

NEWBURGH NEWS OF NOTE

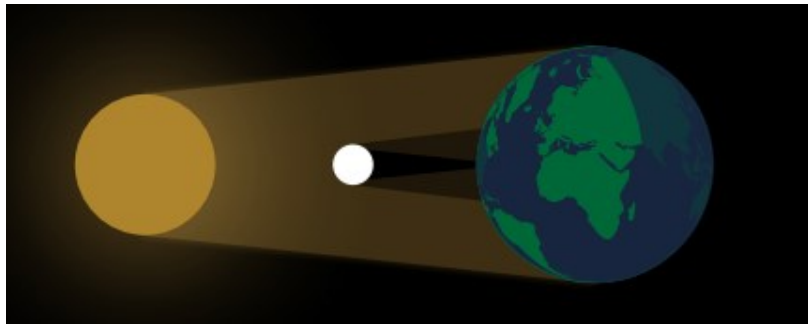
Spring 2024



Total Solar Eclipse



According to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, a solar eclipse happens when the moon passes between the sun and Earth, casting a shadow on Earth that either fully or partially blocks the sun's light in some areas. This only happens occasionally, because the moon does not orbit in the exact same plane as the sun and Earth do, per NASA.



People located in the center of the moon's shadow when it hits Earth will experience a total eclipse. The sky will darken as if it were dawn or dusk. Weather permitting, people in the path of a total solar eclipse can see the sun's corona, the outer atmosphere which is usually obscured by the bright face of the sun.

WHEN WILL THE ECLIPSE OCCUR?

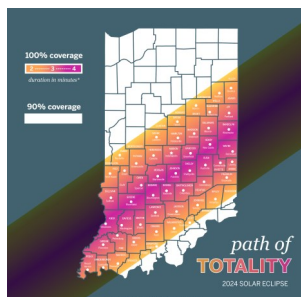


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The eclipse in Newburgh will begin at approximately 12:46pm on April 8, 2024, and end at 3:20pm. During this time, the sun will be partially obscured by the moon, and you should use special eclipse sunglasses to view the eclipse without risking permanent eye damage.

The most special stage of the eclipse is called Totality. Totality is the maximum phase of a total eclipse which the moon's disk completely covers the sun. Totality will start in the southwestern part of the state and will be over within just a few minutes. The exact duration depends on the location but should start in our area around 2:03pm and end around 2:05pm.

For more information on the total solar eclipse and for local solar eclipse events, please see pages 3-5.



Town of Newburgh

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Emergency	911
Information	812-853-7651
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SENIOR CENTER

529 Jefferson Street
812-853-5627

HISTORIC NEWBURGH, IN

Aurand Trailhead
812-853-2815

A NOTE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER



Newburgh Residents,

This newsletter is full of important information for the Spring / Summer season. We hope you will keep it handy to refer to and as questions or issues arise, please call Town Hall 812-853-1720 for more

information.

Total Eclipse - April 8th

On April 8th, between 2pm- 4 pm, our region will experience more than likely a once in a lifetime viewing of a total solar eclipse. We are extremely lucky to have this in our backyard. The economic development and tourism opportunity has been equated to twelve Taylor Swift Concerts coming to the area. Crowd expectations are in the tens to hundreds of thousands regionally and in the millions all over the state. Preparations are being made by town and county officials for a surge of visitors to the area. Warrick County Schools will be closed that day and St. John's Catholic School will have a virtual learning day. State agencies are warning us that these three little minutes will stress our infrastructure for 3 days. Residents should limit travel during this time or expect very long delays due to heavy traffic. Officials warn extreme traffic congestion could last more than 12 hours after the event. You will want to make sure to have a few days' supply of fuel, food, and important medications on hand. Be prepared for communication disruptions due to heavy data usage. Restaurants and stores will be packed. Fuel shortages are likely, and emergency services will be saturated.

State agencies are also stressing the importance of eye safety and warn viewers there are many counterfeit eclipse glasses being sold. Only Eclipse glasses or solar filters should be worn to view the eclipse. Sunglasses, even very dark ones will not provide your eyes with sufficient protection. Eclipse glasses should be properly tested and shown to be safe. The American Astronomical Society is hosting a website with approved vendors that are selling eclipse products that have been vetted by the AAS Eclipse Task Force.

<https://eclipse.aas.org/resources/solar-filters>

The Town is giving away free AAS approved Eclipse glasses to town residents while supplies last. Come into Town Hall during regular business hours with proof of residence to get up to 4 free pairs. Please only take what you need for your household to give as many people the opportunity as possible. Glasses will be available after March 29, 2024.



Except for the short period of totality, looking directly at the eclipse can cause permanent eye damage. The Indiana Health Department is recommending everyone keep their eclipse glasses/ solar filters on during the entire event because knowing when those few seconds of totality occurs may prove difficult. The effect will not be lessened by filtered glasses so you are encouraged to err on the side of safety and just keep them on the entire time.

Upcoming projects:

Playground at Lou Dennis Community Park



The Fortress of Fun playground at Lou Dennis Community Park is being replaced. This construction will allow us to prioritize safety while giving families a new playground that will serve children of all abilities, all ages,

and create new memories. The Newburgh Parks Board is committed to building an exceptional new space soon that will honor the Fortress of Fun's importance to our community members. If you would like to be involved in any way, please reach out to me. There will be open forums in the coming months to discuss selection of playground pieces and fund-raising events taking place so keep your eye out for information on these important dates. The master plan of the new playground is showcased at Park Pals website... NewburghParkPals.org and more information is provided in this newsletter.

State Street Drainage Repair

The Town has identified an issue with an old storm drain running along State Street close to the State Street and Jennings Street intersection. This project will reroute a new storm pipe to correct the issue and is anticipated to start early June and take approximately 10 weeks to finish. The stormwater improvements are fairly involved and will require two phases of road closures. Phase 1 will close the south portion of State St. from Jennings Street to Water Street. Phase 2 of the project will close the west portion of Water Street from State Street to the parking lot entrance. In addition, there will be directional changes on Water Street and Monroe Street to provide access to parking and properties in the immediate area. The parking lot along Water Street will be open for public use. We know this will be especially hard on the merchants and residents in this immediate area and want to make sure we are doing everything possible to minimize any negative impacts.



You can help by showing support to the merchants affected, keep your eye out for directional changes, and anticipate slight delays through this area while the project is taking place.

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A NOTE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER CONTINUED

Make sure to check out the events schedule that follows and if you have not already, subscribe to the text blast system *BUZZ IN THE BURGH* to receive text messages on community happenings and emergency alerts. Details follow.

I am always available for questions, concerns, or issues by email: cpowell@newburgh-in.gov or by calling Town Hall: 812-853-1720.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve you,



Christy Powell

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 **866-932-8995** 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.

The Town of Newburgh has been Sister Cities with Newburgh, Lancashire (they pronounce it Newbra) for thirty (30) years. The Newburgh Town Council and Newburgh Parish Council keep in contact and we wanted to inform residents of their new website. You can visit Newburgh, Lancashire website at: newburghparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Downtown Library OREO ECLIPSE



Monday, March 25 4:30-6:30pm
Thursday, March 28 11am-12:30pm

This drop-in program is geared toward children but all ages are welcome!



Free eclipse glasses will be handed out after completing the program while supplies last.

Newburgh Museum Exhibits and Events

Newburgh and surrounding area contributes to the World War II effort. Learn how and why in the new exhibit!



Free Monthly Events
Newburgh Speaking Series
Sundays

March—November

Watch for schedule coming soon

For more information on museum, event details, volunteer opportunities or to become a member of the Newburgh Museum, please visit their web-site at:

www.newburghmuseum.org or call 812-853-5045.

NEWBURGH SISTER CITY



March 29, 2024
Spring Leaf Pickup

April 6, 2024
Newburgh Senior Center
Twenty Anniversary
Open House

April 8, 2024
Total Solar Eclipse

April 23, 2024
Old Dam Band Concert
Allen Family Amphitheater

May 4, 2024
HNI Beer & Wine Festival
Old Lock and Dam Park

May 11, 2024
Arts Commission Event
Allen Family Amphitheater

May 16, 2024
Wildcat Mile

May 24, 2024
Splash Pad Opens

May 26, 2024
HNI Strawberry Social
Old Lock and Dam Park

June 8, 2024
Warrick County Pride Event
Old Lock and Dam Park

June 14th & 15th, 2024
Community Wide Yard Sale

June 21, 2024
Heavy Trash Pickup



ELECTION OF OFFICERS

During the first Town Council meeting of 2024, Stacie Krieger was voted Town Council President.

Anne Rust Aurand was voted Vice President.

Allyson Shelby was voted Second Vice President.



SOLAR ECLIPSE IN NEWBURGH

APRIL 8, 2024

First Contact	(Eclipse Begins)	12:46pm
Second Contact	(Totality Begins)	2:03pm
Maximum Eclipse	(Sun at its most Hidden)	2:04pm
Third Contact	(Edge of Moon Exposes Sun)	2:05 pm
Fourth Contact	(Moon Leaves Edge of Sun)	3:20pm
Duration		2 Hours, 35 Minutes

According to Indiana's Department of Homeland Security, the total solar eclipse will be highly publicized in the days leading up to April 8, 2024. Because of the rarity of a total solar eclipse, many thousands of people will be traveling to Indiana or from elsewhere within the state so that they can be in the path of totality. In fact, it is estimated Indiana may see as many as half a million out-of-state visitors for the eclipse, boosting the state's population by nearly 10%. This will lead to unusually high levels of traffic on roadways and crowds in Downtown Newburgh.

With the influx of people and traffic, Newburgh Town Council wants residents to consider the following the day of the eclipse:

- Expect possible increase in travel time, extreme traffic congestions, and large crowds along Water Street, French Island Trail, Old Lock and Dam Park and the Rivertown Trail.
- Expect considerable demand at gas stations and local stores. Consider doing errands the day before.
- If possible, do not schedule appointments for that day (e.g. hair appointments, doctor, dentist, etc.)
- Expect an increase in accidents and health and safety hazards, with response agencies possibly taking longer to respond.

SOLAR ECLIPSE EYE SAFETY

Per NASA's website, except during the brief phase of a total eclipse, when the moon completely blocks the sun's bright face, it is not safe to look directly at the sun without specialized eye protection for solar viewing. Viewing any part of the bright Sun through a camera lens, binoculars, or a telescope without a special-purpose solar filter secured over the front of the optics will instantly cause severe eye injury.

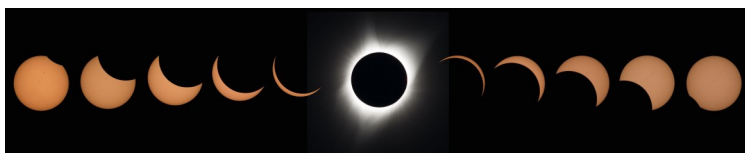
When watching the partial phases of the solar eclipse directly with your eyes, which happens before and after totality, you must look through safe solar viewing glasses ("eclipse glasses") or a safe handheld solar viewer at all times. Eclipse glasses are NOT regular sunglasses; regular sunglasses, no matter how dark, are not safe for viewing the sun. Safe solar viewers are thousands of times darker

and ought to comply with the **ISO 12312-2** international standard. NASA does not approve any particular brand of solar viewers.

Important safety guidelines to follow during a total solar eclipse:

- View the Sun through eclipse glasses or a handheld solar viewer during the partial eclipse phases before and after totality. 2017 Eclipse glasses can be used as long as they meet ISO 12312-2 international standards and are not damaged in anyway.
- Always inspect your eclipse glasses or handheld viewer before use; if torn, scratched, or otherwise damaged, discard the device. Always supervise children using solar viewers.
- Do NOT use eclipse glasses or handheld viewers with cameras, binoculars, or telescopes. Those require different types of solar filters. When viewing the partial phases of the eclipse through cameras, binoculars, or telescopes equipped with proper solar filters, you do not need to wear eclipse glasses. (The solar filters do the same job as the eclipse glasses to protect your eyes.)
- You can view the eclipse directly without proper eye protection only when the Moon completely obscures the Sun's bright face – during the brief and spectacular period known as totality. (You'll know it's safe when you can no longer see any part of the Sun through eclipse glasses or a solar viewer.)
- As soon as you see even a little bit of the bright Sun reappear after totality, immediately put your eclipse glasses back on or use a handheld

This composite image of eleven pictures shows the progression of a total solar eclipse over Madras, Oregon, on August 21, 2017.
NASA/Aubrey Gemigani



SOLAR ECLIPSE LOCAL EVENTS

Total Eclipse of the Park

Location: Friedman Park

Presented by R3 Renewables & Warrick Parks Foundation

2024 Solar Affair

Location: Warrick County Fairgrounds

Presented by Boonville Merchant's Association

Total Solar Eclipse at Angel Mounds

Location: Angel Mounds

Total Solar Eclipse

Downtown Evansville Riverfront

Solarpalooza

Location: University of Southern Indiana

UEclipse 2024

Location: University of Evansville

These events are not hosted by the Town of Newburgh.

For more information on the events, visit their Facebook page.

NEW EMERGENCY WARNING SIREN

Outdoor warning sirens generate sound through mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic means, and can produce audible signals ranging from tones of varying pitch, frequency, and duration. Outdoor warning sirens are used by public safety agencies to alert people about natural and man-made hazards.

The Town of Newburgh had two outdoor warning sirens that were installed between 1945-1950. The range on both sirens were no more than 2,400 feet and were both located on the east side of town. In 2023, Newburgh Town Council voted unanimously to remove the two existing sirens and install a new siren with a 5,400 foot range at Veterans Monument.

The Town of Newburgh worked with the Warrick County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) on the best location for the new siren. Veterans Monument is centrally located at the north end of Town up on a hill, which will allow the audible signal to reach as many residents as possible. The Town of Newburgh would like to thank the Warrick County Emergency Management Agency for their assistance during this project.

Mounts Electric will be removing the old sirens and installing the new siren. The Town of Newburgh and Mounts Electric have met with Centerpoint to find the best location at Veterans Monument that will service both the siren and the electricity needed to power it. No trees at Veterans Monument will be removed and the siren will sit back at the opposite end of the parcel, away from the monument itself.

The Town of Newburgh would like to also thank CenterPoint Energy for awarding the Town their Community Safety Grant in the amount of \$2,500 to go toward the Town's siren project. The remaining funds for the siren were paid for by the Town's Public Safety Local Income Tax.

The new siren, as were the old sirens, will be controlled via a radio by Warrick County Emergency Management Agency. The Warrick County EMA will be the agency to activate the siren during an emergency and in charge of testing the siren. The Town of Newburgh will provide yearly maintenance of the siren.

The Newburgh Town Council takes the safety of their residents seriously and is proud to be installing this new emergency siren. If you have any questions about the emergency siren, please contact Andrea Balboni at abalboni@newburgh-in.gov.

Sentry Siren Model 14V

- Rated at 127dB(C) at 100 feet
- 5,400 feet estimated coverage radius
- 15HP, continuous-duty AC motor
- Omni-directional (non-rotating) warning siren
- True 360 degree full dB sound output
- 100% maintenance free
- Electro-mechanically generated sound
- Powder coated steel construction



Veterans Monument

Siren Location





Allen Family Amphitheater

622 FRENCH ISLAND TRAIL

- ✓ 93 seating capacity + hillside seating
- ✓ Accommodates up to 65 musicians
- ✓ Stage lights
- ✓ Sound wiring access box
- ✖ Rental rate: \$214 with tax
- ✖ Insurance required & refundable damage deposit: \$100



Old Lock & Dam Building No. 47

525 STATE RD 662 E

- ✓ 850 Sq. Ft.
- ✓ 50 seating capacity
- ✓ 12 rectangular tables & 50 metal folding chairs
- ✓ Full kitchen & 2 restrooms
- ✖ Rental rate: \$267.50 with tax
- ✖ Insurance required & refundable damage deposit: \$100



Preservation Hall

200 STATE ST

- ✓ Caterer's kitchen
- ✓ Bridal suite add-on
- ✓ 12 round tables, 4 8ft tables, 2 6ft tables, 100+ chairs
- ✓ Flex space downstairs with 10 high top tables
- ✖ Insurance and damage deposit required, prices vary, please contact us!



East & West Lockmaster Cottages

550 STATE RD 662 E

- ✓ Fully furnished
- ✓ 3 bedrooms 2 bathrooms
- ✓ 1 queen, 1 full size, 2 twin, 1 full size murphy (sleeps 8)
- ✓ Fully equipped kitchen & dining room
- ✖ \$280 for 1 night
- ✖ \$229.60 for 2+ nights
- ✖ \$1,205.39 per week
- ✖ Refundable damage deposit: \$100



Lou Event Room

402 PARK DR

- ✓ 40 seating capacity
- ✓ Sink, fridge, and counter space
- ✓ 8 rectangular tables & 40 folding chairs
- ✓ Next to splash pad
- ✖ Refundable \$100 damage deposit required. Prices vary with season and time, please contact us!



Shelters at Lou Dennis

402 PARK DR

- ✓ 6 picnic tables
- ✓ Public restrooms
- ✓ Both shelters have electricity
- ✖ Rental rate (full day): \$187.50 with tax
- ✖ 4 hr rate: \$107 with tax
- ✖ Refundable \$100 damage deposit

rentals@newburgh-in.gov

23 W Jennings St

812-518-1157

rentals@newburgh-in.gov

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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



PARK HOURS:

Dawn - Dusk

Rental Contact Information
rentals@newburgh-in.gov 812-853-1720



Lou Dennis Community Park Splash Pad

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 24, 2024**

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



LOU DENNIS COMMUNITY PARK SUMMER EVENTS 2024

MAY 24 - FRIDAY	MAY 27 - MONDAY	
OPENING DAY OF SPLASH PAD 	MEMORIAL DAY STAFF WILL HAND OUT MINI AMERICAN FLAGS COLORING PAGES IN THE LOU ROOM 11AM - 6PM 	NATIONAL SUNSCREEN DAY SUN PROTECTION INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE BREEZEWAY.  FREE SUNSCREEN WILL BE LOCATED AT THE PARK ALL YEAR LONG. 
JUNE 7 - FRIDAY	JUNE 8 - SATURDAY	JUNE 14 - FRIDAY
NATIONAL DONUT DAY PARKS BOARD TO HAND OUT DONUTS FROM 10AM - 12PM  DONUT CRAFT AND COLORING PAGES IN LOU ROOM (UNTIL 2PM) DONUT SQUISHES TO HAND OUT 	NATIONAL BEST FRIEND DAY TAKE A PICTURE WITH YOUR BESTIE AT THE SPLASH PAD USE #LOUSPLASHBFF ON FACEBOOK  SHOW STAFF RECEIVE FRIENDSHIP BRACELET 	FLAG DAY CREATE YOUR OWN FLAG IN THE LOU ROOM MINI WHITE FLAGS KIDS TO DECORATE WITH MARKERS AND STICKERS 
JUNE 16 - SUNDAY	JULY 4 - THURSDAY	JULY 17 - WEDNESDAY
FATHER'S DAY FATHER'S DAY PHOTO PROPS 	FOURTH OF JULY STAFF WILL HAND OUT MINI AMERICAN FLAGS CRAFTS, TREATS AND GAMES IN THE LOU ROOM 11AM - 6PM 	WORLD EMOJI DAY  PLACE AN EMOJI STICKER ON THE DESIGNATED WALL TO LET US KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT THE PARK! EMOJI COLORING SHEETS AND PHOTO PROPS IN THE LOU ROOM. 
JULY 30 - TUESDAY	AUGUST 9 - FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 2 - MONDAY
FREEZER POP DAY PARK PALS MEMBERS WILL HAND OUT FREEZER POPS FROM 11AM - 1PM 	BOOK LOVER'S DAY COME WRITE (OR DRAW) YOUR OWN STORY. MINI BLANK NOTEBOOKS, MARKERS, CRAYONS AND PENCILS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE LOU ROOM. 11AM - 6PM 	LABOR DAY LAST DAY OF SPLASH PAD CRAFTS, TREATS AND GAMES IN THE LOU ROOM 

LOU DENNIS COMMUNITY PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Over the winter months, Lou Dennis Community Park received multiple improvements. This is the third year in a row that improvements have been made to the park. In 2021 the splash pad, community building, parking lot and basketball court were completed. In 2022, the Kiwanis of Historic Newburgh shelter house was built with financial assistance from Kiwanis of Historic Newburgh and multiple private donors. In the winter of 2023, the Town of Newburgh, with a grant from Warrick County, built a new shelter next to the Kiwanis Shelter, added electricity to both shelter houses, added a fence between the basketball court and the parking lot, made landscape upgrades, added a walking path between the parking lot and basketball court, and removed a 48-year-old shelter.

Lou Dennis Community Park will continue to receive upgrades over the years. A new Lou Dennis Community Park Master Plan was created in 2023 by Element Design and funded by Newburgh Park Pals, thanks in part from money raised by Kiwanis of Historic Newburgh during Walk of Dreams. The new design lays out the next phases of the park with a replacement to the twenty-five year old Fortress of Fun.

The park master plan has been approved by both the Newburgh Parks and Recreation Board and Newburgh Town Council. Newburgh Park Pals revealed the plan at their March 11, 2024 meeting. For a look at the plan, please visit Newburgh Park Pals website, Facebook page or Instagram.

SUPPORT NEWBURGH 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 and has had several successful fundraisers to help with the building of the splash pad, a Lou shelter house, and a revised Lou Dennis Community Park Master Plan. To learn more about Park Pals, or to donate or volunteer, please visit their sites below.

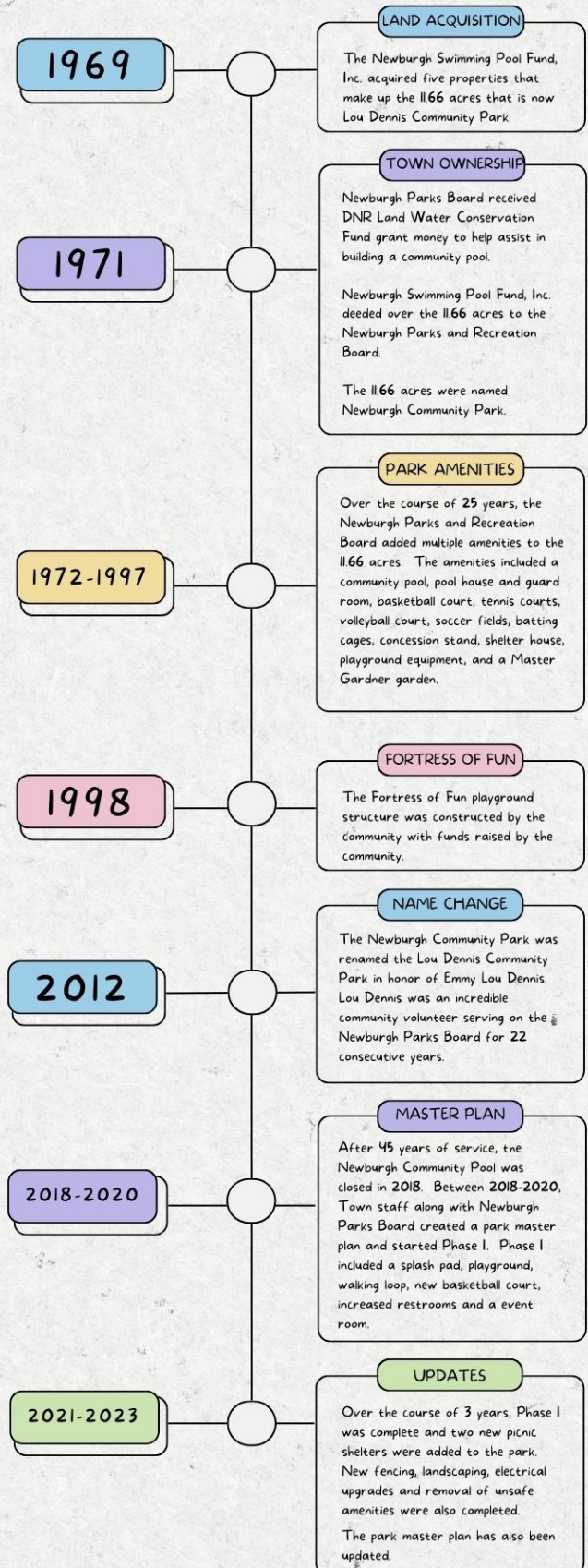
Website: newburghparkpals.org

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

Instagram: [newburgh_park_pals](https://www.instagram.com/newburgh_park_pals)



LOU DENNIS COMMUNITY PARK Timeline





FORTRESS OF FUN TO BE RAZED TO MAKE WAY FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The Fortress of Fun was built with a community-wide effort 25 years ago that involved hundreds of volunteers, multiple sponsorships, and private donations. The Fortress of Fun has been maintained over the years by the Town of Newburgh and has seen countless repairs, replacement pieces, and painting projects that have allowed it to safely remain open past its predicted 10-15 year life expectancy. The Newburgh Parks and Recreation Board recently had the Fortress of Fun assessed by the original company that helped build the playground, Leathers & Associates, as well as a Certified Playground Inspector. Both assessments concluded that the

structure should be closed and removed citing the deteriorating conditions. The Newburgh Parks and Recreation Board are currently seeking a third assessment from a structural engineer to allow the play structure to remain open through the summer.

Newburgh Park Pals, with the blessing of Newburgh Parks and Recreation Board, had a new Lou Dennis Community Park Master Plan created. The plan was paid for by Newburgh Park Pals and was created by Element Design. This ambitious redesign will add multiple amenities to the 11.66-acre park that will complement existing facilities and serve children with all abilities. Demolition will occur this fall, funding for the new playground is being procured, with site preparation and construction taking place once all funding is obtained. While removal of the Fortress of Fun may disappoint some residents, the Town of Newburgh is committed to the safety of its park users and continuing to enhance and grow Lou Dennis Community Park.

Below is the new Lou Dennis Community Park Master Plan that was created by Element Design. The design was released at Park Pals Annual Meeting on March 11, 2024 and a large print of the park can be found at Lou Dennis Community Park. This project is about preserving beloved memories while creating a new generation of positive experiences.



FRIDAY & SATURDAY JUNE 14 & 15



PLEASE REGISTER BY JUNE 7, 2024 TO BE INCLUDED ON THE YARD SALE LIST.

YOU CAN REGISTER BY CALLING TOWN HALL AT 812-853-1720 EXT. 0 OR
EMAILING LYNETTE TEMPLE AT LTEMPLE@NEWBURGH-IN.GOV.

PLEASE LET LYNETTE KNOW IF YOU ARE REGISTERING FOR BOTH DAYS OR
JUST ONE AND A OVERVIEW OF WHAT IS FOR SALE (TOYS, BABY CLOTHES,
TOOLS, ETC.)

A LIST OF YARD SALE ADDRESSES WILL
BE AVAILABLE ON JUNE 12TH AT TOWN
HALL, ON THE TOWN WEBSITE, AND ON
THE TOWN FACEBOOK PAGE.

Place all Heavy Trash Items where you
normally place your trash containers

6-21-2024

Heavy Trash Pickup

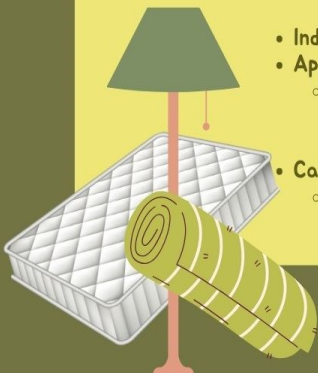
All heavy items must be set out on the scheduled collection day but no earlier than
24 hours before scheduled pickup.

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
- Carpeting
 - Carpet must be rolled, bundled and cut into 4 foot lengths

Items NOT Collected

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



Friday, June 21, 2024




RENEWABLE RESOURCES LLC

TOWN OF NEWBURGH

Solid Waste & Recycling



Trash Bags
Trash bags left outside of the trash can will not be picked up.



Trash Containers
All trash must be placed within a Renewable Resources container. No other container can be used.



Yard Waste
All yard waste must be placed within the Renewable Resources container.



Extra Can
Extra trash or recycle container can be leased for \$5.00 per month.



Missed Pickup
Contact Town Hall 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.

Town Hall Trash and Recycle Number
812-853-1720 x 6

HOW TO COMPOST DRY LEAVES

To start, shred the leaves with a mower, and catch them in your mower bag.

1. Add leaves to a compost bin.
2. Layer the leaves with nitrogen-rich items like fresh grass clippings, food waste or manure.
3. Build up the pile until its three feet tall and wide—alternating between layers of leaves and high-nitrogen product; keeping the volume equal.
4. Turn compost once a month. Check for moisture. If you have dry spots—add water. If it smells or looks rotten dry it out using laves, straw or sawdust. The whole pile should have a similar moisture level to a damp but drained sponge.
5. If you start with the right balance of materials and periodically turn the pile, you can have compost in a couple of months. The compost will eventually remain cool and become colonized by earthworms.

SPRING LEAF PICKUP

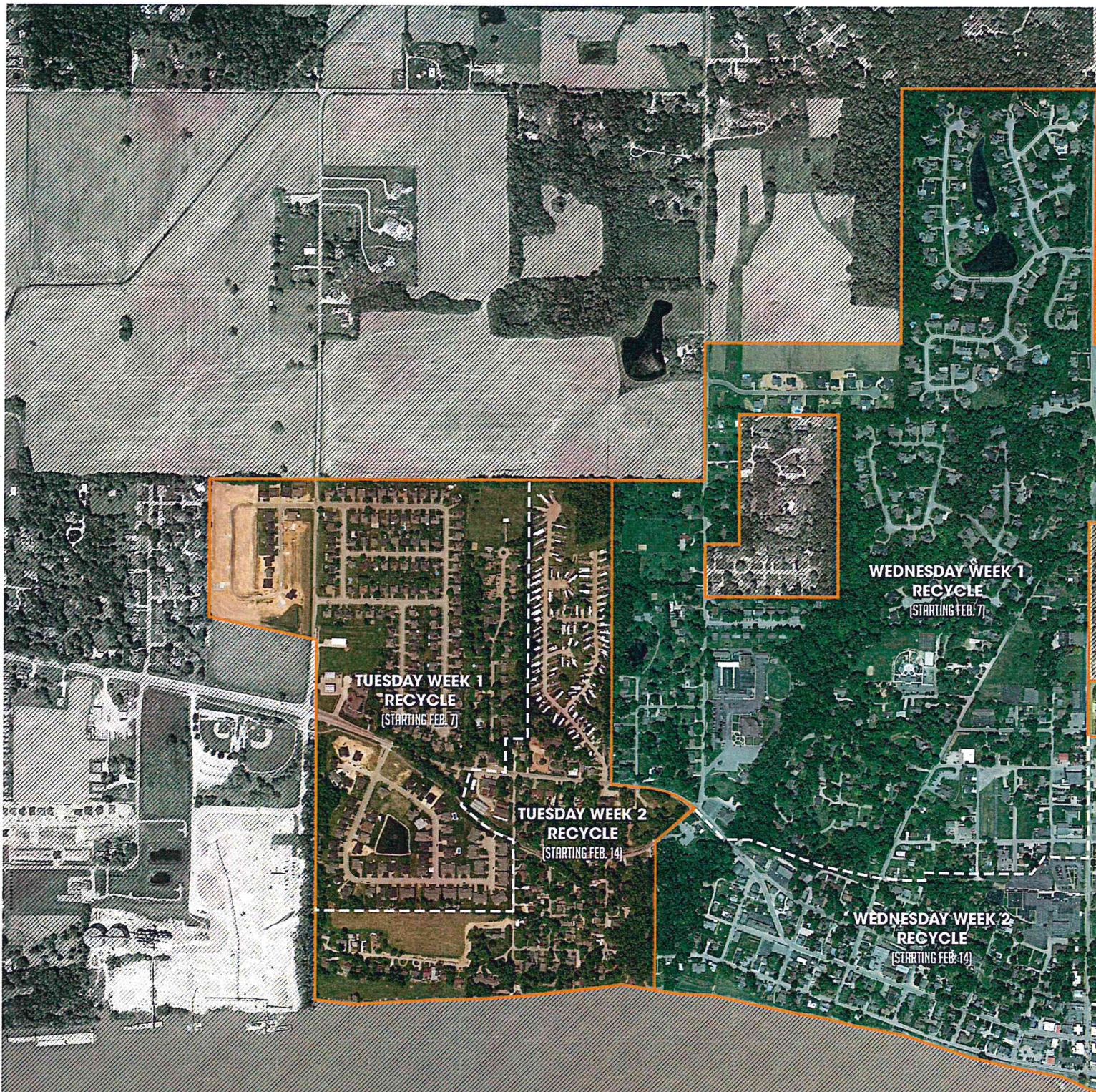
The Town of Newburgh is sponsoring a Town wide spring leaf pickup date. Households must register for the pickup. Renewable Resources will only pickup leaves from the households that register.

The spring leaf pickup date is scheduled for March 29, 2024.

You can register two ways:

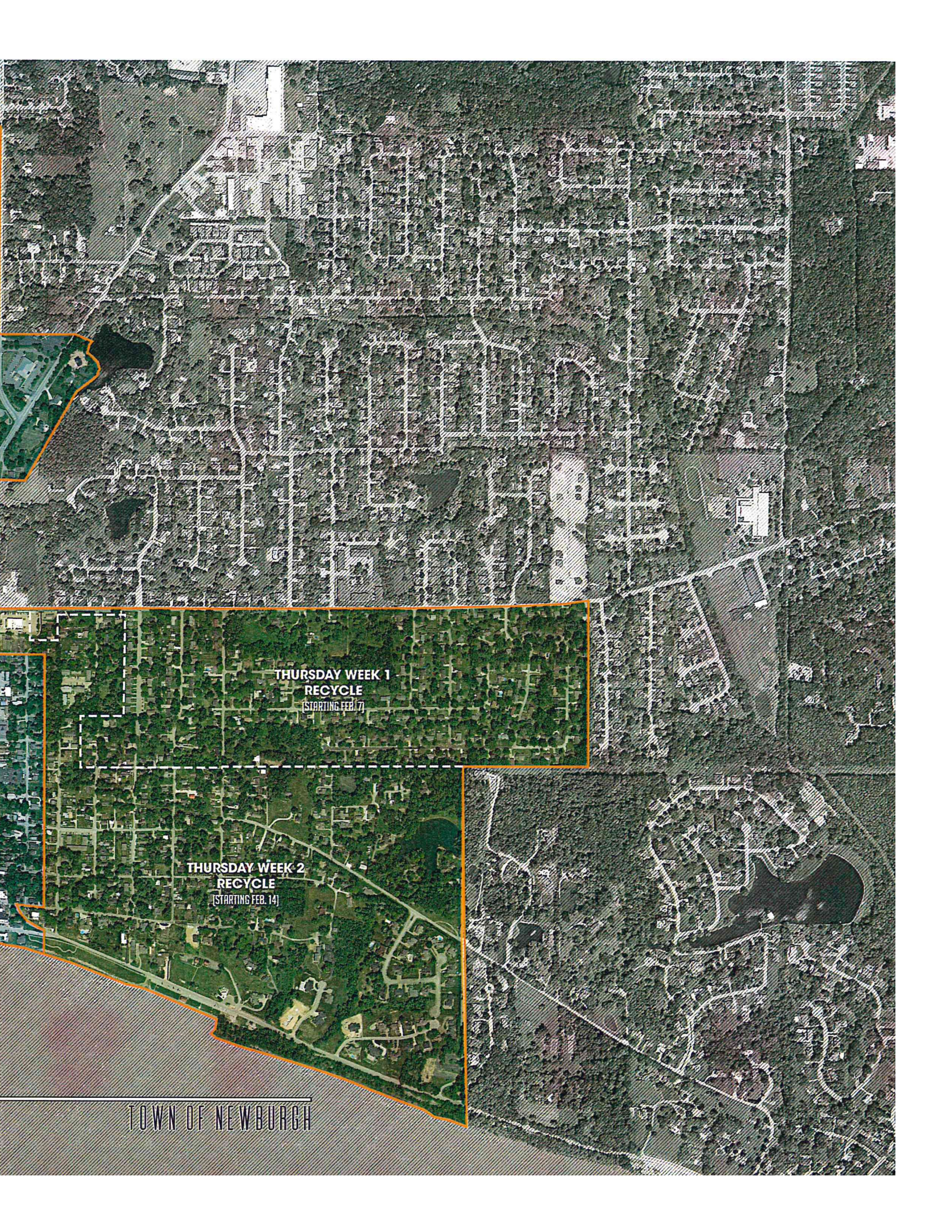
1. Email Lynette Temple at ltemple@newburgh-in.gov
2. Call Town Hall at 812-853-1720 x 6

If you have any questions about leaf pickup, please contact Andrea Balboni at abalboni@newburgh-in.gov.



**RENEWABLE
RESOURCES LLC**

Recycle Schedule Map



THURSDAY WEEK 1
RECYCLE
(STARTING FEB. 7)

THURSDAY WEEK 2
RECYCLE
(STARTING FEB. 14)

TOWN OF NEWBURGH

2024 Tuesday Trash and Recycle Pickup

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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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877.752.3024

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THE ANNUAL OHIO RIVER SWEEP

MAY 11, 2024

7AM - 12PM

OLD LOCK AND DAM PARK

CONTROL BUILDING NO. 47



Glove and trash bags
will be provided. Please wear
appropriate shoes and clothing
you don't mind getting dirty.

If you have any questions, please email
abalboni@newburgh-in.gov.

Waiver required. Available by email or on day of
event.

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, select Historic Preservation from the top bar and scroll down to Grants.

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, Christy Powell, at cpowell@newburgh-in.gov.

BUILDING PERMITS

All work, interior and exterior, done on a property over \$1,000 requires a building permit. To apply for a building permit contact Kelley Gustafson at 812-490-9912 or email Kelley at kgustafson@newburgh-in.gov.



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.

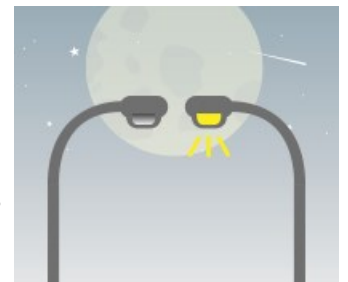
- The fare is \$1.00 per person.
- 60 years & over is \$0.50 per person.
- Children 6 years & under ride free with a paid adult.
- Door-to-Door service available in the WATS service region.

To download a route map or to learn more about Door-to-Door service visit www.ridesolution.org.



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

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

TOWN OF NEWBURGH MONTHLY MEETINGS

DATES & TIMES

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

PLAN

Plan Commission
1st Monday
5:30PM
Town Hall

UTILITY

Utility Commission
1st Wednesday
9:30AM
Town Hall

PARK

Parks Board
1st Thursday
6:00PM
Town Hall

POLICE

Police Commission
2nd Monday
11:00AM
Town Hall

COUNCIL

Town Council
2nd Wednesday
5:30PM
Town Hall

HPC

Historic Preservation
2nd Thursday
5:45PM
Town Hall

SWM

Storm Water
3rd Monday
4:30PM
Town Hall

D&I

Diversity & Inclusion
3rd Wednesday
4:30PM
Town Hall

OTHER

Arts Commission
4th Monday
5:30PM
LNB Bank

BZA

Zoning Appeals
4th Monday
6:00PM
Town Hall

COUNCIL

Town Council
4th Wednesday
5:30PM
Town Hall

Meet As Needed

Air Authority
Sidewalk Committee
Growth & Progress
Committee

ALL MEETING DATES ARE POSTED MONTHLY ON THE TOWN
WEBSITE AND AT TOWN HALL

STAFFING UPDATES

Councilwomen and Personnel Committee Members, Anne Rust Aurand and Stacie Krieger would like to announce a new employee at Town Hall!



The Town is happy to introduce Renée Lutterbach. Renée Lutterbach is a recent graduate of Purdue University, majoring in political science, and is the new Civil Town Administrative Assistant for the Town of Newburgh. Renée will be using her internship and academic experience to assist the Town Administrative Manager, Facilities Coordinator and Zoning Administrator in day to day tasks as well as helping update the Town website and rental procedures. Renée started with the Town on February 20th and is already off to an amazing start.

YEARS OF SERVICE

Newburgh Town Council would like to highlight the employees celebrating employment milestones in 2024.

Five Years

Mallory Ladd (Police)

Ten Years

Kristi Koressel (Utility)
Drew Decker (Police)

Fifteen Years

Kenny Baumhoer (WWTF)
Clint Menke (Street)
Eric Mitchell (Police)

Twenty Years

Nick Donnan (Fire)

Thirty Years

Susan Helms (Utility)

Thirty-Five Years

John Heck (Street)

The Town of Newburgh takes pride in all its employees and wants to thank each one for their hard work and dedication for and to the Town of Newburgh.



Town Hall Updates

Town Hall has been located at 23 W. Jennings St. since 2005. After 18 years, the building was in need of a new coat of paint—inside and out. In 2023 the exterior of Town Hall was painted and in 2024 the interior was painted. In addition to the painting, new exterior lights were added to the Carnegie building facing Jennings Street and the elevator got a brand new motor.

Town Hall will continue to receive updates starting with some changes to the William F. Kavanaugh Council Chambers coming this year.



WHAT WE DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- ☒ FIRE RESPONSE
- ☒ RESCUE RESPONSE
- ☒ MEDICAL RESPONSE
- ☒ COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

FIREFIGHTERS WANTED!!! Yes, that could be YOU operating our fire trucks! You will be trained for medical, fire, and rescue calls and all kinds of emergencies!



812-853-7651



540 State Street
Newburgh, IN 47630



WWW.NEWBURGHFIRE.COM



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 several Splash Pad Attendants. 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 or search Town of Newburgh on Indeed.com and apply online.





NEWBURGH SENIOR CENTER TURNS TWENTY

The Newburgh Senior Center is the “Daytime Place Where Seniors Congregate!” Their mission is to provide the highest quality services for mature adults by fostering a warm, caring environment where individuals can both explore and enjoy a variety of activities to enrich their lives.

Newburgh Senior Center’s goal is that the Center will be the destination of choice for seniors interested in camaraderie, nutritious meals, education, outreach services, entertainment and adventure. The Center has over 140 members, most of whom live independently in homes or apartments in Newburgh and the surrounding area.

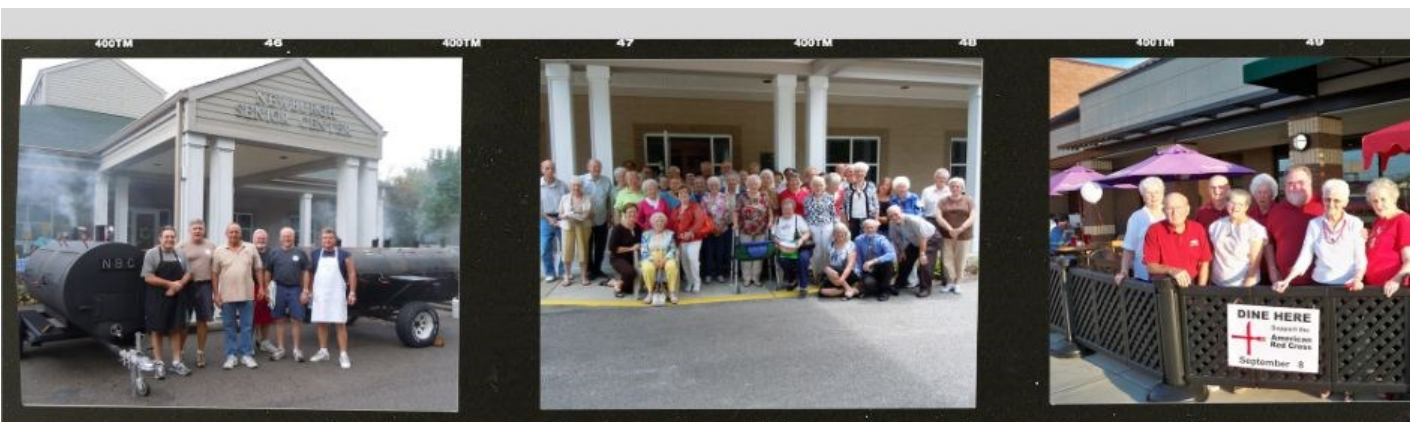
The Center is open from 9 am to 2 pm each week day. Regularly scheduled monthly activities include: cards, crafts, computer/ Internet access and education, health and fitness activities, a reading room, bingo, live entertainment, Tai Chi, consumer education, volunteer opportunities, and even a kazoo band that entertains in the community. Most activities are at no cost.



Newburgh Senior Center is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) independent organization providing services to area seniors through grants, fundraisers, donations and sponsorships. The Center is a SWIRCA lunch site.

Newburgh Senior Center is located at 529 Jefferson Street. You can contact them by phone at 812-853-5627 or by email at manageratnsc@gmail.com. For more information on the Newburgh Senior Center, visit their website at www.newburghseniorcenter.com or their Facebook page at facebook.com/NewburghSeniorCenter.

Newburgh Town Council would like to thank everyone who has made the Newburgh Senior Center a success over the past twenty years. The Town is lucky to have such dedicated volunteers, community members and businesses that help support, not just the center, but the residents who use the Center.



NEWBURGH SENIOR CENTER

Open House

529 Jefferson Street

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

Program beings at 11:00am

Little Old Dam Band

Ceremony Welcome

Honors recognizing supporters

Special Slide Show

Tree Planting

Ceremony Closing

Refreshments and fellowship follow

Please RSVP by March 26, 2024

812-853-5627

manageratnsc@gmail.com

11:00AM - 2:00PM



FREEDOM TRAIL



Flags for the “Freedom Trail” are available for 2024. Show your support for our Armed Forces past, present, and future by sponsoring a flag along the trail.

Each sponsor will have their name along with three lines of text printed and attached to the flag. The flags will be displayed at the Old Lock and Dam Park on the following special days for our country:

Memorial Day (5/27/24)

Independence Day (7/4/24)

Labor Day (9/2/24)

Veterans Day (11/11/24)

The flags will be flown for at least one week surrounding each of these special days. The cost to sponsor one flag for the year is \$50.00.

To sponsor a flag please complete the attached form. Mail check payable to “Historic Newburgh, Inc.” and form to Historic Newburgh, Inc. P.O. Box 417 Newburgh, IN 47629 or visit: www.historicnewburgh.org to make your purchase.



Historic Newburgh, Inc. oversees the Newburgh Neighbor Residential Program that offers grants to home-owners within the Town Limits of Newburgh, Indiana. Proceeds from the Freedom Trail benefit this program.

Grant applications are available at www.historicnewburgh.org.



FREEDOM TRAIL

2024 Flag Sponsorship:

Contact Name:_____

Contact Phone Number:_____

Contact Email:_____

Number of Flags:_____ @\$50.00 each = \$_____

Service Member Name:_____

Branch of Service:_____

Circle one: Active Duty or Veteran

Dates Served:_____

Sponsored by:_____

Other instructions for the flag notecard wording (if you do NOT
want us to list the information provided above)

Town of Newburgh

23 W. Jennings Street
P.O. Box 6
Newburgh, IN 47629
Phone: 812-853-1720
Fax: 812-853-1729

We are on the Web!

For the latest Newburgh
information, meeting minutes
and agenda, visit the
Town website
www.newburgh-in.com



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.

	Mar. 27
Apr. 10	Apr. 24
May 8	May 22
June 12	June 26
July 10	July 24
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*Change of Date

Newburgh News of Note is a biannual publication of the Town of Newburgh. It is delivered to residents of the Town to provide information for greater access to, and input on the operation of governmental services.



Town Hall Closings

March 29—Good Friday
May 7—Primary Election Day
May 27—Memorial Day
June 19—Juneteenth
July 4—Independence Day
September 2—Labor Day
November 5—Election Day
November 11—Veterans Day
November 28—Thanksgiving
November 29—Day After Thanksgiving
December 24—Christmas Eve
December 25—Christmas