

# KEEPING YOU CONNECTED



A Monthly Newsletter for City of Barnesville Municipal Utility Customers

January 2009



## NOW'S THE TIME TO LICENSE PETS!

A reminder to all pet owners that all dogs and cats owned in Barnesville city limits MUST be licensed each and every January 1. If you have not done so already, please stop in at the Barnesville City Hall, Police Department or Barnesville Animal Care Clinic to purchase a license.

License fees range from \$5 to \$10 with proof of current vaccinations.

Remember that a current pet license can help Animal Control locate the owner of a lost pet.

## WELCOME RYAN BEATTIE !

The City of Barnesville is pleased to welcome **Ryan Beattie** to the City team. Ryan has been hired as a full-time Police Officer. He is originally from Alexandria and most recently worked for the Roseau Police Department. Welcome Ryan!

## WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Hard working volunteers are truly the lifeblood of the City of Barnesville.

**Brian Meyer** has just joined the Park Board. Brian is employed by Industrial Builders and is a member of the Leadership Barnesville program.

**Paul Karsnia** is the newest member of the Barnesville Planning Commission. Paul is employed by Red River Co-op in Halstad and has been an active volunteer for the Fire Department.

## WE NEED TO READ YOUR METER!

Due to the deep snow, 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.

## 1ST ANNUAL WINE TASTER'S GALA

Is the snow and cold getting you down? Come out to the Galaxie Sports Bar and enjoy some fun, conversation and support a great cause!

The Main Street Program is hosting their 1st Annual Wine Tasting Gala on **Saturday, January 31** from 7:30-9:30. Tickets are \$15 per person or \$25 for a couple and available from any Main Street Board member, the Main Street office or the Galaxie.

Beverage Wholesalers will be providing several different wines as well as beer for you to sample and the Galaxie will also have these items available to purchase. A silent auction will be held throughout the evening.

All proceeds from the event will go towards the Main Street's 2011 downtown streetscape projects which will include new sidewalks, decorative streetlights, and much, much more!





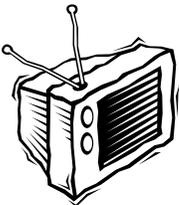
On January 27th the Main Street Program will kick off their **2009 Membership Drive**. Numerous community volunteers will be out and about asking for your support again!

If you have been a member of Main Street please support the program again. If you haven't been a member of Main Street, please check us out. We would love to hear from you with your thoughts and ideas! Give us a call at 354-2479 or check out our page on the City's website!

Without the support of our local businesses, organizations and residents, events such as the Community Picnic, Showcase, Miracle on Front Street and much more are not possible.

**UPCOMING MAIN STREET EVENTS**

Miss Barnesville Showcase 2009	Saturday, March 14
Rummage Sales	Saturday, April 4
Golf Tournament	Fri. April 17 & Sat. April 18
Home & Garden Tour	Tuesday, June 9
Community Picnic	Tuesday, June 23
	Thursday, July 16



**DIGITAL TV TRANSITION COMING FEB. 2009**

**RESIDENTS WHO ARE BARNESVILLE CABLE TV SUBSCRIBERS WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE.**

On February 17, 2009, television programming will change from analog to digital broadcasting. TV's that use rabbit ears or a rooftop antenna will need a converter box to receive over-the-air broadcasts such as local network channels. Analog TV's will continue to work with cable and satellite TV, VCR's, DVD and players

For more info about the digital TV transition, go online to [www.dtv.gov](http://www.dtv.gov) or [www.dtv2009.gov](http://www.dtv2009.gov) or call 1-888-DTV-2009 for information about subsidized coupons for digital-to-analog converter boxes.

**STOP UNWANTED TELEMARKETING**



2003 legislation allowed for the establishment and enforcement of a national Do-Not-Call Registry giving consumers a choice regarding telemarketing calls. **If your number is listed on the registry, all commercial telemarketers, except for businesses with whom you have an existing relationship or certain non-profit and political organizations, can not call you.**

Consumers may register their residential telephone number, including wireless numbers, on the national Do-Not-Call Registry at no cost, either by telephone or via the Internet. To register by telephone, call **1-(888)382-1222**. For TTY, call **1-(866) 290-4236**. You must call from the telephone number that you wish to register. You may also register, or obtain additional information, via the Internet at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov).

Inclusion of your telephone number on the national Do-Not-Call Registry will be effective 31 days after registration. Your number will remain on the registry for five years, at which time you may re-enter your number on the list. You also can remove your name from the list at any time.

**LOOKING FOR CITY INFO?**

Check out the website at [www.barnesvillemn.com](http://www.barnesvillemn.com)

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