
BAYBERRY news

BAYBERRY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 OFFICER ELECTIONS

April

Nominees for all officer positions will be announced by the Election Committee and any additional nominations accepted from the floor at the April Board of Directors Meeting. Nominees will be given the opportunity to introduce themselves and should be given the opportunity to submit a short introduction for publication in Association Media. Two ballots listing the finalized slate of officer candidates shall be published in the April Newsletter. Members shall be advised of their option to mail in their sealed ballot to the Association P.O. Box or submit it at the May meeting via a designee rather than attending in person. The list of candidates shall also be publicized via Association media.

May

Balloting: All ballots must be submitted prior to the close of voting at the May meeting. Blank ballots shall be available at the meeting. The president shall announce the close of voting whereupon no further ballots will be accepted. All ballots will now be tallied by the members of the Election Committee. The Secretary shall announce the results of the balloting once the tally is complete. The newly elected Officers shall assume their duties on July 1st.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP – SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

The cleanup is a great opportunity to meet neighbors and care for our community. This covers the main roads of Bayberry (Blackberry Road, parts of John Glenn, Route 57, etc.). **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.** Jordan Curtis has registered BCA with OCRRA and has contacted the Town of Clay Highway Department.

BAYBERRY COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE – SAT., MAY 18, 2024

The annual Bayberry Spring Garage Sale is scheduled for May 18 from 9:00am to 5:00pm (rain or shine). We will post a list of participating homes on our website and social media pages a few days before the event. Bayberry residents who wish to be included on the list, please email your address and a short description to bayberrynews@gmail.com on or before May 15. Please note, you must be a 2023/2024 dues-paying resident to have your home listed.

Need to pay your \$10 annual dues? Visit <https://bayberrycommunity.org> to pay via Paypal or mail your check, payable to BCA, to P.O. Box 2184, Liverpool, NY 13089.

***TENTATIVE* - ONONDAGA COUNTY SHERIFF'S CAR SEAT CHECK DURING GARAGE SALE (CHECK FOR UPDATES).**

NEXT BCA MEETING:

Sunday, April 7
at 7:00 p.m.
online via Zoom.

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

DUES REMINDER

The new fiscal year has begun. Please submit BCA member dues. If you are not sure your household has paid dues, please contact Kyle Adams, BCA Treasurer at kradamspt@hotmail.com or 315-807-8160. Dues information is on page 2.

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

bayberrycommunity.org

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facebook.com/bayberrycommunity.org

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THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR \$10 ANNUAL DUES

For the successful preservation of the Bayberry Community Association, it is essential that all households within the boundaries of the association pay their dues. Many ask what the dues pay for and what each individual household receives for their \$10 annual dues.

The social aspects of the association shine through many times per year at the Halloween party/parade, Santa visit, cookie drive for local first responders, summer picnic, the occasional ice cream social, holiday decorating contest, and the occasional tree lighting. The association also includes the close monitoring of the Liverpool School District and the Town of Clay Town Board. The BCA has been and will continue to be a voice for the community at these two important entities. Meet the Candidates night is another important event for the community, sponsored by the BCA, to meet and ask questions of political candidates who make the decisions that affect our daily lives. All of these events are funded by our dues.

It is important for the BCA to collect dues from as many households as possible to maintain our operations which include our monthly meetings, now held in person, for any resident to attend to see the workings of the BCA and suggest new events, procedures, and ideas. Along with meetings, BCA dues also allow for the continuation of our monthly newsletter, The BCA News, now available online for easy access to everyone. Our website, <https://bayberrycommunity.org/>, is another dues funded entity that is important for our association and for the community at large.

The annual Spring/Earth Day Cleanup event is a great way to see the workings of the BCA also. This event benefits our whole community by cleaning up our section of the community, placing emphasis on our duty to give back and make our community a great place to live.

The BCA scholarship, awarded annually to a volunteer oriented high school senior who lives in the association neighborhoods, is another way the BCA gives back to the community. For a high school senior going on the college or trade school this scholarship is a great way to help out.

To see a list of other events & operational costs visit: <https://bayberrycommunity.org/2018/bca-membership-dues-and-what-they-pay-for/>.

To keep our wonderful association going, please pay your dues, get involved and if you would like to learn more, reach out and/or come to a meeting.

You can pay with a check made out to the BCA and mailed to our PO Box: Bayberry Community Association, P.O. box 2184, Liverpool, NY 13089, or online through PayPal at <https://bayberrycommunity.org/>.

HOW TO PAY YOUR 2023/2024 DUES

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.



BCA Area _____ (If you know it)

Member/Family Name _____

Member/Family Address _____

Email Address _____

() Dues Amount Paid \$10.00 () Scholarship Donation _____

Make checks payable to: BCA

**Mail to: Bayberry Community Association Inc.
 P.O. Box 2184
 Liverpool, NY 13089**

2023-24 BCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Each spring, the BCA gives back to the community by awarding a scholarship to a deserving student who currently lives in one of the association's member communities. The main criteria for the scholarship is based on community service and volunteerism by the applicant.

Please remember, the applicant's parent or guardian must reside in a Bayberry Community and be a paid member of the Bayberry Community Association for the current membership year (2023/2024). Dues must be paid by March 31, 2024. You can send your dues to PO Box 2184, Liverpool, NY 13089 or pay via Paypal at the link on our website.

To download the application, go to <https://bayberrycommunity.org/2023/2024-bca-scholarship-application/>. Applications must be received by MAY 1, 2024.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS

The capital project vote in March passed, 501 to 263.

Pre-K registration is open. Your child's paperwork must be submitted by April 7 to be eligible for the lottery. If more students register than the number of slots available, there will be a waiting list.

There will be an Autism and Neurodiversity night on April 16 at the high school from 5:30 to 7:30. Information about the program can be found on the district website.

Voting for the school budget and school board members is May 21.

TOWN AFFAIRS

Town Board meetings Monday April 1 and Monday April 15 both at 7:30pm. Zoning Board meeting Monday April 8 at 6pm. Planning Board meetings Wednesday April 10 and Wednesday April 24 both at 7:30pm.

TOWN OF CLAY LEGAL NOTICES

Please check the Town of Clay website (<http://townofclay.org/government/legal-notices>) for upcoming public hearings. Residents are welcome at all meetings to voice any concerns or questions.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Please contact Debbie Magaro-Dolan at dmd26@verizon.net to suggest a Veteran to be highlighted in an upcoming spotlight.

GRANTS FOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS

See below information (pages 4 and 5) on matching homeowner grants for climate ready improvements.

Prepare Your Home to Better Weather Future Storms

You can't control the weather, but you can prevent costly weather-related damage to your home.



NYS Resilient Retrofits

Apply for a 1% Loan and get a Matching Grant

New York State homeowners may be eligible for up to \$50,000 in a 50/50 loan/grant* program to undertake flood mitigation measures and other climate-ready improvements to their homes, including energy upgrades.

Energy upgrades like hot water tanks and solar panels qualify for this program!

For more information and to download an application: homehq.org/nys-resilient-retrofits



*Matching grants are considered deferred loans through the term of the loan and are forgiven once the terms of the loan are satisfied



Homes and Community Renewal



Program Details And Eligibility

- Up to \$50,000 in a combination low-interest loan with matching grant for flood mitigation and energy efficiency and electrification improvements (main structure of the home only)
- Loans are at a 1% simple interest rate and are payable over 5-10 years
- Grant portion, of up to \$25,000, is considered a deferred loan through the term of the loan and forgiven once the terms of the loan are satisfied
- Homes located in Extreme Risk Areas, Floodways and Coastal Erosion Zones are not eligible to participate
- Homeowners choose their own properly insured and certified contractor(s)
- Household income must be at or below 120% of HUD median income
- No minimum credit score required
- Primary residences only
- Owner-occupied, 1-4 unit buildings allowed
- Homeowner must undertake a flood mitigation measure as part of the overall home improvement.

What Kind Of Projects Could Qualify?

Syracuse MSA Household Income Limits 120% AMI	
FAMILY SIZE	HOUSEHOLD INCOME MAX
1 Person	\$78,480
2 People	\$89,640
3 People	\$100,800
4 People	\$111,960
5 People	\$120,960

Flood Mitigation Measures

To take advantage of this loan, homeowners need to undertake one flood mitigation item as part of the overall project.

- Elevate Electrical Equipment
- Use Flood Resistant Materials
- Install Flood Vents, Sump Pump or Heat Pump
- Add a Backwater Valve and More!

QUESTIONS? Call 1-833-DRY-WARM or email info@homehq.org

The New York State Resilient Retrofits 50/50 Loan/Grant Program was created and funded through New York State Homes and Community Renewal to help homeowners preserve their homes in response to climate change. New York State homeowners are facing increasing challenges to home preservation and climate-readiness due to extreme weather events like flooding. The NYS Resilient Retrofits (Floodproofing) 50/50 Loan/Grant Program offers an affordable and accessible program for homeowners to better weather the next wave of climate change.

Home HeadQuarters is a non-profit housing and community development organization and certified Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) that has provided equitable lending, development and homeownership programs to New York residents for more than 25 years. Based in Syracuse, New York, Home HeadQuarters is working with community partners like the Community Development of Long Island (CDLI) to deliver the NYS Resilient Retrofits 50/50 Loan/Grant Program to New York State homeowners.



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WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Virtual welcome packets have been finalized and sent to new residents requesting them. Thanks to all who participated in revising the packets. If you are new to Bayberry, we would love to hear from you! Please email us at bayberrynews@gmail.com for a Welcome Packet.

ROAD SAFETY

As weather improves, take time to check local roads for damage from winter weather, snowplows, etc. There could still be cold weather with snow and ice, so take time to drive carefully.



OFFICERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

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President	Jordan Curtis	315-395-0852
1st Vice President	Debbie Countryman	315-652-5309
2nd Vice President	Mary Eidt	315- 652-8610
Secretary		
Treasurer	Kyle Adams	315-807-8160
Historian	June Baycura	315-652-6971
Infrastructure Coord.	Gail Clarke	315-882-4161

Position:	Name:	Phone #
School Affairs	Mary Eidt	315- 652-8610
Town Affairs	Jordan Curtis	315-395-0852
Communications Coord.	Kristine Davoli	718-249-7256
Newsletter Editor	Jordan Curtis	315-395-0852
Events/Activities Coord.	Debbie Countryman	315-652-5309
Welcome Chair	Kristine Davoli	718-249-7256

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