



**November  
2025**

## Mayor's Message

I hope this month's newsletter finds you well as we look forward to the holiday season. I want to give a big shout out to the Bergen Business and Civic Association (BBCA) for again organizing the recent Hallow's Eve celebration which was held at Hickory Park. The children as well as adults enjoyed the numerous decorative trunks on display. Thanks to village staff Cortney Gale and Rene' Vurraro for organizing the scavenger hunt for the kids' enjoyment as well as our DPW crew for all the pre-and-post work duties. While mentioning Hickory Park, I am pleased to announce that the rear pavilion materials have been delivered and construction has begun. The approximate completion is expected to be around three weeks depending on the weather. We will have to wait for spring for the final touches such as staining of the structure.

Brush and leaf pickup continues throughout the month. With the recent snowfall our DPW crew have begun winter operations. No overnight parking is allowed on village streets, and I ask you to refrain from parking on village streets during daylight hours, if possible, when snow events are forecasted. This enables our crew to work in a safe and efficient manner on your behalf.

Our substation upgrade continues with the delivery of one of three transformers that have been on order. This transformer is scheduled to go into service on Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup>. A very small portion of the village will be supplied by this unit initially, and the new OXBO facility located on South Lake Avenue, Route 19, is scheduled to go online on December 6<sup>th</sup>. We await the delivery of the other two transformers as well as voltage regulators which will be needed to complete the upgrade. Competitive bid specs dealing with the site work have been prepared and distributed by PLM engineering, the village board will review the bids at the first meeting following the bid submittal deadline and after discussion will award the contract. We anticipate June-July completion date for the substation upgrade at which time the entire village will be converted to a 12,470V system apart from the NORTERA Facility on Church Street, which will continue to operate at the existing 4160V system.

In closing, please save the date of December 8<sup>th</sup> for our annual tree lighting ceremony, more details are included in this flyer. Since my next newsletter will not reach you until after the holidays on behalf of all of us here at the village, we would like to wish you a blessed Thanksgiving and a wonderful Christmas Holiday, hopefully with family and friends.

*Mayor Joseph M. Chimino*

Until next month, be safe, be healthy.

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

## From the Desk of the Village Historian, Vicky Truax

### Village Tree Lighting and Santa's Block Party

Monday, December 8th 6:30pm

Zuber Park (Rochester Street by the US Post Office)

Santa \* Crafts \* Cookies \* Hot Cocoa \* DJ Josh

Singing Silhouettes \* 5th and 6th Grade Band





### Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981  
Sewer 353-3659



These numbers do not receive text messages

## Save the Date

Refuse Service **will not** be  
delayed for neither Thanksgiving Day,  
Christmas Day, nor New Year's Day.



### Holiday Office Closings

Thursday and Friday,  
November 27th and 28th  
In celebration of Thanksgiving

Wednesday and Thursday,  
December 24th and 25th  
In celebration of Christmas

Wednesday and Thursday,  
December 31st and January 1st  
In celebration of New Year's



### Hometown Hero Banners



The Bergen Triangle Club, Ladies Auxiliary of the Sackett-Merrill-White American Legion, and the Friends of Bergen are proud to continue the Hometown Heroes Banner Program for spring 2026. The program serves as a tribute to recognize service men and women from Bergen who are currently serving or have been honorably discharged from service to our country, in a branch of the military.

These banners are proudly displayed in the Village of Bergen from Memorial Day through Veteran's Day each year.

Have a service member you know honored with a banner of their own. To order a banner to honor a service member, and to have questions concerning the banners answered, please email

[amb0330@rochester.rr.com](mailto:amb0330@rochester.rr.com). Guidelines and an application will be sent to you. Orders must be submitted by February 28, 2026, for banners to be added to our display in 2026.

### Bergen Community Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 6th, 2025,  
6:00 PM

Bergen Evangelical Presbyterian  
Church

38 South Lake Ave, Bergen, NY

Join us for an evening of Christmas music performed by  
members of the community.

Young and old are welcome to attend. Family friendly,  
bring all your little ones!

Cookies, milk, and cocoa to follow.

Need a ride? Please call 494-1251.

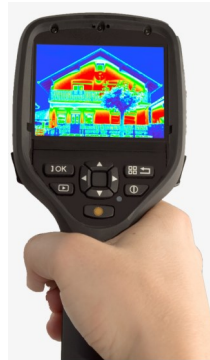
Calling all musicians- please share your talent with our  
community!

Questions about attending or performing?

Contact Jocelyn Rebisz, call or text (585) 369-6043.



### Thermal Infrared Imaging



Thermal infrared imaging has  
become a valuable tool in  
performing energy audits in  
residential and commercial  
applications. We are again  
offering a **free infrared  
assessment on your home**. The  
assessment, complete with color  
photos and helpful information  
show areas of heat loss. If you are  
interested, please **contact the  
Village Office**.

### Department of Public Works

Please remember that there is no parking on Village streets between 2:00 am and 7:00 am and no parking across the sidewalks. Your assistance will help our crews in their efforts to keep our roads clean and safe during the winter months. We will do our best to keep streets and sidewalks safe during snow and ice conditions. If you believe you have an unsafe situation, please contact the office at 494-1513 and we will do our best to resolve the problem as quickly as possible. Property owners and snow removal contractors should be aware that shoveling or plowing snow from private property onto or across public roads is illegal because it can present a serious traffic hazard to motorists.

