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Reason
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education

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A Focus On Academic Excellence

Barnesville Public Schools is proud of its long-standing record of exemplary academic success that is traditionally portrayed by exceptional MCA test scores in the areas of mathematics, reading and science.

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Abundance Of Extracurricular Activities

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All Day Every Day Kindergarten

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MOVE 21 - iPad Initiative

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Reason
#2

kids

If you're choosing Barnesville as the place to raise your family, be assured that there are quality childcare options for your bundle of joy!

Non-Profit Child Day Care Center

For the last 39 years, the well trained staff at the Barnesville Child Day Care Center cares for full-time children from 6 weeks to 12 years.

Home Based Childcare Providers

For parents that prefer a smaller home based setting, there are many moms that have opened up their homes to welcome your children. For more information go to www.childcareawaremn.org.

Early Childhood Education Program

This school based program serves families with children from birth to five years old. From pumpkin patch field trips to a wide range of fun learning activities there is something for every child's interest.

YMCA School Learning Program

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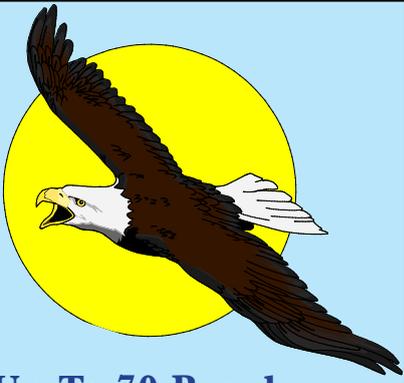
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parks

If you have fond memories of growing up in a small town and want your children to grow up with those same experiences, then Barnesville is the right choice for your family!

Park, Park, Everywhere A Park!

With over a dozen parks to choose from, kids (and parents) can enjoy neighborhood playgrounds, a skate park, Blue Eagle Beach, walking path and picnic area or even a disc golf course at McGrath Park!

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neighbors



Kirk & Bethany Peterson

"After living in the FM area for about 10 years, we decided we wanted to raise our young, growing family in a small town. Barnesville was a perfect fit for us for so many reasons. It is a very easy commute to Fargo and Moorhead for us to work, and is much closer to the lakes area on the weekends! We enjoy being able to not worry about things like crime or flooding. It is so nice for our kids to be able to ride their bikes around and play outside in the neighborhood and for us to feel safe about it. The little things in a small town are what make a big difference! Its nice when you have to stop at the post office or the grocery store and you can park right by the front door and not have a big crowd!"



Marc & Val Hanson

"We found comfort in finding our new home in Barnesville. The convenience of being within 30 miles from the Fargo Moorhead area makes for a short commute to work. Yet, we appreciate the "small town" feel of community and friendships. When we moved to the Barnesville area, the school system was great to work with in helping our children acclimate to their new environment. Barnesville is a warm welcoming community, economically progressive and always has many events throughout the year."



Ron & Lani Neuleib

"Our family is very happy to be a part of the Barnesville community. The kids love their school and their father has fond memories of attending that same school years ago. Barnesville is a clean, quaint, and kid friendly town."



Shane Raw Agency - State Farm

"As a family we had the choice of Fargo/Moorhead or Barnesville; after doing our research the choice was easy for us - it was Barnesville. The small town feel and tight knit community made our decision easy to relocate our family for the opportunity to be a State Farm Agent and serve our community. We've now been living in town for three months and we couldn't have made a better choice."

-Shane & Samantha Raw, owners

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World Renowned Potato Days Festival

Each August over 18,000 people come to Barnesville to enjoy two days of zany "potato" activities, including Mashed Potato Wrestling, Potato Car Races, tons of potato goodies including, French fries, dumplings and even potato pancakes.

Proud Home Of The Clay County Fair

Remember going to the county fair when you were a kid....the tradition is alive and well at the free admission Clay County Fair held each July. Enjoy musical entertainment, carnival rides on the Midway or a walk through the barns.

Annual Barnesville Community Picnic

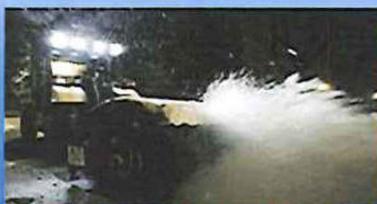
The annual Community Picnic is just one example of where there's food, there's fun! Lots of church suppers that feature everything from fish to lutefisk.

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- 10:00-8:00 Street Fair
- 10:00 Kiddie Parade
- 1:00 National Lefse Cookoff
- 1:30 Kids Games
- 5:30 Mashed Potato Wrestling
- 6:00 Miss Tator Tot Pageant
- 7:00-9:00 French Fry Feed
- 8:30 Teen Dance

Saturday, August 29 Highlights

- 7:00-11:00 Potato Pancake Feed
- 8:00 10K/5K/Fun Run/Walk
- 9:00-4:00 Street Fair
- 10:00 Potato Picking Contest
- 10:00-4:30 Car Show
- 10:45 Kids Scramble
- 11:00-12:00 Potato Sack Fashion Show
- 12:30 Strong Man Competition
- 1:00-2:00 Potato Peeling Contest
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opportunity

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Saving People's Lives

Over 45 residents volunteer their time on the ambulance and the fire department. They are always looking for folks to join their team of individuals who are committed to help friends in need.

Touching People's Lives

Whether its the Lion's Club, Barnesville Area Community Fund, Food Pantry, VFW, American Legion or a wide variety of church groups, have fun with people who care.

Support Lifelong Learning

Maybe you'll want to get involved with the Friends of the Library, the School Foundation, Leadership Barnesville or the Literary League.

It's All About The Kids!

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2015 Barnesville Upcoming Events

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| February 28 | Booster Club Boys Basketball Tournament | July 9-12 | Clay County Fair |
| March 7 | Booster Club Girls Basketball Tournament | July 30 | Barnesville Community Picnic |
| March 23 | Atkinson Elementary Program Grades 2 & 3 | August 2 | VFW Pancake, Sausage & Egg Feed |
| March 27 | KC Fish Fry | August 13 | 77th Miss Barnesville Pageant |
| March 27 | St. Ann's Guild Easter Bazaar | August 28 & 29 | Potato Days Festival |
| March 28 | Main Street Program "Showcase" | September 26 | Fall Rummage Sales & Farmers Market |
| April 9 | Lions Annual Sportsman Stag | October 17 | St. James UCC Women's Fall Bazaar |
| April 17 | Thursday Nite Lions Ladies' Fun Night | October 25 | Thursday Nite Lions Halloween Party |
| April 25 | BHS Prom | October 25 | St. James UCC Soup & Bread Dinner |
| May 1 & 2 | Spring Area-wide Rummage Sales | November 5 | VFW Auxiliary Baked Potato Supper |
| May 2 | St. James UCC Women's Spring Bazaar | November 11 | Veterans Day Program |
| May 3 | Thursday Nite Lions May Day Hunt | November 19 | Trojan Takedown Club Turkey Bingo |
| May 4 | Atkinson Elementary Program Grades 4 - 6 | November 25 | Hosanna Thanksgiving Eve Service |
| May 5 | 5th & 6th Grade Band & Choir Concert | November 26 | St. James Community Thanksgiving Dinner |
| May 10 | BHS Spring Choir Concert | December 5 | Miracle on Front Street Activities |
| May 15-17 | Community Education Spring Play | December 5 | Holiday Tour of Homes |
| May 23 | BHS Graduation | December 6 | Breakfast with Santa |
| May 25 | Memorial Day Parade & Program | December 12 | Hosanna Church Annual Christmas Program |
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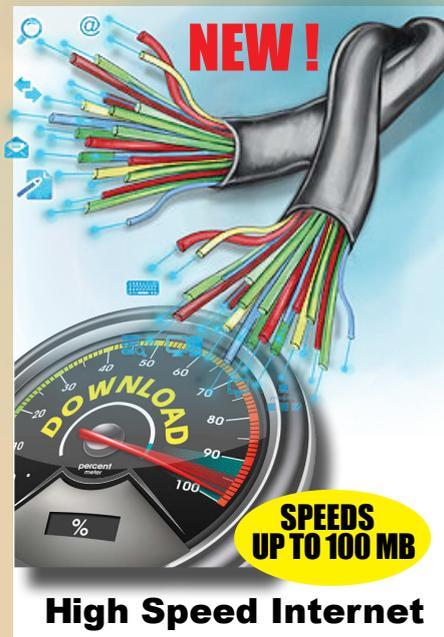
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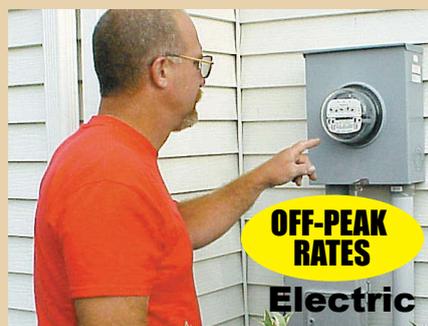
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