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Community Newsletter
Summer 2019

Baldwin Grove Board of Directors Now Meeting Monthly

The Board is now meeting monthly to address community business. Major issues the board are addressing involve building & grounds maintenance, upkeep, repairs and renovations.

Residents are encouraged to attend, ask questions, provide insight. If you are not receiving announcements of board meetings, contact Sequoia Management.

We live here and we love it!
Let's keep it looking good!

Baldwin Grove residents take pride in their community. Residents like to see it clean, free of litter and trash, sidewalks and green areas free of dog waste. However, at the last few Baldwin Grove meetings, residents have raised their concerns that this is not happening. So below is a reminder of what to do with your garbage & recycling as well as a reminder for dog owners.

Garbage & Recycling

Garbage is picked up on Mondays and Thursdays. Recycling is picked up on Mondays. Residents are asked to follow the same protocol as garbage for putting out their recycling.

- ◆ *Put trash out after sundown or in the morning. This can minimize the amount of animals and birds that tear open trash bags in search of food.*
- ◆ *Use black bags instead of white. Residents report that the animals and birds do not try to get into these bags.*
- ◆ *Eliminate odors from trash bags by using kitty litter or Febreze scented bags.*
- ◆ *If it is a particularly gusty or blustery day, residents are asked to hold their recycling to the next Monday. The wind can pick up recycling and spread it around the neighborhood.*
- ◆ *Neither the sanitation crew nor recycling crew are responsible for picking up what is strewn about the community.*

Dog Waste

Nobody wants to step in dog poop. It's disgusting. Fairfax County Ordinance Section 41.1-2-6 states that the owner or custodian of any dog are responsible for removing any excreta deposited by such dog on the property of another. Residents can contact Rachel Gore at Sequoia Management at 703-803-9641 to report individuals not picking up their dog's waste.

Upcoming Events & News

Board Meetings

All Baldwin Grove Owners are invited:

July 3, 2019

7:00PM

Location:

Reston Regional Library

Get Involved!

Landscape Committee

Want to see and maintain a beautifully landscaped community? From planting flowers and shrubs to recommending landscape improvements, this group will work to keep Baldwin Grove beautiful.

Communications Committee

Enjoy community news? Help keep Baldwin Grove residents up to date on community news and events, provide welcome information to new residents, and contribute to the community newsletter.

Committees Contact:
Eric Blomquist, 703-217-3619

Trash Pick Up
Mondays & Thursdays

Recycling Pick Up
Mondays

Dogs on a Leash

Residents with dogs are asked to keep their dogs on a leash. Residents have reported incidents where an unleashed dog has caused an altercation with another dog. Fairfax County Ordinance Section 41.1-2-4 states no dog shall run unrestricted not under the control of the owner or his agent either by leash, cord, chain, or primary enclosure when off the property or premises of the owner or custodian. An electronic device does not qualify as a leash, cord or chain. Residents can contact Rachel Gore at Sequoia Management at 703-803-9641 to report individuals with unleashed dogs in the community.

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Have you checked your homeowner's insurance lately?

The Baldwin Grove Condominium Association's master insurance policy has a deductible of \$10,000 for water damage. Please keep in mind that the master policy does not cover upgrades to units (the most common upgrades are to flooring - the Association covers builder-grade carpet, but not laminate or hardwood), displacement (hotel or alternate living arrangements while a unit is being repaired), or personal belongings, regardless of the cause of damage.

Please take a moment to review your homeowners' insurance policy, often called an HO6 policy, to ensure that you have coverage for these areas that aren't covered by the master policy.



Summer Safety!

Summer is here! We want to play it safe during this summer period. Below are some summer safety reminders.

- ◆ *Remember to lock your cars while on the Baldwin Grove property. There was a reported incident of a resident's car being opened and loose change being taken.*
- ◆ *Let a neighbor know when you are out of town and leave a contact number either with them or Sequoia Management where you can be reached.*
- ◆ *Leave a light or two on in your unit or use a timer.*
- ◆ *Cancel your newspapers and arrange to have your mail held at the post office if you are away for an extended period.*

Some other reminders

- ◆ *When was the last time you replaced your smoke alarm battery?*
- ◆ *Have you had your air conditioning condensation line checked recently? A clog in the line can cause water to back up into a neighbor's unit.*

If you have questions or concerns about the property, please contact Sequoia Management at either of the numbers below.

Sequoia Management
Racheal Gore, Community Manager
Office: 703-803-9641

Sequoia Management
After-Hours Emergency Number
703-230-2240