

Belgian Waffle Breakfast

The Belgian Waffle Breakfast sponsored by the Commercial Club is on October 09, 2016 at City Hall. Serving from 8:30AM—12:30 PM. We invite you to go toward community children's event/parties and to help the ballpark maintenance. Volunteer workers are needed please contact Steve 952-353-2571 or Shirley 952-353-2208.

Protecting Ponds that Clean Water

In New Germany, wastewater from sinks, toilets, and tubs is carried through the sanitary sewer to ponds on the northeast side of the city. Once treated, it is tested to make sure it is safe before being discharge into a ditch and eventually the Crow River.

The city is responsible for maintenance and upkeep of these wastewater treatment ponds, but citizens also play a role in their protection and maintenance. Citizens can help by controlling the amount of water sent to the treatment ponds. The ponds were sized for sanitary waste water (sinks, toilets) not rain water. Citizens can reduce extra water, mainly rain water, in the ponds by directing sump pumps to drain to lawns or curbs (not floor drains) and fixing leaks in basements. Floor drains are part of the sanitary waste water system. Any water flowing into them either from sump pumps or leaks in basement foundations will flow to the ponds. Sump pumps should pump water out onto the lawn or curb where it is part of the storm water infrastructure that carries away rain. During large rainstorms or long rainy seasons, like we have been receiving in 2016, the addition of rainwater to the ponds through leaks and floor drains can overwhelm the ponds, causing water to discharge without being fully treated. Citizens can also help protect and maintain the ponds by **purchasing phosphorus free detergents and soaps**. The ponds can only hold and treat so much phosphorus. If the current levels of phosphorus in incoming waters are not decreased, the ponds will be given phosphorus limits by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Having limits on phosphorus will cost the city and eventually the resident extra money and means the ponds will also have to be treated by chemicals in order to meet the limits. Look for detergents and soaps without the term öphosphateö to help keep our phosphorus levels low.

Helping protect and maintain these ponds that serve everyone in New Germany will reduce the city's and resident's costs and ensure clean water is flowing to the Crow River.

September Clean Water tipö Keep drains clean to keep waters clean. Adopt your nearest storm drain and keep it free of leaves, grass clippings, and litter. Storm drains are directly connected to nearby lakes, rivers and ponds. Water flowing into storm drains can carry with it anything dumped nearby including leaves, grass clippings, soil, oil, paint and chemicals.

FLAGS FOR SALE-Did you know you could purchase a new flag (3x5) from the New Germany American Legion. If Interested or need more information contact Roger Sauerbrey at 952-657-2431. The New Germany hall is a drop off site for old tattered flags.



COLUMBUS DAY

The City Office will be closed on Monday, October 10, 2016 in observance of Columbus Day.

Commercial Club is always looking for new volunteers, if interested please call Shirley 952-353-2208. The City Planning Commission is also looking for members, if interested please call Ty Turnquist 952-353-2456.

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Council Meetingsö 7 pm 1st & 3rd Tuesday





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The General Election is on November 8, 2016 at the City Hall, polls open at 7 AM and close at 8 PM. Steve Van Lith is running for Mayor, Shirley Jaeger and Ty Turnquist are running for Council members.

*****Senior Residents*****



I would like information/feedback if any Senior residents of New Germany and surrounding area would be interested in attending a once a month potluck lunch, followed by games or cards at the Hall. The time could be from 11:30 Am ???. If there is interest in this, please call City Hall. We would also need a volunteer or two to assist in set up and planning games or cards. This is a great way to get out and socialize in the upcoming winter months. If you do not want to play games or cards you could always just walk in the upstairs of the hall or just socialize. Please call City Hall if there is an interest or with your ideas!

Planning Commission

The City of New Germany is looking for citizens interested in planning, zoning and other related matters of the city, to serve on the Planning Commission. The PC meets as needed or as requested, in the City Office in the City Hall at 300 Broadway Street East. The PC consists of five members and it is a three year term. Each member will receive a copy of the Subdivision code, Zoning Code, and Comprehensive Plan; each member will be required to study and be knowledgeable about the code. Applications can be picked up at the City Hall between 8:30 - 4:30 Monday - Thursday or you may request an application to be emailed by e mailing ngcityhall@gmail.com.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

The New Germany Commercial Club will be hosting a Halloween Party on October 29, 2016 at 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at the City Hall. Games and Fun - Everyone is welcome! Wear your costume!



Other events to put on your calendar:

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 3, 8am - noon more information to follow.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK, OCT. 9—15~ A smoke alarm is your first line of defense. Make it a point to install fresh batteries. Then check to see if it's working by pushing the safety test button. ~Many homes should have two or more smoke alarms, including one outside of every sleeping area.

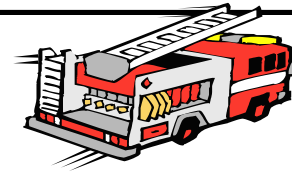
~ Change your flashlight batteries. Keep a working flashlight near your bed, in the kitchen, basement, and family room. They are convenient if power goes out and can be used to signal for help in the event of a fire.

~ Install a fire extinguisher near your kitchen and know how to use it. Buy a multi purpose fire extinguisher.

~ Plan and practice your escape. Create at least two different escape routes and practice them with your family.

~ Fire protection on the job! If you notice a hazard or condition that could cause a fire, report it to your supervisor.

More than 1.7 million fires strike American homes and businesses each year, according to the National Fire Protection Association.



FIRE FIGHTER VOLUNTEERS

If interested in becoming a fire fighter please contact Dan Ruschmeier 612-209-5641. Meetings are the first Monday of each month.

October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
**Sept 22 & 26 City Office Closed						1
2	3 FD mtg	4 Council mtg	5	6 Recyl cart	7	8
9 Dad's Waffle	10 Office closed	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Council mtg	19	20 Recyl Cart	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Hallow- een Party
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