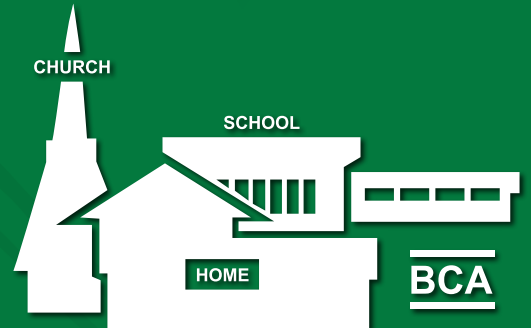


BAYBERRY news



BAYBERRY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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BAYBERRY WEBSITE

We are currently experiencing issues with our website and hope to have them resolved soon. Please reach out to bayberrynews@gmail.com with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

DUES REMINDER

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 - June 30.

Please pay your BCA member dues. If you are unsure if your household has paid its dues, please contact Kyle Adams, BCA Treasurer (email: KRAdamsPT@hotmail.com or phone: 315-807-8160).

UPCOMING EVENTS - JANUARY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Happy New Year! 2025			
5	LCS BOE Meeting 6pm					
12						
19	MLK Day No School					
26			Lunar New Year No School			

Upcoming Events continued on page 2...

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NEXT BCA MEETING:

Sun., January 12 • 7pm
United Church of Christ
215 Blackberry Road

*Meetings open to
all residents!*

SEE PAGE 3

for important
information concerning
ANNUAL DUES

More info on meetings and events
will be posted on our website,
Facebook and Instagram pages,
as the dates draw near.



FACEBOOK:

facebook.com/bayberrycommunity.org



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BAYBERRY LINKTREE

TOWN OF CLAY LEGAL NOTICES

Please check the Town of Clay website for upcoming public hearings. Residents are welcome at all meetings to voice any concerns or questions.

townofclay.org/government/legal-notice

BRUSH PICK-UP

Residents are reminded to keep and brush/lawn debris out of roadways. Leaves should not be raked/blown into the road; please pile leaves on grass along property lines. Residents are advised to be patient and leave brush by the road; it will be picked up as quickly as possible.

townofclay.org/departments/highway/brush-collection

ROAD SAFETY

Colder weather has arrived. Be aware, when driving it can take longer to come to a full stop if roads are wet from snow or iced. Pedestrians, cyclists, etc. should use the correct (pedestrians should face traffic; cyclists flow with traffic, etc.) side of the road.

SCHOOL AFFAIRS

160+ students were recently inducted into the National Honor Society from Liverpool.

Dr. Jerome Melvin, superintendent of Liverpool Schools from 1978 to 1992, recently passed away at the age of 90. Many people in the area knew Dr. Melvin well, and he will be missed. A memorial service is set for December 27 at the Cathedral in Columbus Circle. Visitation at 9AM, service at 10 AM.

The district is looking for community members for the advisory audit committee. Details and qualifications are found on the district website.

The new mascot name for the school district is the Legends.

TOWN AFFAIRS

Town and Highway Offices will be closed Tuesday, December 24, Wednesday, December 25, 2024 and Wednesday, January 1, 2025

THANK YOU

Wegmans, Neighborhood Watch, and McDonald's for supplies in support of the Halloween Party. Thank you to all the Bayberry Plaza merchants that participated.

COOKIE DRIVE FOR MCFD AND NOVA



Cookies were delivered Friday December 6. Thank you to all who donated toward the

cookies. Both locations were very appreciative for the deliveries.

SANTA'S DRIVE-THROUGH



On Saturday, December 7, Santa, with assistance from MCFD, made his way

through the community. Thanks again to MCFD for helping.



UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

First round of judging will be December 13 and 14; **second round** December 15 and 16; **third/final round** December 18 and 19. *Participating homes, please make sure house numbers are visible/illuminated.*

First place receives \$25, five additional winners receive \$10 each. If you wish to volunteer as a judge, please contact Stacey Schloop at schloop18@verizon.net or call 315-350-7116 with your name, address, and phone number.

BCA SCHOLARSHIP

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 to college or trade school this scholarship is a great way to help out. This scholarship is funded

through a fund that is separate from the dues account. To donate to the scholarship fund, you can send a check made out to the "Bayberry Community Association" to our PO Box: Bayberry Community Association, P.O. Box 2184, Liverpool, NY 13089.

THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR \$10 ANNUAL DUES

The purpose of the BCA is to facilitate communication and a sense of community within the neighborhood; to keep residents informed; to advocate for our interests with local government; to organize community events and activities; and to keep the community a safe, friendly and well-maintained place to live.

To fund its sponsored events, activities and operating expenses, the BCA offers community residents membership in the association by payment of dues, currently assessed at \$10.00 annually (**July 1st – June 30th each year**).

Current BCA Services, Activity and Event Expenses Include:

- Earth Day Litter Cleanup
- Spring / Fall Garage Sale Publicity
- Entrance Flower Planting & Maintenance
- Child Car Seat Safety Check
- Summer Ice Cream Social
- Halloween Party in the Plaza
- Halloween Costume and Coloring Contest
- Holiday Decorating Contests
- Cookie Drive for MCFD and NOVA

- Santa Drive through the community
- Town & School Board Meeting Attendance & Reports
- Meet the Candidate event prior to elections
- Nine Monthly Electronic Newsletters
- Manages Facebook and Instagram accounts, as well as other social media, as needed
- BCA Postcard delivery to new members of the community
- Signs to advertise BCA events throughout the year

BCA Operating Expenses Include:

- Meeting Space Rental
- Liability Insurance
- Hosting of BCA Website & URL Fee
- Various Administrative Costs (PO Box, Postage, Office Supplies)

Donations to Various Community Groups:

- Selected annually by the BCA Executive Committee

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.

HOW TO PAY YOUR 2024/2025 DUES

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

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Liverpool, NY 13089

VETERANS AFFAIRS

Please contact Debbie Magaro-Dolan to suggest a Veteran to be highlighted in the future.

Email: dmd26@verizon.net

WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS UPDATE

New residents will receive an informational postcard telling them about the BCA.

TOWN OF CLAY PARKING BAN

No on-street parking November 1, 2024-April 1, 2025.
This allows plows to keep roads clear of snow.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH TIP

Avoid Porch Theft: 5 Tips to Protect Your Packages

1. Network with Neighbors
2. Have Packages Delivered to Work
3. Leave Specific Drop-off Instructions
4. Use a Smart Lock/Doorbell
5. Install Security Cameras

For more holiday safety tips, please visit:

<https://nnw.org/holiday-safety>

DECEMBER IS:

SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER (SAD) AWARENESS MONTH

Each year, millions of Americans are affected by this condition, which brings on significant mood changes in response to the changing of seasons.

Typically SAD occurs during late fall and winter months, when there is less sunlight and colder weather. The symptoms usually lift during the spring and summer months.

SAD is a type of depression, so the symptoms look similar to depression symptoms, and can include:

- Sad, anxious, or "empty" feelings
- Feelings of hopelessness, guilt, worthlessness, or helplessness
- Loss of interest or pleasure in formerly enjoyable activities
- Fatigue and decreased energy
- Overeating (or conversely, lack of appetite)
- Difficulty concentrating, remembering details, or making decisions
- Social withdrawal
- Thoughts of death or suicide

If these describe you or a loved one this time of year, you are not alone. Talk to a mental health specialist or health care provider and find out what therapies or treatments may be available to you.

https://namiguilford.org/sad_month

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Historian	June Baycura	315-652-6971

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