

The office will be closed
Monday, May 30th
in observance of Memorial Day

Village Message

Saturday, May 14th the Village held its annual Community Action Day. Many thanks go out to the Bergen Fire Department, Bonduelle, and all the community members that participated this year.

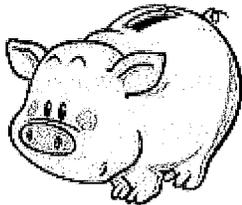
In honor of Arbor Day, the Village planted two cherry trees at the Fire Department along Route 19. Cherry trees were chosen this year because they are a symbol of hope and healing.

In addition, the hanging baskets, corner planters, and flower beds were all revitalized with new flowers which will soon adorn our lovely Village in beautiful Spring colors once again.

A special thank you goes out to Bill Holland. He has participated in every Community Action Day since it began.



From the Desk of the Village Historian



Ruth White, born in Rochester, NY-17 Lake Street

Ruth was the counter of monies from Penny Banks for the Presbyterian Church. I was a collector of banks on Rochester St. Each month on a Saturday morning that was my job as a 10 year old. I loved ringing the door bells and wondering what I might see in the homes or what I might experience. Mrs. Effy Johnson often was baking cookies and would give me a warm treat. The Gillette's were redecorating their front rooms over several months and my eyes would be glazed as I entered the living room. What new items, drapes, sofa's, lamps would they have added to the beauty of the rooms. Sibley's Department Store did the decorating, and it was only the best for them. Little did I know that years later I would own a Stiffel lamp that graced their living room. What a lovely collectible. I usually stayed for a short conversation with the home owners, or even a conversation turned long.

At the end of my collecting I would knock on Ruth's back door and turn the banks over to her. The conversation would be flowing and she would ask many questions of me. It was a fascinating time for me and a great learning experience. Ruth had a habit of stomping her foot as she said, "Don't ya' know" to emphasize a point she was trying to make. Many times I would see a piece of cheese laying on the counter. This, I was told, was to eat with her cereal. "So good" followed by a stomp, "Don't ya' know". She had developed an interest in the community after working as a telephone operator and also working for George Best, the undertaker in town. Her husband, Herbert died in 1947.

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



Boon and Sons has recently changed their route around the Village to ensure the safety of our little ones and the school bus traffic. You may find that they will be picking up earlier or later on your street. Please be sure to have your totter and recyclables out before 7am on Wednesdays so you don't miss them!

Remember, our refuse contract allows you to put out one bulk item every week! They will not pick up electronics, tires or items containing Freon, however.

For more information on E-waste Recycling, visit the NYS DEC's website at www.dec.ny.gov

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Or email us at vob@villageofbergen.com to join our email list.

Bergen Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 30th
9:30am



Please come out and honor our fallen heroes!

Save the Date

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

Volunteers Needed! Please call the Village office!
Friday 3pm setup

Saturday assisting at the Main Tent, help with the chicken barbecue, and evening tear down.

Sunday 7:30am cleanup of the park.

3rd Annual!

Saturday, July 9th
9am-3pm

Forms available at the Village Office.



Summer Recreation Program
July 18th through August 12th
Registration forms are available in the office.



On Tuesday, May 17th members of the Village, Town, and Fire Department travelled to Albany together to honor and remember Barry Miller's service and

dedication in a beautiful ceremony held at the NYS EMS Memorial in Empire State Plaza. He was honored with his name engraved on a Star of Life which has been placed on the EMS Memorial Tree of Life. Barry was also awarded the Liberty Award by the NYS Senate, presented by Senator Ranzenhofer.

