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CABLE TV REFER A FRIEND PROGRAM



With nearly 700 Barnesville Cable TV subscribers, we know there's lots of folks out there that LOVE the value and convenience of Barnesville Cable. The new "Refer A Friend" program is

a way to spread the word and make a few bucks in the process!

We invite current Barnesville Cable customers to tell all their friends why they love Barnesville Cable. If a individual who is not currently a Barnesville Cable customer signs up for service and mentions the referral from their friend, **BOTH the new customer and the existing customer will receive a \$10 credit on their cable bill !**

There is no limit to the number of referral rewards that an existing customer can receive, but residents are only eligible to receive one new customer reward.

Thank you for your support of your local cable TV system !

LOOKING FOR CITY INFO?

Don't forget the City of Barnesville website is filled with information including utility forms.

SAVE \$10 ON SEASON GOLF PASSES

Believe it or not, golf season is just around the corner. Purchase your season membership between now and **April 15** and you will save \$10.

A 2011 Season Pass for a husband and wife is only \$ 345 if purchased by April 15, while an adult season membership is only \$ 245 if purchased by April 15. Stop by Barnesville City Hall during regular business hours to purchase your discounted pass.

2011 PHONE DIRECTORY IS HERE

The 2011 Barnesville Municipal Area Phone Directory is now out. All phone customers should have received a copy in the mail. Extra copies are available at City Hall. Special thanks to Jill Ockhardt and Gene Prim for sharing their photos of the Community Picnic for the front cover.

2011 PHONE BOOK CORRECTIONS

Front Street Village Antiques and Collectibles
110 Front St S 354-2614
Gilbertson Tax Office
124 2nd Ave SE 354-2170

DENTISTS

Dahl, Jonathan DDS PC
102 Front St S 354-2289

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER !

Ross Amundson is the newest member of the Barnesville Park Board. Ross works as a project estimator for Western Products in Fargo.

WELCOME GARY RANDKLEV II !

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Gary Randklev II** as the new full time Public Works Maintenance worker. Welcome!



MAIN STREET'S SHOWCASE 2011 SET FOR SATURDAY MARCH 26

Make your plans now to attend Showcase 2011 on **Saturday, March 26** at Barnesville High School from 9:00 am to 2 pm.

The City of Barnesville booth will feature a variety of displays and info on city services. **Be sure to stop by the booth and try your luck on the putting green** to win water and energy conservation items.

WIND POWER IS NOW AVAILABLE

Barnesville Municipal Power is pleased to be able to offer blocks of wind power to our residents. Wind power is a non-polluting energy source that reduces the use of fossil fuels. The RiverWinds project is coordinated through Missouri River Energy Services, of which we are a member. For more information stop into City Hall or call 354-2292.



SPRING TREE TRIMMING

Each spring, Barnesville Municipal Power works with independent tree trimming companies to trim trees which have grown too close to our power lines. This will minimize power outages due to downed tree limbs. Before these contractors begin work, they will knock on your door and indicate they will be trimming trees in your yard. If you have any questions or concerns about these contractors, call City Hall at 354-2292.

IMPORTANT BILLING CHANGE

You will notice that the appearance of your telephone bill has changed. This change is a result of an upgrade to our billing software. We apologize for any inconvenience.



THANK YOU to those businesses, organizations and individuals who became members during the 2011 Main Street Membership Drive. Members help make the following events possible:

UPCOMING MAIN STREET EVENTS

Showcase 2011	Saturday, March 26
Rummage Sales	Fri. April 15 & Sat. April 16
Miss Barnesville	Saturday, April 16
Golf Tournament	Tuesday, June 21
Community Picnic	Thursday, July 21
Fall Rummage Sales	Saturday, September 24

Happy St. Patty's Day on March 17!



PeopleService INC.
Water & Wastewater Professionals

BARNESVILLE WATER UPDATE

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has required the City of Barnesville to implement a Phosphorous Management Program with the goal to reduce phosphorous concentrations in the water discharged from the Barnesville Wastewater Treatment Facility to Whiskey Creek.

When discharged into natural waterways, excess phosphorous results in nuisance algae blooms, which reduce water transparency and decrease the oxygen available to aquatic animals. Removal of phosphorous at the wastewater facility will be expensive and would require a significant investment. We can significantly reduce or eliminate costs by limiting the amount of phosphorous sewered into the facility.

We would appreciate the opportunity to work with you to identify potential sources of high phosphorous loading to our facility and to develop a plan of action for reducing the amount of phosphorous currently discharged in the sewer. Some common sources of phosphorous are cleaning supplies, metal finishing and paint preparation, fertilizer handling, and food by-products.

Common items used in your home which are a major source of phosphorus are both laundry detergent and dishwasher soap. When you purchase these products, watch for phosphorus-free alternatives.

If you have any questions about phosphorus or any other issues related to water, feel free to contact our PeopleService representative Dan Lubbesmeyer at 701-893-8825.

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