

April 2016

Mayor's Message

The energy of spring has arrived in the village; yards are being raked, brush trimmed, flowers blooming, folks out walking, summer plans being made. The parks are being made ready for all the activity to come and many other projects are in the works around the village.

Stop by at our new "Library in the Woods". A big thank you to DPW Supervisor Gary Zawodzinski and Kirk Roberts who designed and built the structure that is installed in Hickory Park. Read a book in the park, and/or take it home then return it.

Plans are coming together for our third annual Community Garage Sale July 9th; participation forms will be available in May at the village office. Two disc golf tournaments will be scheduled in Hartland Park; lots of upcoming champions out on the course every day!

The 2016-17 general, sewer, and electric budgets will be discussed at a public hearing April 27 at 6:45pm just before the village board meeting. Your input is always welcomed and appreciated.

The Planning Board is now being chaired by Rene' Vurraro, vice-chair is Kate Milliman, and Rich Strzelecki has been appointed as the newest member. Thank you all for your willingness to serve our community. A subdivision of Bonduelle property to be acquired by the Village, and the proposed carwash adjacent to the C-Store are projects before the board.

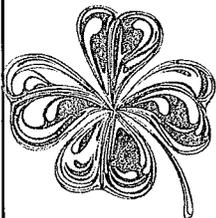
"Blue Building" news has made the papers; the former water building, adjacent to Hartland Park, has been readied for a major re-use which will be for community meetings, family gatherings, etc year round. I am working on securing funding for the project.

Enjoy these early spring days! I hope to see you at the Trail Walk this Saturday, and at the many events taking place in and around the village.

Mayor Anna Marie Barclay

From the Desk of the Village Historian

Jenny McPartland (Dates unknown)-33 Rochester Street



This bit of a lady was as Irish as Irish could be. Her accent was thick, and her heart as big as all out doors. I remember going to her house on Halloween at the end of the 1950's, being warmly greeted and maybe a, "Saints Preserve Us" thrown-in. She presented a dish filled with pennies for our treat. We were to take one and then go to Claude's 5 & 10 to buy candy. One could get 4 or 5 pieces that would fill a tiny brown paper bag. She would bless us as we left, and send us on our way with a sweet smile.

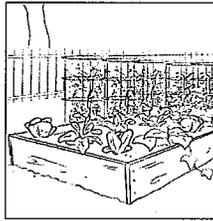
In earlier years, Jenny worked as a telephone operator along with Ruth White in a room above Housel's Bank. To my knowledge, she was married and had a son, Ambrose. Her husband died early in their marriage. He worked on the building of the railroad. She passed away in the late 1960's. St. Brigid's Church has no records of her as a member, nor the cemetery any marked grave. Sources say she might have been from Buffalo and taken back there for burial. She took care of her mother for years. She might have shopped at McCartney's IGA which was close to her home for groceries. She was a very happy lady and always spoke to people around her with sweet messages, smiles, and blessings.

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 7:00 pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, as needed



Last call for our 2016

Community Garden! We have a limited number of 4' x

10' plots available. The cost is \$25 per plot. If you are interested, please complete the garden contract found on the Village's website by April 29th.

Sewer Account Holders

Important Message

Final reminder that sewer arrears must be paid by **April 29th** to avoid being sent to Genesee County to be put on the Village Taxes.

If you are unsure of your balance, please don't hesitate to contact our office, we would be happy to assist you.

Brush and leaf pickup begins April 25th!

For those that would prefer to bring it to the Sewer Plant themselves, it can be dropped off in the designated area anytime! This is for our Village residents only! Please contact the office with and questions or concerns.

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Or email us at

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to join our email list.

Save the Date



Saturday, May 14th
Community Action Day
9:30 am
Hickory Park

Volunteers will help plant flowers in the Village baskets and boxes and clean up the park.

The 27th Annual Bergen Park Festival June 10th and 11th

Volunteers Needed! Please call the Village office!
Friday afternoon/evening setup
Saturday assisting at the Main Tent, help with the chicken barbecue, and evening tear down.
Sunday 7:30am cleanup of the park.



Community Garage Sale
Saturday, July 9th
More information to come!

Bulk Pickup Day

Saturday, May 7th
Start time 6:00 am

- *We will pick up at the curb acceptable waste weighing 60 lbs. or less
- *Paint needs to be dry in Paint Cans
- *Loose items should be bundled or in a container if possible and no longer than four feet in length.
- *We will pick up at the curb appliances
- *We will have 20 yd. roll off boxes staged and manned at the village DPW from 6:30 – 2:30 for residents to bring the following materials:
- *Concrete *Metal *Heavy bulk items
- *Loose items that are not contained or bundled
- *Unacceptable waste:** Any Hazardous waste as defined by NYSDEC – asbestos, tires, batteries, oil, 55-gallon drums, medical waste, suspicious waste, yard waste, electronics (including TV's) and any waste not generated in the village.