2024 Dues Notice Shorewood Estates Civic Association

It's time again to pay SECA Annual Dues*! Membership voted to keep Dues at the 2023 amount of \$150 + 4% (\$156 – only \$13/month) as voted in 2023. SECA Dues are a *fraction* of other water-access communities on the Sassafras River. To keep expenses down, many of our neighbors generously volunteer their time and talents to maintaining and enhancing our community that ensures Shorewood Estates is a safe, clean, and *highly desirable* place to live.

Your Dues help cover costs of annual liability insurance and maintenance of the beautiful common-access areas and amenities we <u>ALL</u> enjoy – adding tremendous value to <u>ALL our properties!</u>

Suggested projects for 2024 include complete top and side rails on new Boat Dock gangway, improve boat launch area, clear a walking path at the pond, participate in SwimTesters Bacteria Program to monitor Swantown Creek water quality, and install a structure for shade at Anchorage Ln dock area.

Annual general expenses are approximately \$10,000 for:

- Mowing, weed-eating, landscaping, tree care, and poison ivy control at all common-access areas including Anchorage Ln dock area, Boat Dock Area, and Shorewood Road entrance
- Anchorage Ln Maintenance and Repairs access road, swimming area, community dock, picnic tables, benches, and personal watercraft storage racks
- Boat Dock Area Maintenance and Repairs access road, boat launching area, dock gangway and benches, and personal watercraft storage racks; Slip Dues also help maintain the dock
- Common rail-system mailboxes at Duck Hollow Dr, Sassafras Rd, Swantown Creek Rd, Pineywood Rd, and Anchorage Ln (private roads with no mail delivery to each house)
- Liability insurance, general administrative activities, and website maintenance that keeps all Shorewood Estates residents/property owners informed of community events and activities

Your Membership allows you to vote on community issues, participate in the annual Slip Lottery for our Boat Dock, and use convenient personal watercraft Storage Racks

Over the past few years, we raised over \$6,800 in additional contributions – please consider including a contribution with your Annual Dues. Safe, convenient, and well-maintained access to the water benefits the entire community and <u>adds tremendous value to YOUR property</u>. Please, help us keep **Shorewood Estates one of the most desirable neighborhoods on the Sassafras**.

*Dues and contributions for common area maintenance are not tax-deductible for federal income tax purposes as SECA is not a charitable organization. **Need to make arrangements to pay in installments? No problem, just contact us!

Please complete this section & send with a check by March 31 to: SECA, PO Box 283, Galena, MD 21635

YES, I want to keep Shorewood Estates' & MY property values up and our common areas safe & clean!

____\$156 Dues** + Extra Contribution* (Your Choice) ____\$50 ___\$100 ___\$150 ___Other

Name:

Address 1: (Shorewood Estates)

Address 2: (Other)

Phone # 1: _____ e-mail # 1:

Phone # 2: e-mail # 2:

Contact information is for Shorewood Estates use ONLY to keep you informed of community activities