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If interested in becoming an Election Judge please call City Office. Election Judges are compensated at \$10 per hour plus meals, this is for the Primary in August and the General Election is in November. Please call for an application. Must be able to run electronic equipment.

Saturday, April 28 Carver County will be at the City Hall for the Medicine Take Back program from 10 AM—2 PM. Proper drug disposal prevents drug abuse, prevents accidental poisoning, protects the environment. NO CHARGE, NO QUESTIONS.

OF NEW GERMANY

Commercial Club Concert

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May 19th, 2018 from 7-9 PM in the New Germany City Hall the Commercial Club will be hosting the music performance of a local young band called The

Six Outlaws and Trumpeters. Tickets may be purchased for \$10 from Mitch Hall 612-245-0289, Gerald Roepke 952-353-2153, or at Heimey's. The Commercial Club supports the youth programs held through out the year in the City of New Germany. Come support them and listen to a great performance by The Six Out-

laws!

★ Small Furniture \$10.00

Note—There is a large container on that day at the city shed to take almost any kind of miscellaneous junk cluttering your yard, we also will have trailers available for scrap metal. Any miscellaneous garbage is free to dispose of if it is not mentioned above. Call the office to schedule help if you need assistance hauling a large item

to the site. They will help you.

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New Germany/Camden Township Clean Up Day May 19, 2018

(a) the City Shed from 7:00AM to 11AM.

You must be a resident within the City limits of New Germany or a resident of Camden Township.

- ☆ No Hazardous Waste, Fluorescent bulbs, tractor tires $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ or auto batteries—these can be taken to NYA.
 - Fees apply as noted below

★ Air Conditioners \$21.00 ea. Sofa/Couch \$25.00 ea. Car/truck/SUV tires \$ 2.00 **Appliances** \$11.00 ea. **★** Electronics \$10.00 ea. Large TV \$20.00 ea. Sm TV/Monitors\$10.00 ea. Mattresses \$20.00 ea. **☆** Carpet Rolls \$10.00 ea. **Box Springs** \$20.00 ea. Recliners/Chairs \$15.00 Hide-a-beds \$35.00 ea.

THERE WILL ONLY BE SPRING RECY-

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JUNK & BLIGHT ISSUES IN THE CITY

300 Broadway Street E PO Box 177

952-353-2488 Office 952-353-8021 Fax

ngcityhall@gmail.com Building Insp. - 763-479-1720 Hall Rental Info - 952-353-1781

OFFICE HOURS

MON thru THURS 8:30-4:30 CLOSED ON FRIDAYS.

Have you thought about being on the Planning Commission? If interested please call City office.

Yes, it is that time of the year again. After the snow melts things are uncovered that we forgot about. Inspections are being done & letters will be going out. If needed, the city will tow, hire a crew to clean up or do whatever is necessary to clean up our city. Any clean up that needs to be done by the city, or hired out, will be your financial responsibility and if you choose to not pay the bill we will assess the amount onto your taxes in November. Let's be proud of our city—your home is your responsibility.

Use Spring Clean Up Day on May 19 to dispose of most of your junk items. Please call the City Hall if you have any questions or need help 353-2488.



MEMORIAL DAY

The City Hall will be closed Monday, May 28 & 29, 2018 for Memorial Day. Have a great Holiday.

FLAGS- Please remember to treat your flags with respect. Do not let them touch the ground, and have them lit if they are outside during the night. And please replace them when they are worn out. You can drop off worn flags at the city hall for the Legion. They will include them in a retire-

They will include them in a retirement ceremony and properly dispose of them.

In May your sewer portion of your utility bill is refigured and is based on your water usage from the Jan/Feb/March. This is a fixed fee for the next 12 months. There is also an increase in sewer for 2018, the base rate is \$34.78 includes the first 1000 gallons and \$14.90 per additional 1000 gallons.

City of New Germany is on face book, City website—www.cityofnewgermany.com

Enclosed you will find the 2017 water consumer confidence report.

Keep Water in Your Backyard April 2018

Carver County Water Management Org. Water Column

Water flows downhill. We observe this frequently in nature, but sometimes forget that it happens in our own backyards. Your yard is its own micro-watershed where water flows down the path of least resistance. Rain coming off your roof, driveway, gutter, etc. should soak in when it reaches the ground, but if the ground is already full of water (saturated) the extra water will runoff to the lowest nearby area.

Runoff is not confined by nor does it follow property boundaries. If your neighbor's yard is a lower elevation than yours, excess water runoff is going to flow there. If your neighbor's yard is higher than yours, you might be receiving runoff.

In our communities, we get to know our neighbors and try to be considerate; we pick up pet waste, mow our lawns, plant flowers and trees, and generally take care of our place. Yet, there are many stories of homeowners putting in patios, home additions or other structures that change how water flows and increasing runoff to a neighbor's yard. Others re-grade their yard simply so excess water flows off their property, sending the "water problem" off somewhere else. Lower lying neighbors are often unhappily stuck with a new problem they didn't create, that damages their property, costs money and creates stress.

When homes are built, there is a grading plan that is used to make sure water drains through the property and the neighborhood efficiently and without causing problems. Grading plans are designed to protect neighbors, natural resources, prevent erosion, and reduce flooding. Changing the grading of a property changes how water flows on the property. However, so changes are needed because soil and buildings have settled or from other changes to the property.

For all grading projects, large or small, first check with your city to prevent any negative drainage issues. For smaller projects, the city engineer may be able to make design recommendations to you or may ask you to consult a landscape professional. For larger grading projects or ones that involve building a new structure you may need a permit. The city engineer can tell you if you need a permit and also how the project will change how water flows on your property. Most cities require permits for excavation of a certain square footage and forbid re-grading on drainage or utility easements. There are other ways of dealing with excess water. If you have soggy areas in your lawn consider planting a native garden or raingarden with deep rooted plants to absorb help water soak in. There are many projects out there to help mitigate water problems. This website www.bluethumb.org is great for learning how native plants help keep waters blue.



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