

# KEEPING YOU CONNECTED



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## DID SANTA CLAUS BRING YOU A NEW TABLET FOR CHRISTMAS?



If you're like thousands of households across the country, someone in your family probably got a tablet for Christmas. To maximize your fun, you want to have a wireless internet connection.

**Did you know that with Barnesville Internet and Broadband you can have in-house wireless at NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE?**

The router located within your home which the City uses to provide your broadband service can be easily changed to wireless, all you have to do is call City Hall at 354-2292.

Once this change is made, your tablet will be connected to the internet wirelessly. This wireless connection will also work with any PC that has a wireless card or a wireless laptop.

With your new wireless connection, be sure to change your security settings so that folks outside your home can't connect into your wireless network.

Questions? Just call or stop by City Hall.

## STAY OFF BLUE EAGLE LAKE!

Residents are reminded that the ice on Blue Eagle Lake is very thin due to aerators running all winter. For your own safety, no people are allowed on the lake.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Mayor Fred Dahnke, Barnesville City Council and all the City of Barnesville employees wish you and your family a Happy Holiday Season!

## NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

At the January 9, 2012 City Council meeting, three new Council members will take their Oath of Office. **Cathy Enstad** will replace Jeremy Krause in Ward 3, **Richard Sylvester** will replace Merlin Strom from Ward 2 and **Betty Strom** will replace Del Ellefson in Ward 1.

We thank Del, Merlin and Jeremy for their many years of service as City Council members.

Contact information for City Council members is included on the back of the 2012 Calendar that is included in this utility billing.

## UTILITY RATE CHANGES

Effective January 1, 2012; some of the City of Barnesville utility rates will be changing. Check the enclosed Utility Rate schedule for details.

## SPECIAL CITY HOLIDAY HOURS

**City Hall:** CLOSED Monday January 2

**Liquor Store:** Saturday, Dec. 31 - 10 am -10 pm

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

The City has scheduled two dates to pick-up Christmas trees - **Friday, January 13** and **Friday, January 27**. Residents should leave their trees in the same area as their garbage containers.

## WE NEED TO READ YOUR METER!

Once the snow arrives, City residents are asked to make sure a pathway is clear to all meters. If the meter readers are unable to read your meters, your bills will be estimated in the winter months. Thank you for your assistance.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE TOAST OF THE TOWN - FEBRUARY 11

Mark your calendar for the Toast of the Town on **Saturday, February 11** at the Galaxie Sports Bar from 7:30-9:30, sponsored by the Barnesville Main Street Program.

Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 for a couple and are available at the Main Street office, Cenex, Tesoro beginning in late January.

Formerly known as the Wine Gala, this fun and casual event will include wine and beer sampling, hors d'oeuvres, silent auction and door prizes.

All proceeds from Toast of the Town will go to Barnesville beautification projects.

Plan to join your friends for a special night out. Come out to the Galaxie Sports Bar and enjoy some fun and support a great cause!



## SAVE TIME AND MONEY... ...AND NEVER HAVE A LATE UTILITY BILL!



Don't forget that the City of Barnesville offers Auto Withdrawl and Credit Card Payment for City of Barnesville Utility Bills. With these easy payment options you will continue to receive your monthly statement from the City, but you'll never need to write another check !!

**Best of all, it's free and easy to sign up.** The direct bill pay form is printed on the back of both the utility and telephone bill or just clip and return the form printed below.

**Questions? Stop by City Hall or just give us a call at 354-2292**



For Office Use:  
Acct.# \_\_\_\_\_

### CITY OF BARNESVILLE DIRECT BILL PAY OPTIONS

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

### CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Mastercard     Visa    Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Cardholder \_\_\_\_\_

### AUTO WITHDRAWAL - **Include VOIDED check blank**

Bank Name \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Routing Number \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Account Holder \_\_\_\_\_

## ICE SKATING RINK INFORMATION

The City of Barnesville's Ice Skating Rink is located at the corner of 7th Avenue & 3rd Street SE. Public Works crews hope to flood the rink in time for Christmas vacation but this is all weather dependent. As soon as the rink is open, this info will be posted on the City's Facebook page and on News & Events on the City's webpage.

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