

# The Bailey's Grove Times

*The Official News & Notification Forum of the Bailey's Grove Property Owners Association*

## FROM PRESIDENT TORONYI'S DESK

The Bailey's Grove Board of Directors met recently to elect Officers for 2010. I'm pleased to announce the following election results:

President:	<b>Brian Toronyi</b>
Vice President:	<b>Mike Caldwell</b>
Treasurer:	<b>Denise Johnson</b>
Secretary:	<b>Tom Dunn</b>

Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped make 2009 another fine year!! Many hours of work were spent making numerous activities and events happen in Bailey's Grove.

2010 will be the last year that numerous Board members will serve, so NOW is the time to get involved. **WE NEED YOU** to serve as community leaders, help maintain the appearance of the neighborhood (including the pool and the clubhouse), and plan community events. Please share your great ideas and talents with your community!!

## SUMMARY OF 2009 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Bailey's Grove Property Owners Annual Meeting was held on November 24, 2009 at the Bailey's Grove clubhouse.

President Brian Toronyi presented a slideshow that outlined the numerous maintenance and administrative items addressed during 2009 and also provided a brief look at anticipated projects.

Treasurer Denise Johnson presented the 2010 budget and answered questions from the membership regarding the Association's financials.

Two Board candidates were confirmed by unanimous voice vote to serve on the Board: Denise Johnson and Blake Driver.

Jim Heglund from REALICO, Inc. thanked all of the Board members on behalf of the Association for their hard work, dedication and service to the Bailey's Grove Community.

Thank you to all property owners for participating at the 2009 Annual Meeting!

*Please review the Association By-laws and Rules and Regulations regularly.*

## MEET YOUR PROPERTY MANAGER

Mary Harrison is employed by REALICO, Inc., the designated property management company for BGPOA, as the Property Manager for the Association. Mary may be contacted at REALICO at 942-7055 ext. 8 or by email at [maryh@realico.com](mailto:maryh@realico.com).

If you have any problems or concerns, please contact REALICO rather than contacting individual Board members. Mary will forward your concerns to the Board.

Mary is a licensed Property Manager, responsible for overseeing the day to day maintenance of the grounds and building common elements of the Association. She is also responsible for the administration of the Association, working at the direction of the Board of Directors to facilitate communications to the membership, enforcement of the By-laws, and long range planning.

Actively involved in the Real Estate and Property Management business for fifteen years, she is a licensed Real Estate Broker and an experienced Real Estate Investor.

Mary lives in Forest Hills with her husband Dave and their three children.

## BAILEY'S GROVE HOME AND GARDEN SERIES!

Have you ever wondered how to change that out-dated light fixture that came with your house? Do you want to add some pizzazz to your yard without hiring an expensive landscaper?

*We have good news: home and garden help is coming to Bailey's Grove!*

**Join us on Saturday, March 27, at 10:00 am at the clubhouse for home improvement advice.** Come a bit early for coffee and refreshments. Local construction expert Glenn Carlson will share some tips on maintaining and upgrading your Bailey's Grove home. After working for a few years as a mechanical engineer, Glenn found his true passion in home building. He's been self-employed building houses for ten years now and would like to share a few tips with you. Changing lighting, laying flooring, and replacing faucets are some of the least expensive ways to upgrade a home. They also add an incredible value.

**Also join us on Saturday, April 17, at 10:00 am at the clubhouse.** Come a bit early for coffee and refreshments. Bailey's Grove's own Jim Sikkema will draw from over 40 years of landscaping experience to share how you can design your own landscaped yard this summer that's virtually maintenance free. Jim's career in landscaping includes Railside Golf Course and Brookcrest Nursing Home. Jim has much wisdom to share, including: "Bailey's Grove has a unique soil mixture. There's a lot of clay around here so harder trees like Sugar Maples or Pear trees grow much better than, say, a Red Maple." Jim will also share tips on the much feared Ash Beetle and how to incorporate fruits and vegetables into your design without losing any yard.



**SPACE IS LIMITED, SO RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY BY REGISTERING WITH DIRK VANEYK.** Contact him at 635-7005 or [dirkvaneyk@gmail.com](mailto:dirkvaneyk@gmail.com).

**Child care will be provided** by Encounter Church ([www.myencounterchurch.org](http://www.myencounterchurch.org)).

With each registration you will be entered for a chance to win door-prizes at the events. See you there!



## JOIN US FOR BUNCO!!

In years past, several ladies in Bailey's Grove gathered together in various locations to play Bunco and socialize - well, mostly socialize! At our highest point, we had two groups meeting twice a month with over 40 players! Since then, we have dispersed and dwindled, busy with growing children and many family moves. After months of discussion among some of the original members, we are moving forward and getting the girls back together once more!

**Come one, come all!** Consider this an invitation to a BUNCO REUNION and REJUVENATION of sorts. If you would like to meet up with your old Bunco girls, are interested in starting a new group, or you would just like to come hang out for a night and visit/check things out - here's the info...

**WHEN: THURSDAY, MARCH 25TH, @ 7:00 PM**

Where: Bailey's Grove Clubhouse

Why: To reconnect with old friends and make new ones

Who: Any ladies who are interested

RSVP to: [julie.dunn@kentwoodps.org](mailto:julie.dunn@kentwoodps.org)

Direct questions to: [julie.dunn@kentwoodps.org](mailto:julie.dunn@kentwoodps.org)



**Summer will be here before we know it!**

**The pool will open on Saturday, May 29, and will close on Monday, September 6, 2010.**

## WINTER PARKING ORDINANCE REMINDER

Vehicles may not be parked on City streets between 1 AM and 8 AM from Nov. 15 to March 15 (whether there is snow on the ground or not), or at any other times when on-street parking could impair or impede snowplowing, cleaning or maintenance operations.

The fines for parking tickets in violation of this ordinance are \$20.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this ordinance! It greatly eases the work of our Department of Public Works employees in cleaning our streets.

## HOW TO REPORT A STREETLIGHT PROBLEM

To report a non-functioning street light, visit the Consumers Energy website at [www.consumersenergy.com](http://www.consumersenergy.com). Then select Report Power Outage from the right hand side of the page. You will be directed to a new page featuring an article called "Report an Electric Outage." At the bottom of the screen is information about how to "Report a Streetlight Problem." Fill out all the information and Consumers will be out to fix the light.

## OBEY COMMUNITY SPEED LIMIT

Please observe the community speed limit of 25 mph for everyone's safety. Children and adults riding bicycles or walking throughout the property should stay on sidewalks when possible.

## GOT A LICENSE FOR THAT DOG?

Michigan law requires that all dogs four months of age or older be licensed. You must present a valid certificate of rabies vaccination and proof of spay/neuter for your dog in order to receive a license.

### Why Should You License Your Dog?

Licensing your dog is an important way to show you care for your pet. Dogs which are licensed are guaranteed to be free of rabies. Also, your dog's license number allows you to be identified and notified if your dog should stray and be picked up by Animal Control Officers. Licensed dogs are held longer in the Animal Shelter if they are picked up stray. Finally, you should license your dog because it is the law.

Get a license online at [www.accesskent.com/kcas](http://www.accesskent.com/kcas), at township offices or the Kent County Health Department, treasurer's office or Kent County Humane Society.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYS NOTIFICATION SOFTWARE



The Kentwood City Police Department has enlisted the services of a new web-based service called 'Nixle'. Nixle offers public safety departments the opportunity to send alerts to subscribers. Nixle is a free service that allows users to receive trusted, up-to-date information about important incidents and advisories that may be occurring in your city or neighborhood.

A user of the software has the opportunity to receive notification through a variety of means such as texts, emails, or over the web. The service is free.

Please visit [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) for more information or access the link through the Bailey's Grove website. Close to 800 cities and villages have signed up to distribute information so far.

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE!!

Be sure to stay informed through our website located at [www.baileysgrove.com](http://www.baileysgrove.com). The site provides a calendar of current events, links to other informative sites, access to newsletters and documents, and clubhouse and pool information.

**We would like to take this opportunity to thank John Long, our very professional, dedicated webmaster, for his time and service to the BGPOA community.**

### Interesting Trivia!!

Europe has no deserts - it is the only continent without one.  
The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific Ocean.

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