

Village of Bergen

Late Fall 2012

Mayor's Message

Thank you Bruce Partridge for 30 years of service to the Village of Bergen!



Bruce Partridge has been a valued employee of the Village of Bergen for 30 years and also an active member of the Byron-Bergen community.

His commitment to the Village of Bergen Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) operation has been a valuable asset to our residents. His knowledge and expertise in this area, while the Village built and upgraded the new WWTP, was invaluable.

Bruce continues to contribute his time to many volunteer organizations in our community. He is actively involved with the Bergen Presbyterian Church and his dedication and many contributions to the Young Life organization should be commended.

Join me in honoring Bruce on his loyal service to the Village of Bergen.

Mayor Ralph Marsocci

Join us for our Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Friday, November 30th



We will meet at Hickory Park at 6:00 pm.

Help escort Santa and Mrs. Claus on the fire truck down to Zuber Park while we sing Christmas carols.

Hot cocoa and cookies will be provided after we light the Village Christmas tree in Zuber Park. Don't forget to wear your favorite holiday hat!

Village of Bergen Businesses



Bergen taxidermist wins blue ribbon

A Bergen taxidermist has won first prize for a mounted deer head at the New York State Taxidermy Show in Syracuse.

Matt Cantrell, who opened Bergen Taxidermy on Main Street a year ago, entered the competition for the first time at the spur of the moment.

His entry was among 110 pieces in the competition.

Cantrell will mount almost any animal, fish or bird, he said, indicating several large turkeys in his store. He said he is considering entering one of them in the state show next year.

He is available by appointment and can be reached at (585) 590-1126.



Spotlight on New Bergen Businesses



Pivot Acupuncture

Derek Barclay of Brighton, a Bergen native, and his friend Lainey Wilkenson opened an acupuncture office in the space

in the building owned and occupied by the Village of Bergen at South Lake and Buffalo streets.

Pivot Acupuncture provides traditional Chinese medicine and individual holistic care.

Acupuncture is also recommended for allergies, asthma, colds and flu, depression and anxiety, digestive disorders, migraines, heartburn, insomnia, menopause symptoms, joint and muscle pain, skin conditions, stress and tension relief and stroke, among other ailments.

Anyone interested in meeting with Barclay or Wilkenson can call (585) 709-1482.



Radiant Hair Design

Krista Lewis didn't have to think twice when asked if she would be interested in moving her business to a vacant store on Bergen's Main Street.

Lewis lives in Bergen with her husband Jim and four boys, and her salon in Churchville was getting too small to accommodate her beauty salon.

Radiant Hair Designs is a full-service salon for men, women and children. It offers cuts, color, hi/lo lighting, permanents, facial waxing and spa pedicures.

A massage therapist is available by appointment.

The shop is located at 12 South Lake St. For an appointment call (585) 494-2000. The salon is open Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Please visit our website where you can find information on the Village of Bergen

www.villageofbergen.com

Help support our local businesses!

Sanitary Sewer System Guidelines

The Village of Bergen sanitary sewer system consists of the collection system and the wastewater treatment facility. The collection system includes all of the underground infrastructure, encompassing septic tanks, manholes, sewer mains, and pump stations. These components convey the sanitary waste from your house or business to the wastewater treatment facility, which processes the sanitary waste for discharge into a local creek. The process at the wastewater treatment facility uses bacteria and filtration to significantly reduce the biological contaminants that can harm the environment.

Rain water from roof drains and storm water collection systems is required to be discharged to the ground surface or to sub-surface disposal systems. In addition, water from your sump pump is not permitted to be discharged into the sanitary sewer system.

In addition, please dispose of the following items in the trash or at a hazardous waste collection, not down the drain or toilet:

- Grease and fat, as they can clog your internal house plumbing and clog the public sewer mains.
- Diapers, as they are not biodegradable resulting in reduced septic tank capacity and the potential for sewer clogs.
- Disposable hygiene products, such as wet wipes and feminine hygiene items. This includes wet wipes that are advertised as “flushable”, since they don’t breakdown like toilet paper.
- Food scraps and bones, as the added loading results in increased treatment costs to you.
- Paints, solvents, and other chemicals, as these items can cause physical damage to the public infrastructure.
- Pharmaceuticals, as similar to their ability to affect the cells and bacteria found in your body, they will do the same to the bacteria required to treat the wastewater.

Ken Steinmetz
Village of Bergen DPW Supervisor

Carbon Monoxide

Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels burn incompletely. In the home, heating equipment that burns fuel is a potential source of carbon monoxide, as is a fuel burning hot water heater, cooking stove and homes with attached garages.

Please take the following precautions to prevent carbon monoxide in your homes:

- Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside. During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.

Have heating equipment and chimneys inspected and cleaned annually by a qualified professional.

- If you use a generator, make sure it’s used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent.
- Install CO alarms in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move everyone in your home to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door and call for help. Stay there until emergency personnel arrive to investigate the cause.

If you have an attached garage, you need to have a CO alarm installed

Please contact the Village of Bergen Fire Marshal for more detailed information as to when and where you need to install CO alarms on your property.

Ken Kuter
Village of Bergen Fire Marshal

VILLAGE INFORMATION

Meeting Information

Board of Trustees
Meetings are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month, unless otherwise noted

Planning Board
Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, as needed

Zoning Board of Appeals
Meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the 4th Thursday of the month, as needed

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Emergency Information Voice Mailbox

For electrical outage information and any emergency that affects the Village, please call 234-1454 for recorded information.

**The Village office will be closed
November 22nd and 23rd
for Thanksgiving**

Board of Trustee Contact Information

Mayor Ralph Marsocci
414-2199

Deputy Mayor Paul Cooper
704-2283

Ginny Adams
494-2410

Anna Marie Barclay
494-1979

Scott Morgante
469-5346



News from the Village Office

Fall Brush and Leaf Pick-up

Brush and leaf pick-up will be on Nov 12th. This will be our last scheduled pick-up. Remaining pick-ups will only be done on an as needed basis.

As a reminder, we will not pick-up leaves that are bagged in plastic bags.



You may have noticed the new tree plantings around the Village sponsored by the Tree Board.

Special thanks to the DPW staff for their efforts getting the trees planted before winter arrives!

Applications for the 2013 Tree Planting are available in the Village Office.

News from the Department of Public Works

Please be aware that there is no parking on Village streets between 2:00 am - 7:00 am. Your assistance will help our crews in their efforts to keep our roads clean and safe during the winter months.



We will do our best to keep streets and sidewalks safe during snow and ice. If you have an unsafe condition, please contact the office at 494-1513 and we will do our best to resolve the problem as quickly as possible.