



**September  
2019**

## **Mayor's Message**

I hope everyone had an enjoyable and safe Labor Day, and that our Byron-Bergen students had a successful start to the school year!

Many residents have expressed traffic safety concerns at the routes 19 and 33 intersection, as well as the west bound exit from 490, and the Apple Tree Avenue crossover to the industrial park. I have written a letter on behalf of the board and the community requesting the Department of Transportation to conduct a traffic study. This letter has been followed up with support letters from Assemblyman Hawley, the Town Supervisors of Bergen and Byron, 12 pages of petition signatures, and a record of emergency calls to the area.

Aside from the rain, the community garage sale (8/17) was a success; many visitors came to the village to scope and buy. Drawing winners were Lucille Zegdani, Harry Tyson, and Kim Capone, each receiving \$25.

Many thanks to Vickie Almquist, Todd Cargill, and Lynn Wilkins, members of the Park Committee, who joined me in painting the playground equipment in Hickory Park. The faded color has been replaced by bright red! Watch for more improvements in the playground.

Stephanie Burke has joined the Imagination Library committee; there are 106 Byron-Bergen children receiving free monthly books through community and business donations to the program.

Clark Paterson Lee will be completing and submitting a grant application for needed upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Village may be eligible for zero percent financing and a grant that would pay twenty-five percent of the project cost. The upgrades needed are new membranes for the treatment plant, updates to two lift stations, replacing manholes, and the installation of Department of Environmental Conservation mandated ultra violet light disinfection system.

Enjoy the village parks and trails as we move into the colors of fall!

*Mayor Anna Marie Barclay*

## **A Message From Our Building Inspector, Ken Kuter**

### **The Importance of Smoke Alarms and Carbon Monoxide Alarms**

- Place smoke alarms on every level of your home, outside each sleeping area and in every bedroom.
- Test smoke alarms monthly
- Vacuum alarms annually to remove dust and cobwebs.
- Replace old alarms. Smoke alarms ten years old and older need to be replaced.
- Alarms should never be disconnected. Batteries should never be removed for other uses.
- Replace the battery every year. Better yet, twice a year when you change the clocks in the spring and fall.
- Carbon Monoxide is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths in the United States
- Each year, approximately 200 people in New York State are hospitalized because of accidental CO poisoning. Many more people are treated for exposure in emergency rooms without further hospital care.
- Nationally, accidental CO poisoning kills 400 people and injures another 20,000 people each year.
- Carbon monoxide is a silent killer-you cannot see it, smell it, or taste it. The ONLY safe way to detect it is with a carbon monoxide alarm. Carbon monoxide alarms range in price from \$20 to \$50 depending on additional features.
- CO is produced anytime a fuel is burned. Potential sources include gas or oil furnaces, water heaters, space heaters, clothes dryers, barbecue grills, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves, gas ovens, generators, and car exhaust fumes. (Please remember to have your heating appliances serviced annually.)
- Most CO incidents happen during the winter months, mainly due to an increased use in fuel burning appliances.
- At high concentration levels carbon monoxide can be fatal in minutes. CO rapidly accumulates in the blood and is attracted to the hemoglobin in your bloodstream. When breathed in, CO passes through the lungs and bonds with hemoglobin, displacing the oxygen that cells need to function.



**Village Emergency  
Contact Numbers**  
Electric 353-0981  
Sewer 353-3659



# Village Meetings

## Board of Trustees

Second Wednesday of the month  
6:30pm

## Planning Board

Third Wednesday of the month  
7pm  
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten  
days prior to the meeting

## Zoning Board of Appeals

Fourth Thursday of the month  
7pm  
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten  
days prior to the meeting



## 2019 Anti-Rabies Immunization Clinic

Thursday, October 17th 4to 7pm  
Leroy Village Highway Garage  
58 North Street, Leroy

Each dog, cat, and ferret must be leashed or crated  
and accompanied by someone who can control it.  
Dog, cat, and ferret vaccinations are free.  
Voluntary donations are accepted.

## Help Wanted!

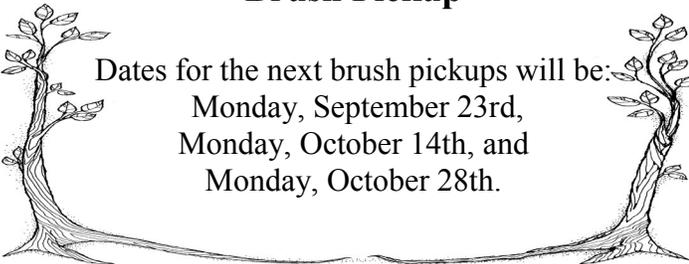
We are currently looking for  
alternate members to serve on  
our Planning Board.  
Training is provided!



# Save the Date

## Brush Pickup

Dates for the next brush pickups will be:  
Monday, September 23rd,  
Monday, October 14th, and  
Monday, October 28th.



## A Night of Elvis

Featuring: Michael Paul Callahan, Elvis Tribute Artist  
Saturday, October 5th  
7-9pm \$10 cover charge  
Prior to the show there will be a pulled pork dinner  
\$8 eat in or take out 4-6pm  
Sackett-Merrill-White American Legion, Bergen

## Village Tree Lighting December 2nd

Sign up for the display trees begins  
Monday, October 14th!  
More details to follow



The Byron-Bergen Public Library is pleased to  
announce that its annual fundraising event  
will be held

**Saturday, September 28th  
2pm-5pm**

**Hosted by Mark and Wanda Swanson**

Join us for:

Beer and Cider Tastings  
and a Live Auction

with one-of-a-kind, unique items.

**Tickets are available at the library for  
\$20 presale or \$25 at the door**