



May 22, 2020

To All Residents,

The Village has followed Governor DeWine's directives and orders as they pertained to the shutdown to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus. We are now following his directives for the re-opening

Effective May 26, 2020, the Village Recreation Center, playground, dog park and tennis courts in the Village Park will reopen.

Effective June 1, 2020, Village Administration, Building Department and Mayor's Court will resume hours and procedures that reflect our concern for the safety of all individuals while continuing to provide services to our residents.

The Police and Service Departments have already returned to a more typical shift schedule.

All of the above assumes proper social distancing, the wearing of masks, proper hand washing and use of sanitizers, etc. The fight against this deadly virus is not over. We must remain cautious and protect each other.

Our website, www.bratenaahl.org has the details of the hours and procedures mentioned above. Please review them.

We are still not certain when meetings will return to face to face. They will be held virtually until further notice.

All of this is subject to change. To quote Winston Churchill, "This is not the end, it is not the beginning of the end, but it is the end of the beginning." Although those words were used to describe events in World War 2, they resonate today.

Memorial Day, May 25, 2020

It is the first time in my memory we have not had a parade and ceremony to honor our Veterans. It does not diminish our respect and thanks for the sacrifices they made for our freedom. Below please see the names of the six Bratenahl residents that gave their lives in the ultimate sacrifice for our Country:

Paul N. Banker – U.S. Army, World War 2 – Lived on Brighton Road. Born August 12, 1918. Died on an island in the Pacific, March, 1945.

Ernest P. Irish – U.S. Army, World War 1 – Lived on Bratenahl Road. Born in late 1899 or early 1900 (exact date unknown). Fatally wounded in the last days of the Argonne Campaign, died January 1919.

William J. Nixon – U.S. Army, World War 2 – Lived on Foster Avenue. Born October 13, 1925. Fatally wounded in Holland in 1944. Died March 6, 1945.

John Putnam – U.S. Army – World War 2 – Lived on Lakeshore Boulevard. Birth date not available. Died in a plane crash in England, August 19, 1944

James P. Rizzo – U.S. Marine Corps – Vietnam War – Lived on Garfield Lane. Birth date not available. Killed in action on February 8, 1968 in Vietnam.

Julius N. Szahlander – U.S. Army - Vietnam War – Born July, 1943. Lived on Lakeshore Boulevard. Moved to Bratenahl from Hungary, 1957. Killed in action February 25, 1968 in Vietnam.

There is more information on each of these heroes, including personal interests, details and rank, commendations, etc., that are available on request. Do not hesitate to contact me if interested.

On behalf of our Police, Service Departments and Village Administration, I wish everyone a safe and healthy Holiday weekend.

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