



**May  
2018**



## **Mayor's Message**

### FINAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER??

We need your input! With information available on the village website, facebook, and twitter, we are considering moving to a quarterly newsletter, or discontinuing the newsletter. Please send an email ([ambarclay@villageofbergen.com](mailto:ambarclay@villageofbergen.com)) or give us a call (494-1513) to let us know what you think.

Warmer weather has brought a great deal of activity to the village; tree lighting evergreens have been planted, the community garden plots are growing, brush pickup has been extensive, parks are mowed, tree trimming started, flower baskets hung, and flags are waving. This summer look for work to be done cleaning and repairing catch basins throughout the village, pot holes repaired, and scheduled septic tanks to be pumped.

Hickory Park is being readied for the annual Park Festival (June 9), all the armed forces will be honored on that day, and the new Veterans Memorial will be dedicated.

A big thank you to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class, their teachers and principal for working throughout the morning Wednesday to plant the annual Arbor Day Tree, all the flower boxes around the village, the park planters, and the flowers under village signs as community service. A highlight was the raising of the new flag pole and flag in the veterans memorial under construction in Hickory Park and McKenna Shuskey beautifully singing the Star Spangled Banner.

The Board of Trustees has awarded a three year refuse contract to Boone and Sons for weekly pick-up. There will be a \$0.38 weekly increase per household for this service over the contract term.

As you celebrate the coming weekend.....Memorial Day, May 28, is a time to remember those who have died in war, a time to remember those who gave their lives in service to our country, a time to honor their sacrifice.

*Mayor Anna Marie Barclay*

## **The 29th Annual Bergen Park Festival June 9th**

**11am to 3pm**-5th Annual Doug Susat Memorial Car Cruise In, Craft Vendors,

Book Sale, Bouncy House and Pony Rides

**Noon**- Parade Down Lake Avenue

**12:30pm**- Flag Burning Ceremony and Memorial Dedication at Hickory Park Entrance

**12:30pm to 2:30pm**- Petting Zoo

**3pm**- Bergen's Got Talent

**4pm to 5:30pm**-Chicken Barbecue near East Pavilion,

Presale tickets are \$10 available at the Village and Town Offices and the Byron-Bergen Public Library

**4pm to 6pm**-Batavia Swing Band

**6:30pm to 10pm**-Koko and the Moon Crickets

**10pm**-Fireworks

The Bergen Park Festival continues as an event to bring our community together, with any profits going back to Village and Town Parks

**Bergen Memorial Day Parade**  
Monday, May 28th  
9:00am

Please come out and honor our fallen heroes!



Refuse Service will be delayed one day. Pickup will be on Thursday, May 31st due to the Memorial Day Holiday.



## From the Desk of the Village Historian, Ray MacConnell

Charlie, "The Greeks" follow-up by Village Historian, Ray MacConnell

At this time, May 16, I have not heard from Mary Copoulos, after speaking to her priest, requesting Mary call me for an interview. She may be too ill to speak. Please know, I have great respect for the lady.

William Carruthers furnished the photo below. This was taken at the Bowling Alleys (2) of the Bergen Restaurant and Bowling Alleys in the early 1960's. From left to right Everest Seward, Sky Johnson, (note his head is angled because of the low ceiling) Huey McCartney, George (Red) Carruthers and Bud (no last name). If you are aware of Bud's last name, please contact me at the Village Office. Note: Huey has a cigarette and Red, a cigar in their hands. The lighting must have been poor, note the metal shades above their heads. This was a team that bowled each Friday night. Another photo shows Fred Cook and Chet Mantei substituting.



## Save the Date



### The 3rd Annual Chuckfest Disc Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 14th  
in Hartland Park

The tournament is open to all skill levels.  
Awards to top players.

### Summer Recreation Program

July 16th through August 10th  
Monday through Friday  
10am to 1pm



We are also looking for junior counselors ages  
14 to 18. If you are interested, please contact us.



The next brush and leaf pickups  
will be Tuesday, May 29th and  
Monday, June 11th.

### Bergen Community Farmers Market

Thursdays, June 28th through  
September 27th, 4-8 pm  
Hickory Park, front pavilion area  
Local produce, meat products,  
eggs, crafts, and entertainment.  
Sponsored by Village of Bergen,  
BBCA, and Town of Bergen.



The office will be closed Monday,  
May 28th in honor of Memorial Day.