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## Statement from the BLCA Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is issuing this statement in an effort to correct misinformation that is being disseminated. We encourage Members to attend Board Meetings and join the various Committees so each person is informed and knowledgeable about the activities of the Community and the ongoing efforts of the Board on behalf of our Community.

1. The pool project delays were explained at the Capital Projects Committee Meeting on 3/12/11. After thorough discussion the Committee unanimously agreed to recommend that the Board of Directors postpone the needed work on the Pool until September 2011. The Committee and the Board did not want any potential delays in opening the pool this summer season. The work to the pool is going to be a big undertaking both financially and work-wise and the Committee wants to be certain that all the information received is accurate and that the work needed will be fiscally responsible.
2. There has been NO talk of moving the maintenance facility to another location. We did consider the option of moving the salt shed elsewhere. However, after a thorough review of all BLCA properties no other location was considered appropriate, so it will remain in the current location. We are working with highly trained engineers and the Township on ensuring that this new facility will meet State and Local Standards as well as satisfying the surrounding homeowners. Again, we will not be rushed into making such a major change to the Community without being fully informed and all permits and legalities are in place.
3. There appears to be some confusion as to why street names were changed within Birchwood. This was mandated when the 9-1-1 system was implemented to avoid duplication of street names in Delaware Township.
4. Beach 4 Pool – Research found that around 1983 the pool had leaking problems and was fiberglassed. Subsequent problems with the fiberglass resulted in a lawsuit against the company hired for the project. Some time in the late 1980's it appears that the then Board voted to fill in that Pool for safety reasons.
5. Out of 850 plus homes in BLCA, there are only 44 non-family rentals. Rentals are not being ignored by the Board. We will address it fully informed and researched and discussions will be at length so every aspect is considered.

Members are always encouraged to contact the office if they are seeking facts. The staff and BOD will endeavor to find the answers if we don't already have them at hand. This Board, or the BLCA Staff, is not trying to hide anything from the Members. We have Open Board Meetings monthly at which all of the decisions for the Community are discussed and approved, or not as the case may be. Minutes of previous meetings are posted on our web site or are available at the Office. Committees are always seeking members and that is where a great deal of the research and work is done for all our projects.

This Board of Directors has the utmost confidence in our Community Manager and support her fully. Her qualifications, experience and depth of knowledge have benefited this community greatly and continues to do so every day. Her past and present work performance is above reproach. Her commitment to this Community probably cannot be met by any other manager in any other Community!

The call by one member for her removal because 'she is simply not qualified' to manage a project or she does not work for the benefit of our Members is ludicrous and simply untrue. She is a highly skilled Community Manager and we are appreciative for her efforts on behalf of this Community and our Members. There are many Members who have expressed their gratitude for her helpfulness and her depth of information she is so willing to share. Within two years of her working here she was instrumental in getting the Dam repaired and filled, a major achievement in itself.

This Community has previously been run without a community manager as well as with several community managers who did not perform to the Board's satisfaction. It is a pleasure and a relief to work with someone with the knowledge and resources necessary to run this community effectively and this Board stands by Bettye White Gross!