

NEWBURG VILLAGE NEWS

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Your Input is Needed on Garage Sale Regulation

The NVHA Board is asking for your input concerning a neighborhood regulation on garage sales. The Board received a few complaints earlier this summer concerning garage sales in the neighborhood, and we want to know how tightly you want them regulated.

Currently, the only limitation we have is the Cherry Valley ordinance on garage sales, which states that garage sales may last for no longer than three days and may be held no more frequently than three times per calendar year. Individuals must obtain a free garage sales permit from the Village Clerk for each garage sale prior to the date of the sale.



While the Board recognizes residents' right to occasionally sell unneeded or unwanted possessions to the public through garage sales, it must balance that right against other neighbors' right to quiet enjoyment of a peaceful neighborhood. The Board is therefore proposing the following concerning garage sales:

- Residents are limited to two (2) garage sales per year.
- Garage sales will be permitted only on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.
- Sales may open no earlier than 8:00 AM and must close by 6:00 PM.
- A garage sale permit from Cherry Valley must be obtained prior to the sale and the permit must be prominently displayed during the sale.
- One sign advertising the garage sale will be allowed at the entrance to the subdivision.
- Such sign cannot be placed earlier than 7:00 AM on the first day of the sale and must be removed by 8:00 PM following the end of the sale.
- Signs must be no more than 2 feet high by 3 feet wide.
- No food or beverages shall be sold at the garage sale.

Before approving the proposed regulation, the Board wants to know your opinion. Are the above guidelines reasonable?

The Board will be considering the regulation at its November 20 board meeting. If you have strong feelings concerning this regulation, please contact Gary Tiffany, Roger Lindeman, or Lisa Freberg or send your comments to board@newburgvillage.com. All comments are welcome.

Neighbor Notes

Neighbor Notes is a place to announce new neighbors, weddings, births, career changes, promotions, and more. If you have an announcement for your household, email your news directly to events@newburgvillage.com. Help keep our neighborhood connected on all the good news in your life!

Congratulations to John & Jean Lopez, 7082 Brimmer Way, on the recent opening of their new business, *Snap Fitness*, a 24-hour exercise center at 811 S. Perryville Road, which is two blocks south of the State Street & Perryville Road intersection, behind Concord Custom Cleaners.

The following new neighbors have moved into Newburg Village in the last couple months:

- Ron & Barbara Crooks, 7335 Brimmer Way
- Dean & Jackie Norem, 315 Fairway View

Welcome to all!

Annual Meeting Set for December 5

The Annual Meeting of the Newburg Village Homeowners Association has been set for Tuesday, December 4, 2007, beginning at 6:30 PM at the Cherry Valley Library, 755 East State Street.

Items scheduled for the meeting include approval of an amendment to the NVHA Bylaws to allow for two (2) additional board members to be elected from the lot owners around the golf course and the election of those two new board members.

Candidates for the two positions to be filled will come from residents around the golf course. In addition, the only individuals allowed to vote in the election will be the residents and lot owners of the golf course homes.

Nominations for the two positions can be submitted prior to the meeting to board@newburgvillage.com or to Gary Tiffany, or can be made from the floor the night of the meeting. The two individuals receiving the most votes will be elected.

In other business, the Board will be voting on approval of the 2008 Association budget and the 2008 assessments. At the present time, there is no known additional business to be addressed at the Annual Meeting.

You will be receiving a letter shortly with more information about the proposed amendment and the meeting. Please mark your calendar so that you can attend the Annual Meeting.

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in getting more involved in your neighborhood? We're looking for volunteers to serve on two committees for the coming year – the Activities Committee and the Architectural Review Committee.

The Activities Committee would be responsible for arranging one or two neighborhood social events over the course of the year.

The Architectural Review Committee would be responsible for overseeing neighborhood Architectural Guidelines to protect, preserve, and enhance property values while still allowing for individual expression and general community improvement. The committee will also establish a process by which residents can submit proposed projects, and help communicate the standards to guide residents' actions involving their property.

If you are interested, please contact Gary Tiffany or email your interest to board@newburgvillage.com.

Cherry Valley Snow Removal Emergency and Snow Parking Regulations

With Winter soon to be upon us, it's time to remind everyone about snow removal and parking. The Village of Cherry Valley has certain emergency snow removal and parking regulations. Since our subdivision is within the village limits, these regulations apply to us.



Cherry Valley will declare a snow emergency whenever two inches or more of snow accumulates in any point within the village limits. Once this declaration is made, the Village ordinance (Sec. 70-62) states "...it shall be unlawful to park on any residential village street between the hours of 10:00

PM and 6:00 AM after two inches of snow has fallen in the past 24 hours."

The ordinance goes on to state "... any vehicle parked in violation of the ordinance is declared to be an obstruction to traffic and an immediate hazard to essential snow removal operations ... [and] ... may be removed or towed without notice to or consent of the owner."

If you violate the Village's emergency snow parking ordinance, expect a minimum fine of \$25.00 but not more than \$50.00 for each offense, and each day's violation constitutes a separate offense. The cost of towing the vehicle will be assessed in addition to any fine.

Basically, don't park your vehicle on the street overnight when two inches or more of snow has fallen in the last 24 hours or is expected to fall, or you may not find it there in the morning.

In addition, the ordinance states "... no person shall deposit or cause to be deposited any snow upon any street or alley of the village on that portion of the traveled way cleared or scheduled for clearance of any snow accumulation."

What this means is don't throw the snow from your driveway into the street once the street has been plowed. If the Village chooses to charge you with violating this section of the ordinance, the fine is a minimum of \$25.00 but not more than \$50.00 for each offense, and each day's violation constitutes a separate offense.

Looking For That Christmas Spirit?

Santa Claus arrives on Sunday, November 25th at the Log Cabin in downtown Cherry Valley from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Hot chocolate and cookies being served. In case of inclement weather, Santa will be at the Cherry Valley Village Hall at 806 E State Street.

You can also check out the Festival of Lights at Sinnissippi Park, which is now in its 19th year and features 42 different holiday displays. The Festival kicks off on November 25 with a Holiday Tree Lighting at 5:30 PM at Sinnissippi Park. The Festival will be open from 5:00 to 10:00 PM Wednesday through Sunday nights through Dec. 30. The display will be open all night on Christmas Eve. Admission is \$1 per car.



And finally, don't forget to take a short drive through the Christmas display at Woodward Governor, 5001 North Second St, Loves Park. It's truly inspiring.

Holiday Lights Display Contest

The Village of Cherry Valley's annual Holiday Lights Display contest is open to all village residents. Displays will be judged by the Village's Recreation Board members, with the winners being notified after Thursday, December 13. The Recreation Board would appreciate your nominations for consideration. Please call in your nominations to the Community Events Line at 815-332-7144 by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, December 12.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Cherry Valley will be accepting Christmas trees for recycling from December 26, 2007 through January 15, 2008. Residents may drop off their Christmas trees at Baumann Park behind the maintenance building on south Walnut Street during daylight hours. Please be sure to remove all wires and any plastics. Absolutely no wreaths, tree bags or tree stands will be accepted. Free wood chips will be available as trees are chipped.

Upcoming Events

November 20

NVHA Board meeting – 7:00 PM at Christ the Rock Lutheran Church

December 4

NVHA Annual Meeting – 6:30 PM at Cherry Valley Library, 755 East State Street