

THE CANAL POST – 2022 FALL EDITION

City of Waterville

September, October, November 2022

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TOWN HALL 25 N. SECOND ST. 878-8100

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

Visit us at: www.waterville.org

WATERVILLE COUNCIL SCHEDULE

**VIEW LIVE ON SPECTRUM
CABLE CHANNEL 1021**

**MONDAY'S @ 7:30 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 12 & 26
OCTOBER 10 & 24
NOVEMBER 14 & 28**

**IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER OF THE
WATERVILLE MUNICIPAL**



**City offices will be closed
for the following holidays:**

**Monday, September 5
Labor Day**

**Friday, November 11
Veterans Day**

Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 24 & 25



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Beginning August 29, 2022 City of Waterville's Yard Waste Recycling Facility

ITEMS ACCEPTED AT NO CHARGE

- Branches, brush, and bushes
- Cornstalks
- Firewood
- Leaves
- Logs
- Ornamental grasses
- Straw (bales or loose)
- Stumps and stump grindings
- Wood mulch
- Grass Clippings

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

- Dirt or sod
- Ivy or vines
- Landscape timbers
- Lumber of any type or pallets
- Rocks or stone
- Wooden fencing

RENEWED OUTDOORS COMPOST SITE PROCEDURES

KEEP THESE ITEMS TOGETHER

- Branches
- Brush
- Bushes
- Firewood
- Logs, stumps
- Stumps and stump grindings
- Twigs

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- Cornstalks
- Leaves
- Ornamental Grasses
- Straw

DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

Wood County Landfill

- Building materials
- Landscape timbers
- Railroad ties
- Rocks and stones
- Sod and dirt
- Wooden fencing



RENEWED OUTDOORS, LLC
23691 North Dixie Highway
Perrysburg, OH 43551

COMPOST SERVICES

(between Five Point and Reitz Road)

419.874.5537

RENEWED OUTDOORS, LLC

Hours of Operation

December 15th – March 9th

By Appointment Only

March 10th through December 15th

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

SATURDAYS

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

CLOSED SUNDAYS

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

New Year's Day

Memorial Day

Independence Day

Labor Day

Thanksgiving Day

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

If you have questions contact:

The City of Waterville
25 N. Second Street
419.878.8100



Tips from the Water Department

PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR WINTER

BEFORE COLD WEATHER SETS IN:



Check sprinkler or irrigation systems

Make sure you've turned everything off and fully drained the system.



Identify your home's freezing points

Check your home for pipes in areas that might be prone to freezing, such as crawl spaces, unheated rooms, basements, garages, and exterior walls.



Know how to shut off your water

Locate your main water shut-off valve. Hang the I.D. tag located on the back of this insert on the valve, so you can find it quickly in an emergency.



Strengthen your defenses

Eliminate sources of cold air near water lines by closing off crawl spaces, fixing drafty windows, insulating walls and attics, and plugging drafts around doors.



Protect your pipes

Where pipes are exposed to cold, wrap them with insulation or heat tape (even fabric or newspaper can help).

WHEN TEMPERATURES STAY BELOW FREEZING:



Give pipes a helping hand

If pipes run through cabinets or vanities, open the doors to let warmer room temperatures flow in.



Keep water working

Keep water moving through the pipes by allowing a small trickle of water to run. The cost of the extra water is typically lower than the cost of repairing a broken pipe.

BUT IF YOUR PIPES DO FREEZE:



Shut off the water immediately

Don't attempt to thaw pipes without turning off the main shut-off valve.



Thaw pipes with warm air

You can melt the frozen water in the pipe by warming the air around it with a hair dryer or space heater. Be sure not to leave space heaters unattended and avoid the use of kerosene heaters or open flames.



Be careful turning water back on

Once pipes are thawed, slowly turn the water back on and check pipes and joints for any cracks or leaks that might have been caused by freezing.

CITY OF WATERVILLE UTILITY PAYMENT DROP OFF BOX

IS LOCATED ON N. SECOND ST.
ACROSS FROM THE
MUNICIPAL BLDG. PARKING
LOT. IT IS FOR WATER BILL
PAYMENTS. THE DROP
OFF SLOT IN THE MUNICIPAL
BLDG. IS ALSO AVAILABLE
24 HOURS PER DAY

THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING LOBBY WILL
CONTINUE TO ACCEPT PAYMENTS
MONDAY – FRIDAY 8 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.



Save Time & Money! Have your monthly
water bill deducted directly from your
checking account. The form is available on
the city's website and also on the back of
your monthly water/sewer bill!



Please read the

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

SECTION ON YOUR MONTHLY WATER BILL FOR
IMPORTANT INFORMATION & UPCOMING EVENTS.

The City of Waterville accepts Credit or Debit Cards for Payments!!

You can pay your utility bill, purchase extra trash tags or bulk item tags & pay permit fees!

Payments are accepted at the Municipal Building at 25 N Second St.,

A **3% Convenience Fee** will be added to all transactions!

Visa, Master Card & Discover

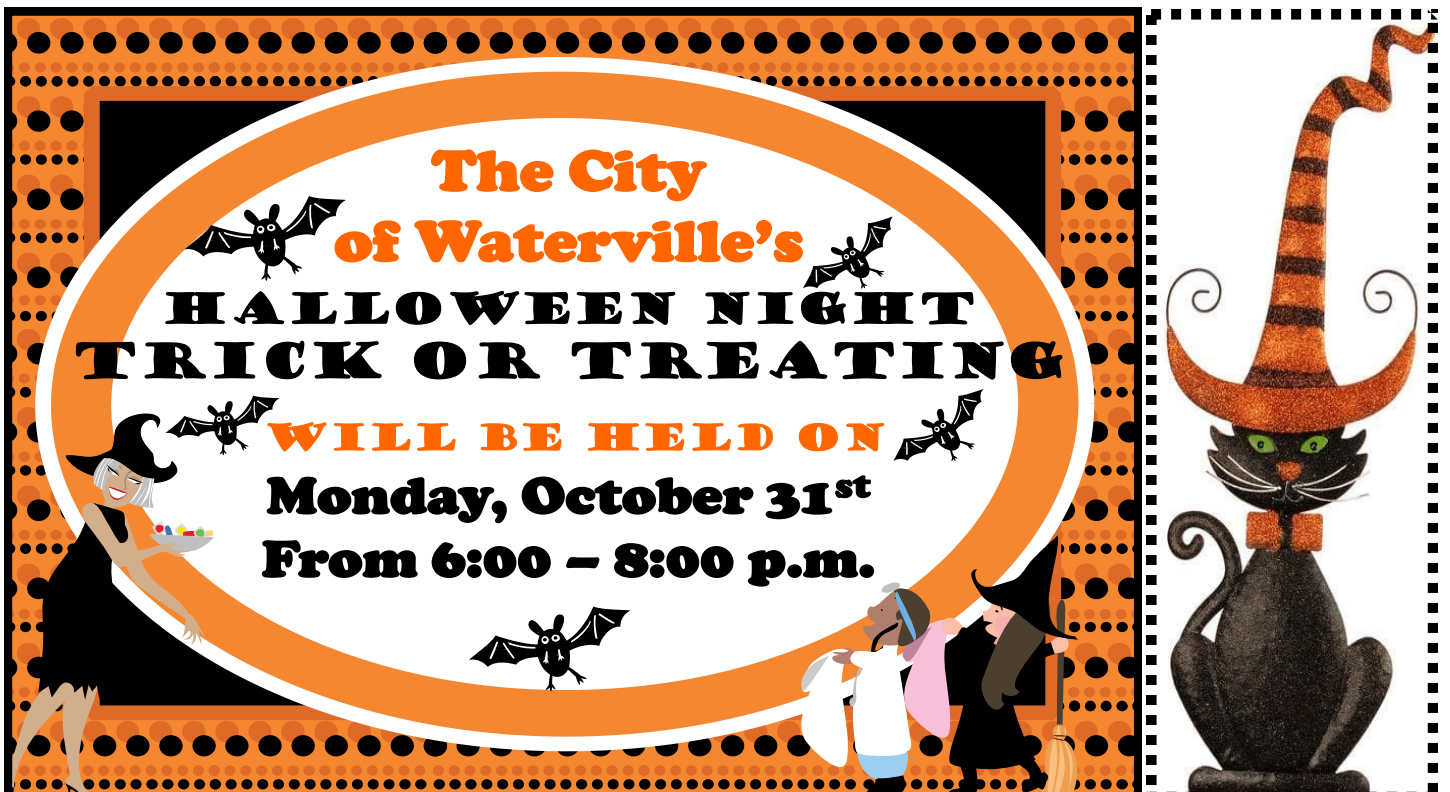



**SAVE
WATER**
every drop
COUNTS!



Four Tips to Help Conserve Water Indoors

- Turn off faucet while brushing teeth.
- Take shorter showers.
- Fix leaks in faucets, showerheads and toilets.
- Only wash full loads.



**The City
of Waterville's
HALLOWEEN NIGHT
TRICK OR TREATING
WILL BE HELD ON
Monday, October 31st
From 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

The graphic features a large orange oval with a white border containing the text. The background is orange with a black polka-dot pattern. Illustrations include a witch on the left, children in costumes at the bottom, and a black cat with a tall orange and black striped hat on the right.




***“From This Old
Catch Basin”***

On the left is an illustration of two bats hanging from a branch. On the right is an illustration of a storm drain cover with a face inside.

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:





City of Waterville Employee Recognition

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

Randy King - Part-Time Fire Fighter - 25 Years

Bobbie Jo Newman - Patrol Officer - 10 Years

Rick Meiring - Asst. Public Works Director - 10 Years



FALL LEAF COLLECTION
October 17th—November 23rd
NO NEED TO CALL—WE'LL GET 'EM ALL



*Haunted
Waterville Tours*

DATES Thursdays: 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/6

TIMES Each Night: 5:15, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30 & 8:15 pm

INCLUDES 45-minute Program in Robbins House, followed
by 45-minute Trolley Tour - Total Time: 1 1/2 hours

TICKETS \$30 per person

KIDS 12 & UNDER RECEIVE A
FREE T-SHIRT
WITH PURCHASE OF TICKET

Questions? Email: WHSghosttours@gmail.com



Purchase tickets online at
WATERVILLEHISTORY.ORG
Tickets not available night of tour. Rain or shine - no refunds.



REPUBLIC
SERVICES



TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICES

The City of Waterville has a contract with Republic Services to collect trash and recycled materials for residents of the city. Trash collection day is Monday and recycling is collected bi-weekly (see website for map). There are two unlimited pick-ups per year, one in the Spring/Summer and another in the Fall/Winter. The rates for collection is \$11.51 per month and is billed on your water/sewer bill.

Bulk Item Tags—\$12.00 each / Extra Trash Tags—\$6.00 each

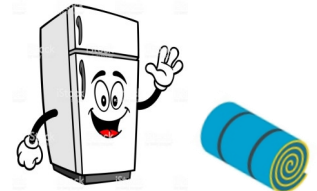
You can find more information on our website at

[www.waterville.org/Municipal Departments/Public Works/Refuse & Recycling](http://www.waterville.org/Municipal_Departments/Public_Works/Refuse_&_Recycling)



UNLIMITED TRASH PICK-UP SCHEDULE

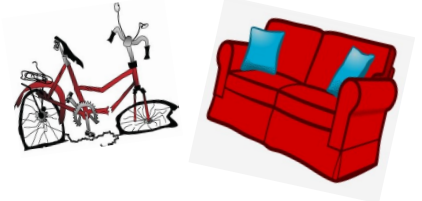
Saturday, October 29—Area A
Saturday, November 5—Area B



Exclusions:

Unlimited collection excludes the following materials:

- ♦ Yard Waste (including dirt, brush, grass, leaves, shrubs, compost)
- ♦ Building materials (including paint, concrete, metal pipes and rocks)
- ♦ Liquids Wastes & animal waste
- ♦ Hazardous Chemicals (including fertilizers, pesticides and insecticides)
- ♦ Dead animals
- ♦ Motor oil, Auto Parts, Batteries & 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! Carpet/Rugs must be set out in 4' x 2' rolls (taped). Wood must be bundled in less than 4' lengths no more than 50 lbs.

Notice to Residents **Clean Wood Recycling Facility Closing** **on August 29, 2022**

Clean Wood Recycling has decided to cancel their lease with the City of Waterville to operate the City's yard waste facility located at 6730 Anthony Wayne Trail. Their last day of operation will be Monday, August 29, 2022.

As of Monday, August 29, 2022, the City's new yard waste recycling provider is Renewed Outdoors, LLC, 23691 North Dixie Highway, Perrysburg, OH 43551; (419) 874-5537; renewedoutdoors.com. Renewed Outdoors will accept grass clippings, leaves, brush, etc. free of charge from Waterville City residents. Their brochure can be found on the City's website at www.waterville.org. Please contact the Waterville City Office with any questions at (419) 878-8100.



Trash & Recycling Holiday Collection

Pick up will be delayed by one day only if any of the following fall on a Monday:

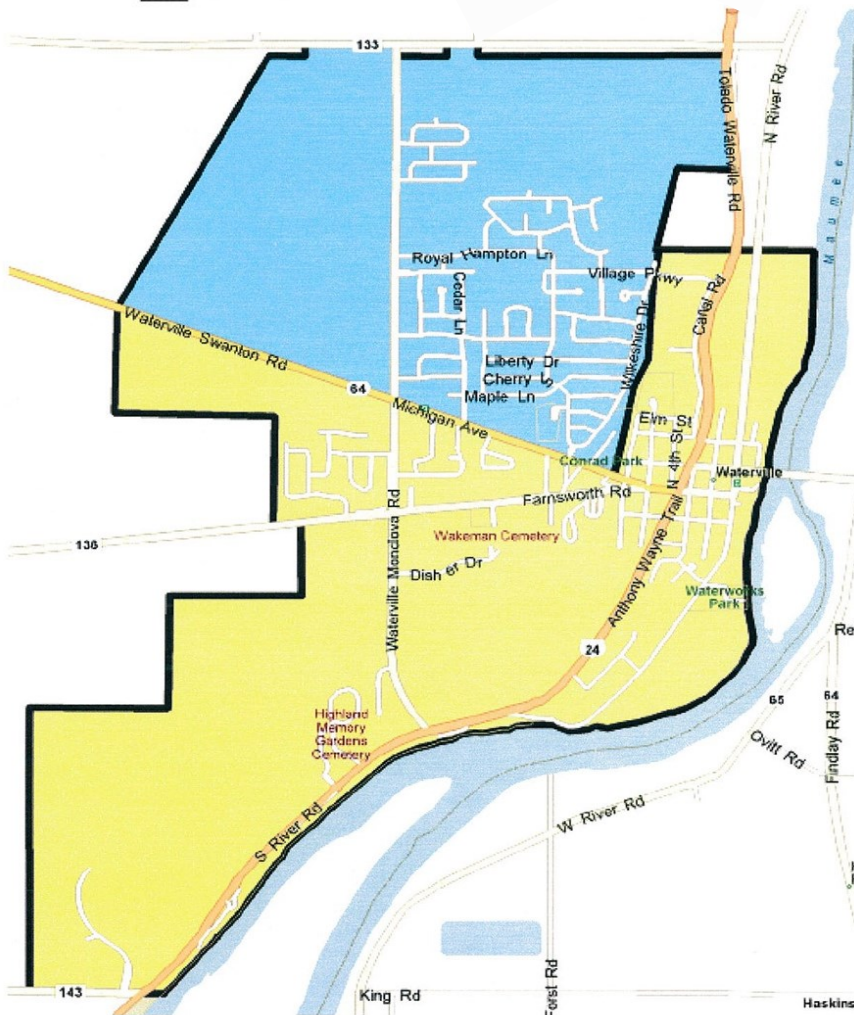
New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th
Labor Day & Christmas Day

Pick up never delayed on:

Martin Luther King Day, Veteran's Day,
Columbus Day & Presidents Day

Collection Areas

-  **Area A**
-  **Area B**



Leaf Pick-Up Schedule

(weather conditions may affect schedule)

OCTOBER 17TH

AREA A

OCTOBER 24TH

AREA B

OCTOBER 31st

AREA A

NOVEMBER 7TH

AREA B

NOVEMBER 14TH

AREA A

NOVEMBER 21st

AREA B



ANNUAL SIX WEEK LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM BEGINS OCTOBER 17th

The Waterville Public Works Dept. will be collecting leaves through-out the City. The City will be divided into two sections at the railroad tracks, with pick-up 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 23rd**

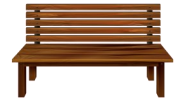
Anyone with leaves that fall late may dispose of them at the Clean Wood Recycling Facility located at 6730 Anthony Wayne Trail until Monday **November 28th**

If you have any questions please call the Public Works Department at 419-878-8108





ENGRAVED BRICKS & PLAQUES FOR CITY BENCHES

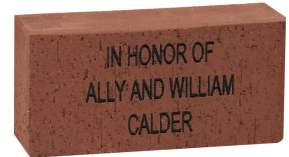


WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A PART OF WATERVILLE'S HISTORY WITH THE PURCHASE OF EITHER A BRICK OR A BENCH? EITHER WILL BE A PERMANENT GIFT AND THEY ARE AN EXCELLENT WAY TO COMMEMORATE ANY SPECIAL OCCASION, TO RECOGNIZE FAMILY MEMBERS, OR TO PROVIDE A LASTING MEMORIAL FOR A LOVED ONE.

Be the one who inspires the next generation!



Engraved Bricks are located at the Clock Tower building at the corner of the Anthony Wayne Trail and Farnsworth Road. Engraved bricks are available in two different 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 St.



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

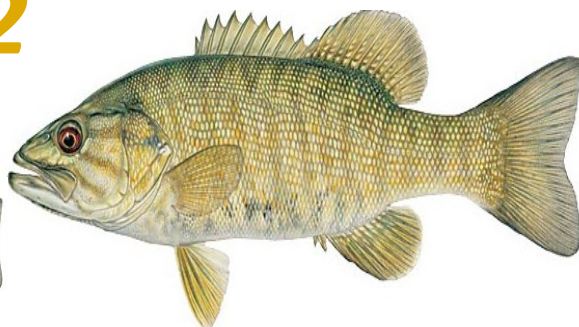
If you have any questions, please call the City at 419-878-8100.

***The Waterville Rotary Foundation in
cooperation with the City of Waterville***

family fun &

FISHING DERBY

2022



***Rain or shine event - You must
be present at the end of the
derby to win a prize!***

Saturday, September 17

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Waterworks Park

***Fishing to start promptly at
8:30 a.m. & end at 10:30 a.m.***

- Registration open to the first 60 registrants ages 6-14
- Registration forms are available at the City of Waterville Municipal Bldg. at 25 N. Second St. or on the city's website.
- Please return the completed form to the City of Waterville by September 9th.
- Bring your own rod & tackle set-up. A limited number of rods & tackle will be available for use if you don't have your own.



**Pizza & Refreshments
will be available**



**Fishing Bait donated by
Maumee Tackle**



- ❖ **Games & Activities provided by the AW Community YMCA**
- ❖ **Come out & see a presentation by Local K-9 Units**

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

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

Grand Prize will be a bicycle! Adult raffles will be given out also!



Waterville Rotary Foundation

Waterville, OH 43566

Waterville Rotary Foundation Fishing Derby Registration and Release of Claims

On behalf of the minors listed below, I understand and do hereby release and discharge the Waterville Rotary Foundation, it's members, the City of Waterville and their respective agents and employees, from any and all claims, demands, actions and cause of action of every name and nature I now have or might have upon or against the Waterville Rotary Foundation, it's members, the City of Waterville, or their respective agents and employees and especially from all claims arising out of any and all personal injuries, damages, expenses and any loss or damage whatsoever resulting or to result from the duties and actions of the Waterville Rotary Foundation, the City of Waterville and their respective agents.

CHILD/CHILDREN REGISTRATION (AGES 6-14)

PRINT NAME _____ AGE _____
PRINT NAME _____ AGE _____
PRINT NAME _____ AGE _____
ADDRESS _____
ZIP CODE _____ PHONE _____

ADULT/GUARDIAN REGISTRATION

I, the undersigned, having full custody over the above named minors and fully understanding the above statements and on their behalf, hereby give my consent for the above named minors to participate in this event and release and discharge the parties listed in the first paragraph from any and all liability and damages.

PRINT NAME OF
GUARDIAN/PARENT _____
SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
ADDRESS _____
ZIP CODE _____ PHONE _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
(Please provide e-mail address if you would like to be sent a reminder closer to the event date)

FISHING DERBY SPOTS AVAILABLE TO THE FIRST 60 REGISTRANTS

PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM TO:

THE CITY OF WATERVILLE

25 N. SECOND ST. WATERVILLE, OH

BY FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

FISHING DERBY TO BE HELD SATURDAY, SEPT. 18th



WATERVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPCOMING EVENTS

49TH ANNUAL ROCHE DE BOEUF

WATERVILLE, OHIO

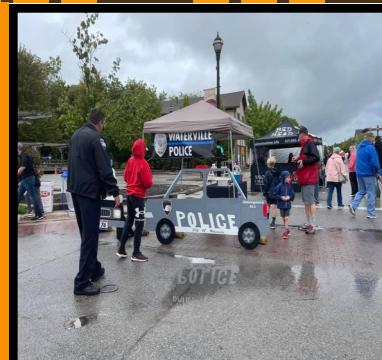
SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

9:00AM-5:00PM



Family Friendly
Parade starts at 10 AM
3 Stages of Live Music
Rue Des Artistes
Food & Crafts
Car Show
Free Shuttle Service & Parking

**SEPT.
24
2022**



WWW.WATERVILLECHAMBER.COM

SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

ROCK THE RIVER

49th Annual Roche de Boeuf
Parade Theme





STORY TIMES - SEPTEMBER 6 — NOVEMBER 17

Babytimes - This storytime focuses on developing your baby's early literacy skills. Babies 0-18 months will be introduced to songs, movement, rhythm and rhyme designed to foster a love of books and reading.

Mondays: 10:00 —10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytimes - Children ages 3-5 (and their favorite grown-up) will enjoy stories, songs, movement & more in this fun program.

Tuesdays: 10:00 — 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 — 2:30 p.m.

Family Storytimes - Children ages 2-5, and their grown-ups, are invited to talk, sing, read, write and play as we share stories, music and movement.

Wednesdays: 11:00 — 11:30 a.m.

Toddler Storytimes - Have fun at this interactive storytime for children 18 months—3 years old and their favorite grown-up.

Wednesdays: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
& Thursdays: 10:00 — 10:30 a.m.





Upcoming Fall 2022 Programs

SENIOR PROGRAMS - SEPT. 12 — DECEMBER 5

Senior Monday: BINGO

Monday, September 12th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Bring Your Lunch & Learn: Art Hour

Monday, September 19th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Senior Monday with the Maumee Senior Center -

Monday, October 3rd from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Bring Your Lunch & Learn: Medicare

Monday, October 24th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Senior Monday with the Maumee Senior Center

Monday, November 7th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

***Bring Your Lunch & Learn:* Shopping Smart Online**

Monday, November 21st from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Senior Monday with the Maumee Senior Center

Monday, December 5th from Noon to 1:00 p.m.





A big thank you to the AW Area Arts Commission for their hard work planting the colorful planters decorating the Third Street Area!

Emilee Roach, Ric Roach, Lisa Exner, Jo McElheney, Bob Conley, Wanda Synder, Valerie Pittenger, Asa Danekind, Brittany Miller



The City of Waterville would also like to thank the Countryside Garden Club for all of their hard work planting Pioneer Point.

Judy Milker, Becky King, Nancy Dangler, MaryAnn Steinbaugh, Sheri Luedtke, Lois Patek, Cheryl Miller, Donna Rhodes, Charlotte Pritchett, Claire Cole, Barb Pawlicki, Anne Broughton, Kellie Zenz.

Also.....a big huge shout out to the AW Area Democratic Club for planting & maintaining the flowers at Pray Park & the point at Michigan Ave. & Farnsworth Rd.



Waterville Fire Department

"FLASH POINTS"



FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR THE FALL 2022

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 barbecues, campfires and cookouts. 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, barbecue 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 80 fire deaths as of August 25, 2016. Many of these deaths could have been prevented if 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. If you cannot afford to purchase a smoke detector, or need assistance in changing a smoke detector's battery, please contact the Waterville Fire Department for assistance at 419-878-0165.

* 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.

Wood Burning Fire Places

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.

SCHOOL IS BACK IN SESSION!

**WATCH FOR CHILDREN &
RESPECT THE BUSES.**



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 gathers” 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.

911

**Non-Emergency Number for the
Waterville Police Department
during regular business hours:
419-878-8184**



**Non-Emergency Number for after
hours: 419-255-8443**

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Speed Trailer

Our speed trailer can be deployed to any street in Waterville. It is often requested by citizens that are concerned about speeding on their street. Any citizen can request our speed trailer to be deployed. You can call into our office at (419) 878-8184. You can also e-mail your request to police@waterville.org.

We have received a lot of positive comments about our speed trailer over the years. Many citizens tell us that it slows drivers down!



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Vacation Home Security Check from the Waterville Police Dept.

If you are going to be on vacation, the officers will be happy to check on your house while you are away. You can pick up a form at the Police Dept. at 25 N. Second St. or on the PD page of the website at www.waterville.org

As of February 14, 2020 City Council passed an Ordinance amending Section 505.01(a)(5) of the General Offenses Code that states that all dogs must be controlled at all times on a leash not more than six (6) feet long when off their property. If you have any questions regarding this Ordinance—Please feel free to contact the Waterville Police Dept.
419-878-8184

