



Barnegat Light Taxpayers' Association

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Barnegat Light Taxpayers' Association June 2020 Newsletter

Greetings to everyone. We hope you are healthy and getting ready for the summer months.

In the interest of public health safety, we cancelled our June General Meeting, which was to be held at the Pavilion. For July, we are planning a virtual meeting. Details will be forthcoming.

Even though we are not holding a June meeting, we felt you should be brought up to date. Therefore, we are providing the regular reports within this Newsletter. To read the Treasury Report, please click on the link.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Barbara Truncellito

JCTA COVID-19 Fund

At its May meeting, the Board voted unanimously to donate \$1,000 to this fund, which is supporting the St. Francis food pantry and meals to the front-line workers at Southern Ocean Medical Center. We asked you, our members, to consider personal donations and you responded in a big way. You have sent in \$5,000 which has been passed along to the Fund bringing the Barnegat Light total to \$6,000. We are so proud to be residents of Barnegat Light. Your generosity is stunning. Thank you to all who have participated. If you have not yet participated and are interested, you can still donate:

Please make your check Payable to:
Barnegat Light Taxpayers Association
Add "JCTA Covid-19 Fund" to the memo line

And Mail to:
BLTA
PO Box 342
Barnegat Light, NJ 08006

If you wish to pay by PayPal or Credit Card, simply use the [online Membership Form](#) and add "JCTA Covid-19 Fund" to the Comments Box.

Your BLTA Trustees are proud of you and we will continue to work on your behalf. Please consider joining us as a Board member, or as a working

member of one of our committees. If interested, you can contact us via our [website](#).

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Rich Brodman, MD

We are pleased to report that we have 514 households that have joined the BLTA for 2020 (including 24 new households). This is a remarkable turnout, given the horrific consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic. We hope to further build on this number. As of now, we have just over 100 households who were members in 2019 but have not yet rejoined. If you are among this group, we encourage you to rejoin by visiting our [website](#), clicking on “Join Now!”, complete the membership form, and make your payment of \$25. You now have the choice of paying by PayPal or credit card in addition to personal check.

TREASURY REPORT – Bill Chnelich

The [June 2020 Treasury Report](#) shows the BLTA’s fund balance as of May 31, 2020 and its Income and Expenditures for the five months then ended, along with prior year comparatives. Dues for the current period are ahead of last year, principally because of the increase in the dues rate. Contributions from BLTA members for the JCTA’s Covid-19 Fund were \$5,000. This amount plus the BLTA’s contribution of \$1,000 is also shown in Expenditures as a Donation of \$6,000. Expenditures for Printing & Postage continue to decline as we move to more electronic communications. As expected, this resulted in increased IT Costs, which include the cost of upgrading our website to allow for payments via PayPal and Credit Card.

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT – Betsy Aras

The [BLTA Website](#) is updated weekly with many of the latest NEWS stories and EVENTS happening in and around Barnegat Light. We encourage you to make use of our website often – not just for news and events, but to find information and resources that may help you as you navigate this beautiful town in which we all live. Most of the news stories and events that are featured on our website come from [The Sandpaper](#). We encourage you to engage with this Island publication (either online or with a print copy) as there are many more articles and advertisements worthy of your attention each week.

Examples of additional items you can find on the BLTA website include minutes of past meetings of the BLTA, Board Member bios, upcoming meeting dates, a special events section where we highlight a need or event, calendar (*although it is not very populated right now due to Covid-19, new virtual and live events will be added throughout the summer so keep checking*), links to other websites that are useful to residents of LBI, and much more.

Our [Facebook Group](#) has **240 members** and continues to grow! Some 230 of our members have been active on the page during the last month. It has been a great resource during our past three months of quarantine and is a great way for you to stay connected to the BLTA daily.

Please know that only paid members of the BLTA can join our

Facebook Group, so be sure to answer all the questions when you ask to join the page – this makes the approval process easier. This is a moderated private Facebook Group, created by the Board of Trustees of the Barnegat Light Taxpayer's Association to provide pertinent information for its membership. It is administrated by the Board of Trustees. Posts from BLTA members with pertinent information are certainly welcome but subject to approval at the discretion of the BLTA Board.

*Remember to visit the **BLTA Website** weekly to read all the latest news and be informed of upcoming events in and around Barnegat Light. If you're not a member of the BLTA, we hope you will join us. Share this link with another Barnegat Light resident and encourage them to **become a member** of the BLTA! They can join by accessing our website!*

*If you are a Facebook user (and a paid member of the BLTA) we encourage you to join our **Facebook group**!*

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