

VAN BUSKIRK GULF ROAD

The Van Buskirk family lived all over the Van Buskirk Gulf Road area and in Newfield Village. In the 1800's there were four brothers: John, Moses, Peter and Aaron. Moses Van Buskirk had a harness shop between where the Covered Bridge Market and the Town Hall are now.

Present Number	Street	House Age	Some Historical Property Owners and Residents	Other Information
115	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1860	J. O. Crance, Maria E. Hirsch and James J. Buzzard	Was owned in 1866 by J. O. Crance
270	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1818	The Luotas, Christopher Carnell	Stone Jug located on season portion of the road. This is one of the few stone houses ever build in Newfield. Little is known of its origin, but there is reason to believe that the builders were settlers from Pennsylvania, who came after the Revolution. It was best known as the focal point of the local Finnish community. Before World War II a family by the name of Luotas ran a Finnish Bakery in the house during the 1930s. It was also used as a Finnish Dance Hall in 1910.
357	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1830	Reid and Suzanna Hoskins	Was formerly the Cutter Schoolhouse and was converted to a summer home after 1939. An addition to the original school was built in 2000. Around the 1920s, Donald Starr Cutter, Kathryn maki's father, was the teacher and most of the students were Finnish including the Jokis, the Kippolas, Huttunens, Huhtas, Knuutilas, and Patanas. Water was carried from the Van Riper well. A Mister Fish brought wood to the school, and he had a couple of oxen to draw his wagon.

578	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1860	Richard M. Snyder and Eve Everhart, Matthew and Mary Joki, Jerry Mickelson	Owned from 1922 to 1865 by Jerry Mickelson's grandparents, Matthew and Mary Joki. A 1937 deed refers to the road in the front of the house as "East-West Highway" and the road was called Joki Road. In 1866 it was owned by Richard M. Snyder, who was married to Eve Everhart. They had a son, Lou Snyder, who lived in the house below the Cook house in Newfield village.
659	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1860	Roy Berggren, Donald C. and Kelly Reed	
739	Van Buskirk Gulf	circa 1850	The Sawbridges, Nettie and George James, Gary and Tina Goff	Was the Sawbridge homestead for many years. In the late 1800s it was owned by Nettie and George James.

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