

NEWBURG VILLAGE NEWS

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Annual Meeting Set for December 13

The Annual Meeting of the Newburg Village Homeowners Association has been set for Tuesday, December 13, 2011, beginning at 6:15 PM at the Cherry Valley Library, 755 East State Street.



Items scheduled for the meeting include the election of one Director and approval of the 2012 Association budget and the 2012

assessments. Currently, there is no known additional business to be addressed at the Annual Meeting.

Lot owners will be receiving a letter in the coming weeks with more information about the Annual Meeting. The letter will also include the Annual Report for the Association and a review of this past year's income and expenditures. Please mark your calendar so you can attend the Annual Meeting.

Nominations Open for One Board Position

As mentioned above, One Director position will be up for election at the Annual Meeting. Currently, this position is held by Gary Tiffany. Gary has indicated that he is willing to serve for another three-year term. Anyone interested in serving on the Board can submit their name in nomination prior to the Annual Meeting by contacting Sue Gyllin, NVHA Secretary, at 815-332-7434. Nominations can also be made from the floor the night of the meeting.

Candidates for the position are to come from lot owners around the golf course. Only lot owners of the golf course homes are allowed to vote in the election. The individual receiving the most votes will be elected.

2012 Budget and Assessments to be Presented at Annual Meeting

Lot owners will shortly be receiving a letter detailing the proposed budget and assessments for 2012. The Board is recommending that the assessments for 2012 remain unchanged from the level assessed for 2011, namely \$125.00 for the NVHA Operating Fund and \$75.00 for the Sewer System Maintenance Fund.

Approval of the Association budget and assessments requires only a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Upon approval, the 2012 assessments will be due and payable as of January 1, 2012. Statements for the assessments are expected to be sent shortly after the Annual Meeting.

Entrance Lighting is In!

You may have noticed activity around the entrance to the subdivision over the past few weeks. Power has now been run to the entrance area and electrical outlets were installed in the beds on either side of the entrance, allowing new permanent lighting to be installed. This replaces the solar lighting used for the past three years.

Special thanks is extended to Steve Burwell for all his work on coordinating the installation of electrical power and the new lighting. Great job, Steve! This really enhances the entrance. It also provides us additional opportunities for seasonal lighting, so we'll be working on a plan for that for next year.

New Cherry Valley Planning & Zoning Commission Announced

The Cherry Valley Village Board recently announced that the Zoning Board of Appeals has been combined with the Planning Commission to create a new Planning & Zoning Commission. This new Commission will make recommendations to the Village Board regarding all zoning changes, including zoning requests for new properties, changes to existing properties, variances, special use permits, and site plan review issues. It is expected that the new Planning & Zoning Commission will speed up the process for requesting zoning changes.

The Commission will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM, when there requests to be addressed. Commission members include Pat Stegemann, chairman, Mike Rieger, John Falzone, Theresa Fernbaugh, Gary Tiffany, John Totten, and Jim Smetana.

Property Tax Assessments Published

In mid-October, you should have received notice of changes to your property assessment from the Boone County Assessment Office as part of the County's quadrennial re-assessment. The Boone County Assessments were published in the *Boone County Journal* on Friday, October 21, 2011. For those who may wish to appeal their property tax assessment, you have until November 21, 2011 to do so. Appeal forms and other information can be found on the Boone County Assessment Office web page at the following address: www.boonecountyil.org/departent/assessment If you have questions, contact the Boone County Assessment Office at 815-544-2958.

Watch for Deer

There have been an increasing number of deer sightings on Newburg Road just west of our subdivision, where the woods begin, especially at or just after dusk. Please be careful as you drive down Newburg Road at night. We don't want to lose anyone!

Association Files Lawsuit

In mid-October, Newburg Village Homeowners Association was forced to file a lawsuit against one of our residents in order to enforce our CC&Rs. The resident installed a dog run/fenced area behind their garage in July without obtaining approval from the Architectural Review Committee and without complying with the restrictions listed in our CC&Rs, which state that only fences made of wood are allowed. The fence in question is a vinyl fence. The lawsuit asks that the fence be removed immediately and that any future projects be submitted for approval. We will keep you updated as the lawsuit progresses.

Interested in an E-Reader?

The Cherry Valley Library is sponsoring a class titled *Kobos & Kindles & Nooks, Oh My!* on Tuesday, November 22 at 6:00 PM. The class will give participants a better understanding of the current technology in order to make an informed decision about whether or not to purchase an eBook reader. Several different eBook readers will be compared and inexpensive (or free!) download options for books will be covered.

Golf Course Hosts Annual Turkey Tourney

The golf course reports that there are still openings for its 8th Annual Turkey Shoot-Out Tournament on November 12th. The tournament will be a 4-person scramble and is limited to the first 10 teams who sign up. Teams can be all male, all female, or mixed male and female. At least two team members must have a handicap of "8" or more (80 average).



Cost is \$200 per team of 4 (2 or 3 may also comprise a team) and includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, prizes, Closest to the Pin Skills Challenge, Team Skins Competition, 4 turkeys for the winning team & 8 free rounds of golf in 2012. There will be a shotgun start at 10:00 AM. Pre-registration and fees payment is required. Contact the clubhouse for more details and to sign up.

Kishwaukee River Advisory Committee Seeks Input

The Village of Cherry Valley is setting up an Advisory Committee to promote community awareness to sustain the Kishwaukee River. The committee hopes to provide ideas for tools and education to the users of the river.

Volunteers and ideas are welcome. Please contact Village Trustee JoAnn Hudson at judson@cherryvalley.org if you would like to be part of this future committee.

Santa Coming to Cherry Valley

Santa Claus will appear at the Log Cabin in downtown Cherry Valley from 4:00 - 5:00 PM on Sunday, November 27. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. In case of inclement weather, Santa will be at the Village Hall, 806 E State Street.

Holiday Lights Display Contest

The Village of Cherry Valley will be sponsoring its annual Holiday Lights Display contest again this year. If you see a great display around the Village, or if you have one yourself, please call in your nominations to the Community Events Line at 815-332-7144 by 5:00 PM on Monday, December 12. The Recreation Board will be judging displays on December 13th, so have your lights ON by 6:00 PM. The winners will be notified after December 15th.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Residents may drop off their Christmas trees at Baumann Park behind the maintenance building on S. Walnut Street during daylight hours from December 26 through January 15. Please remove all wires and plastics. No wreaths, tree bags, or tree stands will be accepted. Free woodchips will be available as the trees are chipped.

Neighbor Notes

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

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

- **Kyle & Angelise Nelson**, 320 Club House Drive
Welcome to the neighborhood!

- **Gary Tiffany**, 7127 West Ridge Lane, was recently elected to the Board of Directors of Northern Illinois Hospice & Grief Center.

NVHA Board Meetings

The NVHA Board meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at Christ the Rock Lutheran Church. An agenda for the meeting will be posted to our website (www.newburgvillage.com) a few days before each meeting.

Because of the Annual Meeting scheduled for December 13, there will be no regular Board meeting in December.