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The Balmoral Orchards neighborhood used to be called “Balmoral Springs” - which explains why our sump pumps generally run a lot!

The Charter Township of Bloomfield was the first Township to be established in Oakland County in 1827.

Groundbreaking for the Kirk in the Hills church occurred in 1948 and was designed by Wirt Rowland. Rowland also helped shape Detroit by designing the Penobscot, Buhl, and Guardian Buildings.

Greetings Balmoral Homeowners!

Your HOA board is pleased to share this communication to provide a very brief overview of happenings and events relative to our neighborhood.

In this day of social media and electronic communications, the hard copy mailbox newsletter has become obsolete. We ask that each Balmoral resident visit our website (balmoralorchards.com) to get complete details on neighborhood happenings instead of looking for us to print them here.

2017 Balmoral Elected Board

First and foremost we are pleased to present you with a newly elected board:

- President - Peter Rosinski
- Vice President - Eric Pearson
- Treasurer - Jean Seibold
- Secretary - Carol Pearson

We should all thank the outgoing board for their time and efforts toward managing our association. It's a thankless, but important job, to oversee community projects, initiate and organize social functions, ensure maintenance to our subdivision entrances is performed, bills are paid, etc. We also have several volunteers who serve on projects which make our neighborhood better and all of that is greatly appreciated! We are always looking for new folks who wish to help and for new people to assume any board or volunteer positions.

Balmoral HOA Meeting (Sept 2017)

The last meeting was held on September 26th. Attendance was a bit sparse with representatives from 8 homes out of 63. **Please log on to balmoralorchards.com to view the meeting presentation, the meeting minutes, and more.** We are very interested in helping increase awareness and attendance of these meetings as much as possible.

Balmoral Orchards Survey

Our website contains an anonymous homeowner survey. What would you like to see accomplished in the neighborhood? Why don't people attend the meetings? Would you participate if they were streamed live via the internet or conference call? Are you interested in online voting on subdivision matters? Take the survey and share your thoughts. You'll find it on balmoralorchards.com.



We're Social on NextDoor!

Nextdoor.com is a web site and a mobile 'app' that puts you in touch with your community. Need a babysitter? Want a plumber recommendation from your neighbors? Planning a garage sale? Want to know when the recent water main break happened and what you should do? These are the kinds of things you'll find on NextDoor.com. What makes it even better is that Bloomfield Township offices and emergency agencies (police, fire) use it to communicate “official” news and information. We recommend and encourage every Balmoral homeowner to register themselves on NextDoor and download the mobile app for their smartphone or tablet. It's easy to do—just go to nextdoor.com, type in your name and street address, and the system will prompt you the rest of the way to register under the “Walnut Lake” neighborhood. Please note there is no Balmoral neighborhood listed on NextDoor, all Bloomfield Township subdivision communities operate within the Walnut Lake designation.

Balmoral Happenings...October 2017

<http://balmoralorchards.com>

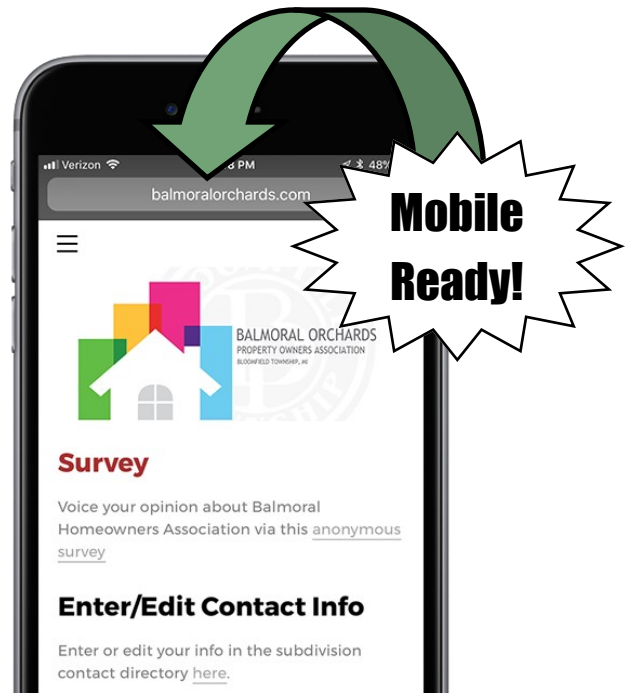
Please Enter/Update Your Neighborhood Contact Info

We have several 'block captain' volunteers capturing email addresses and telephone numbers for use in the Balmoral neighborhood directory—and they've made great progress! If we don't already have your contact info—or if you just want to confirm we've got it accurately—please go to the secure online form at www.balmoralorchards.com and fill it out. Once we've got all the entries, we will make the list available to any registered Balmoral homeowner who requests it. Your contact info will not be accessible to or shared with any entity outside of registered Balmoral homeowners. To further limit outside access, the list will not be available from our website—you will need to request it via email. Our goal is to increase the frequency of neighborhood communications via email; the first step is to collect the appropriate contact information.

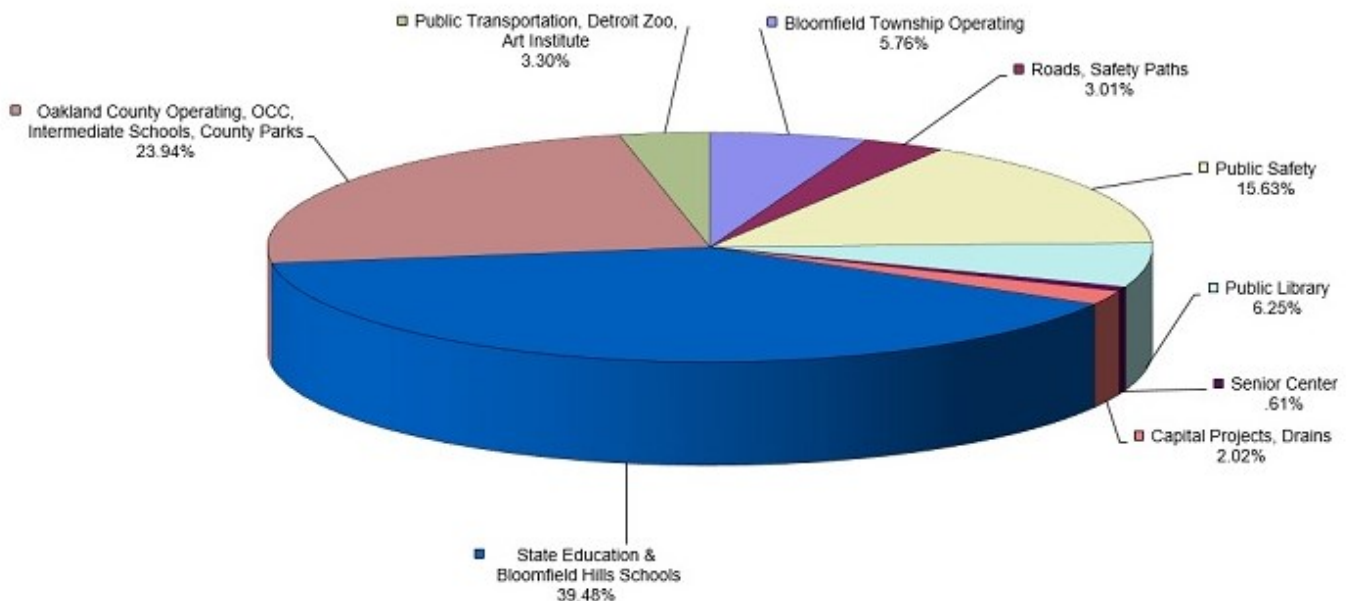
Water Main Break—Boil Alert Update

By the time you read this the 'boil water' alert will have been lifted. Think your home is all ready to begin normal water use? Maybe think again. Read about the steps Oakland County Health Department officials advise homeowners to perform on the community page of balmoralorchards.com.

Thank you for reviewing this publication. We hope to have inspired you to log on to balmoralorchards.com to learn more and participate as a member of the association!



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