# New Germany **Monthly News**

#### **CITY NEWS**

You will find a garbage and recycling schedule in with your utility bill; New Germany is the gray color for recycling.

Brush siteô reminder the brush site is closed at the City shed and you need to take your brush to the Mayer site. Hours are listed on back side for Mayer site. There will be compost this spring at the City shed.

#### WATER/SEWER BILL IN-FORMATION

#### Water and Sewer rates and gallon charge will be increasing January 1, 2017.

Water includes first 1000 gallons \$28.80/additional 1000 gallons each

\$11.52

Sewer includes first 1000 gallons \$30.24/additional 1000 gallons gallon each \$12.96

Drop off sites for Water/Sewer Bills

- City Hall Drop Box
- Security Bank New Germany •
- **Regular Mail** •

Water Bills are due the 15th of each month. If you do not send in a water meter reading you will be charged a penalty fee of \$10.00, this is only if your meter is a manual read meter. Any bill that is delinquent more than 60 days can legally be shut off. Each certified letter that is mailed is costly. If you can't pay your bill in full—make a partial payment. If you can't pay anything at least send in or CALL in a meter reading—You will at least save yourself the \$10 penalty. Leave a message after hours or write it on a piece of paper with your address and drop in the drop box. There is a shut-off fee of \$25 and a

reconnect fee of \$25.



**Carver County Offers FREE Radon Test Kits to Area Homeowners** 

Carver County will offer radon test kits at no charge to homeowners in Carver County during January which is Radon Action Month.

The Minnesota Department of Health recommends that all homes in Minnesota be tested for radon. Itøs the only way to know if your home has elevated levels of radon, which can cause lung cancer. Radon is an odorless, colorless, tasteless gas that occurs naturally in Minnesota soils and can enter homes primarily through cracks and openings in basements or foundation floors and walls.

MDH estimates that one in three existing Minnesota homes have radon levels that pose a large health risk over many years of exposure. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States and more than 21,000 deaths are attributed to radon each year.

Radon test kits will be available at **no charge** during the month of January at the Carver County Environmental Center ONLY. Limit one test kit per household and while supplies last. Proof of residency is required. Kits will be available at the Environmental Center during winter collection hours which are: Wednesdays 12:00pm-7:00pm; Thursdays 11:00am-5:00pm; and Saturdays 8:00am-12:00pm. The facility is closed during all other times.

If you have questions about the test kit giveaway please call 952-361-1800.

For more information on radon testing and mitigation visit www.health.state.mn.us/radon or call the Minnesota Department of Health Indoor Air Unit at 651-201 -4601 or 1-800-798-9050. Anyone interested in mitigating their home for radon should consult MDHøs list of certified radon mitigation contractors at: http:// www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/indoorair/radon/ mitigation.html.

January 26, 2017 at 6:30 PM at New Germany Hall Carver County 4-H presents, Wildlife Educational Show. The fee is \$5 per youth or \$10 per family for all County participants. They would like pre registration, you may pick a form up at City Hall or contact Meg Clark 4-H Program Coordinator hintz101@umn.edu or 952-466-5300. The pre registration suggested date is January 19. HURRY!!!!

#### **City of New Germany**

### JANUARY 2017

#### **CITY STAFF MEMBERS**

Mayor Steve VanLith 952-353-2571

**Council Members** Shirley Jaeger 952-353-2208 Cathy Ruschmeier 612-240-6698 Nick Hartwig 952-353-1503 Ty Turnquist 952-353-2456

**City Clerk** Twyla Menth Treasurer Ron Stahlke Water/Sewer **People Service** 612-636-2434 **Public Works** Steve VanLith

**Meeting Schedules** Council—7:00 pm Ist & 3rd Tuesday

Commercial Club-7:00 pm 4th Monday

Fire Department— 7:00 pm Ist Monday

## HAPPY VALENTINES DAY



#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS** February 2017 Page 2—City Newsletter Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sun Sat 300 Broadway Street East P.O. Box 177 1 2 3 4 New Germany, MN 55367-0177 Office-952-353-2488 10 5 7 9 11 6 8 Fax- 952-353-8021 FD Mta Council Recy1 Email-ngcityhall@gmail.com mta cart Hall Rental Info-952-353-1781 Building Inspections—763-479-1720 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 Sr potluck 11:30 Valentines Office of the Clerk 24 19 20 21 22 23 25 **CLERK OFFICE HOURS** Council Closed Recy1 Presicart mtg Monday through Thursday 27 26 28 8:30 am to 4:30 pm **Closed Fridays NEWSLETTERS** \*\*ATTENTION\*\* EXTRA **EXTRA** Our city newsletter is available The City Office will be closed on Remember: The recycle center and to anybody that would like a February 20, 2017 in observance brush site by Mayer is only open copy. If you know of someof President Day. Saturday mornings until April. body in the surrounding \*\*\*\*\*\* Then it will be open Wednesdays 5 communities that would like a -8pm in addition to Saturday morncopy, please call City Hall, to City websiteô www.cityofnewgermany.com you can be put on mailing list. ings. also find updates on face book, City of If you are having a sewer back-up New Germany. or water/sewer problems after hours: call Lee Ortloff at 612-636-2434, Mike Barthel 612-644-0139, or Paul Dhoore 320-223-2034 or -× call the city office during office SNOW REMINDERS hours. If it snows on the day of garbage or recycle collec-NO PARKING on city streets tion, please keep your containers off of the road so the city following a snowfall of 1ö or more. NO parking on city streets between streets can be plowed. If you put them out on Wednesday 2am and 7am Nov. 1 thru March night they must be in your driveway and not on the road. 31. The Sheriff Dept will be called Also please do not push your driveway or sidewalk snow and you will be ticketed. into the street. Pets must be kept on a leash and \*\*\*\*\* picked up after on public property. Call city office for a full copy of ICE SKATING RINK IS OPEN!! the animal ordinance. \*\*\*\*\* The city contracts for sanitation Eater egg hunt—Will be April 8 more information to come. service. If you have a garbage

Feel free to contact a Commercial Club member if you want to help plan and/or work this event.



request (i.e. need a new can) please

call the city office. Building Permits need to be obtained before the work begins. Call the City to determine if a permit is needed for the job.