

# NEWBURGH NEWS OF NOTE

Spring 2023



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**NEWBURGH**

Planning for Our Next 10 Years

The Town of Newburgh has partnered with HWC Engineering to develop an updated

Comprehensive Plan to guide the Town's growth and development for the next ten (10) years. The Comprehensive Plan will define the community's vision and goals for the future and will provide strategies that will assist community leaders in accomplishing those goals. The success of a comprehensive plan lies in public engagement and achieving a consensus on what key challenges should be addressed and how the community should look in the future. Receiving input from Newburgh residents and businesses not only assists town leaders in determining what is most important for Newburgh, but also begins to create a foundation of community support that ensures successful implementation.

## We need your input for our comprehensive plan!

Help us create a vision for the town's future by filling out the survey via the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/destinationnewburgh>

To learn more about our planning process, other ways you can provide input, and additional opportunities for engagement: visit our website at

<https://www.destinationnewburgh.com/>



## Town of Newburgh

### TOWN COUNCIL

Steve Shoemaker	District I
Allyson Shelby	District II
Stacie Krieger	District III
Anne Rust Aurand	District IV
Leanna Hughes	Council at Large

### CLERK-TREASURER

Nannette Angel	812-853-7111
Louann Woodford	Deputy

### TOWN MANAGER

Christy Powell	812-853-3578
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### FACILITIES COORDINATOR

Andrea Balboni	812-853-1729
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### ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

Tavi Wydicks	812-853-2728
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### BUILDING INSPECTOR

Gerald Bowser	812-480-0096
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### UTILITY/SEWER DEPARTMENT

Business Office	812-853-7496
Susan Helms	Office Manager
Russell Powell	Superintendent

### STREET DEPARTMENT

John Heck	Superintendent
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### POLICE

All Needs	911
Information	812-853-1723
Eric Mitchell	Chief of Police

### FIRE

Emergency	911
Information	812-853-7651
Nick Donnan	Fire Chief

### SENIOR CENTER

529 Jefferson Street  
812-853-5627

### HISTORIC NEWBURGH, IN

Aurand Trailhead  
812-853-2815

## A NOTE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER



Let's talk trash, Newburgh – A sincere thank you to our residents for your patience while 6,000+ refuse containers were swapped during icy conditions with minimal disruption to service. The town has received lots of feedback about the discontinuance of leaf pickup through our trash providers. During the bidding and negotiating process, interested trash service companies relayed there would no longer be anything allowed outside of the provided cans that would require drivers to exit the trucks due to increases in liability and insurance expenses. The town is looking at other options to provide this service for our residents so be on the lookout for more details about leaf and yard waste pickup coming soon.

**Be in the Know** - A great way to stay informed about town business is to watch the Town Council Meetings that are now being live streamed on the Town's Facebook page. The videos are stored on Facebook so you can watch the meeting as it happens or later at your convenience. Residents are also encouraged to subscribe to the Buzz in the Burgh text blast service. Text NEWBURGH to 55678 and get direct texts about local community events and important town notifications from multi-

ple community organizations. Details of the program follow in this newsletter.

**Up next** – Improvements continue at our parks and facilities. The town has been awarded partial funding from the Warrick County Commissioners ARPA Grant to restore the Rivertown Trail Bridge. The historic pedestrian bridge will get a fresh coat of paint and a bridge deck replacement. Park Pals also received a portion of the County's ARPA grant and will be constructing an additional shelter at Lou Dennis Community Park. Road and drainage projects will continue throughout town with Kent Drive, Dorsett Drive, and Bartlett Drive next on the priority list. If INDOT approves the town's request those roads will be under construction this summer.

Please reach out to me if you have questions or concerns. As always, I appreciate the opportunity to serve you.

Thank you,

Christy Powell  
Newburgh Town Manager

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

During the first Town Council meeting of 2023, Stacie Krieger was voted Town Council President. Anne Rust Aurand was voted Vice President and Allyson Shelby was voted Second Vice President.

For a full list of Board and Committee members, please visit the Town website.

## Summer / Seasonal Job Openings

The Town of Newburgh is looking for seasonal help at two (2) locations:

- Lou Dennis Community Park (402 Park Drive)
- Leon Key Wastewater Treatment Facility (6366 Vanada Road)

Lou Dennis Community Park is in need of a Head Splash Pad Attendant and several Splash Pad Attendants. Head Splash Pad Attendant must be 18 years or older while the Splash Pad Attendants can be 15 years or older with a valid work permit.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility is looking for seasonal maintenance personal that will do miscellaneous tasks around the plant and various plant locations. Must be 18 years or older.

For a full job description, salary range or to apply—please email Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov) or apply online at [ziprecruiter.com](https://ziprecruiter.com)



## BUZZ IN THE BURGH

**Buzz In The Burgh**, is a community-wide texting program that allows local community organizations to easily communicate all the wonderful events, initiatives and happenings in Downtown Newburgh.

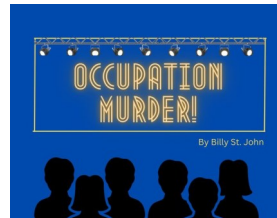


Simply text the word **NEWBURGH** to **55678** or scan the QR code to join. Text alerts will be sent to your phone regarding upcoming events and activities taking place downtown. The texts will often contain a clickable link that will direct you to a secure site with complete event details. Expect 1 to 4 texts on average per month and maybe a few more during the holiday months.

You will NEVER receive spam, solicitations, or junk. Your phone number will NEVER be sold or used for any other purpose and the highest privacy standards will be adhered to.

Participants are able to opt-out at any time by replying with the word **STOP**, or you can text **HELP** to receive assistance. Text and data rates may apply.

## Newburgh Community Theater presents:



### Showing

April 21st & 22nd  
April 28th & 29th  
at the  
American Legion



**Bell Road Library  
Used Book Sale  
May 18, 2023**



**April 29, 2023**

Arts Commission  
Plenaire

Allen Family Amphitheater

**May 6, 2023**

HNI Beer & Wine Festival  
Old Lock and Dam Park

**May 18, 2023**

Wildcat Mile

**May 25, 2023**

Splash Pad Opens

**May 28, 2023**

HNI Strawberry Social  
Old Lock and Dam Park

**June 2nd & 3rd, 2023**

Community Wide Yard Sale

**June 3, 2023**

Farmers Market Begins  
Landing Parking Lot  
Every Saturday through August  
8AM to 12PM

**June 3, 2023**

Plum Street Vendor Market

**June 9, 2023**

Heavy Trash Pickup—East Side

**June 10, 2023**

Warrick County Pride Event  
Old Lock and Dam Park

**June 23, 2023**

Heavy Trash Pickup—West Side

**July 1, 2023**

Newburgh Neighbor Grant  
Music Festival

**September 16, 2023**

Sir Brit Car Show  
Old Lock and Dam Park

**October 12-15, 2023**

Halloween Illuminations  
Aurand Trailhead

**October 13-15, 2023**

Ghostly Hayrides

**October 19-22, 2023**

Halloween Illuminations  
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**November 25, 2023**

Small Business Saturday  
Downtown Newburgh

**Nov. 30-December 3, 2023**

Newburgh Winterlights  
Aurand Trailhead

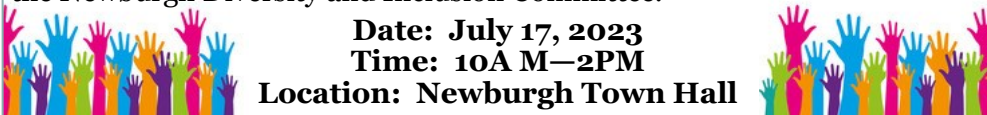
## All Together Now

This summer the Newburgh Chandler Public Library will be promoting the "All Together Now" Summer Reading Program. As part of the program, the Downtown Newburgh branch will be hosting an "All Together Now" Day to promote awareness, kindness, friendship, and equality with the support of the Newburgh Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

**Date: July 17, 2023**

**Time: 10A M—2PM**

**Location: Newburgh Town Hall**



## Newburgh Museum Exhibits and Events

**Ladies Afternoon Tea**

**JUNE 10, 2023**

ROLLING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB  
1:30 PM  
\$32 PER TICKET  
8 SEATS PER TABLE

Discover More of Newburgh's Past!

**Rollin' on the River**

**1900 : 1940**

Newburgh enters the 20th Century on strong footing. The Great War, Prohibition and Great Depression leave their marks only to make Newburgh stronger in character and richer in history.

**Speaking Series:**  
**April 2 - May 7 - June 4**

Event Topics Include:  
"Women of the River"  
"1926 Old Lock and Dam"  
"The Influenza Pandemic of 1917"

For more information on museum, event details, volunteer opportunities or to become a member of the Newburgh Museum, please visit their website at [www.newburghmuseum.org](http://www.newburghmuseum.org) or call 812-853-5045.

# NEWBURGH TURNS 220

As a town situated on the fertile banks of the Ohio River, Newburgh has a long and rich history of human activity. Western explorers first discovered the area in the 17th centuries. But for centuries prior to that it had been inhabited by the Shawnee and was near the center of prehistoric Mississippian culture even as late as 1450 A.D. Evidence of this prehistoric society remains today at Angel Mounds, a National Historic Landmark, and Ellerbusch Site, both approximately two miles west of Newburgh.

The principal founders of Newburgh are John Sprinkle and Abner Luce. Sprinkle, a businessman of German descent, landed in Newburgh in the spring of 1803, thirteen years before Indiana entered the Union as the 19th state. He secured land grants in 1812 and in 1818 platted what became known as Sprinklesburgh. It was the first town in Warrick County. The original plat of Sprinklesburgh consisted of approximately 12 blocks immediately west of today's downtown Newburgh. In 1820, Sprinkle sold Samuel Short 82 of the 102 lots. Mr. Short began to call the town Mount Prospect.

Abner Luce founded Newburgh almost directly to the east of Sprinklesburgh in 1829. According to some historical sources Luce's plat was merged with Sprinklesburgh in 1837, though the first reference of this in the General Assembly doesn't occur until 3 February 1841. At that time the name of the town was changed to Newburgh.

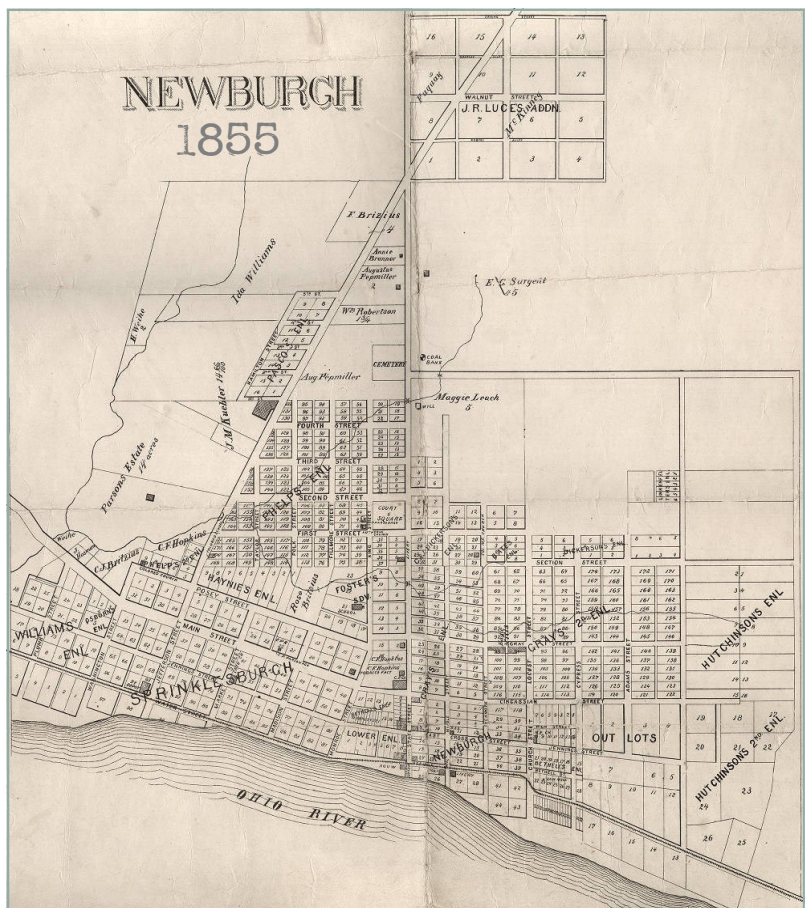
Early on in its history Newburgh enjoyed prosperity. By 1850, the town had grown to be regional riverport. Much of its growth in this time period was due to coal mining. The first underground mine shaft in Indiana was sunk in Newburgh in 1850. However, when the national railway system came to southern Indiana, it bypassed Newburgh completely in favor of Evansville, beginning a permanent shift in regional economic dominance.

On July 18, 1862, Newburgh was the first town north of the Mason-Dixon line to be captured by the Confederate forces during the American Civil War in what would come to be known as the Newburgh Raid. Colonel Adam "Stovepipe" Johnson, with a partisan band, crossed the Ohio River and confiscated supplies and ammunition without a shot being fired. The Confederates would have been unable to shell the city (as promised) had Newburgh put up a fight. The Confederates' "cannons" were an assemblage of a stove pipe, a charred log, and wagon wheels. The raid convinced the federal government that it was necessary to supply Indiana with a permanent force of regular Union Army soldiers to counter future raids. Many of the structures used in this raid are still standing, including The Exchange Hotel.

Newburgh's economy benefited from the construction of the Lock and Dam 47 in the 1920s, and its replacement in 1974 with the Newburgh Lock and Dam. The town has also benefited from the arrival, and later expansions, of the Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA) in the 1950s and then the 1970s. Many of Newburgh's residents are commuters to businesses and industry in Evansville and surrounding areas.

Today Newburgh's Historic Preservation District on the Ohio River, with the scenic Rivertown Trail, provides residents and visitors with specialty shops, antique stores, and unique dining opportunities in a serene picturesque setting.

For a list of significant events in Newburgh, turn to page 14.



## Plant a Legacy Tree 20 Years Later

During the Town of Newburgh's Bicentennial Celebration in 2003, the Town of Newburgh, along with the Department of Natural Resources and former State Representative Brian Hasler, passed out two hundred (200) trees for residents to plant. The trees were redbuds and bald cypress and in addition to a tree, residents were given a certificate. The trees and certificate were handed out on November 16, 2003.

The pictures to the right, show what the saplings would have looked like and what a 20 year old tree would look like now. If you have a Bicentennial Legacy Tree, the Town of Newburgh would love to see a picture of the tree and certificate (if you still have). You can send the photos to Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov) and we will feature them in the fall newsletter, our Town Facebook page and website.



## 220th Anniversary Banners

**In honor of the Town of Newburgh's 220th Anniversary, banners have been placed around Town.**

You can get your own commemorative banner, measuring 8" x 11" with two grommets at the top, for \$7.00 each. A portion of the banner cost (\$0.85) will go into a restrictive fund for the Newburgh Neighbor Grant which is a matching grant program that assists property owners in restoring and rehabilitating homes within Newburgh Historic Districts.

To get your 8" x 11" banner, please email Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov)

Please provide name, contact information and how many banners you are requesting. A Bulk order will be placed for banners on **April 28th** with pickup approximately two (2) weeks from order date. Banners can be used in many ways (added to a wreath, yard flag, shadow box, etc.) We would love to see how you utilized the flag. Please send a photo to Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov).



## In 2053 the Town of Newburgh will...

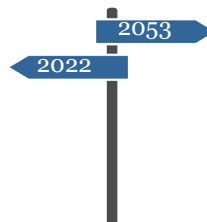
In 30 years the Town of Newburgh will celebrate its 250th anniversary. We are asking elementary school students (K-5th) to either draw us a picture, write us an essay or both; on what they think the Town of Newburgh will be like in the year 2053.

Winners will be selected and will have the opportunity to meet Town leaders and staff to discuss their ideas over pizza.

Submissions must include name, grade and age, address and contact information.

You can drop off submissions at Town Hall (M-F 8AM-4PM), mail to Town of Newburgh P.O. Box 6, Newburgh, IN 47629 Attention: Year 2053 or email Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov).

**Entries due by September 28, 2023**



## Donate Historical Items

If you feel you have items of historical significance to Newburgh or Warrick County and would like to donate them, you can contact the Newburgh Museum at 812-853-5045 or the Warrick County Museum at 812-897-3100.





## New Rate

\$18.49 per month

This rate will appear on your Utility/Sewer Bill

## Trash Bags

Trash bags left outside of the trash can will not be picked up. All trash must be within a Renewable Resources container



## Yard Waste

All yard waste must be placed within the Renewable Resources container



## Extra Can

\$5.00 extra per month Added to utility/sewer bill Contact Town Hall at 812-853-1720 x 6 for an additional container or email [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov)

## Missed Pickup

Contact Town Hall at 812-853-1720 x 6 to report a missed trash or recycle pickup



## Curb Removal

Per Newburgh Code \$50.03, all trash and recycle containers shall be removed from the curb within 24 hours of being emptied

## HOW TO DEAL WITH FALL LEAVES

### Mulch the Leaves

Instead of raking the leaves, turn them into mulch. This will take less time and leaves make for excellent mulch. A spread of mulched leaves over a perennial bed provides insulation and improves soil quality as it decomposes. Like any mulch, you don't want to pile the leaves directly against shrub or tree trunks. Instead arrange them around stems like a donut, leaving some space around stems for airflow.

### Compost the Leaves

Collect the leaves in a compost bin and let nature do the rest. The leaves will break down into soil that plants love.

### Warrick County Solid Waste

Warrick County Solid Waste accepts leaves. For hours of operation please call 812-897-6210.

### Add to Trash Container

Leaves can be picked up on your regular trash pickup day, but must be placed within the trash container. No bags outside of the container will be picked up.

**If you have major concerns about the leaves on your property, please contact Newburgh Town Hall at 812-853-1720 x 6.**

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**Special Paper**

**Shredding Event**

**When: Friday**

**April 14, 2023**

**Where: Living Word**

**Christian Church,**

**3888 IN-261, Newburgh,**

**IN**

**Time:**

**10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.**

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**CELEBRATE EARTH DAY 2023**



**Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

**Saturday, April 22, 2023  
8 a.m. to Noon**

**Kaiser Aluminum Clubhouse**

Enter at Kaiser Aluminum's Main Entrance at Intersection of IN-66 and SR-61 and follow posted signs.

**No Electronics will be accepted.**

**Only 10 gallons of paint per vehicle. No commercial painters.**

Hosted by:



See other side for types of waste that will be collected.

Open to all residents of Warrick County and employees of Alcoa and Kaiser Aluminum.

**All items must be labeled and in closed containers. We reserve the right to limit quantities.**

**We will accept ...**

- |   |                                   |
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| Various Aerosols                                      | Lighter Fluid                     |
| Fluorescent Bulbs                                     | Rock Salt                         |
| Photographic chemicals                                | Gasoline                          |
| Pool chemicals  | Antifreeze                        |
| Propane and helium tanks                              | Rat Bait                          |
| Mercury containing products                           | Toilet Bowl Cleaner               |
| Expired prescription and Over-the-Counter medications | Oil                               |
| Energy Efficient Light Bulbs                          | Paints (only 10 gal. per vehicle) |
| Pesticides and Herbicides**                           | Solvents and thinners             |
| Chlorine Bleach                                       | Detergents and soaps              |
| Ammonia   | Batteries (household and auto)    |
|   | Plant food                        |
|   | Glues                             |
|   | Transmission fluid                |
|   | Brake fluid                       |

\*\* Except those containing pentachlorophenol, silvex, 2, 4, 5-T and Dioxin



**We will NOT accept ...**

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Old Eyeglasses            | Electronics including: |
| Leaking containers        | Computers              |
| Smoke detectors           | Scanners               |
| Water softeners           | Keyboards and Monitors |
| Stoves                    | Printers & Cartridges  |
| Air conditioners or freon | Fax machines           |
| Tires                     | Modems                 |
| Refrigerators             | DVD/CD Players         |
| Infectious waste          | Stereos and Radios     |
| Ammunition                | TVs (Any size or type) |
| Explosives                | Microwaves             |
| Dishwashers               | Telephones             |
| Medical sharps/needles    | Pagers and Cell phones |
| Nitrous oxide             | Answering machines     |



WARRICK COUNTY RECYCLING AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
Phone: 812-897-8155 • Reduce, Re-use, Recycle! • WarrickRecycles.org  
Find us on Facebook at Warrick County Recycling And Resource Management District

**Trash and Recycle Pickup Times**

Per the Town of Newburgh, Indiana Specifications for Solid Waste and Recycle Collection Service Contract, "The Contractor shall not commence the collection as provided for before 6:00 A.M., local time, and shall be completed by 6:00 P.M. local time, on any single day of collection."

Renewable Resources has one driver assigned to the three Newburgh routes. The driver starts at 6 A.M. picking up recycling in the recycling truck. After all recycling as been picked up, the truck is swapped out for the trash truck and trash containers are emptied.

If your recycle is not put out by 6 A.M. and is missed, they are not able to pick back up. The Town suggests all trash and recycle be put out the night before to ensure proper pickup.

**HEAVY TRASH PICKUP**

**East Side of State Street—June 9th  
West Side of State Street—June 23rd**

All heavy items must be set out on the scheduled collection day but no earlier than 24 hours before scheduled pickup.

**Items NOT collected**

- Tires
- Concrete/Bricks
- Dirt
- Automobile Parts
- Batteries
- Paint and Other Hazardous Liquids
- Any Item Longer than 8 Feet
- Yard Waste

**Types of Items Collected**

- **Indoor/Outdoor Furniture**
- **Appliances** (refrigerators and freezers will be picked up but ONLY if the refrigerants have been removed and tagged by a professional)
- **Building Material/Construction Debris** (must be in a container and weigh no more than 75 pounds—containers must be able to hold the weight even if wet)
- **Carpeting** (carpet must be rolled and bundled and cut into 4 foot lengths)



**COMMUNITY WIDE YARD SALE**

**June 2nd and 3rd**

Please register by May 26th to be included on the yard sale list. You can register by calling Town Hall at 812-853-1720 ext: 0 (zero) or email Lynette Temple at ltemple@newburgh-in.gov.

A list of yard sales will be available on May 30th at Town Hall, on the Town Website and on the Town Facebook page.





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Week 1 Recycle

Week 2 Recycle





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Week 1 Recycle

Week 2 Recycle



# 2023

## Thursday Trash and Recycle Pickup



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 Week 1 Recycle

 Week 2 Recycle



# LIST OF RECYCLABLES

WARRICK COUNTY CURBSIDE COLLECTION  
RECYCLING PROGRAM DETAILS

## What can you RECYCLE?

Newspaper

Cardboard

Household Paper

(Examples: Office Copy Paper, Junk Mail, Magazines)

Plastic #1 & #2

(Examples: Water / Soda Bottles, Detergent Jugs, Milk Jugs)

Metal Cans

Aluminum Cans

PLEASE CLEAN ALL CONTAINERS BEFORE RECYCLING THEM

## Things NOT to RECYCLE?

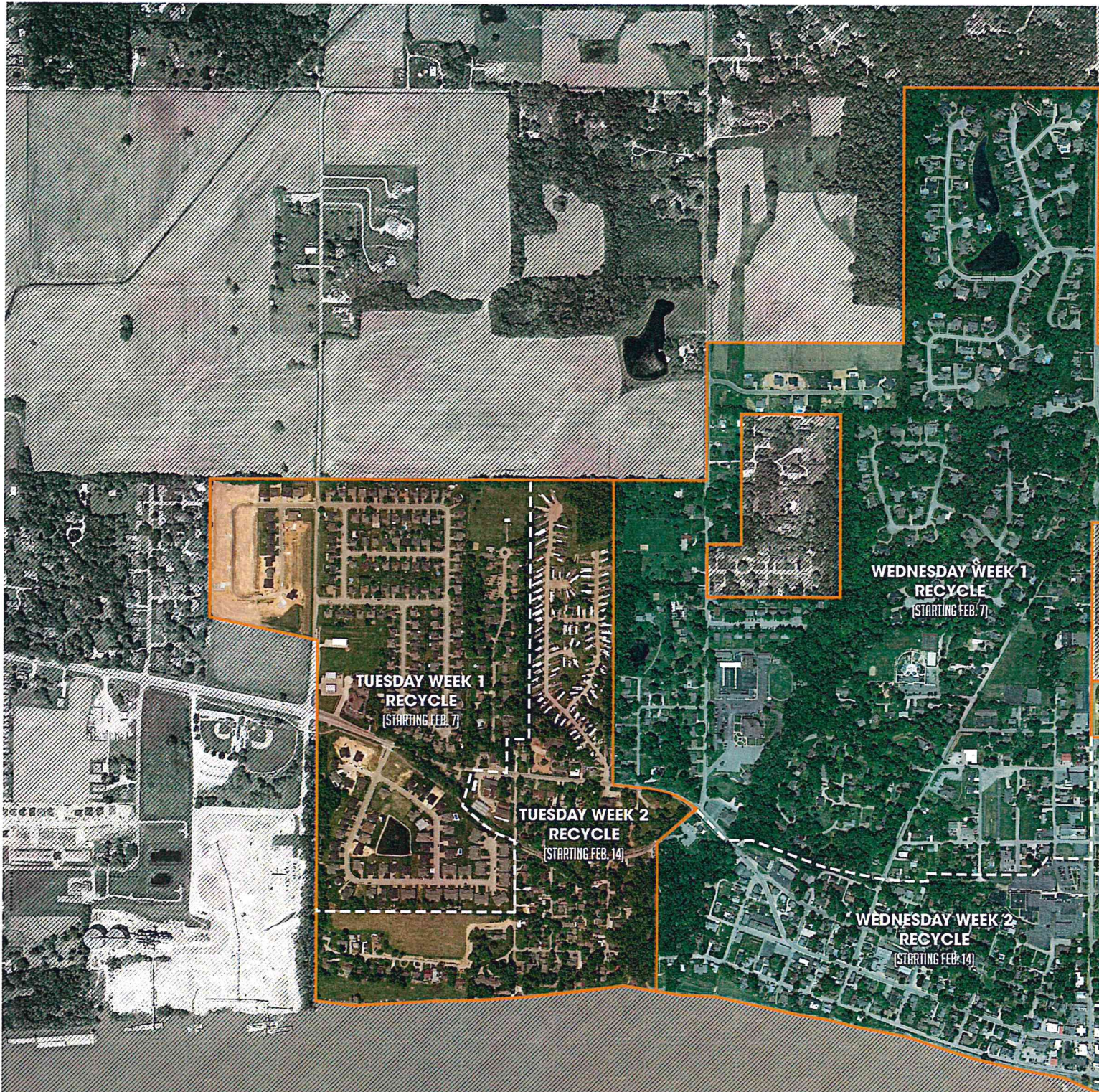
Kitty Litter, Diapers, Glass, Paint, Animal Carcass, Paper Towels/Napkins, Styrofoam, Phonebook/Catalogs, Hardback Books, Plastic Bags, Paper Plates, Electronics/TV's, Food of any type.



**RENEWABLE  
RESOURCES LLC**

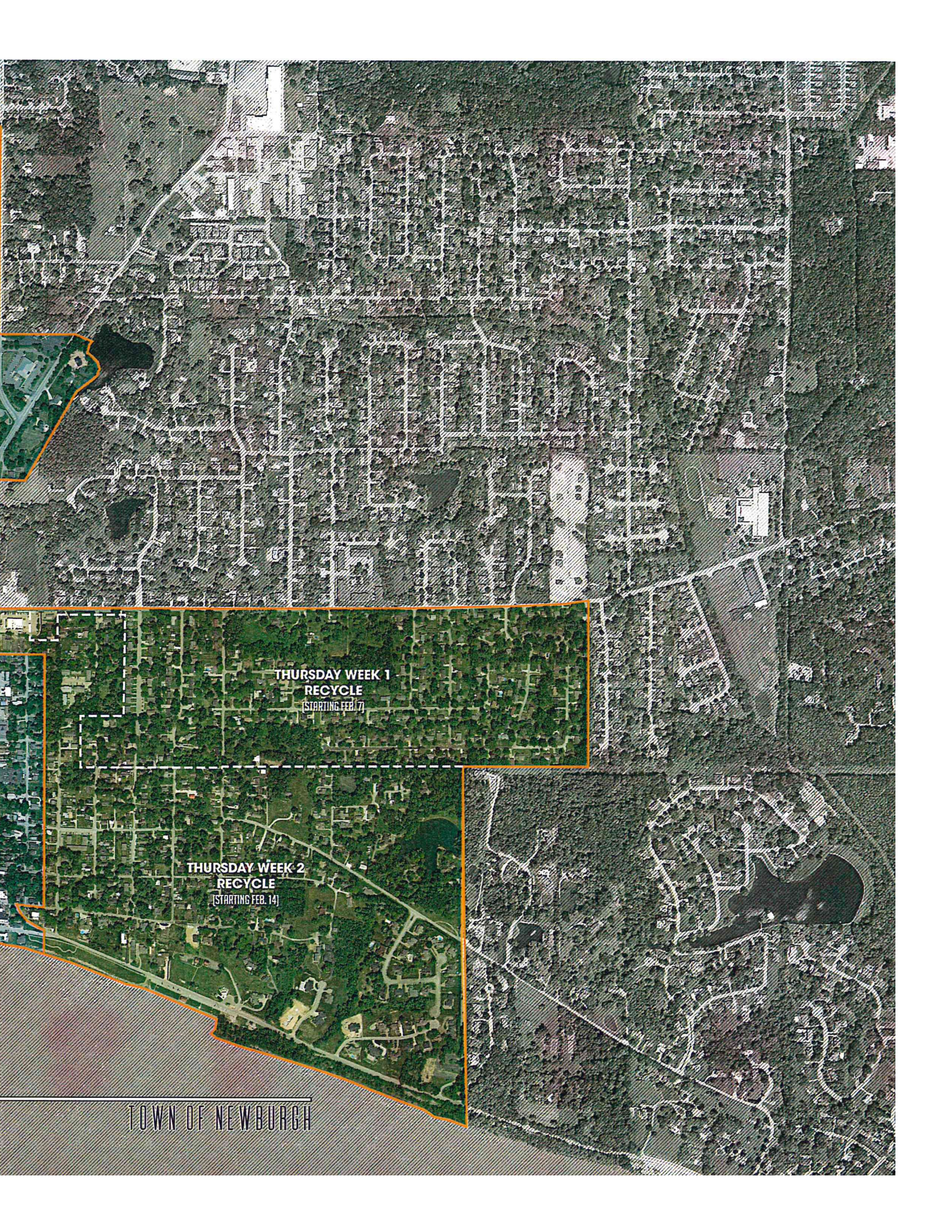
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**RENEWABLE  
RESOURCES LLC**

*Recycle Schedule Map*



**THURSDAY WEEK 1  
RECYCLE**  
(STARTING FEB. 7)

**THURSDAY WEEK 2  
RECYCLE**  
(STARTING FEB. 14)

TOWN OF NEWBURGH

## Timeline of Significant Events

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| <p><b>1803</b> Newburgh area first settled by John Sprinkle</p> <p><b>1807</b> John Sprinkle recorded purchase of 205 acres at location of present-day Newburgh and first steam-powered boat passed Newburgh on Ohio River</p> <p><b>1812</b> First overland mail route serving Newburgh established from Louisville</p> <p><b>1818</b> Town of Sprinklesburgh platted consisting of 102 lots and ferry service across Ohio River was established by Jacob Keel</p> <p><b>1832</b> Town of Newburgh platted adjacent to Sprinklesburgh by Abner Luce</p> <p><b>1837</b> Town of Newburgh, Sprinklesburgh and a flat iron shaped plot of ground between them were consolidated and named Newbough (the "o" was later dropped)</p> <p><b>1842</b> Delaney Academy founded, becoming prominent educational center in southwest Indiana</p> <p><b>1846</b> Myrtle Ridge Cemetery was established</p> <p><b>1851</b> Construction on Cumberland Presbyterian Church begins</p> <p><b>1852</b> Construction of Plank Road from Newburgh to Boonville is complete</p> <p><b>1862</b> Newburgh raided by Confederate forces on July 18th, the first Confederate raid in Indiana</p> <p><b>1867</b> Delaney Academy moves to Illinois</p> <p><b>1868</b> Newburgh School opened on Monroe Street</p> <p><b>1880</b> First class graduated from Newburgh High School</p> <p><b>1888</b> Evansville, Suburban and Newburgh (ES&amp;N) Railway Company organized</p> <p><b>1897</b> First public library in Warrick County established in Newburgh</p> <p><b>1916</b> Newburgh received \$10,000 from Carnegie Foundation for construction of a new library</p> <p><b>1928</b> U.S. Lock #47 built at Newburgh by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p><b>1930</b> ES&amp;N Railway Company discontinued service</p> <p><b>1944</b> Town acquires 11 of 16 lots that eventually will make up Kiwanis Community Playground (524 Filmore St)</p> <p><b>1945</b> Town acquires 3 additional lots for Kiwanis Community Playground</p> <p><b>1957</b> Town acquires the last 2 lots of Kiwanis Community Playground</p> <p><b>1959</b> Last class graduated from Newburgh High School</p> <p><b>1960</b> First class graduated from Castle High School</p> | <p><b>1965</b> Town of Newburgh purchased Cumberland Presbyterian Church for use as Town Hall</p> <p><b>1972</b> Newburgh Community Pool Opens</p> <p><b>1974</b> Newburgh Volunteer Fire Department moves to State Street</p> <p><b>1975</b> Construction completed on 2660 foot-long Newburgh Locks and Dam by U. S. Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p><b>1976</b> Newburgh fire occurred at the Riverview Inn (Water Street block between State and Monroe)</p> <p><b>1978</b> Newburgh Town Hall (200 State Street) placed on National Register of Historic Places</p> <p><b>1979</b> Town of Newburgh acquires Old Lock and Dam Park and AMAX Athletic Fields</p> <p><b>1980</b> Historic Newburgh, Inc. established</p> <p><b>1981</b> Downtown Newburgh listed on National Register of Historic Places</p> <p><b>1993</b> Historic buildings burned in downtown area (SE corner State and Water Street)</p> <p><b>1994</b> Newburgh becomes a Sister Community with Newburgh, Burscough, Lancashire, United Kingdom</p> <p><b>1998</b> Highway 662 abandoned by state, renamed French Island Trail, Newburgh established a Historic Preservation District and the Fortress of Fun was built</p> <p><b>1999</b> Veterans Monument land is purchased by the Town</p> <p><b>2001</b> Newburgh Riverfront Walkway dedicated</p> <p><b>2002</b> Newburgh Police move to 527 State Street</p> <p><b>2004</b> Newburgh Senior Center opens on Jefferson Street</p> <p><b>2005</b> Town leases Overlook Park from Army Corps of Engineers</p> <p><b>2006</b> Town Hall moves to 23 West Jennings Street, 200 State Street becomes a rental facility known as Preservation Hall and Veterans Monument is dedicated</p> <p><b>2008</b> Rivertown Trail Phase I is completed and Veterans Monument is dedicated</p> <p><b>2011</b> Rivertown Trail Phase II is completed</p> <p><b>2017</b> Expansion of Newburgh Historic Districts</p> <p><b>2018</b> Newburgh Community Pool Closes after 45 years of service</p> <p><b>2019</b> 1.84 acres added to Overlook Lease</p> <p><b>2020</b> Rivertown Trail Phase III is completed</p> <p><b>2021</b> Lou Dennis Community Splash Pad Opens</p> <p><b>2022</b> Preservation Hall Renovation</p> |
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# INLAND WATERWAYS DEVELOPMENT HITS CLOSER HOME

## CLOSEUP OF NEWBURG DAM MECHANISM



Look closely at this picture. It may easily be your last chance to glimpse the heaviest part of the Newburg dam. Won't be long and it will all be under water and then there'll be nothing to see.

View at the left shows a section of the dam completed with the river kept out from all sides by means of coffer dams. A closeup of what makes the dam a dammer of water, is to be had at the right of the picture. When the water level is high enough for boats to pass the wickets seen above, lie flat in the bottom of the river. When it is desired to raise the level of the river, the wickets are raised by means of floating derricks equipped with hooks. The wickets are about four feet wide by 12 inches thick and about 18 feet long.

### Newburgh officials break ground on Lou Dennis Park renovations

Newburgh officials celebrated the beginning of the first phase of the renovation of Lou Dennis Park.

The event on Thursday, June 15, marked the beginning of construction for the project. The project goes over the entire site of the park including the demolition of the old park, the construction of the new park, the construction of the splash park and the new staff improvements to parking and drainage. In addition, there's a special look at the renovation of the park including the demolition of the old park, the construction of the new park, the construction of the splash park and the new staff improvements to parking and drainage.



Newburgh officials mark the first dirt in the groundbreaking for the first phase of the Lou Dennis Community Park renovation project.

### NS Newburgh gets a look at historic district map

Newburgh's Historic Preservation Commission plans to reveal to new historic district Thursday.

Leonie Hughes, one of seven voting members of the panel, said the commission will study the proposed district at the meeting following the program in Town Council on April 10.

"There we have a chance to see the map and say if it's the way we want. Our vote appears to," Ms. Hughes said Thursday.



Newburgh Parks Board President Marjorie Whitaker turned over to contractors the groundbreaking for phase one of the Lou Dennis Community Park renovation project.

She said the park is a valuable asset to the town and she hopes to see it enhanced in the future.

"I hope we can enhance the beauty of this park, but we also want to look back and say thank you to the past owners, the past parks boards and all the residents of Newburgh who, 50 years ago, laid the groundwork to make this place of land into a community park," she said. "Their vision, their hard work and their decisions led to this place of property going from a single playground to a community park that continues to grow."

### Peacocks starting Newburgh drivers

Peacocks have posed a surprising but real traffic hazard on Newburgh's North State Street, where they've started motorists by dashing into the road.

Newburgh officials will discuss the problem tonight before the regular town board meeting.

The peacocks belong to Guido Jukis, who claims he cannot keep them penned up because they would harm each other. Jukis, who lives on seven acres off State Street and has kept the exotic birds since 1974, fears he'll have to get rid of his collection.



History burns: The grand start of the old Newburgh town square renovation today in Newburgh following a Saturday morning fire that destroyed a commercial and residential building.

# THE COURIER

### Newburgh fire's cause unknown; arson not ruled out by officials

The fire that destroyed the old Newburgh town square on Saturday morning was not ruled out as arson by officials.

Fire Department officials said they are still investigating the cause of the fire, which broke out at about 10:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Elizabeth Pico / Courier & Press  
Gary Wildeman, center, sweeps a new sidewalk on the Newburgh Riverfront Walkway near State and Jennings streets on a recent afternoon as workers close down the project for the day. Watching at left is Mike Bender of Deag Brothers Construction.

### Misc. Newspaper Clippings

- Newburgh Dam 1927
- Fire 1976
- Peacocks 1988
- Historic District 1998
- Walkway 2001
- Lou Dennis 2020

## LEARN MORE ABOUT MS4

### MS4 stands for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems

MS4s are defined as a conveyance or system of conveyances owned by a state, city, town, or other public entity that discharges to waters of the United States and is designed or used for collecting or conveying stormwater. Regulated conveyance systems include roads with drains, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, storm drains, piping, channels, ditches, tunnels, and conduits. It does not include combined sewer overflows and publicly owned treatment works.

The federal Clean Water Act requires stormwater discharges from certain types of urbanized areas to be permitted under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. In 1990, Phase I of these requirements became effective, and municipalities with a population served by a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) of 100,000, or more, were regulated. In 1999, Phase II became effective, and any entity responsible for an MS4 conveyance, regardless of population size, could potentially be regulated.

The Town of Newburgh is a regulated and permitted MS4 community and has an MS4 Coordinator and an MS4 Operator. A report showing the progress Newburgh has made in developing and implementing local storm water programs is sent to IDEM each year.

### Keeping Leaves Out of Storm Drains



Leaves in storm drains can cause trouble for homeowners, stormwater systems and water quality. The leaves can mat across the storm drain and block water flow, causing water to back up

on the street. Storm drain backup is a common cause of lawn and basement flooding, which can occur repeatedly if not regularly cleaned.

Poor water quality is another example of the damage that leaves within a storm drain can cause. As the rain flows through the piles of leaves, phosphorous quickly leaches out of the leaves. Too much phosphorous in the water can lead to algae blooms, green and smelly water and can also lower the oxygen level in the water. Low oxygen in the water is bad for plants and animals that live in our streams and river.

While raking leaves in your yard, make sure to rake or blow leaves out of the street, especially before a storm. Storm drains are a crucial part of the stormwater system and it is important to keep them clear of leaves and other debris.

If you have a stormwater issue, please contact Tavi Wydicks at [twydicks@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:twydicks@newburgh-in.gov) or call 812-853-1720 x 1.

## STORM DRAINS



In 2017, storm drain markers were placed on all storm drains in the Town. These markers are to make everyone aware that what you put down these storm drains ends up in our waterways and could pollute the Ohio River.

The markers are a federally mandated minimum control measure that comply with MS4 requirements and enforced by IDEM (The Indiana Department of Environmental Management).

The storm drain markers are paid for by tax dollars and are property of the Town of Newburgh. They are not to be tampered with or illegally removed

### They are not to be removed.

If you notice a storm drain without a marker please email the MS4 Coordinator, Tavi Wydicks, at [twydicks@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:twydicks@newburgh-in.gov).

## OHIO RIVER SWEEP

### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

The Ohio River Sweep is an annual, volunteer cleanup that extends the entire length of the Ohio River. Volunteers from the six states, which border the Ohio River, remove litter at multiple locations along the Ohio River and many of its tributaries.

Although it used to be a one day event, Ohio River Sweep has now changed to a full season.

The Town of Newburgh has setup the following dates and times for cleanup. If you, your family or group is interested in any of these dates, please email Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov).

<b>Tuesday, June 6th</b>	<b>10AM to 12PM</b>
<b>Thursday, July 6th</b>	<b>3PM to 5PM</b>
<b>Saturday, August 5th</b>	<b>8AM to 11AM</b>

Town Council would like to thank ORSANCO for coordinating this event each year, the Town Staff who plan and work our events and to all of the volunteers that help remove debris found along our banks.





# Congratulations!

Commonwealth Engineers, Inc  
and  
Town of Newburgh  
Leon Key Wastewater Treatment Facility

Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. and the Town of Newburgh were recognized for an American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) State Finalist Award for Engineering Excellence, for the work completed on the Lift Station No. 2 Sub Basin Recalibration Study.

Newburgh's Sewer Utility used a proactive approach and persistence, which ended in remarkable results. The Lift Station 2 sub-basin Recalibration Study showed a reduction in what could have been \$8.8 million in capital improvement projects. Previously, a hydraulic model identified existing system deficiencies and future growth impacts on the system. The master plan summarized and identified the Lift Station 2 sub-basin as a high risk for sanitary sewer overflows. The Utility targeted high-risk areas to determine the cause, which led to finding a major direct source contributor exposed in a ditch, which was repaired in house by the Utility. The Utility had also been completing many small point repairs on the system and completed one large capital improvement project to reduce inflow and infiltration into the system. This capital project, Forest Park Project, included the Engineer, Town and Utility working in unison on the Town's CCMG project in which failing lines and structures were replaced. The results of the improvements and repairs reduced environmental impacts and minimized operations and maintenance on the Utility. Congratulations Newburgh Sewer and Commonwealth Engineers Inc. on this prestigious award. The Award Ceremony will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2023 in Indianapolis.



## NEWBURGH ACCEPTS STATE SEWER AWARD

The Town of Newburgh Wastewater Treatment Facility received the George Burke Jr. Safety Award on October 27, 2022. The George Burke Jr. Safety Award is one the most prestigious awards a wastewater treatment facility can receive regarding plant safety. The purpose of the George Burke Jr. Safety Award is to encourage an active and effective safety program in municipal and industrial wastewater facilities.

This was the first time Newburgh has received the George Burke Jr. Safety Award, but not the first award for the treatment facility. The Wastewater Treatment Facility have won several awards including the Lavatory Excellence Award from Indiana Water Environment Association for seventeen (17) straight years and the Safety Excellence Award from Indiana Water Environment Association (IWEA) for five (5) straight years.





## Splash Pad Rules

- Use at your own risk
- All children under the age of 13 must have adult supervision
- Proper swim attire is required
- Water shoes are required
- Swim diapers required for infants and children in diapers
- No toys, floats or chairs in the water spray area
- Running, jumping and horse play are prohibited
- No jumping off of benches or boulders
- No climbing on spray equipment
- No bikes, scooters, skateboards, skates or rollerblades
- Pets, food, gum, glass objects, soaps are not permitted
- Tobacco usage is not permitted
- Water is chlorinated and recirculated through a filtration system—DO NOT DRINK
- Do not sit, stand, cover or block any water jets
- For your safety the splash pad is under video camera surveillance and is regularly monitored
- Splash Pad must be vacated at the first sign of thunder or lightning
- Patron refusing to obey posted rules are subject to removal from premises
- All other park rules apply

**Splash pad may be closed at any time due to weather, maintenance or other operational concerns**

**Opening Day  
May 25, 2023**

## Hours of Operation

**Monday  
Closed for  
Maintenance**

**Tuesday—Sunday  
10:00 AM—7:00 PM**



## **PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND GROUND SURFACES CAN GET HOT**

According to AccuWeather, air does not have to be hot in order for equipment and ground surfaces to heat up and cause burns. While metal equipment is typically thought of as a main threat, some plastics and rubbers as well as concrete have the potential to become hot enough to burn a child's skin.

The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) listed the following safety precautions to reduce your child's risk of burns:

- Always be aware of the sun and weather conditions
- Always check the temperature of the equipment and surface
- Remember that playground equipment, as well as playground surfacing, may cause burns
- Remember, a young child's skin will burn faster than an adult's skin
- Always dress your children in appropriate clothing
- Always watch your children while on the playground



## PARK HOURS

The Parks Board wants to remind everyone that the Newburgh Parks are open from dawn to dusk.

### SHELTER RENTALS

*Lou Dennis Community Park*

SCOUT SHELTER

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NEWBURGH SHELTER

NO ELECTRICITY

ALL DAY RENTAL

PICNIC TABLES



### Rivertown Trail

*Enjoy Your Trail*

Please be courteous to fellow trail users

- Open dawn to dusk
- Stay in public access areas
- Respect private property
- Bicyclists yield to pedestrians and give audible warning and slow down before passing others
- Helmets are recommended for all bicycle riders
- Stop and look at all street crossings
- No motorized vehicles allowed except ADA equipment
- Dogs on leash under owner's control at all times
- Clean up after pets
- Respect the beauty of the trail

**All Trail Users:**

**Travel on the Right**

**Pass on the Left**

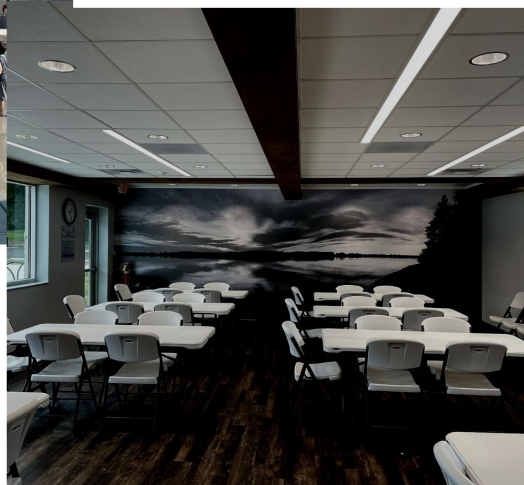
**Call Out when Passing**



LOU DENNIS COMMUNITY PARK

### EVENT ROOM

- Air Conditioned/Heated
- Seats 40
- Refrigerator, Sink, Prep Area
- Windows Overlooking Splash Pad
- Available Year Round



### Support Park Pals



Park Pals is a non-profit organization established to enhance the public's enjoyment of the Newburgh public parks along with preserving, protecting and growing the parks. Park Pals is an extension of the Newburgh Parks Board which strives to preserve, protect and manage natural, historical, and recreational resources and facilities in order to offer leisure activities and programming for all citizens.



[Newburghparkpals.org](http://Newburghparkpals.org)



[newburghparkpals](https://www.facebook.com/newburghparkpals)



[newburgh\\_park\\_pals](https://www.instagram.com/newburgh_park_pals)



*Rent*  
**PRESERVATION  
HALL**  
*200 State St.*



## LOCKMASTER COTTAGES

Old Lock and Dam Park

- 3 Bedrooms
- Sleeps Eight (8)
- Murphy Bed
- Kitchen and Living Room
- Two Bathrooms
- Fully ADA Accessible
- Scenic Views of Ohio River



The perfect outdoor venue  
for your next event

# Allen Family Amphitheater

Located in Old Lock and Dam Park  
600 State Route 662  
Newburgh, IN 47630



**Rent the  
Old Lock and Dam  
Control Building No. 47**



**Perfect for Showers,  
Reunions, Events and  
Meetings**

## RENTAL CONTACTS

### Facilities Department

#### **Kelley Gustafson**

Civil Town Assistant  
Rental Coordinator

812-853-1720 x 4  
kgustafson@newburgh-in.gov

#### **Andrea Balboni**

Facilities Coordinator

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abalboni@newburgh-in.gov



## TIPS TO AVOID GETTING SCAMS

### USE CAUTION WHILE OPENING EMAIL ATTACHMENTS

Spamming emails are frequently used by cybercriminals to distribute viruses. They transmit infected attachments through emails to a large number of victims. When the virus is opened and run, it might install itself in the background and begin its activity.



### YOU SHOULD NOT BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU SEE

Scammers are skilled at impersonating government seals, typefaces, and other characteristics. Just because a website or email appears to be official does not guarantee it is. Caller ID is frequently faked. Learn more about how to avoid impostor scams.

### BEFORE YOU CHECK OUT, BE SURE YOUR ONLINE PURCHASE IS SAFE

Look for "HTTPS" in the URL (the additional s stands for "secure") as well as a little lock icon in the address bar. Before you buy on the website, double-check that you are on the correct page.



### WHEN INTERACTING WITH SOMEBODY YOU'VE MET ONLINE, EXERCISE EXTREME CARE.

Never give out your personal information to someone who has approached you unexpectedly, whether by phone, email, social media, or even at your front door.

### RESIST THE NEED TO RESPOND QUICKLY

Shady actors will usually try to make you believe that something is rare or only available for a limited period. They urge victims to make a choice straight away rather than thinking about it or consulting with family, friends, or financial consultants.



### BE WARY OF WHAT YOU POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Consider connecting with just those you know. Examine all social media and internet accounts' privacy settings. Because imposters know so much about their prey, they can often pass themselves off as friends or family members.

## SIGNS WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY



Pursuant to IC 9-21-4-6 and the Newburgh Code of Ordinances Section 157.196, private signs, including political signs are prohibited within the right of way.

Please note that signs placed within the public right of way may be removed by the Town staff without prior notice. Town personnel generally remove signs from the right of way as they are encountered in normal street maintenance activities. Removed signs will be taken to the Town Maintenance Facility located at the corner of First and Polk Street where they can be picked up.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Ride Solution operates the WATS bus routes that connect with the Evansville METS transportation system. No advance scheduling required. Just get on board at any of the stops.

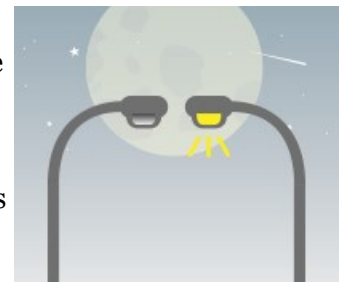
- The fare is \$1.00 per person.
- 60 years & over is \$0.50 per person.
- Children 6 years & under ride free with a paid adult.
- Door-to-Door service available in the WATS service region.

To download a route map or to learn more about Door-to-Door service visit [www.ridesolution.org](http://www.ridesolution.org).



## STREETLIGHT OUT?

Help us keep the streets safe and well lit. If you see a streetlight not working properly, please let us know!



Choose one of the methods below to report a light out:

- Call Town Hall at 812-853-1720
- Email Andrea Balboni at [abalboni@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:abalboni@newburgh-in.gov)

Tell us the following information:

- Location of the streetlight
- Some streetlights have identification numbers; if possible please tell us the ID number
- Issue with the streetlight (is it out, blinking, turning on at wrong time, etc.)
- Your contact information

# 5 TIPS TO IDENTIFY MISINFORMATION



## What is Misinformation?

The term 'misinformation' is defined as 'incorrect or misleading information' and is false information that is spread, regardless of whether there is intent to mislead. Misinformation is also known as fake news and is often sensational in nature and presented as if it were real news.

1

### Check the Source

Ask yourself the following questions when checking the source. Does the web address (url) look correct? Is the source from a government, educational institution or other credible source? Has the website, article or post been recently updated?

2

### Evaluate the Emotion

Misinformation is designed to get an emotional response from the reader. Fake news uses clickbait or sensational type headlines to get readers to click and influence towards a certain opinion. What was your initial reaction to reading the headline?

3

### Find Multiple Sources

Make sure there is enough evidence to support the facts. Check multiple sources to see if they can corroborate or support the information. Find three additional credible sources to verify the credibility of the information provided.

4

### Use a Critical Eye

Check the source to see if there are any misspelled words, grammatical errors or incorrect dates. Do a quick background search on the author or organization of the source to make sure they are qualified to be writing about the topic.

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### Check the Content

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## Newburgh Neighbor Residential Grant Program

The Newburgh Neighbor Residential Grant Program is a matching grant program that assists property owners in restoring and rehabilitating homes within the Newburgh Historic Districts. Grants are limited to exterior preservation, restoration, or rehabilitation of homes.

## Indiana Office of Community & Rural Affairs Historic Renovation Grant Program

Applicants with an eligible historic commercial structure have the opportunity to apply for project funding between \$5,000 and \$100,000 at a maximum request of 50 percent of the total eligible project cost. Eligible applicants include non-profits, individuals, partnerships, firms, associations, joint ventures, limited liability companies, corporation or non-profit affordable housing organization.

For guidelines on both grant programs and applications visit the town website at [www.newburgh-in.gov](http://www.newburgh-in.gov), select Historic Preservation from the top bar and scroll down to Grants.

## Newburgh Neighbor Grant Freedom Trail

The Newburgh Neighbor Residential Grant Program would like to offer you the opportunity to show your support for our Armed Forces; past, present, and future; by sponsoring a flag along our "Freedom Trail".

The Freedom Trail will be back in 2023 for Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Veterans Day.

Each sponsor will have their name, along with up to three lines of text, printed and attached to the flag pole. The flags will be displayed at the Old Lock and Dam Park and will be flown for at least one week surrounding each of four holidays. Flags are \$50.00 each and all proceeds will benefit the Newburgh Neighbor Grant Program.



If you would like to honor the military service member in your life by sponsoring a flag along the freedom trail, please email Tavi Wydicks at [twydicks@newburgh-in.gov](mailto:twydicks@newburgh-in.gov) for a sponsorship form.

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## Council Meetings

Town Council Meetings are held in the William F. Kavanaugh Council Chambers in Town Hall at 5:30 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.

Apr. 12	Apr. 26
May 10	May 24
June 14	June 28
July 12	July 26
Aug. 9	Aug. 23
Sept. 13	Sept. 27
Oct. 11	Oct. 25
Nov. 8	Nov. 22
Dec. 13	Dec. 27
Jan. 10	Jan. 24

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## Town Hall Closings

**April 7—Good Friday**

**May 2—Primary Election Day**

**May 29—Memorial Day**

**June 19—Juneteenth**

**July 4—Independence Day**

**September 4—Labor Day**

**November 7—Election Day**

**November 10—Veterans Day**

**November 23—Thanksgiving**

**November 24—Day After Thanksgiving**