



The Canal Post

Autumn 2015 Edition

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**DALE
KNEPPER**



**JON
GOCHENOUR**

The City is sad to say goodbye to our longtime Finance Director Dale Knepper. Dale has served the City for 18 years! He has supervised the Finance Department, while managing the City budget, not always an easy task. Dale was around to guide the Village as it became a City, and moving the Municipal Income Tax processing to R.I.T.A. While managing the city budget he has managed to make do with less as the state funding continues to shrink. Mr. Knepper will leave a big space in the employees hearts. Hopefully now he can watch the Yankee's without having to put up with the teasing :)

*Best of Luck Dale in your Retirement!
The Mayor, Council and your Staff!*

The City is pleased to Welcome Jon Gochenour as the City's new Director of Finance and Administration!

Jon came to us from the Village of Swanton where he was the Village Administrator for 12 years. Prior to that Jon was the Administrator and Assistant Administrator for Springfield Township, and also worked for a year at Providence Metropark while doing his graduate work at The University of Toledo. Jon also completed an internship with the City of Toledo during the Carty Finkbeiner administration.

Jon will be taking over the position from Dale Knepper. Dale has agreed to work with Jon until the end of September so there will be a smooth transition.

As the City continues to grow Jon will be kept busy making sure the City remains a great place to live and work.

Welcome to Waterville Jon!

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City Council Meeting Schedule

Mondays at 7:30pm
At the Town Hall

September

14 & 28

October

12 & 26

November

9 & 23

View Live on
Time Warner Cable Ch. 5

Review
Agendas & Minutes
on web site

www.waterville.org

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 NON-LIFE THREATENING EMERGENCIES AFTER HOURS	
CALL: 419-878-6666	
FIRE & POLICE EMERGENCIES - 911	

MAYOR

LORI BRODIE	8119 BRIDGEHAMPTON DR.	367-9699
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COUNCIL MEMBERS

BARB BRUNO		878-8865
MICHELINE KRISE	137 S. RIVER RD.	819-9052
CHARLES LARKINS	420 ELM ST.	343-5121
JOHN ROZIC	63-A NAUGATUCK WAY	878-7405
TIM PEDRO	724 VILLAGE PARKWAY	878-2364
JIM VALTIN	514 CEDAR LANE	878-0159
	142 WILKSHIRE DR.	

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR

JAMES BAGDONAS

TOWN HALL 25 N. SECOND ST. 878-8100

OFFICE HOURS: MON - FRI. 8 AM - 4:30 PM

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DATES TO REMEMBER:

SEPTEMBER: 7-Offices Closed Labor Day | 8 Trash Pick-up | 14 City Council Meeting | 19 - Fishing Derby | 28-City Council Meeting | 25-RDB Pre Party | 26-RDB Parade & Festival

OCTOBER : 5-Unlimited Trash Pick Up | 12-Leaf Pick Up Begins & 12-City Council Meeting | 26-City Council Meeting | 31-Halloween & 3rd Quarter Estimated Taxes Due

NOVEMBER: 9-City Council Meeting | 11-Offices Closed Veterans Day | 23-City Council Meeting | 21 Leaf Pick up Ends 2 6-27 Offices Closed Thanksgiving

ZONING MATTERS:

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS/HURTS

Algal blooms in Lake Erie and their impact on water quality are in the daily news. So far, in 2015 there has been no ban on drinking water from the Toledo/Lucas County Water System. Scientists point to phosphorus as an important nutrient feeding the development of algae blooms. Investigators have identified several sources of phosphorous in the Maumee River watershed as the reason too much phosphorous is entering the Lake. Untreated sewage, failing septic systems, agricultural run-off, and storm water are cited as the major sources of DRP, Dissolved Reactive Phosphorous. Yard waste, leaves, twigs and other similar materials that are on streets will enter storm drains during rain events. This water eventually enters the Maumee River System and is discharged into Lake Erie. As these contaminants move through the waterways, they slowly decay and their phosphorous is added to the supply that enters the Lake. Please do your part to eliminate this minor source of Lake Erie contamination by collecting leaves, brush, twigs, garden waste and grass clippings and take them to the Clean Wood Facility at 6730 Anthony Wayne Trail north of the City.

NOTE: Estimated Income Tax Payment for the 3rd Quarter is due October 31, 2015

Please send all tax payments to the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.)

If you need further information please contact R.I.T.A. at 800-860-7482, or visit their website www.ritaohio.com .



**The Rotary Club of Waterville
in cooperation with the
City of Waterville to host
Family Fun
& Fishing Derby
Waterworks Park**

**Saturday, September 19th
8:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M.**

**(Fishing to start promptly at 8:30am ending at 10:00am)
Rain or Shine Event - Must be present at the end of the derby to
win a prize.**

- Registration open to the first 60 registrants
Ages 6-14
- Registration forms are available at:
City of Waterville
Municipal Building
25 N. Second St. (419)878-8100
- Please return completed forms to the
City of Waterville by September 11th

Pizza &
refreshments
will be available



Games & Activities provided
by the Anthony Wayne
Community YMCA



**Bring your own rod & tackle
set-up**

A limited number of
rods & tackle will
be available for use
if you don't have



Come out & see a presentation by:

Officer Valvano & K9 unit



Fishing Bait has been donated by
Maumee Tackle

Prizes will be awarded in these categories for age groups 6-10 & 11-14:

- 1. Most Fish Caught**
- 2. Longest Fish Caught**

Also enter free drawings by local sponsors

T C R A E R E E

Trimming & 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 the Public Works Department, Town Hall, 25 N. Second St.. The Public Works Dept. will direct your request to the Waterville Tree Commission. Any tree limbs thought to be hazardous should be immediately reported to Town Hall at 878-8100 or the Public Works Dept. at 878-8108.

Mulching

There are many benefits to mulching your trees. It helps maintain soil moisture and 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 chose 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 6" away from the trunk. A depth of 2 to 4" of mulch is generally recommended. The proper shape is similar to a doughnut. This

will hold water but won't invite insects and disease to infest the trunk.

Watering

With the warm, dry weather we have been having, 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 pamphlets from the International Society of Arboriculture available at Town Hall.







SAFE & HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Saturday October 31st
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.




Halloween

may be a fun holiday for kids, but for parents, trick-or-treat time can be a little tricky. Concerns about children's safety, whether they are out in the neighborhood or back home with bags of booty - can darken the day more quickly than a black cat. But not to worry! To make Halloween a treat for all, follow these safety tips:

MAKE SURE YOUR KIDS DRESS UP SAFELY

-  Check that the costumes are flame retardant so the little ones aren't in danger near burning jack-o-lanterns and other fire hazards.
-  Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls, and other bumps in the night.
-  Make sure kids wear light colors or put reflective tape on their costumes.
-  Trick-or-treaters always should be in groups so they aren't a tempting target for real-life goblins. Parents should accompany your children.

MAKE TRICK-OR-TREATING TROUBLE FREE

-  Make sure older kids trick-or-treat with friends. Together, map out a safe route so parents know where they'll be. Tell them to stop only at familiar homes where the outside lights are on.
-  Try to get your kids to trick-or-treat while it's still light out. If it's dark, make sure someone has a flashlight and pick well-lighted streets.
-  Make sure kids know not to enter strangers' cars.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!!



1. Residents are limited to three (3) bags/containers per week. Each bag/container must weigh 50 lbs or less.
2. Households with an excess of 3 bags/containers may purchase extra bag tags for \$1.00 each at the *City Office, 25 N. Second St. (Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday).*
3. **Large, bulky items**, such as furniture and appliances are collected the same day as regular trash. Residents must purchase a bulk item sticker for each item. Large item tags are available for \$10.00 at the City Office.
4. **Appliances.** Residence are responsible for the removal of all Freon Refrigerants from applicable appliances prior to collection. A certification label must be affixed to the appliance. This requirement is mandated by Federal Law.
5. **Bi-Annual Unlimited Collections.** The City of Waterville will have a one day unlimited clean-up twice per year for residents to dispose of unwanted items. Collections will be curbside and items will not require tags on this day only.
6. **Holiday Collection Schedule.** Stevens Disposal & Recycling observes the following holidays: January 1, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day. There will be no collection of these holidays. Collections will be one day late for the day of the holiday and those days following. Monday collections will be on Tuesday. Holiday collection schedule does not apply if holiday is observed on a Saturday or Sunday.
7. **Exclusions.** Curbside collection excludes the following materials: Yard waste, including brush, grass, leaves, shrubs; auto parts; tires; building materials, including paint, concrete, metal pipes, and rocks; liquids, motor oil, hazardous chemicals, pesticides, insecticides; dead animals. If you have any questions regarding the handling or acceptability of an item, please contact Stevens Disposal or the City Office.
8. **Bags & Containers.** Use only standard, regulation metal or plastic waste containers or bags 1.5 mill or stronger. *Do not use cardboard boxes, waste basket liners, plastic or paper grocery bags, barrels or laundry baskets for the curbside collection of your waste or recyclables. This is a litter, as well as safety precaution for the drivers and collectors.*
9. **Special Services.** Stevens Disposal & Recycling Services provide collection and containers for special projects such as remodeling & certain excluded items. Please contact Stevens Disposal directly should you require additional or special services.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING GUIDELINES

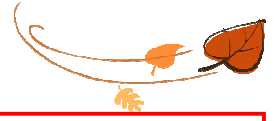
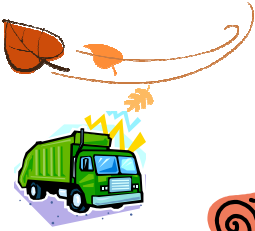
Residential curbside recycling is provided through the City's contract with Stevens Disposal & Recycling. Each Monday Stevens Disposal will pick up recyclables and refuse.

- Recyclables **do not** need to be sorted. Place your recycling bin at the curb away from your refuse. Do not use plastic bags or cardboard boxes as recycling containers. You can purchase extra recycling bins at the City Office, 25 N. Second St. (Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday).

Recyclable Items Include:

1. **Newspapers and Cereal Box-Type Paperboard:** *Stack in paper grocery bags or tie with string. No wet newspapers.*
2. **Clear, Green, and Brown Glass Bottles and Jars:** *Remove lids and rings. Rinse clean.*
3. **Plastics #1 through #7:** *Remove lids and rings. Rinse clean. Flatten if you wish to save space.*
4. **Aluminum and Steel Cans:** *Rinse clean and remove any paper labels. For safety place the lid inside the can and pinch the end closed.*
5. **Brown or White Corrugated Cardboard:** *Remove all packing materials. Break boxes down into sections not more than two feet long. Bundle boxes together with string. You may leave tape, staples, and address labels on boxes.*





UNLIMITED TRASH PICK-UP
Semi-Annual Unlimited Garbage Pick-up
for Waterville residents
Monday October 5th
(curbside by 7 a.m.)

**NOTE: REFUSE PICK UP
WILL BE ON TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 8th
DUE TO THE
Labor Day Holiday**

Exclusions:

Curbside collection excludes the following materials:

- ◆ Yard Waste (including brush, grass, leaves, shrubs)
- ◆ Building materials (including liquid paint,)(dry paint or empty cans acceptable) concrete, metal pipes and rocks)
- ◆ Liquids of any kind
- ◆ Hazardous Chemicals (including pesticides and insecticides)
- ◆ Dead animals
- ◆ Motor oil, Auto Parts and Tires



Appliances: Residents are responsible for the removal of all Freon refrigerants from applicable appliances prior to collection by the contractor. A certification label must be affixed to the appliance. This requirement is mandatory by Federal Law.

Large, bulky items such as furniture and appliances will not require a bulk item sticker on this day only.

<i>Collection day for both trash & recycling is Monday</i>			Unlimited Trash Pick-Up Monday October 5th (see above)
TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICES	<p>Always MEMORIAL DAY</p> <p>Delayed 4TH OF JULY</p> <p>If on LABOR DAY</p> <p>Monday: CHRISTMAS DAY</p> <p>NEW YEARS DAY</p>		
	Please keep this <i>trash & recycling schedule</i> handy for future reference.		

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
AT 2:00 A.M.



DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
Replace the batteries in your
Smoke Detectors!



ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

CPR TRAINING

The Waterville Fire Association will be offering
CPR classes.

If you are interested please
contact the
Waterville Fire Department
419-878-0165



**LOCK YOUR DOORS
&
REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

City residents are reminded to remove valuables from their parked vehicles and lock the car doors. Also please make sure that your overhead garage door is locked as well as your house. If you see or hear any suspicious activity in your neighborhood you are asked to call the:

POLICE immediately at 419-878-6666 or 911.

ATTENTION !! ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!



The Utility Department of Waterville has an outside drop box on 2nd St. for your convenience. Please be sure to write your account number in the memo part of your check.

Of course the Municipal Office will still be open normal business hours if you would prefer.

If you are paying with cash please either bring it into the office or put in the inside drop slot in the lobby, Do NOT put cash in the outside drop box.

The box is very close to the US Post Office Box, be careful to put it in the right box 😊

WATER/SEWER BILLS

Please note that your Water/Sewer bills are Estimated every other month. The Estimated amounts are calculated using an average of the previous 12 months.

If you would prefer not to receive an Estimated Bill you can read your own **Inside Meter** on the Estimated Months and call 419-878-8101 or email the reading to townhall@waterville.org. (be sure to put "Meter Reading" in the subject line of the email.) The **Inside Meter** needs to be read between the 15th—20th of the Estimated months. Please include your name, phone #, address, and account number if it is available when emailing or leaving a message.

The Months that the bills are Estimated are: February, April, June, August, October and December.

If you have any questions please call the Utility Department at 419-878-8101.

Were you AWARE?

The average 5 minute shower uses between 25 - 50 gallons of water?

The average automatic Dishwasher uses 9 - 10 gallons of water?

Hand washing dishes can use up to 20 gallons of water?

Hoses can waste 5 gallons of water per minute?

A slow drip can waste 15 - 20 gallons of water per day?

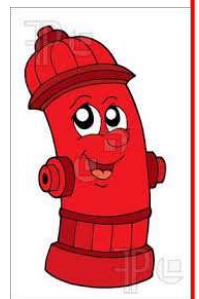
A single lawn sprinkler can spray 5 gallons of water per minute?

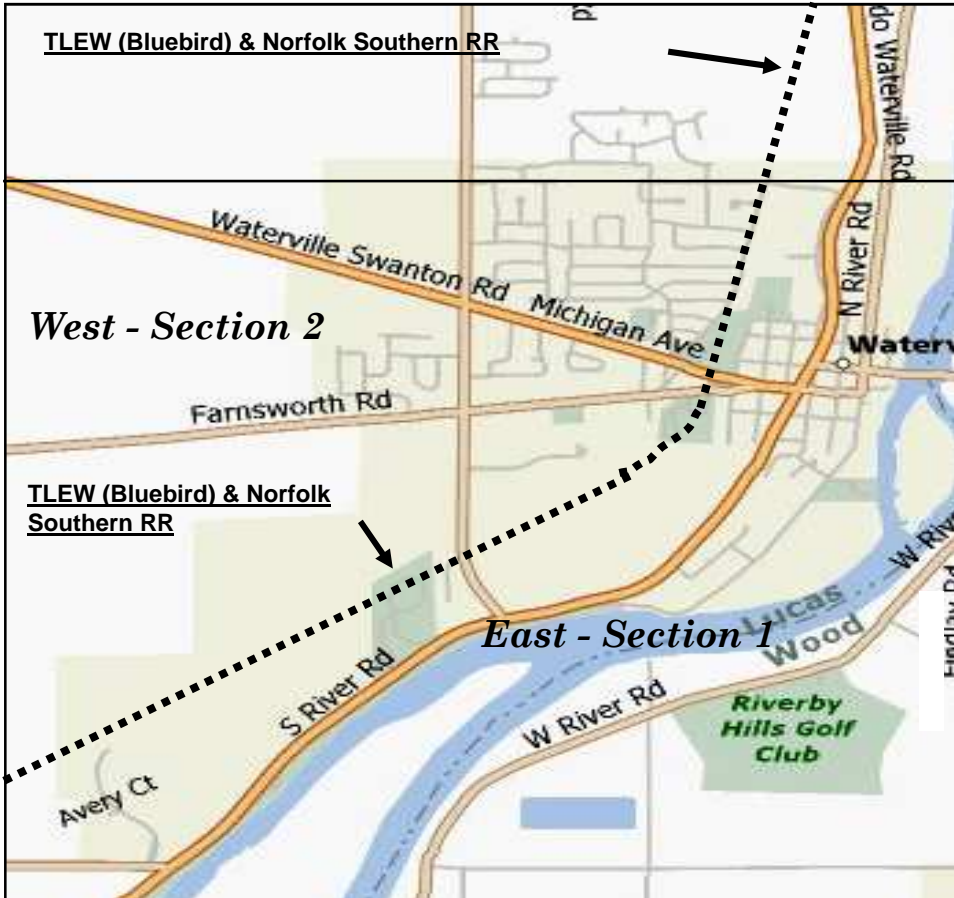
2 Tablespoons of water per minute comes to 15 gallons of water per day, that is 105 gallons of water per week, and 5, 460 wasted gallons of water per year.



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 Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday, afternoons throughout the year**. Since the location of testing varies from week to week, residents are asked to check their tap water on these days prior to 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 the Municipal Building.





ANNUAL SIX WEEK LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

BEGINS OCTOBER 12th

The Waterville Public Works Dept. will be collecting leaves throughout the City. The City will be divided into two sections at the TLEW Bluebird railroad tracks, with pick-up on alternating weeks between sections. See map and schedule below left. We ask that you please read and follow the reminders listed below:

- ◆ **Please DO NOT rake leaves into the street or put them in a container.**
- ◆ **Keep parked cars away from piles so that the crews can reach them easily.**
- ◆ **Check leaves for:**
Limbs or sticks, corn stalks, garden waste, rocks, grass clippings & weeds.

Leaves mixed with these items **WILL NOT** be picked up! The items listed above can damage and/or clog the intake & vents on the equipment resulting in major costs & delays.

Please help us to better serve you by ensuring that these items are removed prior to collection.

The City's leaf removal program will end

November 20th

Anyone with leaves that fall late may dispose of them at the Clean Wood Recycling Facility located at 6730 Anthony Wayne Trail until Friday **November 27th**

If you have any questions please call the Public Works Dept. 419-878-8108

Leaf Pick-Up Schedule

(weather conditions may affect schedule)



OCTOBER 12th	~	EAST SECTION 1
OCTOBER 19th	~	WEST SECTION 2
OCTOBER 26th	~	EAST SECTION 1
NOVEMBER 2nd	~	WEST SECTION 2
NOVEMBER 9th	~	EAST SECTION 1
NOVEMBER 16th	~	WEST SECTION 2



“From This Old Catch Basin”

Note: Here is some information about the release of phosphorus (P) from leaves and grass clippings. The striking bit from this data is the rapid release of P from lawn waste into the waterway.

Don't allow grass clippings and leaves to get into storm sewer drains. In Waterville, the storm drain system is most visible as catch basins along the edge of streets. It is so convenient, neat, quick and easy to use a blower after mowing and blow all that unsightly yard waste into the street and out of the way. From the street, it just goes away RIGHT?

Storm water discharges directly into a waterway that quickly ends up in Lake Erie. There is no sewage plant treatment of storm water. Keeping this source of lake water clean depends on keeping foreign materials away from rain water that is carried away.

Leaves and grass clippings contain significant quantities of P that quickly dissolves in water. This process releases P that is soluble, the dissolved P travels as a part of the water that enters Lake Erie. About 50% of the total P in leaves and clippings is released within ONE DAY of immersion in storm water.¹ The media describes what happens as the amount of dissolved P accumulates in Lake water and algae blooms begin to flourish.

Ditches, farm fields, overflowing sewage plants, failing septic systems, trees and brush that fall into creeks and rivers, organic materials in the rain water all release P that combines to result in algae that varies from nuisance to toxic putting the health of the Lake and all creatures that depend on the Lake at risk.

Please do your part to restore Lake Erie.

¹ Grass and Leaf Decomposition and Nutrient Release Study Under Wet Conditions information provided by Justin Strynuchuk and John Royal; Brevard County Surface Water Improvement. 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, FL 32940

Also a yearly reminder from the Sewer Department

We can all be a part of the solution to storm water pollution if we practice common sense in our daily routines.

Some examples are:

- * Never Drain Antifreeze, motor oil or paint into a storm basin or storm sewer.
- * Never dispose of any household chemicals or any animal waste into the storm system.
- * Contact Town Hall at 419-878-8100, for information on proper disposal centers in Lucas County.



A little bit of History...

Benjamin Franklin Bucher Invented a Tool to Change Tires on Model T Fords

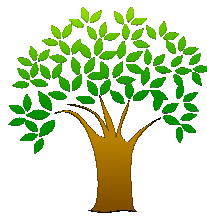
Born in 1890 in a log house on Bucher Road, Frank, the name he preferred, later moved with his family to the Sherer Farm on Waterville Neapolis Road. One of his first job was in an auto repair shop when the “horseless carriage” was in its infancy. He married Wealthy May Isham in 1914 and moved her to Detroit where he lived. While there he invented a tool to remove tires on automobiles which made a dirty and difficult job much easier.

Frank and May returned to Waterville and he eventually convert the old Presbyterian Church on the corner of River Road and North Streets into Bucher Ford Motor Sales. Unfortunately, it burned down so he relocated to 218 Mechanic Street. Frank made a traffic light from Model T parts, angle irons and copper sheeting that hung on River Road in front of the school and was used for over 40 years.

For the “rest of the story” and many other articles about our area’s history, check the website of the Waterville Historical Society watervillehistory.org, and Facebook.

NEW TREE to PLANT

Due to more information this article has been given its own page . 😊



SEE PAGE #16 FOR NEW TREE to PLANT article



CALLING EMERGENCY SERVICES

Provided by:

The Waterville Police Department

911 is your connection to police, fire, and rescue services. Our Communication Operators are highly trained, dedicated professionals who assist you in getting the help you need. Please remember these tips whenever you call 911:

- ◆ Teach children to use 911 properly and remind them it is not a toy.
- ◆ Put your address information near the phone and make sure children and babysitters know where to locate it.
- ◆ If you dial 911 accidentally, please stay on the line and tell the operator it was an accident. If you hang up they will send emergency personnel to your location unnecessarily thus tying up resources.
- ◆ Be prepared to answer questions. Listen carefully; speak clearly and try to remain calm.
- ◆ You will be asked questions to determine the nature of your emergency.

- ◆ The call-takers are experienced “information gatherers” and their persistence is based on a need to provide accurate and specific information to the attending emergency personnel.
- ◆ You will likely be asked many specific questions.
- ◆ Please understand that while they are asking you questions, they are relaying vital information simultaneously to emergency personnel.
- ◆ The more information emergency responders have before they arrive on the scene, the better prepared they are to help you.
- ◆ Communicate your location as soon as you are asked.
- ◆ Know your location at all times. This is particularly important if you are calling from a cell phone. Cell phones do not provide name, number or location information because the phone is not registered to a fixed location like an in-home telephone. This is a serious safety issue.
- ◆ You should know what city you are in, building or home address, cross street, landmarks, etc.
- ◆ Persons who place false 911 calls are violating the law and face criminal charges and fines.

911

Bicycles

Each year there are numerous bicycles found and turned over to the Waterville Police Department. Most bicycles have no owner identification on them and go unclaimed. Waterville Municipal Code 373.12 requires bicycles that are used on any street or public place of the Municipality to be registered with the Police Department. Waterville residences can obtain bicycle license tags for **FREE** at the Waterville Police Department office 25 N. Second Street Waterville, Ohio 43566.

A bicycle being unlocked is a bigger factor in whether it gets stolen than how expensive the bicycle is.

Tips to prevent your bicycle from being stolen:

- Never leave your bicycle unlocked even for a minute.
- Use a bike lock. For the best protection, put the lock through both the frame and the front wheel when locking the bicycle to something. U-Locks are better than cable or chain locks both together are best.

- Always secure your bicycle to a SOLID object.
- Lock your bicycle in an open, well-lit area that can be seen by pedestrians and passing motorists.
- Do not leave your bicycle in a rack overnight. Check the rack to see if is easy to take apart or broken at the top or bottom.
- Be sure to secure any quick-release parts such as wheels or seat posts.



Report your stolen or missing bicycle promptly to the police department.

The City of Waterville is always interested in hearing opinions and comments from its residents. Please visit the Contact page on our website www.waterville.org or send us a note and tell us of your suggestions about our city.

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

When writing a check to the City for a Utility Payment please make check out to ****City of Waterville, or just Waterville****

42ND ANNUAL ROCHE DE BOEUF FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

Start off the weekend with the STREET PARTY on Friday September 25th. From 7 - 11 p.m. sponsored by the Waterville Rotary. There will be Live Music and a Beverage Tent with a \$2.00 cover

★ ★ ★
PARADE starts at 10 a.m. on September 26, 2015

The Parade is the cornerstone of the Roche de Boeuf Festival . Local Bands and organizations make their way through downtown Waterville as a kick off to the Festival

***New Route - The new parade starting point will be on Farnsworth at Michigan Street. The parade will then proceed east onto Farnsworth to River Road and then to Waterworks Park .*

★ ★ ★
Join the FESTIVAL Fun starting at 9 a.m. going until 5 p.m.

The Roche de Boeuf Festival has something for the entire family to enjoy. Children will love the kids zone and parents can shop for beautiful art and one of a kind items. Take a journey back in time with the Pioneer Village, see amazing cars in the Annual Car Show. Enjoy wonderful music and entertainment throughout the day.

★ ★ ★
Come and show off your amazing car or come and see all of the amazing cars at the ANNUAL CAR SHOW!

★ ★ ★
BUCK - A - DUCK Races Saturday September 26th sponsored by the Waterville Rotary.

The Race is in the afternoon behind the old school. Prizes are \$500 - 1st place, \$250 - 2nd place and \$100 - 3rd place.
For information on the Waterville Rotary please visit their website at www.watervilleohiorotary.org

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If you want more information or want to volunteer

for the Roche de Boeuf Parade and Festival please contact:

Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce at 419-878-5188.

The Chamber is located at 122 Farnsworth Road Waterville, OH 43566.

You can also reach them via email at admin@watervillechamber.com.

The Chamber office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Roche de Boeuf is the French translation which means "rock of Beef or Buffalo Rock" commemorating the rock which is still present in the Maumee River area of Waterville at the old Electric Railway Bridge.

Roche de Boeuf Festival Features “Pioneer Arts”

Robbins House

Waterville Historical Society Bringing Waterville’s History to Life!



Sargent House

Come and visit our **PIONEER ARTS** area:

Love local history? Then you may have attended the Roche de Boeuf Festival in past years. There are many attractions throughout the city on that special day in September and one that visitors can participate in is the area around the Robbins and Sargent Houses one block south of the former Waterville Primary School. They are the Waterville Historical Society’s very own “museums” which become the backdrop for the Pioneer Arts (formerly know as “Lost Arts”) event at Roche de Boeuf.

Skills of over 30 craftsmen and women from years past will be on display around the museum/houses at 114 S. River Road. A live Indian/trading post encampment will be set up and active. Hands-on interactive activities for children that will help them understand and appreciate the people and their skills from past years are highlighted in the yards there. Entertainment in the form of a folk singing minstrel and a Native American flutist outside and a pump organ player inside the Robbins House will take place throughout the day. These activities highlight the skills, tools, and occupations of local pioneers from years gone by. Both houses are open for touring as well. Attic treasures and a Chinese auction will be open for perusal outside. Visit the beautiful Opel Witte memorial garden and view WHS authored books, antiques, membership opportunities and much more!! Homemade Ice Cream will be available to top off the experience.

Parking is available for a donation at Wakeman Hall, 401 Farnsworth, all of which help the Society maintain their three museums and continue their educational programs.



Chinese Auction

Several works of art as well as a gift certificate to a local restaurant will be offered in a “Chinese Auction” on Roche de Boeuf Day by the Waterville Historical Society.

Displayed on the grounds of the Robbins House Museum, each item will have a container for raffle tickets. This will allow people to select which prize they hope to win and insert as many raffle tickets as they wish. Winners need not be present to win at the drawing at the end of the day.



Waterville Fire Department

"FLASH POINTS"



Volunteer Firefighters Needed

The City of Waterville Fire Department is looking for persons that would be interested in becoming volunteer firefighters. Waterville's Fire Department is staffed by 30 volunteers, and 15 part-paid personnel that work 12 hour days during the workweek. The Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief are the only full-time employees of the fire department. Across Ohio, the need for volunteer firefighters to fill the ranks of the fire service continues to be a challenge for small communities. Approximately 75% of fire departments in Ohio are staffed by volunteer firefighters.

Individuals that are interested in volunteering must be at least 18 years of age at time of applying, and possess a high school diploma or GED. In addition, volunteers must reside within the City of Waterville Fire Department's fire jurisdiction, which is the City and portions of Waterville Township; up to a 1.5 mile radius around the City. Volunteers are required to obtain their Firefighter Level I and Basic Emergency Medical Technician certifications within the first year of employment.

Volunteers train every Tuesday or Wednesday morning, providing a flexible schedule for persons that may work various shifts. In addition, volunteers are compensated for their time, which includes training, fire and emergency medical service incidents. If you are interested and would like to learn more about this opportunity to serve your community, please stop at the Waterville Fire Department, located at 751 Waterville-Monclova Road, Monday through Friday, and ask to speak to the Fire Chief about applying. You can also contact us at watervillefire@waterville.org, or call 419- 878-0165.

(More "Flash Points" on next page)

**PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT**

**WATER \ SEWER
DEPARTMENT**

**STREETS
DEPARTMENT**

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

The City of Waterville

*Wishes to recognize
all of the employees
for their continued
commitment to our community.*

**FINANCE
&
ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT**

**FIRE DEPARTMENT
DEPARTMENT**

**POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

BACK TO SCHOOL

It's that time of the year again; our streets are filled with children, cars and buses. We must stay vigilant and focus on our surroundings especially in a school zone, around Bus stops in neighborhoods, residential streets, school crossing and pedestrians sidewalks. This activity will occur twice a day, in the morning and the afternoon. If at all possible try to avoid these areas at this time. If it is unavoidable please proceed with extreme caution.

In some areas school may have already started back and you might see an increase in traffic volume, we must plan ahead and set our route accordingly. Give yourself adequate time when traveling through school zones. It's a slow go process so watch your speed and obey all state and federal laws while in a school zone.



Keep your cool and focus on the job at hand,
remember the life of a child is in your hands.





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FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR THE FALL, 2015

There are several points of interest regarding fire safety that are important for homeowners to be aware of and carry out, especially with fall and winter approaching.

Open Burning

The questions about this subject arise each year with the Waterville residents. Can we burn? What can we burn? Do I need a burn permit? All of these questions are important, and residents must understand the basic rules. The City of Waterville and the portion of Waterville Township under fire contract with the City are considered a *restricted area*. A restricted area includes: within the municipal corporation boundaries and, a 1,000-foot zone outside any municipal corporation having a population of 1,000 to 10,000 (Waterville's population is over 5,000). Permissible burning is termed a recreational fire, and includes barbeques, campfires and cook-outs. For a *safe, recreational fire to be allowed, the following must occur*:

- * The only material that can be burned is clean dry wood as a fuel source;
- * No yard waste or rubbish materials are allowed to be burned;
- * If the fire is contained within an approved container (metal/stone portable container, barbeque pit, etc.) the fire must be at least 15 feet from a structure or combustible materials (e.g., wooden deck);
- * If the fire is not contained, it must be at least 20 feet from a structure, wood fence, neighboring structure or combustible materials. Conditions that would cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of the fire must be eliminated prior to fire ignition;
- * The fire must be attended while burning and extinguished if unattended;
- * A portable fire extinguisher, charged garden hose or bucket of water or sand must be on the site and near the burn area at all times;
- * **AND THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SHOWING UP AT YOUR HOUSE IF YOU HAVE A RECREATIONAL FIRE IS THIS:** The fire must NOT create an offensive or objectionable condition that interferes with neighboring resident's use and enjoyment of their property. If this occurs, and the Fire Department receives a complaint, you will be ordered to extinguish the fire.
- * Failure to extinguish a recreational or open burning fire, may result in you being charged with a violation of the open burning regulations. In addition, the Regional Air Pollution and Control Agency will be notified (and can issue fines of approximately \$25,000, per occurrence.

Burn Permits or Notification of the EPA is **REQUIRED** for various circumstances. Please refer to the EPA website for further information. Absolutely no land-clearing or residential waste can be burned within city limits. For ceremonial fires, you must notify the EPA of the activity.

There are various other types of burning that are considered, and may be viewed on the EPA website at www.epa.ohio.gov.

Smoke Detectors Save Lives !

*It is a proven fact that smoke detectors save lives! Throughout Ohio and across the United States, each year many persons perish or are injured because they do not have working smoke detectors in their homes. According to the State Fire Marshal's office, there have been 63 fire deaths as of July 31, 2013. Many of these deaths could have been prevented in working smoke detectors had been installed and maintained in homes. Smoke detectors should be located on every level of your home. And more importantly, should be maintained. Replace smoke detectors that are over 10 years old, and keep the batteries changed when you change your clocks.

* Now is the time of year to change your clocks back an hour, so it is also time to change the battery in your smoke detector(s). Batteries are relatively an inexpensive item to purchase to assist in maintaining these fire safety devices - that can help save your life if a fire should occur in your home. Even if the smoke detectors in your home are hard-wired to the house's electrical power system, a battery back-up in a smoke detector provides the extra assurance that the detector will work if the power goes out.

* Do you have a wood-burning fireplace in your home? When was the last time it was cleaned by a professional chimney sweep? It is important to have wood-burning fireplaces or stoves cleaned by a professional on a yearly basis, especially if you use this type of heating appliance on a regular basis. The build-up of creosote on the lining of a fireplace or stove's flue can create a dangerous condition if the flue itself catches fire. Professional chimney sweeps can be found in the telephone book's yellow pages if you need this work completed.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A PART OF WATERTVILLE'S HISTORY WITH THE PURCHASE OF EITHER A BRICK OR A BENCH? EITHER WILL BE A PERMANENT GIFT AND THEY ARE AN EXCELLENT WAY TO COMMEMORATE ANY SPECIAL OCCASION, TO RECOGNIZE FAMILY MEMBERS, OR TO PROVIDE A LASTING MEMORIAL FOR A LOVED ONE.



ENGRAVED BRICKS & ENGRAVED PLAQUES FOR CITY BENCHES



Engraved Bricks will be located at the Clock Tower building at the corner of the Anthony Wayne Trail and Farnsworth Road. Engraved bricks are available in two sizes:



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

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

The Engraved plaque will be placed on a City Bench. The plaques will be attached to benches throughout the city.



The plaques are 8 1/2" wide by 5 1/2 " tall. There will be 4 lines available

for engraving, 13 characters in each line (including spacing and punctuation)

Cost: \$450.00 (this includes the cost of the bench, the plaque and installation of the bench)

For more information or to find an order from, please visit our website www.waterville.org, under the Forms/ Misc. tab at the top of the page.

Forms are also available at the Municipal Building at 25 North Second Street, Waterville, OH

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

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

NEW TREE PLANTING

Spring and fall are especially good times to plant a tree. Find a tree that grows well in our area, a tree that catches your fancy, grows to the right size (large trees offer more benefits if space permits), grows readily in your soil type (soil tests are \$15: <http://soiltest.umass.edu/ordering-information>), and stands tall to beautify your landscape. Once you have the tree of your dreams, here's how to plant for success:

1. Have adequate water and organic mulch on site. Remove enough soil from the root ball to find the trunk flare, where the trunk expands at the base of the tree. Cut off any secondary roots growing above the trunk flare.
2. Dig a shallow hole only as deep as the root system and at least twice as wide. Do not loosen the soil at the bottom of the hole; otherwise, soil settling will cause the tree to be planted too low.
3. Remove all containers, burlap, wire & foreign material. Trees in containers (as opposed to balled & burlapped) are typically root bound. Inspect container root balls for circling roots. Straighten, cut or remove them. Prune excessively long or defective roots. Studies have disproven the myth that rootballs should not be disturbed. Stem-girdling (circling) roots cause death. Root balls can be soaked for several hours if they are too dry to work. If pot-bound roots cannot be straightened, either scrape/cut off outer 1" of compacted root ball to stimulate new growth, or "butterfly" the compacted root ball and spread out. Imperative: keep roots shaded and moist at all times. You may lose leaves if roots are pruned, but new leaves will grow once roots have established.
4. Measure depth of the root ball and measure depth of planting hole. Make sure base of trunk flare is at ground level, or "grade". In poorly drained or heavy clay soils, the trunk's flare can be 2-3" above grade. Place tree in hole, lifting by root ball, not trunk. Arrange visible roots in spoke-like fashion pointing outward. Straighten tree by viewing from different angles.
5. Backfill hole gently, but firmly with unamended soil removed from hole. Pack soil around base of roots to stabilize it. Fill remainder, firmly packing to eliminate air pockets. Reduce air pockets by watering and adding soil as holes develop. Do not fertilize or prune, except to remove dead, damaged or diseased branches.
6. Stake loosely on windward side, only if necessary. Most bare root trees need no staking. Studies show trees establish more quickly, develop stronger trunks and better roots when not staked. Staking may be used for protection against lawn mowing, vandalism or extreme winds. Do not stake longer than 1 year.
7. Mulch root zone with 3-4" organic matter, preferably coarse (large, airy) woody mulch. Refined or double ground mulches often become impermeable by crusting over. If nutrient deficiencies are a concern, apply a thin layer of compost under the mulch. Water deeply once a week May-Nov for minimum 1 year, ideally 2.

--Diane Durbin, Waterville Tree Commission

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