

BCAnews

BAYBERRY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

New families, new friends

By Laura Oberlander

In 2016, 81 new families moved into Bayberry. Almost every area had a new family move in. I have been blessed to meet so many of these new families and let me tell you, they are fantastic people with fantastic stories! They come from out of state, out of the area, relocating for a job, or they are familiar with the Liverpool area already and wanted to live in Bayberry.

I love to ask new residents how and/ or why they found the home they did in Bayberry. Some told me they wanted their kids to grow up in a safe community. Some are newly married and want to start a family in Bayberry. A couple of homes sold on the Seneca River this year. Those families wanted to be by the water, still have the luxuries of being in a community, but could hop on the boat from their backyard! A couple of homes were purchased to 'flip' and they turned out gorgeous! One person mentioned they wanted a modern home design and didn't realize to look in Bayberry, but once he did, he found exactly what he was looking for from one of those 'flip' houses. Some grew up here and wanted to stay in the community, to be close to their aging parents. Some have purchased their parents' house to keep living in the same community.

Hearing these stories gives me pride in my community. Please take a moment and say hello to your new and old neighbors and share your story!

Scholarship applications now available

At the end of the 2016-17 school year, the BCA will award a scholarship to two graduating high school students who reside in Bayberry for their service to the community. Along with gracious donations from residents, Edge FCU has contributed to this award (which is now the Bayberry Community Association/ Edge FCU Scholarship) helping us to grant two scholarships to deserving students in the amount of \$500 each. Dues must have been paid by the student's parent or guardian by Dec. 31, 2016. The application for the 2017 scholarship is now available. Please download the application from http://www.bayberrycommunity.org/wp-content/uploads/Scholarship2017.pdf for important information on eligibility.

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY APRIL 15.

NEXT BCA MEETING:

Sun., March 5 at 7 p.m. United Church of Christ 215 Blackberry Road

Meetings open to all residents!

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA Officer Nominations Sunday, April 2

> Earth Day Cleanup Saturday, April 22

Spring Garage Sale Saturday, May 20

Snow Sculpture Contest For more details, refer to page 2.

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President's corner By Mike Banks

Good news bad news—the median wall cap at the Blackberry Road entrance will soon be repaired. Unfortunately, we were unable to find the hit and run driver who pushed the cap off of the wall. Thankfully, the damage was not too extensive and can be repaired without breaking the bank!

There has been an alarming amount of reports of individuals walking up to vehicles and homes late at night or in the early a.m. looking to steal and rob from the residents of Bayberry. Residents have reported footprints being seen going up to their homes and cars. There have also been reports of individuals knocking on doors, standing on stoops and lurking around the homes in our neighborhood after dark—some stating they are affiliated with religious organizations or businesses.

A few simple tips: LOCK your cars, doors and windows. In the event someone comes to your front door, you don't need to answer it, but if you feel uncomfortable or threatened CALL 911. Each year the BCA invites a representative from Neighborhood Watch or the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department to discuss ways to safeguard your home. At the April 2 BOD meeting, a Neighborhood Watch representative will be present to address concerns. Residents are encouraged to attend.

Snow Sculpture Contest

Have you been creative with the 100"+ of snow this winter? Send in a photo of your family's artistic creation to bayberrynews@gmail.com and compete for some great prizes from the BCA—deadline for submission is March 31. Good luck!

BCA 2017 meetings and events

Throughout the year, the BCA holds meetings and events for our residents. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend our meetings. Our special events are open to all residents who have paid their dues for the year. Our dues collection campaign begins in May! Below is a schedule of meetings and events for 2017:

Meetings: March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4

Events: 4/2 BCA Officer Nominations, 4/22 Earth Day Cleanup, 5/20 Spring Garage Sale, 5/21 Spring Planting, 6/4 Candidate Ballot Collection, 8/5 Family Picnic

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

Did you know? Fun little facts

Did you know11percent of people are left handed?

Did you know August has the highest percentage of births?

Did you know unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it?

Did you know the average person falls asleep in 7 minutes?

Did you know a bear has 42 teeth?

Did you know an ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain?

Did you know lemons contain more sugar than strawberries?

Source: www.did-you-knows.com

Sewer stress?

This time of year, many residents may find they'll need work on their sewers. Please note that you can call the Onondaga County Emergency Sewer phone number at 315-435-3157. If your property is eligible, the county will come to your home, free-of-charge, to assess and hopefully resolve your sewer problems.

Town affairs

The Town Affairs Committee is looking for volunteers to help attend meetings throughout the month. Town and Zoning boards typically meet on Mondays and the planning board usually meets on Wednesdays. If you are interested, please contact Mike Banks at 652-2657.

Volunteers

The BCA is seeking to fill a number of positions by volunteers seeking to take on an active role in their community. Full descriptions of each position can be found on BayberryCommunity.org. If you are willing to lend your Community Association a little of your time, please reply to bcaexecboard.com@gmail.com. You are also welcome to attend our next monthly board meeting at 7 p.m. Sunday, March 5 at the United Church of Christ, 215 Blackberry Road for additional details regarding these positions.

Quote of the Month

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

- H. Jackson Brown,

Jr

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