



# The Canal Post

Spring 2012 Edition



## City of Waterville



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### Welcome Police Chief David LaGrange!

Dave comes to us from Tiffin Ohio where he served as the Police Chief for 10 years. Prior to Tiffin, Dave worked for the Savannah Georgia Police Department for 20 years. He was sworn in on January 30th, 2012. He is replacing Robert Selders Jr. who was with the Waterville Police Department for 32 years.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

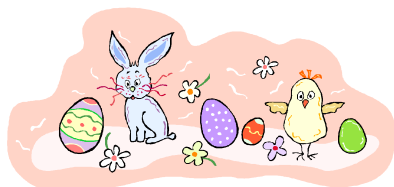
Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>

10:30 a.m.

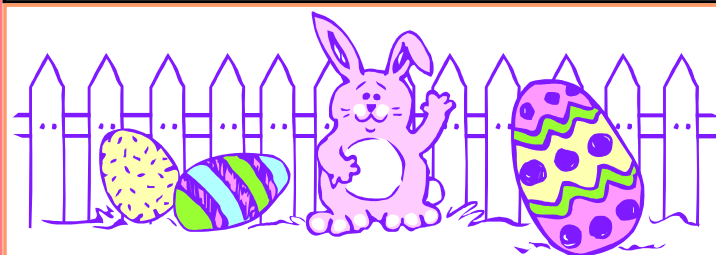
Conrad Park Recreation

Building

808 Michigan Ave.



Come join the FUN!



### PLEASE NOTE:

**CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED**

**At noon on April 6th for Good Friday**

**And Monday May 28th**

**To Observe Memorial Day**





## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:



### What is the City of Waterville Income Tax rate and what type of income is taxable?

The income tax rate is 2%. Generally, gross income (including income which is deferred) and business net profits are taxable.

### I am retired. My only income is from Social Security, company pension, interest and dividends. Am I required to file a City of Waterville income tax return?

No. You are not required to file an income tax return with Waterville, nor does Waterville tax you on these types of income. However, if you have not already done so, you must file a *final* return stating this, along with verification of retirement income. Once you have filed a final return we will not send you income tax notices in future years.

**Please note:** if you return to work, any earnings (other than retirement income) would be subject to the Waterville income tax and you would be required to file with us.

### My child works. Is there an age minimum for filing a Waterville Tax Return?

No. If your child earned more than \$250 in documented wages (they received a W2 or a 1099) he/she is required to file.

### My spouse and I file separately at the federal/state level. Do I have to file the same for Waterville?

No. At the municipal tax level, there is no advantage in filing separately. However, we do suggest filing jointly.

### I live in an apartment and do not own any real estate in Waterville. Do I still have to file a Waterville income tax return?

Yes. Apartment dwellers within the City limits are residents of Waterville and are required to file an annual Waterville income tax return.

### Can I have my employer withhold my Waterville taxes?

Employers are not required to withhold for your city of residence however many will upon request. This is called "courtesy withholding". An employee must contact their human resource and/or payroll department to see if courtesy withholding is an option. Your employer will need to contact the Waterville tax department at 419-878-8102 for information on setting up a withholding account.

### I am a college student, living and working outside Waterville. Do I need to file a return and pay tax on that income?

Yes, assuming Waterville is considered your domicile (i.e., you are eligible to vote in Waterville, you file a State of Ohio tax return with a Waterville address, etc.).

### I pay tax to my city of employment. Do I still owe Waterville tax?

Yes. If you work in and pay taxes to another municipality you are allowed a credit of up to 1.5% for tax paid to another municipality. Therefore, if your city of employment tax rate is at least 1.5%, the amount of tax that you owe for Waterville is .5%. If you work in a municipality with a tax rate of less than 1.5%, your Waterville tax due is based upon the difference in rates.

**Example:** Your city of employment tax rate is 1%. You are allowed that 1% credit and would owe Waterville 1% of your gross wages.

### I'm self-employed but my business has not shown a profit. Am I required to file a return?

Yes. All residents or non-residents conducting a business within Waterville must file an annual return and report the net profits or net losses of said business. The leasing of real or tangible property (i.e. income from a rental property) that you own is considered a taxable business activity that must be reported.

Losses from the operation of a business, including rental losses, are not deductible from W-2 income, but they may be carried forward for a period of five (5) years to apply against subsequent profits.

### If I file a Federal extension does that automatically extend my due date for my Waterville Return?

No. You must submit a copy of your federal extension or a written request for extension to Waterville on or before the original due date of the return.

### If I file an extension, does my payment still have to be made by April 15<sup>th</sup>?


Yes. An extension only extends the amount of time that you have to file. Your payment is still due by April 15 (or the original due date of the return). Statutory interest will be charged on payments made after the original due date.

### Who can I call for help in preparing my city tax return?


You may contact the Waterville Tax Department at 419-878-8102, M-F, 8:00am – 4:30pm for answers to questions or for assistance with your return. Many returns, such as those with multiple W-2's or for partial year residents, can be more difficult to prepare and may require making an appointment.

In order to better serve our residents we ask that those people needing assistance please contact the tax department between now and **April 5<sup>th</sup>**. The final days leading up to April 15<sup>th</sup> are always very busy and residents may have to wait for a return call or to be seen.

**If you have additional questions, please contact our office M - F between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. 419-878-8102**

**CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED FOR  
City of Waterville  
INCOME TAX PAYMENTS**  
Payments can be made by  
accessing the Waterville Tax  
webpage at :[www.waterville.org](http://www.waterville.org)



# 2012 Trash & Recycling Schedule



Refuse Pick-Up is **ALWAYS** on **Monday** with these exceptions in 2012:

- \*\* Memorial Day**  
Pick-up will be **Tuesday May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012**
- \*\* Labor Day**  
Pick-up will be **Tuesday September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**NOTE:**  
  
2012  
**UNLIMITED**  
**PICK-UP**  
June 18<sup>th</sup>  
&  
October 15<sup>th</sup>

Refuse Pick-Up **Will NOT be Delayed for these Holidays**

### Holiday

### Regular Monday Pick-Up Date

- |                               |                                       |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Martin L. King Day</b>     | <b>January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b>  |
| <b>President's Day</b>        | <b>February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b> |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> of July</b> | <b>July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012</b>      |
| <b>Easter</b>                 | <b>April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b>     |
| <b>Columbus Day</b>           | <b>October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b>   |
| <b>Veteran's Day</b>          | <b>November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b> |
| <b>Thanksgiving</b>           | <b>November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b> |
| <b>Christmas Day</b>          | <b>December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012</b> |
| <b>New Year's Day</b>         | <b>December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012</b> |

2012  
Unlimited Pick-up Dates:  
Monday June 18<sup>th</sup>  
Monday October 15<sup>th</sup>



## Yard Waste Collection Schedule:

- Collection day will be on **Mondays** from 7:00am - 3:30pm
- If a Holiday falls on Monday collection will be delayed until Tuesday.
- Weekly collection will run from the 1st Monday of April through the last Monday of November.

### Yard Waste Collection:

- This is a "Pay As You Throw" Program.
- Only biodegradable yard waste bags with the official City of Waterville yard waste sticker affixed to the bag will be collected.
- Yard waste bags shall be placed at the curb of the street, not to exceed 50 pounds per bag.
- Yard waste bags shall not be placed within the right of way of the street for collection more than 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for pick up but at least by 6:30am the day of pick up to ensure collection.
- In no case shall yard waste bags be placed for collection in such a position as to be within the traveled portion of the street.

### Yard Waste Collection Includes:

- |                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| * Bedding plants          | * Leaves     |
| * Flower garden debris    | * Flowers    |
| * Grass Clippings         | * Straw      |
| * Ivy and vine plants     | * Weeds      |
| * House plants            | * Cornstalks |
| * Ornamental grasses      |              |
| * Vegetable garden debris |              |

### Does not Include:

- |                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| * Plant pots        | * Sod    |
| * Stumps            | * Soil   |
| * Trash of any kind | * Stones |
| * Branches & Twigs  | * Bushes |
| * Logs              |          |

### **A sticker will be affixed to any bag we are unable to pick up due to:**

- \* Use of an improper bag.
- \* Bag not affixed with "official" City tag.
- \* Weight of bag more than 50 lbs.
- \* Bag not placed in proper location for pick up.
- \* Bag containing items from the "does not include" list.

### Cost of Yard Waste Program:

**The cost of tags for curb side collection will be \$ 2.25 per tag.**

### Purchasing Yard Waste Collection Program Supplies:

Official City yard waste **tags** will be available for purchase at the following locations:

- Waterville Municipal Building
- Waterville Hardware
- Sautter's Food Center
- Wardell's Farm Market
- Kroger in Waterville

Biodegradable yard waste **bags** can be purchased at the following locations:

- Waterville Hardware
- Sautter's Food Center
- Wardell's Farm Market
- Kroger in Waterville

As well as in the gardening department of other stores.

If you have any questions regarding service - please call the Waterville Public Works Department 419-878-8108

### **PLEASE REMEMBER:**

This program is strictly for **"Yard Waste"** (bedding plants, grass clippings, flower garden debris, weeds, etc.)



## News from the Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce



The Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce & Zinful wish to invite you to the 11th Annual **World Wines & Waterville Fine Art Auction**  
*The Date: March 24, 2012,*  
*Location: Valleywood Golf Club, 13501 Airport Hwy., Swanton, Ohio*  
*Doors open at 6:00 p.m. for Light Hors d'oeuvres and a Cash Bar*  
*Wine Stations featuring Wines from around the World*  
*Buffet Dinner at 7:00 p.m.*  
*Live Auction begins at 8:00 p.m.*  
*The tickets are \$50 per person. Cocktail Attire*  
*A portion of the proceeds to benefit the "Eyes of Freedom" Memorial.*



**SAVE THE DATE**  
 for the **Chamber's Golf Outing!**  
 The date to highlight is **\*\*Friday June 8th**  
 This year we will be teeing off on the greens of  
**Valleywood Golf Club**  
 13501 Airport Hwy., Swanton, OH  
 Cost will be \$80 per golfer, \$320 for a foursome.

## Waterville Historical Society Announces Programs for 2012

*In keeping with their goal of fostering an appreciation of the history that has enriched our area, the Waterville Historical Society invites the public to a series of four programs.*

*All will be presented at Wakeman Hall 401 Farnsworth Road at 7 p.m.*

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|-------------|--|
| April 18    | Ted Ligibel, "Then and Now: Towns and Communities"                           |
| May 16      | Judy Justus, "The Underground Railroad of Northwest Ohio"                    |
| October 17  | Fred Folger, "Now and Then, Out and Around Toledo"                           |
| November 14 | Musicians: Leslie Poolos and Karen Herzberg "American History Through Music" |



Wakeman Archival Research Center  
401 Farnsworth Rd.

## ZONING MATTERS

- **SIGNS ~ NO SIGN PERMIT REQUIRED:** GARAGE/YARD/LAWN SALE Signs (up to 4) that are no more than four square feet in area may be displayed for no more than 72 consecutive hours. One of the signs must be on the premises of the sale and up to three may be off premises. The off premises signs must be on private property with permission of the property owner. **Signs are not permitted in the public right of way or attached to utility poles, traffic or street signposts or trees.**
- **REAL ESTATE:** For Rent, Sale signs up to six square feet in area are allowed on the premises to which the offering applies. Open House signs may also be displayed but only during the time the house is open for inspection. Open house signs may also be displayed off premises but only during the time the home is open for inspection. The off premises signs must be on private property with permission of the property owner. **Signs are not permitted in the public right of way.**
- **WATERVILLE PERMITS REQUIRED:** Signs that do not comply with the above exceptions. Additions to property such as sheds, pools, decks, pergolas, additions to an existing building, or driveway and sidewalk construction/changes in the public right of way. Any activity in the FLOODPLAIN. This includes excavation, filling, grading, construction, remodeling or altering any structure.
- **LUCAS COUNTY PERMIT NEEDED:** Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move or change the occupancy of a residential building or structure, or portion thereof, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical, plumbing system, other residential building service equipment, or piping system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the building official and obtain the required approval (call 419-213-2990 with questions)
- **NO WATERVILLE PERMIT REQUIRED:** Routine maintenance of buildings including painting and roof replacement (unless structural changes are involved) If the site is in the Historic District, additional restrictions apply - call 419-878-8132 for information. / Sidewalk, driveway, or patio repair or construction on private property.

The following is a link to the **Ohio Building Code** version 2006, For specific information concerning exemptions it may be helpful to visit this site:  
[http://publiccodes.citation.com/st/oh/st/b4v06/st\\_oh\\_st\\_b4v06\\_1sec005.htm?bu=OH-P-2011-000004](http://publiccodes.citation.com/st/oh/st/b4v06/st_oh_st_b4v06_1sec005.htm?bu=OH-P-2011-000004)

# CITY OF WATERVILLE EMPLOYEES



## BOB SELL

WE WILL MISS YOU BOB!

Bob has been serving the City of Waterville for the past 29 years. He will be retiring in April from his current position as Water Superintendent. Bob has been diligent in over seeing the Cities water distribution system for the overall health, safety, and welfare of our community. Married with three daughters and five grand children and another on the way. Bob plans on spending time helping out his son in law on his farm and enjoying his favorite sport golfing.



## Mark Hearndon

Sgt. Mark Hearndon will be retiring on April 27th, 2012 after 34 1/2 years of service to the citizens of Waterville. We thank Sgt. Hearndon for his years of dedicated service and wish him well in their next phase of life, a healthy, well deserved retirement enjoying trips in the corvette with his wife Bonnie, and spending time with their children and grandchildren.



## Employee Recognition



*The City of Waterville  
wishes to recognize  
the following employees  
for their continued  
commitment to our community:*

*Thank you for your service!*

*David Beakas  
20 years*

*Rick Hannum  
35 years*



**Volunteer  
Fireman  
  
Sewer  
Superintendent**

**What You Should Know About Trees in the City Right-of-Way**



The Public Works Department of the City of Waterville is responsible for the maintenance of trees located in the public right-of-way, generally located within the city along the public streets between the sidewalks and the curbs, as well as within the public parks and other grounds owned by the City.

*Before planting, trimming or removing trees from the public right-of-way, it is necessary to obtain a permit from the Tree Commission. A fine may be imposed for failure to obtain the required permit.*

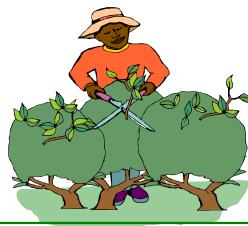
If you desire to plant a tree in the City right-of-way on your property, or would like the City to plant a tree there, you may submit a written request to: Waterville Tree Commission; c/o Town Hall 25 N. Second Street Waterville, Ohio 43566

Your request should include the variety of tree you want to plant, if known. To prevent problem trees from being planted in the City right-of-way, the Tree Commission has completed a list of desirable and undesirable trees that is available at Town Hall to assist you in your selection. Requests for a tree to be planted by the City will be considered as funding becomes available.

**ARBOR DAY / V2C CELEBRATION**  
**The City of Waterville along with the Waterville Tree Commission and V2C Committee will observe**  
**ARBOR DAY & the new City Flag Dedication**  
**Sat. April 28th 10:00 a.m.**  
**At Pioneer Point (N. Third St. & Mechanic)**

**Be a Good Neighbor**

Please... Trim shrubs and low hanging tree branches away from all sidewalk areas.  
**Thank you!**



**Waterville Fire Association and Carl Conrad Memorial Scholarships**

If you are or know of a graduating senior please be aware of the opportunity to apply for the Waterville Fire Association and Carl Conrad Memorial Scholarship.

The student shall currently reside in the City of Waterville Fire District. ( Not specifically limiting the scholarship to a student of Anthony Wayne High School)

The Application and rules are available at the Fire Department, Town Hall and the guidance department at Anthony Wayne High School, and through the Waterville Fire Association.

Once completed all applications must be returned to:  
 The Waterville Fire Department  
 c/o Scholarship Committee  
 751 Waterville Monclova Rd.  
 Waterville, OH 43566



**APPLICATION DEADLINE**  
 April 13, 2012 by 7:00 p.m.

**PROPER CARE FOR YOUR TREES**

**Trimming and Pruning**

Trimming of trees located within the public right-of-way to a safe height (6'6" to 7') above the sidewalk and more extensive pruning may be requested by submitting a written request to:

Public Works Department  
 c/o: Town Hall  
 25 N. Second Street  
 Waterville, OH, 43566

The Public Works Department will direct your request to the Waterville Tree Commission. Any tree limbs thought to be hazardous should be immediately reported to Town Hall at 419-878-8100 or The Public Works Department 878-8108.

**Mulching**

There are many benefits to mulching your trees. It helps maintain soil moisture and helps to control weeds. Some mulch can improve soil structure and drainage. Organic mulch is preferred to inorganic materials, due to the soil enhancing properties of organic materials.

If you choose to mulch the trees on your property, it is important that you do so properly. Too much mulch may actually harm the trees. Over mulching or creating a "mulch volcano" may cause problems for trees, inviting insects and disease. It is better to mulch wide than mulch deep.

It is also important to keep the mulch away from the trunk of the tree. It is best to form a ring of mulch around the tree, keeping the mulch six inches away from the trunk. A depth of two to four inches of mulch is generally recommended. This will hold water but won't invite insects and disease to infest the trunk.

**Watering**

With summer just around the corner and the onset of warm, dry weather, it is important to water the trees on your property. It is especially important for newly planted trees to get regular watering.

**More Information**

If you have questions regarding the topics covered here or other tree information, there are many resource pam-

phlets from the International Society of Arboriculture available at Town Hall.

**WHY PLANT A TREE?**

- ☼ Trees produce oxygen while cleaning our air and water.
- ☼ Trees are natural air conditioners and can reduce cooling costs up to 50%.
- ☼ Trees increase property values up to 20%.
- ☼ Trees provide wildlife habitat.
- ☼ Trees produce a sense of roots in an established community
- ☼ Trees can help reduce stress.
- ☼ Trees are beautiful

If you are interested in gardening, or just want to get some fresh air and sunshine this summer, consider Volunteering to help with the many city gardens! Contact the Public Works Dept. at 419-878-8108 for more information



**- IMPORTANT NOTICE -  
To All Residents  
Fire Hydrant Flushing & Testing**

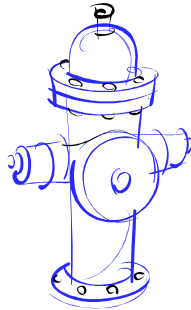
Fire hydrants are flushed once a year to avoid rust build-up in the waterlines and to insure adequate fire protection.

Hydrants will be flushed on a rotating basis, each Thursday throughout the year. Since the location of the testing will vary from week to week, residents are asked to check their tap water on Thursdays before doing laundry, to avoid the possibility of rust coming through the lines.

For those residents who do laundry during the time of testing, a rust remover is available and can be picked up at Town Hall if needed.

**Preventive  
Maintenance Tip:**

It is recommended that all residents drain their hot water tank at least once per year. Such draining helps to remove any debris that may have settled in the bottom of the tank.



**CITY OF WATERVILLE CONTACT INFORMATION**

TOWN HALL GENERAL INFORMATION	878-8100
UTILITY BILLING	878-8101
INCOME TAX DEPT.	878-8102
PUBLIC WORKS	878-8108
POLICE (NON EMERGENCY- M-F 8AM-4:30PM)	878-8184
FIRE (NON EMERGENCY- M-F 8AM-4:30PM)	878-0165
FOR <b>NON-LIFE THREATENING</b> EMERGENCIES AFTER HOURS	
CALL: 419-878-6666	

**MAYOR**

**LORI BRODIE    8119 BRIDGEHAMPTON DR.    878-8818**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

<b>BARB BRUNO</b>	<b>137 S. RIVER RD.</b>	<b>878-8865</b>
<b>ANN CHERRY</b>	<b>7656 SHOEMAKER DR.</b>	<b>878-8071</b>
<b>JEFF MARTY</b>	<b>504 MICHIGAN AVE.</b>	<b>878-9999</b>
<b>MICHAEL METZGER</b>	<b>861 MAPLE LANE</b>	<b>878-2801</b>
<b>TIM PEDRO</b>	<b>514 CEDAR LANE</b>	<b>878-2364</b>
<b>JIM VALTIN</b>	<b>142 WILKSHIRE DR.</b>	<b>878-0127</b>

**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR**

**JAMES BAGDONAS**

TOWN HALL 25 N. SECOND ST. 878-8100  
OFFICE HOURS: MON - FRI. 8 AM - 4:30 PM  
Visit us at: [www.waterville.org](http://www.waterville.org)

The City of Waterville is always interested in hearing opinions and comments from its residents. Please utilize this or any other written form to tell us of your suggestions about our city. Mail or Hand Deliver to:

The Waterville Municipal Building  
25 N. Second St. Waterville, OH 43566

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\*Contact information must be given for a response.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**WATERVILLE  
COUNCIL SCHEDULE**

(VIEW LIVE ON  
TIME WARNER CABLE CH. 5)

**MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE  
2ND & 4TH  
MONDAY  
OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM**



## HOT SPOTS



by Fire Chief ~ Steve Parsons

Hearing a tornado siren can be extremely frightening. What's even more frightening is not knowing what to do in the event of a tornado sighting. Keep in mind that tornadoes can occur at any time of the day or night, at any time of the year. So be prepared!

### TORNADO FACTS

- Ohio averages 16 tornadoes each year.
- The greatest number of tornadoes in Ohio occurred in 1992 when 59 touched down statewide.
- Ohio's peak tornado season runs from April through mid-July. Statewide statistics show that June and July have been the most active months for tornadoes in the state.
- Most tornadoes occur in Ohio between 2:00 - 10:00 p.m.
- Tornadoes can approach from any direction, but in Ohio most move from southwest to northeast.
- Virtually all tornadoes come from thunderstorms and are usually preceded by heavy rains, lightning and hail.

### BEFORE A TORNADO

Take time to complete an itemized inventory of your household furnishings and personal belongings. Also, photograph or videotape your rooms. This will prove invaluable in the event of a loss. Keep these valuable records, along with receipts, off-premises, preferably in a bank safe deposit box.

Prepare an evacuation plan with your entire



family. Make sure you're familiar with the locations of the on/off switches for water, gas and electricity. Locate the safest area in your home in case of a tornado emergency. When skies look threatening, turn on your radio or TV for local reports warning of severe weather conditions.

If severe weather threatens, move vehicles under cover. This can help prevent damage from high winds, flying debris and hail.

### DURING A TORNADO

Some places are safer than others when tornadoes threaten. When possible, take a flashlight and battery-operated radio when seeking shelter. Memorize safe locations now so you're not caught "off guard" if a tornado strikes.

In homes and other small buildings: Go to the center of the room on the lowest level, preferably a basement. Otherwise, go to a windowless closet, bathroom or inside hall, staying away from windows, doors and exterior walls. Get under a sturdy table or bench.

In school: A teacher will direct you to the designated tornado shelter. In a hallway, kneel on the floor facing the wall with your hands covering the back of your neck and head. Avoid auditoriums or gymnasiums with large roofs.

In cars, mobile homes or outside: Leave cars or mobile homes immediately! If you can't reach a building, lie flat in a ditch or low spot, covering your head and the back of your neck with your hands. Stay clear of tall trees and open water.

In malls or large buildings: If you can't locate a designated shelter area, go to a middle hall on the lowest level.

### TORNADO TERMINOLOGY

Funnel Cloud: A violently rotating column of air that descends from the base of a severe thunder storm, but is not in contact with the ground.

Tornado: A funnel cloud that touches the ground, normally funnel-shaped with the narrow end toward the ground.

### AFTER A TORNADO

Inspect your property and cars for damage. Check immediately for electrical problems and gas leaks, contacting appropriate utilities or the fire department as soon as possible. Notify relatives of your safety. If you don't, local authorities may waste time trying to find you.



### LIGHTENING SAFETY TIPS

When a tornado strikes, severe lightning will often be present. Lightning causes an average of 83 deaths and over 300 injuries in the U.S. each year. Ohio averages between 30-50 thunderstorm days a year, so it's important to know what to do when lightning threatens.

When Outdoors: Avoid water (pools, lakes), metal objects (electric wires, fences, golf clubs, machinery, power tools, etc.), wide open spaces and high terrain (hilltops) and tall trees or objects.

When Indoors: Avoid water (baths, showers, doing dishes or laundry), open doors and windows and using telephones and headsets. Unplug major electrical appliances like stereos, televisions, computers VCRs and DVD players.



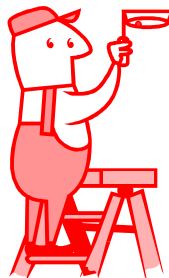
## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS



Sunday March 11th

At 2:00 a.m.

Don't forget to set your clocks **forward** one hour!



**Don't forget to  
REPLACE  
the batteries in your  
SMOKE  
DETECTORS!**







*Police Chief David LaGrange*

# City of Waterville's POLICE DEPARTMENT



The Waterville Police Department utilizes a community information system called Nixle. The Nixle system is a web based application that allows the police department to quickly disseminate information to the public via e-mail and text messaging.

There are three types of Nixle messages. The lowest priority message is a community information message. This type of message contains information of general community interest. The next higher priority message is a community advisory. A community advisory would be used to notify residents of more immediate events or situations, but not of an urgent or emergency nature.

The highest level of Nixle message is a community alert. This type of message would be of a more urgent or even emergency nature, and could include such things as local Amber Alerts or other situations of immediate concern to the community. Community information and community advisories are sent to the subscriber's e-mail account. They may also be sent to the subscriber's cell phone via text message, if the subscriber selects that option. Community alerts are, by default, sent to both the e-mail account and to the cell phone of the subscriber.

To be included in the Nixle system and receive the notifications, citizens must log onto the Nixle site and create an account. The user supplies an e-mail address and a text messaging account to be used for the notifications. The subscriber also selects which of the three notification types they wish to receive. Subscribers may also elect to receive notifications by text message. But this is an optional feature.

**The Nixle notification system is entirely free of charge.** The only charge that may apply is normal text messaging rates from the user's cellular carrier. But this will depend entirely on the type of cellular plan the user is on.

To create a Nixle account and begin receiving notifications, citizens can point their web browser at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) and then click on the Sign Up For Free link in the middle of the page.



## **LOCK YOUR GARAGE & VEHICLE DOORS**

Each year the police department takes several theft reports from home owners who have left their garage door open or unlocked especially overnight. Please remember to shut and lock all of your doors at night or when you are not at home. Recently unlocked vehicles are being entered overnight and property has been stolen. Remember to remove valuables from the vehicle or place them out of sight and lock the doors.

Report any suspicious activity to the Police Department call 911, it's not just for emergencies!



The "Green" building at  
Conrad Park



Planning Bridal Shower?

How about a lovely setting  
for a small wedding?

Planning a Baby Shower?

The Gazebo at  
Conrad Park



Looking for a place  
to hold a meeting?

Hosting a Birthday Party?

The Shelter Houses at  
Baer Park & Waterworks Park



You don't need to leave Waterville to find just what you are looking for! All of these facilities are available for rental to all! For more information on how to reserve any of these facilities:

Call Town Hall at 419-878-8100 or visit [www.waterville.org](http://www.waterville.org)



If bringing back the fireworks to Waterville SPARKS your attention please contact Barb Bruno 419-277-1291, [barb@recycleitusa.com](mailto:barb@recycleitusa.com) or Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce for more information on how to get involved!

Keeping the pride of America in our community!!



# CITY OF WATERVILLE ENGRAVED BRICK PROGRAM

Become a part of Waterville's history with the purchase of an engraved brick for you or your loved ones! Bricks are located in the entranceway of the clock tower building at the corner of the Anthony Wayne Trail and Farnsworth Road and are visible to thousands of visitors to downtown Waterville each year.

Engraved bricks make a great permanent gift and are an excellent way to commemorate any special occasion, to recognize family members or to provide a lasting memorial for a loved one. Each brick you purchase helps to support revitalization efforts in downtown Waterville.

Engraved bricks are available in two sizes:

4" X 8" with up to three lines of text with up to 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation) per line: \$100.00

8" X 8" with up to six lines of text with up to 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation) per line: \$225.00

To order your engraved brick, simply fill out the form below and drop it off or send it to the City of Waterville, 25 N. Second St., Waterville, Ohio 43566-1491.

If you have any questions, please call the City at 419-878-8100.

I would like to purchase an engraved brick [ 4" X 8"] [ 8" X 8"] (check one).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_



A check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

**PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT COPY (No Logos) EXACTLY AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON YOUR BRICK\* (Including spacing and punctuation); All engravings will be centered & will use both upper & lower case letters**

Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 4 (8" X 8" ONLY): \_\_\_\_\_

Line 5 (8" X 8" ONLY): \_\_\_\_\_

Line 6 (8" X 8" ONLY): \_\_\_\_\_

\*The City of Waterville reserves the right to approve all copy to be engraved on the bricks.