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TREE TRIMMING OPPORTUNITY!

The City has contracted with Carr's Tree Service to trim tree branches growing close to City's utility lines throughout town. This work will occur the weeks of Nov. 26-30 and Dec. 3-7. Most trees are accessible from streets or alleys. Carr's will try to inform homeowners prior to trimming.

Since Carr's will be working in Barnesville, this is an opportunity for residents to hire Carr's to trim or remove trees from their property at a better rate. If you're interested just talk to the Carr's crew when you see them in town to make arrangements. Any fees associated with that work would be the responsibility of the customer.

ORDINANCES, CODES & STATUTES!

The next "Get To Know Your City" will cover codes, ordinances and state statutes that affect residents. Contact Mike Rietz at 354-2292 or mrietz@bvillemn.net with your questions!

IS THAT RUMOR TRUE OR NOT?

Ever hear something in town that you wonder it's true or not? The City of Barnesville website has new feature that helps get to the bottom of your question. On the left side just click on the button that says **Rumor Watch**. Simply type in what you've heard. We'll research it and post both the rumor and whether it's fact or fiction so others will know if what's going around is true!

SPECIAL CITY HOLIDAY HOURS

City Hall: December 24 - offices close at 11:30
CLOSED December 25 & January 1

Liquor Store: Dec. 24: 10-3; CLOSED Dec. 25
Dec. 31: Noon-9 pm; CLOSED January 1

TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING

The City's Truth in Taxation hearing will be **Monday, Dec. 10 at 7 pm** in the City Council Chambers. The 2012 final budget will be adopted along with the 2012 tax levy.

"MIRACLE ON FRONT STREET"

Check out the back page for details on "Miracle on Front Street" Holiday activities including a special visit from St. Nick aboard the Ottertail Valley Railroad Santa Train on Saturday Dec. 15 at 1 pm at the Old Depot!

A NEW FACE IN ANIMAL CONTROL!

At the October City Council Meeting, the Council approved a change that will combine the Animal Control Officer position with the Police Department's Administrative Assistant position, creating a new Police Support Services Officer. Long time Administrative Assistant **Lisa Cook** has accepted this position. If you have a lost or found animal or have need for other Animal Control services call 354-2281. Services are available 7 days a week. Lost and found pets and other great info is available on their Facebook page - Barnesville Animal Control.

BARNESVILLE WATER UPDATE



The City is continuing their water meter replacement program and we are asking all residents that if you see door tags or receive a phone call, please return calls and allow the PeopleService employees access to service or update your water meter.

Water Meters have many benefits:

- More efficient fire protection through increasing the water pressure in the mains.
 - More accurate customer billing for water based on the exact cost of providing the water.
 - More equitable water rate adjustments
 - Increased efficiency of the entire system
- Questions? Call PeopleService staff member Dan Lubbesmeyer at 701.893.8825.

Miracle on Front Street

Barnesville, MN

Schedule of Events

Saturday, December 1st

Holiday Boutique

Our Saviors Lutheran Church Basement
8:30am - 1:00pm

Hand crafted items, home-based businesses and The Donut Factory to benefit Birdie Haspel

Holiday Open House

Barnesville Library
10:30am - 1:30 pm

Wednesday, December 5th

Tree Lighting Ceremony

6:30 pm Friendship Park

(Corner of Hwy 9 across from City Hall)
Music, treats & Horse Drawn Wagon Rides

Saturday, December 8th

Holiday Parade

9:00 am Barnesville Front Street

Breakfast with Santa

9:30 - 11:30 am Galaxie Supper Club

Breakfast will be served by Thursday Nite Lions.

Kletsch Photography will be there to capture visits with Santa.

Home-based business Stop & Shop

9:30 am - Noon Galaxie Supper Club

Make your morning a one stop shop with gifts from

Tupperware, Lia Sophia, Scentsy, Mimi's House,

Your Inspiration at Home, Tastefully Simple, Thirty-One Gifts

Holiday Tour of Homes

4 - 7 pm

Tickets can be purchased at Cenex, Barnesville C-Store, City Center, Midwest Bank or the Main Street office.

Saturday, December 15

Ottertail Valley Railroad's Santa Train

1:00pm - Old Depot

Shelter will be provided

Sunday, December 16th

Suz Dance Winter Show

4:00 pm Barnesville High School Gym

December 19-21

Midwest Bank Holiday Open House

9:00am-3:00pm each day

Main Street Turkey Giveaway

Nov. 19th through Dec. 10th register at these local businesses for a chance to win a turkey: City Center, Cenex, Midwest Bank, Barnesville Grocery, Barnesville Chiropractic & Fitness Center, Barnesville C-Store, Barnesville Eye Clinic, Suz Dance Studio, Barnesville Library, Firehall Liquors

**Gobble
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Christmas Toy Drive and Angel Tree

Barnesville Chiropractic & Fitness Center will be holding a Christmas Toy Drive Nov. 19th - Dec. 9th. All items collected will be distributed to children in our area. New, unwrapped toys can be brought to the Barnesville Chiropractic & Fitness Center, Main Street office or any of the Miracle on Front Street events. Barnesville Chiropractic & Fitness Center is also hosting an Angel Giving Tree - stop in for more information.



Decorating Contest

The Main Street Program Christmas Cruisers will be patrolling the streets **December 11 from 6-8:00 pm** looking for Barnesville's own "Clark Griswald". All Barnesville streets will be driven in search of beautiful light displays. Call the Main Street office at 354-2479 with your vote for **People's Choice Award** by Dec. 11. Winners will receive Barnesville Bucks and a sign designating their winning status.