



Mayor's Message

I hope this newsletter finds you well and enjoying the cooler temperatures as we are nearing the fall season. I would like to thank Evaleena Brown, Summer Recreation Counselor, along with Rachel Hanel, Deborah Catalino, and Kendall Dermott, Junior Counselors, for another very successful summer recreation program held at Hickory Park.

It has come to my attention, by numerous residents, to a safety hazard concerning e-bikes in the village. These e-bikes, by NYS law, must be operated by riders at least 16 years of age and the wearing of helmets is required according to the law. They are not allowed on sidewalks where our residents must worry about their safety while enjoying a walk. They must obey all the rules as a motor vehicle while on the roads and are permitted only on streets that are 30 mph or less. For more information, please go online and search e-bike regulations in NYS.

I would like to thank the Town of Bergen highway department, along with the Village of Churchville, Town of Riga, Town of Byron, and Town of LeRoy for providing mutual aid to the village for road maintenance on Church and Gates streets. As the song goes, "we get by with a little help from our friends."

In closing, thanks to the entire village staff for our beautiful downtown flowers this year! They are second to none! Until next month, be safe and healthy.

Mayor Joseph M. Chimino

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at jchimino@villageofbergen.com or (585)703-2875.

From the Desk of the Village Historian, Vicky Truax



Today, we remember and honor the life of Harry Sidney Crosier.

Harry was born on July 17, 1931, in Buffalo, New York. The youngest of six siblings, he grew up in Buffalo and graduated from high school there. In 1951, Harry registered for military service and joined the U.S. Air Force. After completing his service, he attended trade school for construction, where he met two of his lifelong friends. The trio would go on to work together in the field.

In 1959, Harry and one of those friends passed the New York State Troopers exam, launching what would become Harry's long and distinguished career in law enforcement. He was stationed at the Bergen Trooper's Barracks on Buffalo Road, where fate intervened. On New Year's Eve in 1960, Mary Sardou introduced Harry to Beverly Ernst — the woman who would become the love of his life. They soon married and purchased their forever home on Rochester Street in Bergen, where Beverly still resides today. Harry and Beverly raised two children: a daughter, Tammy, and a son, Scott.

For a time, Harry worked and served on both gubernatorial and presidential security details — including working with Governor Nelson Rockefeller's entourage. He finished his career with the New York State Police as an investigator, retiring in 1986. From there, Harry worked for the United States Marshals, until he fell ill and couldn't continue with that.

Harry was a proud and active member of the Bergen community. He served as Commander of the Sacket-Merrill-White American Legion Post 575, was a Mason with Hesperus Lodge No. 837, and was a member of the Bergen Rod and Gun Club. Despite his demanding career, Harry made time for family vacations, often traveling to Florida with friends Bob and Wanda MacVean, and Robroy and Nancy Charcolla, along with their families.

Harry passed away on August 3, 1993, but not before witnessing his son Scott follow in his footsteps and rise to the rank of Colonel in the New York State Police. Today, Scott's son, Michael, carries on the legacy as a New York State Trooper. Remarkably, all three generations of Crosiers have worn the same badge number — a tribute to Harry's enduring influence.

Scott recalls how, during his childhood, neighbors frequently called their home not to reach the sheriff's office — but to speak directly with Harry. Whether it was for legal guidance or simply a helping hand, the people of Bergen knew they could count on him. In many ways, Harry was the town's unofficial "off-duty sheriff."

Today, we pay tribute to Harry Crosier — a devoted husband, father, public servant, and pillar of the Bergen community. He is laid to rest at Mt. Rest Cemetery in Bergen, remembered and respected by all who knew him.



Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981
Sewer 353-3659



These numbers do not receive text messages

Village Meetings

All meetings are open to the public

Save the Date

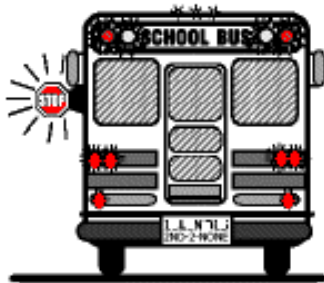


The office will be closed
Monday, September 1st
in celebration of
Labor Day

Refuse Service will be delayed for
Labor Day. Pickup will be on
Wednesday, September 3rd.



First day of classes for Byron-Bergen is
Wednesday, September 4th!



**OBEY ALL
SCHOOL BUS
WARNING
SYSTEMS!**

If red lights are flashing, **STOP!**
They show that children are get-
ting on or off the bus and may
be crossing the street.

**PROTECT
OUR
CHILDREN!**

Board of Trustees

Second Wednesday of the month
at 6:30pm

Planning Board

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

Zoning Board of Appeals

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

Brush Pickup



Brush and bagged leaves will be
picked up each Monday,
weather permitting.. Pickup is delayed
until Tuesdays for holidays



Bergen Harvest Market

Hickory Park
Tuesdays 3-6pm
July 1st through September 30th

Vegetables, fruits, flowers, fresh baked goods, meat,
eggs, maple syrup, honey and much more!



Mustard Seed Food Pantry

Bergen United Methodist Church, 27 South Lake Avenue

All are welcome at the Mustard Seed Food Pantry!

This vital community mission provides pantry staples,
canned goods, and fresh and frozen food.

The Food Distribution Schedule:

Last Saturday of each month 9am to Noon
Second Thursday of each month 5pm to 8pm



Bergen Evangelical Church
38 South Lake Avenue
Thursdays at 4pm

August 28
September 25

October 23
November 13

This is an outdoor walk-through food distribution.
Please bring a cart or wagon to gather your food.
Everyone is welcome to attend all Foodlink events