



# VILLAGE OF BARNESVILLE NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Hello Barnesville,

Winter has arrived, bringing with it the magic of the holiday season. I'm thrilled to share that our annual **Light Up the Park** has reached new heights this year! Thanks to the incredible partnership between the Village of Barnesville and the Chamber of Commerce, along with the creativity and generosity of around 40 businesses and families, our park has been transformed into a dazzling winter wonderland. I encourage everyone to take time this month to stroll through the park, soak in the festive atmosphere, and thank the businesses and families who made these beautiful displays possible.

Be sure to join us for our hallmark event, **Christmas in the Ville**, on December 6th and 7th. It's the perfect way to kick off the Christmas season with family and friends. Enjoy hot drinks, delicious food, an ice-skating rink, a parade, holiday shopping, and so much more!

Winter is also a time to reflect and give back. Whether it's donating to a local charity, lending a helping hand to a neighbor, or simply sharing kind words, let's continue to nurture the connection and care that make Barnesville such a special place to call home.

As always, I encourage everyone to stay engaged by attending our bi-weekly council meetings. These gatherings are an excellent opportunity to share ideas, address concerns, and help shape the future of our village. Meeting schedules can be found on our website and Facebook page.

On behalf of myself and everyone at the Village Office, I wish you a joyful holiday season and a Merry Christmas. May God bless you and our community.

Sincerely,

*Jake Hershberger*

Jake Hershberger  
Mayor of Barnesville



## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Police**  
740-425-1976

**Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)**  
740-425-3054

**EMS (Non-Emergency)**  
740-425-3368

**Emergency**  
911

**Mayor**  
740-619-0279 or 740-425-3444

**Fiscal Office/Income Taxes**  
740-425-3444

**Water Dept.**  
740-425-3672

**Street Dept.**  
740-425-4501

**Parks & Recreation**  
740-425-3012

## Follow Us



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@BarnesvilleFireAndEMS



@BarnesvilleOH



*Go Shamrocks!*

## Christmas Tree Pickup

The Barnesville Street Department will be picking up Christmas Trees left curbside by residents starting on December 26, 2024 and will continue until January 10, 2025. No particular schedule will be followed and trees will be picked up as time allows.

## Income Tax Reminder

The Village of Barnesville contracts with the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.) to manage our municipal tax collections. R.I.T.A. offers residents and businesses free online filing and payment options. For questions or additional information call 1-800-860-7482 or visit [ritaohio.com](http://ritaohio.com), or contact the Fiscal/Income Tax Office 740-425-3444.

## Annual CodeRED Test March 1, 2025 at 1 PM

The Village of Barnesville will be sending out the annual test of the emergency alert system CodeRED on Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 1:00 PM. Subscribers will receive a test alert by phone call, text, and email. This allows us to ensure the system is operational. Like last year, an optional survey will be conducted once the test is completed. To register or update your registry for CodeRED visit [www.alerts.barnesvilleohio.com](http://www.alerts.barnesvilleohio.com).

## Permit Spaces Available – East Main Parking Lot

The Village of Barnesville has several permit parking spaces available in the East Main Street Parking Lot, located between Cheffy's and Avenues of Barnesville. The cost is \$20 a month or \$120 a year. Parking permits are valid Monday through Saturday 8am–6pm, except special events and for maintenance. Permits are sold on a first come basis. For more information or to purchase a permit, contact the Barnesville Police Department 740-425-1976.

## Fall Leaf Pickup

The Barnesville Public Works will be picking up leaves that are left curbside by residents of the Village of Barnesville as long as they are contained in paper biodegradable compostable bags. No plastic trash bags will be accepted. Bags must contain leaves only and will be picked up as time allows. No specific schedule will be followed. Collection will begin October 21st, 2024 and end December 16th, 2024. Also there is no longer a drop off point at the Depot and will be a dumping violation if found dropping off there.

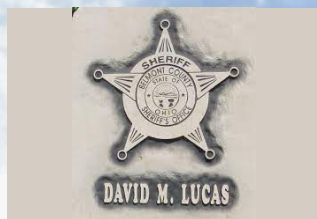


## ❄️ Winter Has Arrived ❄️

- ❄️ Please do not shovel or plow snow into the roadway or onto neighboring properties without permission from the property owner.
- ❄️ Sidewalks must be kept free of snow and ice. Please do your part and remember to shovel your sidewalks this winter. Property owners are responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their sidewalks during the winter and year round.
- ❄️ Use caution when driving during snowfall and this winter as roads could be slick. Always remember your headlights during rain, snow & fog to create better visibility.
- ❄️ No parking in the downtown area if snowfall exceeds three inches or greater, to allow for the downtown streets to be plowed. [villeohio.com](http://villeohio.com)
- ❄️ Do not leave your vehicle running unattended with keys inside it to heat up. Doing so creates the perfect opportunity for the vehicle to be stolen.
- ❄️ Do your part and help public works by keeping the roadways clear and allow room for the plows to move through.
- ❄️ Off Road vehicles including ATV's, 4-wheelers, and snowmobiles cannot be operated on the public streets, even if under a snow level or snow emergency.
- ❄️ During snow/ice events village crews will be working diligently to ensure that roads are clear, please be patient as crews treat and plow the roadways.

## Snow Levels

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roadways are hazardous</li> <li>• Roads may also be icy</li> <li>• Drive with caution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roadways are hazardous</li> <li>• Roads may be very icy</li> <li>• Only drive if necessary</li> <li>• Contact your employer before reporting to work</li> <li>• Use extreme caution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roadways closed to non-emergency personnel</li> <li>• No one should drive unless absolutely necessary or a personal emergency exists</li> <li>• Contact your employer before reporting to work</li> <li>• Those traveling on roads may be subject to arrest</li> </ul>



Snow levels are set by the Belmont County Sheriff Department. To find out if we are on a snow level please visit the Belmont County Sheriff Facebook page or website: [www.belmontsheriff.com](http://www.belmontsheriff.com), or call 740-695-7933.

**OHGO**

Planning to travel this winter and want to check real-time road conditions and traffic information? Check OHGO before you go. OHGO reports current road activity, speeds, incidents, travel delays, closures, and severe weather conditions for all of Ohio's Highways. You can download the OHGO app today or visit: [www.ohgo.com](http://www.ohgo.com)



# We're HIRING

The Village of Barnesville is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a drug-free workplace

## Street/Water Department Laborer (Full-Time) -

The Village of Barnesville will be accepting applications for a position in the Street Department/Water Department. Full time with a complete benefits package including retirement and health insurance. CDL license with experience in operating equipment preferred but not necessary. Applicant must be willing to obtain CDL and learn to operate equipment. Applications may be obtained at the Barnesville Water Department, 126 East Church Street, Barnesville.

## School Resource Officer (Part-Time) -

The Village of Barnesville Police Department is accepting applications for the position of School Resource Officer (SRO). This is a part-time police officer position and will begin next school year. Part-time SROs work within the Barnesville School system during the school year. Starting pay for part-time police officers is currently \$18/hr. As an SRO, you will be expected to work with school staff as well as with students to promote a safe and positive school environment for the community. The Village of Barnesville Police Department has an exceptional relationship with Barnesville Schools, and we look forward to your help working with some of the most important and precious parts of our community, our schools and our young people. SROs must have a current OPOTA certificate and meet other criteria required for the position. Candidate will be subject to a background check and drug screening. The Village of Barnesville is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a drug free work place. Please contact Chief Rocky Sirianni for any additional information or if you are interested in joining our team call 740-425-1976 or email [r.sirianni@barnesvilleohio.com](mailto:r.sirianni@barnesvilleohio.com).

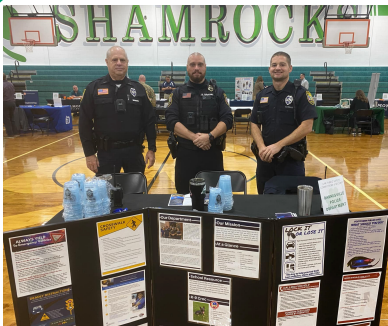
## EMTs, Advanced EMTs & Paramedics (Part-Time) -

Barnesville Fire and EMS is now hiring Part Time EMTs, Advanced EMTs, and Paramedics. EMT: \$17, AEMT: \$18, Paramedic: \$19 Applicants: Must Have CURRENT Ohio EMS Certification (EMT, AEMT, Paramedic), Have Valid CPR Certification, Have Clean Driving Record, Applicants are preferred to have Ohio Fire Certification (Any Level) however not required. Barnesville Fire & EMS Offers: Friendly Environment, Competitive Pay, CE Opportunities, Private Rooms (Overnight Shifts), Holiday Shift Differential, Uniform Allowance. Applications are available Monday-Friday 8am-4pm at the Barnesville Fire & EMS. For any questions call 740-425-3368.

## Firefighters (Volunteer) -

Barnesville Fire & EMS is currently accepting applications for Volunteer Firefighters. See a current member or stop by the station Monday-Friday 8a-4p to pick up an application.

**To View current & Full listing visit: [barnesvilleohio.com/jobs](http://barnesvilleohio.com/jobs)**



Barnesville School Resource Officers Norris and Shilling along with Chief Sirianni participated in Barnesville High School's Career Day. They enjoyed talking with the students and answering questions pertaining to the field of law enforcement.



WVU Medicine Barnesville Hospital, Woodsfield Savings Bank, the Village of Barnesville, and the Barnesville Area Chamber of Commerce have joined forces to unveil festive holiday banners throughout downtown!

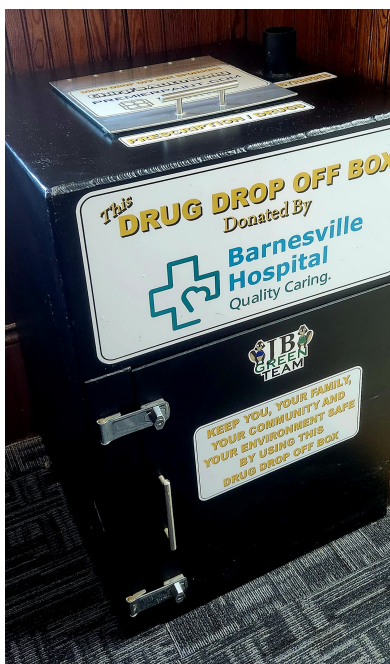
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TO FILE YOUR MUNICIPAL TAXES  
For the quickest, easiest filing methods,  
use **Fast File** and **MyAccount** at [ritaohio.com](http://ritaohio.com)!



**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**







## BARNESVILLE PD DRUG DROP OFF BOX

The Barnesville Police Department has a drug drop off box for prescription drugs and syringes located conveniently in the lobby of the Municipal Building at 132 N Arch St, Barnesville. You may dispose of unwanted prescription drugs in this box. We do not accept over counter medicines, trash, bags, large containers, etc. Lobby is open Monday-Sunday 8:00 AM-Midnight. For questions, call 740-425-1976

## Village of Barnesville Observed Holidays

Village Offices will be closed the following dates in observance to holiday - Public Safety Offices will remain open:

- December 24, 2024 - Offices Close at Noon
- December 25, 2024 - Christmas Day
- January 1, 2025 - New Year's Day
- January 20, 2025 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 17, 2025 - President's Day
- April 18, 2025 - Good Friday
- May 26, 2025 - Memorial Day
- July 4, 2025 - Independence Day
- September 1, 2025 - Labor Day
- October 13, 2025 - Columbus Day
- November 26, 2025 - Offices Close at Noon
- November 27, 2025 - Thanksgiving Day
- December 24, 2025 - Offices Close at Noon
- December 25, 2025 - Christmas Day
- January 1, 2026 - New Year's Day

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## Village Council Meeting Schedule 2025

Council Meetings are open to the public. Meeting schedule is available at the Fiscal Office, posted outside Council Chambers and is available online at [www.barnesvilleohio.com](http://www.barnesvilleohio.com). Council Meetings are held every other Monday at 7:00 PM at the Municipal Building in Council Chambers, 132 N Arch St, Barnesville, OH. The public is welcomed to attend.

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|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| • January 13  | • May 19    | • September 8  |
| • January 27  | • June 2    | • September 22 |
| • February 10 | • June 16   | • October 6    |
| • February 24 | • June 30   | • October 20   |
| • March 10    | • July 14   | • November 3   |
| • March 24    | • July 28   | • November 17  |
| • April 7     | • August 11 | • December 1   |
| • April 21    | • August 25 | • December 15  |
| • May 5       |             | • December 29  |

\*Denotes Tuesday due to Holidays



# CodeRED<sup>®</sup> Emergency Alert Test

## MARCH 1, 2025 @ 1:00 PM

The Village of Barnesville will be sending out a test Emergency Alert through CodeRED. Subscribers will receive a test alert by phone call, text, and email. This allows us to ensure the system is operational.

### Barnesville to Test the CodeRED Community Notification System

The Village of Barnesville Emergency Notification System, CodeRED, will be tested on Saturday, March 1, 2025 at approximately 1:00 PM to validate telephone numbers in the CodeRED database system. The CodeRED system is provided to Barnesville through Belmont County 911. Here's what you need to know:

- **There is no need to take action if you receive the call.** Emergency personnel are merely testing the system to ensure it is operational as needed, and to encourage additional residents to enroll to receive future notifications.
- **This process helps us continually improve the system.** Testing increases the efficiency of the system and speed at which notifications will be delivered during an actual emergency.
- **Visit our website to update contact information.** If your phone number is not in the database, you will not receive a call when we do launch an important notification.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to visit our website and update their contact information, in particular those individuals who have unlisted phone numbers, who have changed their phone number or address within the past year and those who use a cellular phone or VoIP phone as their primary number. The more residents who actively add or update their contact information in the emergency database, the better able we are to protect people and property.

The CodeRED system allows the Village of Barnesville and Belmont County officials to effectively reach residents and personnel by using the system's capabilities to send telephone calls, text messages, emails and social media posts to inform residents and better protect life and property.

The Village of Barnesville urges citizens to visit the Village of Barnesville website [www.BarnesvilleOhio.com](http://www.BarnesvilleOhio.com) and click on the CodeRED logo. Questions regarding this system test should be directed to the Barnesville Police Department 740-425-1976.

#### About CodeRED from OnSolve

OnSolve is a leading global provider of SaaS-based critical communication solutions for enterprise, SMB, and government customers. The company's CodeRED™ solution provides high-speed notification services capable of reaching millions of people in minutes and has applied its mission-critical capabilities to government, commercial, healthcare and other end markets. More information can be found on the company's website at [www.onsolve.com](http://www.onsolve.com).



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BARNESVILLE  
ORDINANCE  
HIGHLIGHT &  
REMINDERS

#### 521.06 DUTY TO KEEP SIDEWALKS IN REPAIR AND CLEAN.

- No owner or occupant of abutting lands shall fail to keep the sidewalks, curbs or gutters in repair and free from snow, ice or any nuisance. (ORC 723.011)
- Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

#### 509.09 EXCESSIVE NOISE PROHIBITED.

- No person shall make, continue, or cause any loud, unnecessary or unusual noise or any noise which either annoys, disturbs, injures or endangers the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of others, within the Village limits.
- The following act is declared to be a loud, disturbing and unnecessary noise in violation of this ordinance, but said enumeration shall not be deemed to be exclusive, namely:  
The discharge into open air of the exhaust of any steam engine, internal combustion engine, or motor vehicle except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises therefrom. (Ord. 1412. Passed 3-15-76.)
- Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.



# Tips to AVOID FROZEN PIPES



If your pipes do freeze or burst, **DO NOT CALL 911**. If you need assistance by the Barnesville Water Dept. please call 740-425-3672 Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. After hours, please contact the Barnesville Police Dept. 740-425-1976. Service fee for call-out may apply.

## Before the Cold Sets In:

- Eliminate sources of cold air near water lines. Seal any cracks or openings around windows and doors.
- Know how to shut off your water in the case of an emergency.
- Protect your pipes by wrapping them with insulation.
- Remove, drain and store garden hoses.

## When Temperatures Stay Below Freezing:

- Keep the heat in your home at a minimum of 55 degrees.
- If pipes run through cabinets, open the doors to let warmer room temperatures flow in.
- Allow faucets to drip.

## If your Pipes Do Freeze:

- Shut off the water immediately.
- Thaw pipes with a hair dryer or a space heater. Do not leave space heater unattended and do not use kerosene heaters or open flames.
- Be careful turning the water back on. Once pipes are thawed, slowly turn the water back on and check pipes and joints for any cracks or leaks.

# Put a **FREEZE** on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter, be fire smart!



## Water your Christmas tree every day.

A dry tree is dangerous because it can catch on fire easily.



Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February.



Heating equipment is involved in **1 in every 6** home fires and **1 in every 5** home fire deaths.



Keep anything that can burn **at least 3 feet** from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.



Keep portable generators **outside**, **away from windows**, and **as far away** from your home as possible.



Install and test carbon monoxide alarms **at least once a month**.



Plug only **1 heat-producing appliance** (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.

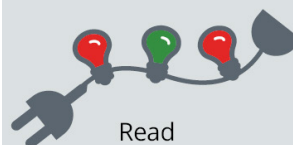


Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents **every year**.



Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it **outside at least 10 feet** from your home and any nearby buildings.

## As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.



Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.



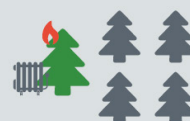
Make sure your tree is **at least 3 feet away** from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators and space heaters.



U.S. Fire Administration



## Did you know?



More than **1 in every 5** Christmas tree fires were caused by a heat source too close to the tree.

Scan the QR code for more fire safety tips this winter or visit [www.nfpa.org/winterfreeze](http://www.nfpa.org/winterfreeze)





## What to do if your under a Boil order

# BOIL ADVISORY



To receive Alerts & Vital information  
Please register with our



Emergency Alert System at  
[www.alerts.barnesvilleohio.com](http://www.alerts.barnesvilleohio.com)

### Boil Water For:



- Drinking
- Brushing teeth
- Washing fruits & vegetables
- Preparing food
- Mixing baby formula
- Making ice
- Giving water to pets
- Coffee makers
- Dish washing by hand, rinsing with bottled, boiled or chlorinated water

### Use Caution:



- Water filters in most kitchens and households Do NOT remove bacteria or viruses
- Bathing babies and young children (give sponge bath; use boiled water that has cooled)

### DO NOT Need to Boil Water For:



- Washing clothes in washing machine (Use Caution as staining could occur)
- Taking showers (adults & older children; do NOT drink water)
- Flushing toilets
- Car washing
- Household cleaning
- Dishwasher with a Sanitizing cycle (this will bring the temperature high enough to destroy bacteria if present)

## HOW TO BOIL WATER DURING A BOIL WATER ADVISORY



Fill a pot with water.



Heat the water until bubbles come from the bottom of the pot to the top.



**Once the water** reaches a rolling boil, let it boil for 1 minute.



**Turn off the heat** source and let the water cool.



**Pour the water** into a clean container with a cover for storage.



The  
Barnesville Police Department  
Presents

# PANCAKES WITH THE GRINCH

Saturday, December 7, 2024

8:00 AM-10:00 AM

Youth Center, 130 Fair Street



Breakfast Includes:  
Pancakes Sausage Drink

**\$5.00**


**per person**

All proceeds will benefit a local cause

Take photos with  
the GRINCH!







## MAXIMIZE YOUR SAFETY WITH CodeRED

CodeRED is the FREE community notification system available to the Village of Barnesville and Belmont County residents that will send you alerts concerning time-sensitive and/or emergency information that may impact your area via phone calls, text messages, emails, and social media.

The Village of Barnesville and Belmont County encourage you to actively participate in emergency preparedness by remaining informed. Safety is a two-way street, so be sure to register today to receive the information you need, when it matters, regarding events such as:

MISSING PERSONS/CHILDREN  
EVACUATION NOTICES  
NATURAL DISASTERS  
BOIL WATER ADVISORIES  
INCLEMENT WEATHER WARNINGS  
CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES  
ROAD CLOSURES/TRAFFIC ALERTS  
SHELTER IN PLACE/LOCKDOWNS

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Don't wait! Start receiving notifications that could save your life. Sign up today!

Visit [www.BarnesvilleOhio.com](http://www.BarnesvilleOhio.com) and click on the CodeRED icon to enroll, or download the CodeRED Mobile Alert app available in the



## BARNESVILLE POLICE DEPT. KEY HOLDER REGISTRY

This registry allows police to quickly access vital contact information for key holders for your home or business during alarm drops. Business owners with or without alarms are encouraged to register. Residents with alarms are also encouraged to register your information. Be sure if changes need made to your registry, to submit a new form.

[police.barnesvilleohio.com](http://police.barnesvilleohio.com)



APPLY TODAY!

## BARNESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOW HIRING School Resource Officer

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**APPLY NOW!**

[barnesvilleohio.com/jobs](http://barnesvilleohio.com/jobs)

- Part-Time
- Starting Pay: \$18/hr
- Must be OPOTA Certified

Candidate will be subject to a background check & drug screen.

The Village of Barnesville is an Equal Opportunity Employer & a drug free work place.

Please contact Chief Rocky Sirianni for any additional information or if you are interested in joining our team 740-425-1976 or email: [r.sirianni@barnesvilleohio.com](mailto:r.sirianni@barnesvilleohio.com)



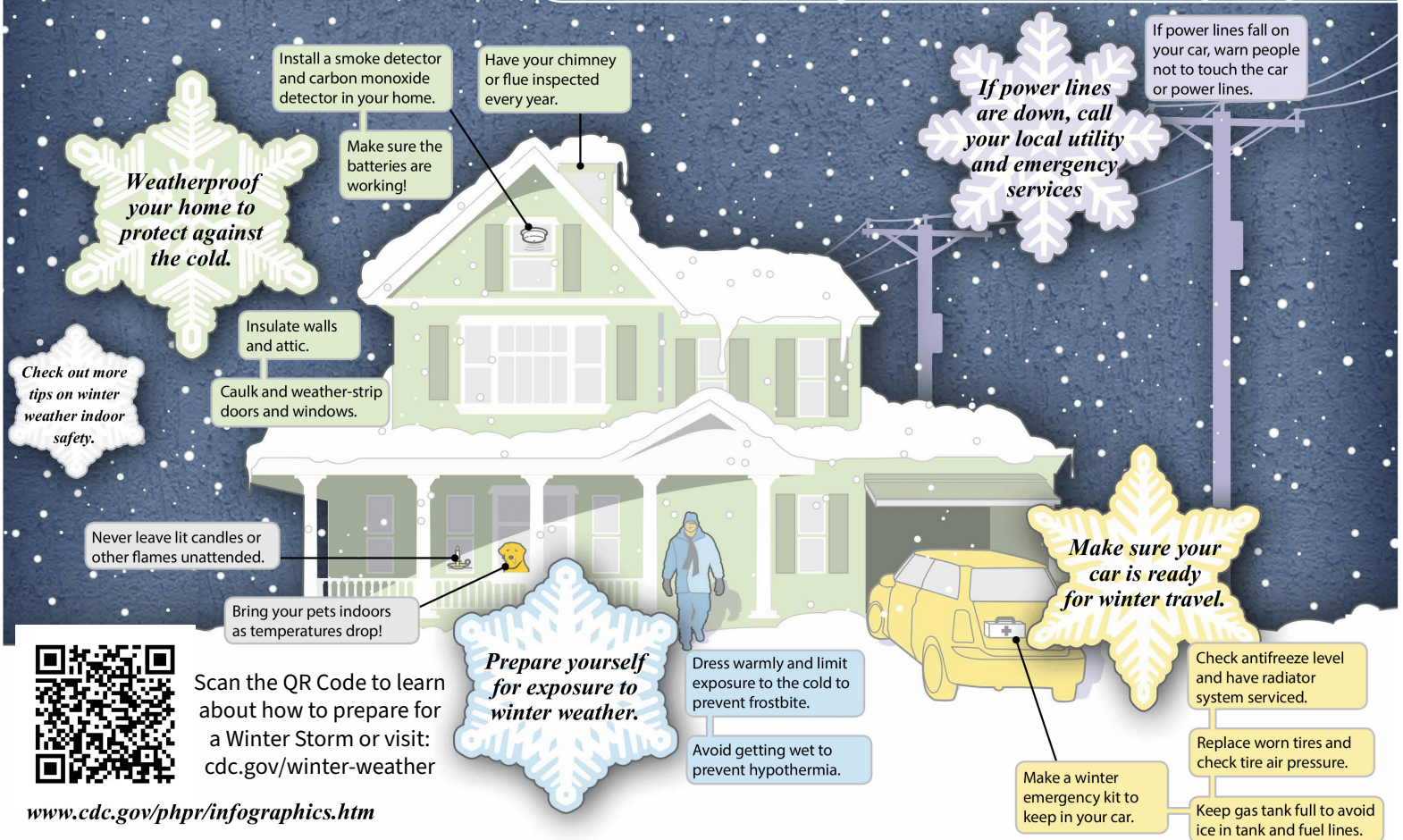
## The key to help prevent theft from vehicles, starts with YOU!

To report a crime or suspicious activity in the Village of Barnesville call 740-425-1976 or if its an emergency, dial **911**





# Be Ready! Winter Weather



## Barnesville PD Electronic Fingerprinting Services

The Barnesville Police Department offers electronic fingerprinting services, providing enhanced convenience for local residents and businesses. The department offers fingerprinting services from 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Other hours may be requested by calling 740-425-1976.

### Available Services:

- **Ohio BCI and FBI Database Webchecks:** Secure checks for various purposes, including employment and licensing.
- **Florida Level 2 Background Checks:** Comprehensive background screenings required for certain Florida-related clearances.
- **Fingerprint Capture:** High-quality electronic capture of fingerprints.
- **Fingerprint Cards:** Physical fingerprint cards for applications and records.

Appointments are required and can be scheduled online via Fast Fingerprints website by visiting [www.fastfingerprints.com](http://www.fastfingerprints.com). Businesses and Organizations that may prefer to be billed for Fingerprinting Services must complete a Direct Bill Client Application or call 1-877-932-2435 to set up a direct bill account.

For any questions or further information, please contact the Barnesville Police Department at 740-425-1976.

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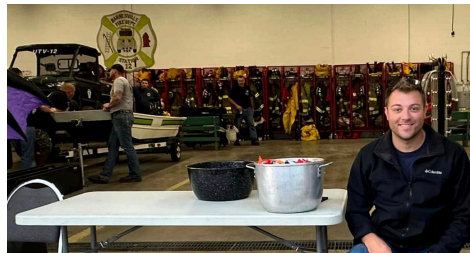
**740-425-1976**





## HALLOWEEN HIGHLIGHTS

The Barnesville Trick-or-Treat and Spooktacular Downtown events were a huge success this year! A big thank you to all the residents who handed out candy and decorated their homes, the businesses that participated in downtown trick-or-treating, the Barnesville Area Chamber of Commerce, and everyone who took part in Trunk-or-Treat. Your efforts made Halloween fun and safe for everyone, and we can't wait to do it all again next







Below are highlights from Safety Day that was held at the Barnesville Fire Department on October 12, 2024. Hosted by Barnesville Fire and EMS Department and the Barnesville Police Department, the event featured fire truck tours, police cruiser tours, safety demonstrations, and activities for all ages. It was a fun and informative day, with a focus on fire prevention, emergency preparedness, and safety awareness.



## Barnesville Fire Department Speaks to Barnesville Kindergarten Students About Fire Safety



## How Christmas Came to Barnesville, Ohio

In the heart of Ohio, in a small town so neat,  
Lived the folks of Barnesville, where the snowflakes would greet.  
The houses were cozy, the streets all aglow,  
But this Christmas was different—something you'd soon know.

It started one morning, with a snowstorm so grand,  
That the village was blanketed, not a footprint in the land!  
The lights on Main Street, all twinkling so bright,  
Were hidden beneath snowdrifts, out of everyone's sight!

The children were sad, no snowman to build,  
The shops were all closed, the streets had been chilled.  
The trees stood there quiet, with no tinsel or star,  
And the sound of the season was nowhere so far.

But then came young Ellie, with a sparkle, a gleam,  
She looked out the window, and started to dream:  
"I know what we'll do! I know what we'll say!  
We'll bring back Christmas, in our own special way!"

So out with a shovel, Ellie sprang from her door,  
She'd shovel the sidewalks, she'd shovel some more!  
She cleared a path through the snow, so wide,  
And soon, all her neighbors were right by her side!

They shoveled, they salted, they carried big bags,  
And strung up the lights without any lags!  
From house to house, they worked with such cheer,  
Until Barnesville's Christmas was finally here!

The bakery opened, with cookies to share,  
The candy shop's window had ribbons in air!  
The post office was buzzing with cards and delight,  
And even the postman was humming tonight!

At the town square, the tree grew so tall,  
With ornaments shiny, for one and for all!  
The choir sang carols, and bells rang so true,  
And every heart in Barnesville felt festive and new.

Ellie stood tall, on tiptoes, so proud,  
With a star on her head and a voice clear and loud,  
"Christmas isn't the gifts or the things we have bought,  
It's the love that we give, and the joy that we've caught!"

So if you're in Barnesville, come snow or come shine,  
You'll find that Christmas will always align.  
No storm's too big, no snow's too high,  
For the Christmas of Barnesville will never pass by!

For when we work together, and hearts all unite,  
A Barnesville Christmas will always feel right!

Merry Christmas to all, and to all a warm cheer,  
From Barnesville, Ohio, where Christmas is near!



## Eat, Shop, and Support Local in Barnesville This Christmas!

This holiday season, let's make a difference by supporting the local businesses that make Barnesville, Ohio so special. When you eat, shop, and support local, you're not just purchasing a gift or a meal—you're helping to create jobs, strengthen our community, and keep the heart of our village alive.

Local businesses are the backbone of Barnesville.

They offer unique gifts, delicious meals, and personalized service that big-box stores simply can't match. Plus, every dollar you spend stays in the community, supporting local families and funding important community projects.

Whether you're picking out a thoughtful gift at one of our charming shops, enjoying a meal at a local restaurant, or grabbing your favorite holiday treat from the bakery, you're helping to ensure that Barnesville continues to thrive. This Christmas, let's spread the holiday spirit by shopping and dining locally. Together, we can keep our town vibrant, warm, and full of holiday cheer.

So, let's make this Christmas the most meaningful yet—Eat, Shop, Support Local - Barnesville!





## Christmas in the Park



**Thursday, December 5th  
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**at Barnesville Park Youth Center**

Barnesville Library, Barnesville Park and Barnesville Area Chamber of Commerce have teamed up to provide a Christmas in the Park night. Stop in the youth center anytime from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. for children's activities, light refreshments, and a visit from Santa (7:00 - 8:00 p.m.)



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## KIDS ACTIVITIES

\* at Barnesville Elementary  
**SATURDAY, DEC. 7th • 11:00 - 1:00**  
Cookies and supplies will be provided

**Cookie  
Decorating**

**Christmas  
Story Time**

**Face  
Painting**

**Kids  
Activities**



**Check out the Barnesville Area Chamber of Commerce  
Facebook Page for all the Christmas in the Ville Event details!**

## Christmas in the Ville

*Inside the Bohandy Building*



**DATE:**  
**December 6 & 7, 2024**

**Location:**  
**The Bohandy Building**  
**102 E Main St**  
**Barnesville, OH**

**OPEN:**  
**Friday: 5:00-8:00 PM**  
**Saturday: 9:00 AM-7:00 PM**



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**Nov 27- Jan 2**  
Christmas in the Park begins

**Thurs Dec 5**  
Business Window Decorating Contest  
Tree Lighting 5:30  
Library Activities at the Youth Center 6:30 - 8:00pm  
Jolly Train Ride at the Park 5:30 - 7:00pm

**Fri - Sat Dec 6-7**  
Christmas in the Ville (Vendors)  
Friday 5:00 - 8:00pm / Saturday 9:00 - 7:00pm  
Nutcracker Contest Friday Setup by 5:00 pm  
Community Judging Friday 6:00 - 8:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 - 4:00 pm  
Christmas with Grinch Saturday 8:00 - 10:00 Barnesville Youth Center  
Sponsored by Barnesville Police Department  
Ice Rink Friday 4:00 - 8:00 / Saturday 12:00 - 8:00  
Kids Activities Barnesville Elementary Cafeteria Saturday 11:00 - 1:00  
Longhorn Cattle 12:00 - 7:00  
located by the ice rink  
Lighted Christmas Parade Saturday 5:30



*Christmas in the Ville*

# 2024 Lighted Christmas Parade

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024 • 5:30 PM**

**SPONSORED BY**

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Barnesville, Ohio

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From the Barnesville Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook:

Thank you to all that "celebrated" our new mural in Barnesville.

John Rataiczak (Pres Barnesville Chamber of Commerce), Joanna Gibson (Owner Chick-fil-A) Barb Ballint (Board Barnesville Chamber of Commerce), Patty Riemenschneider (Woodsfield Savings Bank), Haley McFarland and Cathryn Stanley (Belmont County Tourism), Nathan Lambert (Grenadier Energy), Luke Johnson and Lynda Mayberry (Barnesville Historical Committee) Brian Mayhugh (Barnesville Antique Mall), Jill Hissom (Director Barnesville Chamber of Commerce), Dave Mayberry, Jake Hershberger (Mayor), Scott Hagen (The Barn Artist).

Thank you to Grenadier Energy, Belmont County Tourism and the Village of Barnesville for sponsoring the beautiful mural.

Thank you to Shekinah Christian Fellowship for the delicious refreshments.

Photo by: Jett



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BARNESVILLE, OH 43713  
(740)425-3368

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**APPLICANTS:**

- Have CURRENT Ohio EMS Certification (EMT, AEMT, Paramedic)
- Have Valid CPR Certification
- Have Clean Driving Record

Applicants are preferred to have Ohio Fire Certification (Any Level) however not required.

**Barnesville Fire & EMS Offers:**

Friendly Environment	Private Rooms (Overnight Shifts)
Competitive Pay	Holiday Shift Differential
CE Opportunities	Uniform Allowance

Applications are available  
Monday-Friday 8am-4pm  
At  
Barnesville Fire & EMS  
For any questions call (740) 425-3368

**Barnesville  
Fire/EMS**

125 East Church Street  
Barnesville, OH 43713



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9-1-1

Non-Emergency  
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740-425-3054  
**EMS**  
740-425-3368

Barnesville Fire & EMS is currently accepting applications for Volunteer

Firefighters. See a current member or stop by the station Monday-Friday 8a-4p to pick up an application or visit [www.BarnesvilleOhio.com](http://www.BarnesvilleOhio.com) and go to the Fire & EMS Page.



Thank you to the Park Crew - Guy Johns and Ashley Warner have worked countless hours for a month getting ready and now maintaining. None of what you see would be possible without them. As you enjoy the lights take a moment to appreciate the work it took to get there. I am lucky to have such dedicated help.



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Pay Water Bill



Pay Income Taxes

**[www.pay.barnesvilleohio.com](http://www.pay.barnesvilleohio.com)**

Online payments are not accepted yet for: Police Department fees (parking tickets, parking permits, golf cart inspections, record requests, or background checks), Park Rentals, EMS Billing, or Fiscal Office Payments.



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## Christmas in the Park



**November 27, 2024 - January 2, 2025**

Drive around our beautiful park to see all the lighted displays

MERRY  
**Christmas**

*And Happy New Year*

**From the  
Village of Barnesville**



## HELP US HELP YOU

Make sure your house numbers can be seen from the road. Clearly display your house number so emergency responders can quickly find you.

Barnesville Ordinance Chapter 1371

## KEEP THEM CLEAR

If there's a **fire hydrant** near your house, do your part to keep it accessible this winter:

