

KEEPING YOU CONNECTED



A Monthly Newsletter for our Utility Customers

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WANTED:
HUGE ENERGY HOGS
\$35 REWARD

Does this look like your fridge in the garage?

We'll pick it up. You pick up cash.

Chances are that old working refrigerator or freezer in your garage or basement is running up your electric bill. That's because they can use 3 TIMES as much electricity as newer ones.

But now there's an easy solution. **We'll pick up your older, working (cooling) appliance for FREE and you'll pick up a \$35 REWARD when you recycle it. We'll even haul them out of your basement or garage. Add a working air conditioner and get an extra \$ 25!**

The recycling truck will be in Barnesville the week of June 11-15

CALL CITY HALL at 354-2292

by Friday June 8 to schedule your FREE pickup. Leave unit plugged in for recycler.

There are no age restrictions on appliances must be in working condition and must be a min. of 10 cubic feet in size. Customers must own the unit(s) being recycled. Room AC units will not be picked up without a fridge or freezer. Limit 2 large units per residential address plus one room AC unit. Other restrictions may apply.

Barnesville Municipal Power • 354-2292

**PLEASE
HELP US
PROMOTE
OUR
TOWN!**



By now you've probably heard about the new TV ads that are running promoting Barnesville. If you haven't seen them, check them out on the City's new website at www.barnesvillemn.com We're sure these ads will generate interest from folks wanting to move to Barnesville - that's where you come in.....

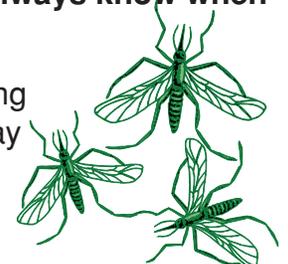
Enclosed with your utility bill is a postcard. On the left side of the back of the postcard is a space for you to write a few words why you and your family like living in Barnesville. Then, just include the postcard in your envelope when you pay your bill. Don't write on the right hand side as that's where we'll put the address!

We'll mail these "personal notes" to families who have expressed an interest in moving to the community. Thanks for your help.....need extra postcards? Just stop by City Hall!

SUMMER MOSQUITO SPRAYING

Throughout the summer, Public Works will be spraying for mosquitos. Planned spraying will be announced on local TV stations, Channel 12, on the City's website at www.barnesvillemn.com and on the City's Facebook page. **"Like us" on our Facebook page and you'll always know when we will be spraying!**

If adult counts warrant spraying it will usually occur on Tuesday and/or Thursdays from about 9-11 pm. Spraying is always dependent on weather.



IMPORTANT INSURANCE INFO!

While we all hope that we will never have to call the Fire Department to our home, some simple steps will insure that the call is as inexpensive as possible. Fireman Jason Rick who handles the billing for the Fire Dept. advises residents to check their homeowner's insurance policy. **Most policies only have "comp coverage" for \$500.** The average fire call has a minimum charge of \$500-\$750 plus \$300 hour, making the average bill for a fire call \$1,000-\$1,200.

Local agents tell us that to increase your comp insurance will only cost about \$2.00 per year for \$100 of additional coverage. If you're uncertain about your coverage, contact your agent or call Jason Rick at (701) 238-5757 with questions.



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BARNESVILLE WATER UPDATE

Recently crews have been busy washing the underside of the water tower. That area of the water tower is almost always in the shade; this combined with the difference in temperature of the metal surface (with cold water inside) and air temperature creates ideal conditions for moss growth. This has no effect on the City's water.

WELCOME ROGENA & KARIE !

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Rogena Fronning and Karie Dent** as new clerks at Firehall Municipal Liquors. Welcome them when you're picking up your summer beverages!

NEW \$500 UTILITY INCENTIVE

The City of Barnesville, in cooperation with the Barnesville EDA, has announced a new \$500 Utility Incentive for the purchase of existing homes located within the Barnesville city limits.

The offer is valid for purchase agreements that are signed between May 15 and November 1. Upon closing the new owner will receive a \$500 credit on their utility bill.

Some restrictions apply. Contact the EDA office at 354-2145 for all the details.

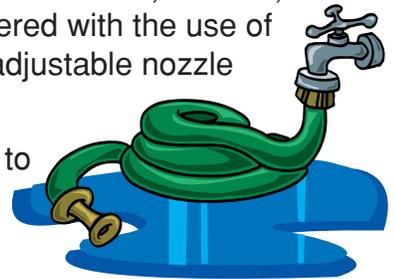
SUMMER WATERING ORDINANCE

Water restrictions are in effect **from June 1st to September 1st.** During these months, no lawns shall be watered or cars washed between 10 am and 7 pm. The ordinance is designed to conserve our valuable water resources and to help the City's water plant operate at its best.

Starting on June 1, if your address ends in an odd number, you may water your lawn or wash cars on **odd numbered days** (the 1st, 3rd, 5th days of the month etc.) **from 7 pm to 10 am.** If the last digit of your address is an even number, you can water or wash cars on **even-numbered days** (2nd, 4th, 6th etc.) **from 7 pm to 10 am.**

If you have a newly seeded or sodded lawn, it may be watered daily between 7 pm and 10 a.m. for up to six weeks after the sod is installed or the seeds have germinated. Gardens, flowers, trees and shrubs may be watered with the use of a garden hose with an adjustable nozzle without restriction.

Violators will be subject to a \$25 fine for each day of violation. Copies of the complete Water Ordinance are available at City Hall offices.



NEW DISNEY JUNIOR CHANNEL

Coming in June, subscribers to Barnesville Cable TV will enjoy a new channel, **Disney**



Junior on Channel 76. The Soapnet channel will move to channel 94. To view Soapnet in its new location, you will need a newer digital TV or a set-top box available free from City Hall.

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