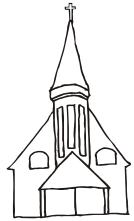


City of New Germany

School Begins—Watch for Children



**ST. MARK FELLOWSHIP CENTER
PORK CHOP DINNER and SILENT AUCTION**

Sunday, Sept. 11, 2022

Outdoor Church Service at 9AM

Followed by dinner serving until 1PM



AUGUST 2022



**Keep Ponds Healthy
Carver County Water Management Org. Water Column**

In residential developments, you will often see small ponds throughout the neighborhoods. These are stormwater ponds, created to collect stormwater runoff which is rainwater or snowmelt that runs off streets, parking lots, rooftops and compacted lawns.

The ponds are designed to look like natural lakes or wetlands, and as such are often mistaken for landscaping features. But they are there to prevent flooding and collect stormwater and pollutants like heavy metals, sediment, bacteria, oils and nutrients. The ponds collect and filter the water, keeping pollutants out of lakes and rivers.

The filters

Each pond has a “buffer” around it. A buffer is an area of plants surrounding the pond, usually about 10 feet wide but sometimes up to 30 feet wide. This buffer strip slows down and filters stormwater running off yards before the water reaches the pond. Removing the native plants in the buffer strip or mowing straight down to the pond gives polluted water direct access to the pond. Protect the buffer and you protect the pond.

But why does it turn green?

Two factors can cause green ponds. The first is related to nutrients, specifically phosphorus, which causes algae blooms. These ponds are designed to capture pollutants, such as phosphorus, so they will rarely be pristine, but homeowners around the ponds can unknowingly increase phosphorus in ponds. See below for tips on how to keep phosphorus out of ponds.

Another green factor is duckweed, which is often mistaken for algae. Duckweed is a tiny, free floating green plant that can form thick blankets across a pond. Duckweed an important food source for birds and wildlife and it has such good water filtering capabilities it is used by water treatment plants. So, if its duckweed greening your pond, relax and enjoy the wildlife and water treatment.

Homeowner tips

- Do not dump grass clippings or leaves in the pond or near stormdrains. This will cause algae blooms. Sweep or rake up any leaves from curbs and stormdrains to keep them from washing down.
- Do not pour chemicals, oils, etc. in or near the pond or allow any household or automotive chemicals to drain into the storm drain. Use biodegradable soaps for outdoor cleaning.
- Sweep up grit and debris on driveways and sidewalks, do not hose it into the street.
- Capture stormwater runoff from roofs and driveways in rain barrels or raingardens.
- Pick up animal waste and dispose of it in the trash.

Mosquitos

As mosquito larvae develops in standing water, increased mosquitoes near ponds is a valid concern of residents.

If ponds are functioning correctly, it limits breeding sites for mosquitoes. Additionally, treatment for mosquitoes is provided by the Metropolitan Mosquito Control District. The Metropolitan Mosquito Control District is responsible for protecting the public from disease and annoyance caused by mosquitoes, black flies, and ticks. The district controls mosquito populations by targeting the larval stage using various control materials including Bti, a bacteria that inhibits larval growth.

If mosquitoes are a concern, the district has an interactive map where residents can log in and see how and when stormwater ponds have been treated for mosquitos. Visit www.mmcd.org and click on “Services” and then “District maps.”

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SEPTEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labor Day	6 Council Mtg 7pm	7	8	9 Garbage Recycle	10
11	12 FD Mtg 7pm	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Council Mtg 7pm	21	22 Recycle	23	24
25	26 Comm Club 7pm	27 PC Mtg 6pm (if needed)	28	29	30	

Carver County 2022 Special Waste Collection is Saturday, September 17, 2022 8AM—12PM
Carver County Hollywood Garage located at 3480 County Road 21, Hollywood Township. No garbage, mattresses, or furniture. Please visit www.recyclecarver.org for the list of items to be collected and prices or call Carver County Environmental Services 952-361-1800 for more information. Must provide proof of a Carver County Resident.

The Halloween party is October 29, 2022, 6—7:30 PM. If you would like to volunteer please call Shirley Jaeger 952-353-2208.



If you want trick-or-treaters on Halloween night, just leave a front light on for the kids to see.



 Part Time Office Assistant opening at the City of New Germany. If interested please call City Hall for an application and job description.

Reminder—street sweeping will be scheduled for fall and there is no parking on the street on this day; you will be notified of the day. Hydrant flushing will follow shortly after street sweeping; you may not want to refrain from washing whites clothes for a few days. A public notice will be sent out with this information.



Utility payment post card—tear off the perforated bottom portion and return with your payment.
Utility payment -online info is on the postcard.

Sheriff number to call in complaints - all calls use 911
 If you need to notify somebody of a barking dog (day or night), or late night noises, speeding vehicles or fireworks, etc., or anything that is not an emergency, you still use the 911 number. You do not need to leave a note or phone message at the city office *unless you want to file a formal complaint*. The Sheriff can respond to an incident while it is happening instead of hearing about it later, when they can no longer do anything about it. You can request your name be withheld. There are some issues that need to be dealt with while they are happening for better results. Reminder—outside recreational fires need to be in a fire pit and or contained 3 x 3 size.

