |
| Chestnut/WaterlooKathy Stevenson448-8869 |
| Glen Brook/Lower RiverDee Garrison229-5784 |
| LaurenLouis Gomez |
| LockwoodKristi Bristol732-735-5931 |
| MayneJoe Tedeschi862-221-1146 |
| RobertCarol Tarnowski670-3701 |
| Springbrook/Upper RiverYvonne Reeves347-8807 |

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| Members: | Meetings | are | scheduled | the | 4 th | |
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West Brookwood Newsletter



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E-mail: <u>bmrpoa@gmail.com</u> Website: <u>www.bmrpoa.homestead.com</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/westbrookwood.poa</u> Let' Talk...

It has come to the attention of the Board that one of our neighbors is being bullied and harassed due to the dogs barking. This neighbor received a threatening unsigned letter in the mailbox*. The letter stated that the author was going to contact the Police, ASPCA, and Town Council regarding the noise of the dogs. Prior to writing such a letter, the first step should have been speaking with the owner of the dogs about the barking. The letter has been turned over to the Police and they have stated it is harassment.

This is no way to treat our neighbors. I am saddened by this behavior. I have lived in West Brookwood for over 40 years and have served on the Board for 14 years and never have I witnessed such hostility.

~Barbara McLoughlin

President

*It is a federal offense for anyone other than the post office to place letters or other items in mailboxes.

Byram Township Ordinance §87-11

B. Disturbing the peace

1) No person shall own, keep, harbor or maintain any animal which shall habitually bark, cry, whine, howl, or otherwise disturb the peace or quiet of the neighborhood or the sleep of any person for any period beyond ¹/₂ hour between the hours of 10 pm and 7 am or otherwise repeatedly at intervals of more than $\frac{1}{2}$ hour at any time of day or night.

2) The habitual barking howling, whining, or crying of an animal or animals in violation of $\underline{\$}$ 87-11 B.1 is hereby declared to be a disturbing noise within the meaning of NJSA 40:48-1, Subsection 8, and a nuisance.

ITEMS for DISPOSAL

Have you recently visited the newly updated GARBAGE & RECYCLING section on our township website at <u>www.byramtwp.org</u>? It explains what can and cannot be picked up, and where and when to go to properly dispose of your items. Questions? Contact Donna Fett, Department of Public Works Secretary, 973-347-2500 x138 or via email <u>dfett@byramtwp.org</u>

FYI: Christmas trees will be picked up the week of January 9th (weather dependent). Please ensure tinsel and any decorations are removed.

Please visit the Byram Township Website or West Brookwood Webpage for information regarding the current **Drought Warning**. The information includes ways in which you can curb use and what a drought warning means to you.

NJ FOREST FIRE SERVICE (NJFFS)

On September 28, 2016 at our monthly meeting we were fortunate to have Steve Gluck and John Burroughs of the New Jersey Forest Fire Service give a presentation about fire safety. The presenters advised us of specific laws concerning bonfires at our homes. Permits are required for all fires on the ground and can be obtained at the NJFFS office in Andover. However, permits are not required for metal containers with spark screens intended and sold as fire pits if used in accordance with the manufacturer's directions and placed 50 feet from structures. The Fire Service is available to help you enjoy a safe outdoor fire. They can show you appropriate locations on your property where a fire pit can be placed. The goal is to not only fight fires but to prevent them.

www.njwildfire.com

Phone: 973-786-6350 Address: 240 Main Street Andover, NJ 07821

Would you like to acknowledge a community member or send a special thank you to someone? Please email our office to have an acknowledgment placed on our facebook page and/or newsletter. In addition if you have any ideas for community events or would like to volunteer on any of our committees, please contact the office via phone or email. THANKS!!