



**May
2020**

Mayor's Message

As we cautiously move to returning to our “new normal”, the village staff has been working on plans to open the village office while being mindful of everyone’s safety. Office staff will be returning to full time on May 26th, the office will be open to the public by appointment only starting June 1st. Specific information has been mailed out to village residents. Our linemen, waste water treatment plant operator, and DPW staff have returned to full time as of May 18th. Everyone has been working hard to maintain services to our residents as close to normal as possible throughout the COVID-19 emergency, their efforts are greatly appreciated.

The village board of trustees, planning board, and committee meetings will continue to be held virtually until we are given the go-ahead to meet at the office. Information on how to attend these meetings is on the village website.

The 2020-2021 general, electric, and sewer budgets were approved at the April 29th board meeting. Unfortunately, the financial impact of the pandemic will create a major deficit in our revenue. We are looking at a loss of approximately 33% of our income. I can assure you that we are working diligently to cut costs at the same time continuing to provide services and maintain the village buildings, roads, sidewalks, and parks.

Continue to check the village website, village facebook and twitter as we move toward opening our local businesses, as we open our parks. Please contact the office for information on the Bergen Covid-19 Meals Program, if you are in need of masks, or any questions or concerns you may have. Everyone is aware of the impact this crisis is continuing to have on each of our families, of the impact on our small businesses, of employment, on our finances, and of the impact on the health and well being of everyone. This time has been challenging, but we need to continue wearing our masks and following protocols. Our grandchildren, family members, and friends will be waiting for hugs on the other side.

Thank you again to everyone for all you are doing! Stay safe and well!

To all past and present service men and women....Thank you for your service!

Mayor Anna Marie Barclay

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL



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



Village Information



The office will be closed
Monday, May 25th
in honor of
Memorial Day

Property Assessment

The towns of Bergen, Byron, Elba, Oakfield, and Stafford have completed property reassessment projects this year. If you have concerns about your assessment, the NYS Department of Tax and Finance website is an excellent resource. Questions can also be forwarded to Rhonda Saulsbury Town of Bergen Assessor Bergen Office – (585) 494-1484 For appointments – (585) 343-1729 Ext. 207
Email: rsaulsbury@townofbatavia.com

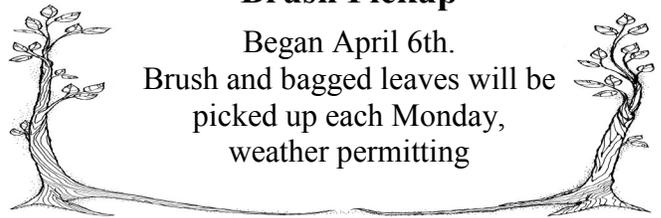
Our 2020 Community Garden has a limited number of 4' x 10' plots available. The cost is \$25 per plot. If you are interested, please contact the Office.



Refuse Service will be delayed one day. Pickup will be on Thursday, May 28th due to the Memorial Day Holiday.

Brush Pickup

Began April 6th.
Brush and bagged leaves will be picked up each Monday, weather permitting



Save the Date



Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony

Flags will still mark the graves of our Veterans, and 3x5 flags will still be available (\$25) through the Sackett Merrill White American Legion Post No 575 in Bergen, but the Memorial Day Parade and ceremony will be postponed to a later date.

Contact Commander Tom Williamson 494-1627 for information and flags.

The Genesee County website is filled with information concerning the COVID-19 crisis and its impact on our local communities. There is information and resources concerning the impact of local businesses, community resources, and assistance available to all aspects of health and wellness. Check the website for assistance you, a family member, or a friend may find helpful.

<https://www.co.genesee.ny.us/>

The 31st Annual Bergen Park Festival
Unfortunately, this year's festival has been canceled due to the current Covid-19 situation.

United States Census 2020

Census 2020 is underway! Do your civic duty and complete your Census questionnaire to help ensure Genesee County is fairly funded and fairly represented for the next decade. The questionnaire takes less than ten minutes to finish and can be completed without leaving home. Complete the Census online by using the website 2020census.gov or by calling Toll Free 1-844-330-2020.



Village Elections Rescheduled
Elections for two Village Board members will now be held on September 15th, 2020.