

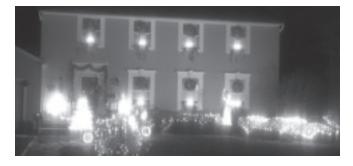
BAYBERRY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

# **WRAPPING UP BAYBERRY 2020**

**Santa Neighborhood Drive-Through:** The BCA ended the calendar year with its holiday events, this year with a Covid twist. The annual Santa home visit was adjusted with Santa driving though the streets of Bayberry on December 20th, with the assistance of the Moyers Corners Fire Department. Special thanks to our Santa's Helper Joe Cavataio riding the sleigh that day and to our friends at the Moyers Corners Fire Department, their point person Capt. Scott Beverly, and all of his crew. Santa was greeted by many residents and pictures from our neighbors were posted on the BCA's social media pages. If you have any photos send them along to **bcaexecboard@gmail.com** so we may post them on the BCA website, too! The BCA is hoping to have the Holiday Christmas Tree Lighting in Bayberry Plaza in 2021!

**Annual Cookie Drive for Civic Volunteers:** During the holiday season the BCA and its residents deliver baked goods to the members of NOVA and Moyers Corners Fire Department. This year many residents answered the call and donated to the "cookie fund" to supplement the BCA's donation of pre-packaged, store purchased goodies. Thanks to President Michael Becker for coordinating the pickup and delivery of the packages and a very special thanks to residents who donated to the fund as well. Very special thanks to the members of NOVA and MCFD for being there for the residents of Bayberry.

**Holiday Home Decorating Contest:** This year the residents of Bayberry were given a challenge to "up their game" for the best decorated home as judged by fellow residents. Bayberry was divided into six areas and the McGriff, Kenyon-Haase, Adams, Becker, Graser, Fairbanks, McMullen, Hardy, Banks, Schloop, Stella, Dolan and Howard families were judges for \$225 in cash prizes.



**Grand Prize Winner:** 15 Nectarine Lane (Conklin family)

Runner's Up (in no particular order):
1 Lark Path (Spernyak family), 4059 Bay Park Drive (Aitken family),
207 Blackberry Road (Fassinger/Krause family), 3 Blueberry Road (Robinson family),
208 Riverglen Road (Farley family)

Thank you so much to Stacey Schloop for again coordinating the contest. Photos can be seen at **www.bayberrycommunity.org**.

Congrats to all winners and to residents who helped Bayberry look festive even without much snow!

## NEXT BCA MEETING:

Sunday, January 31st at 7:00 p.m. online via Zoom.

To attend, please email bcaexecboard@gmail.com for an invitation.





More info on meetings and events will be posted on our website, Facebook page, Nextdoor, and Twitter as the dates draw near.

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# WINTER REMINDERS

If there is a sewer grate near your home, please take a look to ensure that it is not covered with any leaves or debris before winter finally arrives. Standing water will now become dangerous ice.

Please do not throw, blow or plow snow onto the streets.

Moyers Corners Fire Department asks that if you live near a fire hydrant, please clear a three foot radius around them. We certainly don't want them to go into service, but when they do, seconds are crucial.



# **TOWN AFFAIRS**

Byrne Dairy store appears to be moving ahead on its facility on Morgan Road, near Steelway Boulevard with a convenience store, deli, fuel station, and car wash and will operate 24 hours. There will be more board hearings on this matter.

Northeast Battery & Alternator LLC is planning on a warehouse at 4632 Crossroads Park Drive for the purpose of wholesale battery storage. The site is currently a warehouse.

There are plans before the Town and Planning Boards for the development of the northeast corner of Route 31 and Henry Clay Boulevard for 96 apartments and mixed commercial use -- retail/office/restaurant.

A reminder that there is no on-street parking in the Town of Clay from midnight to 8:00am until March 31, 2021.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions all residents can view Town Board meetings virtually with instruction on the Town's website **www.townofclay.org**.

Mike Banks

# **SCHOOL AFFAIRS**

Early Pre-K for 4 year olds will again be offered through the Liverpool School District. To apply for your child to be accepted into the program, an EPK notice of interest form must be completed. The forms are now available online and are due **March 14, 2021**. If there are still openings at that time, the process will resume.

All details can be found on the Liverpool School district website: www.liverpool.k12.ny.us

Mary K Eidt

# **HOW TO PAY YOUR 2020/2021 DUES**

To comply with social distancing recommendations, the BCA will not be conducting its yearly dues collection door to door. There are two convenient ways to pay the annual dues of \$10 via PayPal through **www.bayberrycommunity.org** or use the form below and mail a check to the BCA Post Office box. Donations can also be made to the Bayberry Scholarship fund using these same two methods. The BCA will continue to serve the community with information and events as allowed and thank you for helping with the success of the Bayberry Community Association.

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# **BAYBERRY & BCA HISTORY**

The Bayberry Community Association has put on many great events for over 60 years and will continue to do so as it is able during Covid-19 and beyond. The BCA has been instrumental in getting changes and improvements to the area for it's residents and the Town of Clay, some of which are now just part of our everyday life. One being the traffic signal at the intersection of Blackberry/Rivercrest Roads and Route 57 which described below in an excerpt from a 1962 article, the BCA was the driving force for the installation of this traffic signal. Recently these traffic signals have been replaced lacking some signage on the light masts. The BCA reached out to Onondaga County Legislator Jim Rowley for the addition larger No Turn On Red signs on the masts, which will be installed this spring as per DOT.

Nearly four years ago the BCA received the attention of then Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer. His office contacted this writer to arrange a press conference in Bayberry at the BCA's "offices", to discuss the impact of a bill pending approval by the Senate. After explaining there were no offices it would have to held at someone's home, one resident accepted the request to hold it in their driveway, along with 20 other residents--some giving Senator Schumer a piece of their minds! He is one of the most influential people in the Senate and soon to be the Majority Leader, regardless of your political views he chose the BCA and Bayberry as a location for this press conference. Apparently we are a big deal!

#### THE FOLLOWING IS FROM THE LIVERPOOL-SALINA REVIEW FROM SEPTEMBER 1962 BY PEG BANDY:

"The Bayberry Community Association has added another accomplishment to its list. And that is, as everyone has noticed by now, the new traffic light at Route 57 and Buckley Road. The desire for the traffic light stemmed from one of the first meeting of the organization back in June when it was known as the Bayberry Homeowners Association.

At a meeting in the garage of Walter Colburne at 10 Damson Lane that year, 25 residents of Bayberry got together and listed the traffic light as one of its first projects. President at that time was Bud Bulling. The wheels of governmental department grind slowly but at last the light is in operation. Although it will be a caution light through the day, the school crossing guard will operate it for "stop" and "go" signals during the necessary times. It is hoped the caution light alone will have some effect on the speed of heavy traffic using Route 57. Another project of the club, also fulfilled, was the location of an elementary school in Bayberry.

Work done by this early Bayberry group is largely responsible for the purchase of the site of Craven Crawford School. History of the BCA shows that through cooperative efforts of the organization and officials of the Town of Clay, a private water company serving the area became a municipal district. BCA has also helped the Moyers Corner Fire department construction of a new station. Bayberry Community Association was formed to "encourage a higher regard for the Bayberry Community, to promote those causes and any actions which will contribute to the welfare of the Bayberry Community while keeping members informed."

Do you have any photos or stories you'd like to share pertaining to the history of the BCA or Bayberry? Send them along to **bcamike@gmail.com** and, with space permitting, we will share them with the community.

Mike Banks, Editor

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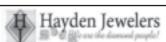
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