

61st Annual Brookville

Community Picnic

The Brookville Chamber of Commerce is busy planning the Community Picnic, scheduled as a two day event on July 29 and 30.

'Brookville's Got Talent' is on the agenda for the second year, and the Chamber is looking for contestants. New games will also be included such as 'Minute To Win It' and 'Let's Make A Deal'. Players will be chosen from the picnic attendees. The Brookville Antique Farm Machinery Association will be showing their wares and sawing logs with old time machinery. The Optimists are once again having their favorite five-mile fun run. Saturday evening's musical entertainment will be the Wright Brothers.

The Chamber will be raffling off six tickets to Kings Island on Saturday. Also on Saturday, visitors will have a chance to enter a free raffle to win a vehicle sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, Boose Chevrolet, Doors Galore, McMakens, Midwest Trucks and Equipment and Simply SUV's & Trucks. The picnic will conclude with a spectacular fireworks show sponsored by the City of Brookville.

If you are interested in being a contestant in the talent show or renting booth space, please contact the Chamber office at 833-2375.

Plan to attend for a weekend of good food, good fun and community fellowship!

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Cities Work Together to Save Millions

Cooperation among local governments is paying big dividends for the City of Brookville, which will save thousands of dollars over the next five years as a result of working with other area cities to negotiate new streetlight and electricity rates with DPL Energy.

The cities came together as a regional coalition led by the Miami Valley Communications Council (MVCC), which has for 20 years negotiated street lighting contracts for its eight member cities.

The new streetlight contract, which went into effect January 1, 2011, will save the City of Brookville an estimated \$60,613. By the time it expires at the end of 2015, the 17 communities involved in the agreement will have saved a combined \$2.58 million.

Also under the new agreement, the city will no longer be responsible for monitoring and reporting streetlight outages. DPLE will conduct quarterly inspections of the system, which will relieve the city staff of this task and also streamline ongoing maintenance.

The City of Brookville was also part of a group of 20 cities and two public agencies that negotiated new rates for electric service to their facilities. Over the next two years, the deal will save an estimated \$56,364 for the City of Brookville and \$2.1 million for the entire group.

The cities involved in the street lighting negotiations include Beaver Creek, Bellbrook, Centerville, Englewood, Fairborn, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Sidney, Trotwood, Union, Vandalia, West Carrollton and Xenia.

The electric-rate agreement also involves the cities of Greenville, Huber Heights and Springboro as well as the Miami Valley Risk Management Association and MVCC itself.

"This contract negotiation has been a very successful regional cooperative project," said MVCC Executive Director John Weithofer. "The strategy of communities working together with MVCC provided a great deal of leverage for our negotiations."

64th Annual Fire Prevention Festival and Parade

The annual Fire Prevention Festival and Parade will be held on Saturday, October 1st and we want you to be part of the fun!

Hours of the event will be 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Highlights will include a 2 p.m. parade through the streets of the city, live music, chicken dinners cooked and served at Fire Station 76 on Mulberry Street, downtown garage sales and more. Garage sale spots will be \$5 per vendor and available on a first come-first served basis – no reservations will be taken.

If you have a band that would like to perform onstage at Market and Mulberry Streets or a unit you'd like to enter in the parade call Bob Batz at 833-4280.



Brookville Earns Recycling Recognition

In honor of Earth Day, Rumpke Recycling recently presented a Clean & Green Community Award to the City of Brookville.

The City of Brookville generated the highest volume of recyclables per household in 2010 among the communities serviced by Rumpke Recycling in Montgomery County. Each household in Brookville generated an average of 36 pounds of recyclables per month. Dayton and Union were also recognized for their recycling efforts.

"These communities have made a tremendous effort to conserve landfill space and natural resources," said Rumpke Regional Vice President Mike Bramkamp. "We are proud to work with Dayton, Union and Brookville on their recycling programs. We appreciate the efforts of all Montgomery County residents who are recycling."

Rumpke Recycling is located at 1300 E. Monument Avenue. Every day, the facility processes about 100 tons of recyclables collected through residential curbside, drop-off box and commercial recycling programs. A drive-thru is also available for recyclers to earn cash for aluminum cans, scrap metal, cardboard and newspaper. Rumpke is one of the nation's largest privately owned residential and commercial waste and recycling firms, providing service to areas of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and West Virginia.



E-Waste Collection Day A Huge Success!

The E-Waste Collection Day held in April was a huge success!

Approximately 5,610 pounds of old, obsolete and unwanted computers, computer parts, and peripherals and televisions were dropped off at Golden Gate Park.



The event was held in collaboration with Access Project, Inc. a non-profit workshop/training facility that educates and trains the challenged and/or disabled to refurbish, de-manufacture and recycle computer equipment. This provides learning and educational opportunities to enable them to join the general work force and to utilize computers in their everyday life and thus bridge the digital divide.

When Access Project receives your old computer or hard drive as a donation, they remove and sanitize the hard drive. With this you are guaranteed that your personal data and all operating systems and programs are permanently removed from your hard drive.

If you or your business needs to dispose of old, obsolete and/or unwanted computers, computer parts and peripherals, you may drop those items off at the Access Project located at 4805 Salem Avenue in Trotwood, Ohio. Questions on disposing of your unwanted computers, peripherals and/or televisions, should be directed to Access Project at 937-837-5481.

Keep Montgomery County Beautiful Beautification Grant Program

Brookville is the recipient of a \$250 grant toward the purchase of three trees that were recently planted in Powell Park at the corner of Mulberry and Salem Streets. Keep Montgomery County Beautiful established the Beautification Grant in order to promote volunteerism and community beautification within Montgomery County. The trees, once fully grown, will provide shade to those individuals riding and/or walking along the bikeway who wish to stop and rest awhile.

The Brookville Leaf & Blossom Garden Club also received a \$250 Beautification Grant toward the purchase of annual flowers that will be planted in planters to line Market Street once again this summer and fall.

Playground Mulch & Borders Purchased with Grant

The City continues to work on keeping Brookville beautiful and to promote recycling. We have been awarded a \$10,467 Recycling Incentive Grant to purchase recycled content rubber mulch and rubber curbs to be placed under the playgrounds in Westbrook and Ward parks. Our commitment toward this grant is \$8,563. The City of Brookville will be able to take credit for recycling 3,734 tires for the rubber mulch and rubber curbs!





2011 Water Quality Report

This report contains information on the quality of drinking water within the City of Brookville. It is required annually by the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act to provide consumers with information concerning water quality and advise of potential health effects of any contaminants. We monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. For more information, please contact the City of Dayton Water Department at 937-333-6030.

OUR WATER SOURCE

Brookville's water comes from the City of Dayton Treatment Plant through the Montgomery County Water Distribution System and is serviced by the Westbrook pump station. Storage is in a 500,000 gallon elevated tank. The source of this water is the Miami Valley Buried Aquifer. The Aquifer is a large underground area of water-bearing sand and gravel deposits. This groundwater is influenced by surface water. The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells.

THE TREATMENT PROCESS

Dayton has two water treatment plants which treat water that is pumped from wells. Wells pump extremely "hard" water to treatment plants for softening. "Hard" water has natural minerals which can clog pipes and water heaters over time. At the treatment plants lime is reacted with minerals in water to reduce "hardness". Then, fluoride and chlorine are added. Rapid sand filtration is the final step in the treatment process. After filtration, water is pumped to the distribution system.

POSSIBLE CONTAMINANTS

As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production; and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. Drinking water, including bottled water may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. To ensure water is safe for consumption, the EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which provide the same protection for public health.

PROTECTING OUR WATER SUPPLY

Dayton began developing a Well Field Protection Program in 1985, which includes land use control zoning, groundwater remediation and emergency preparedness. Networks of approximately 190 monitoring wells surround both well fields. Monitoring wells and drinking water wells are routinely sampled and tested for water quality. Eighteen packed tower, air stripping systems were constructed to treat contaminated ground water. A powered activated carbon facility can provide emergency treatment of chemical spills. The Ohio EPA conducted a source water assessment of Dayton's water source. The assessment concluded that the aquifer supplying water to Dayton's well fields has a high susceptibility to contamination. This determination is based on: the influence of surface water recharge to the aquifer; the shallow depth of the aquifer; contaminant plumes in Dayton's well field protection area; the presence of significant potential contaminant sources in the protection area; and the presence of contaminants in treated water. However, Dayton has consistently supplied water to the public that meets federal and state drinking water standards. More information about the source water assessment or what you can do to help protect the aquifer is available by calling the Division of Environmental Management at (937) 333-3725.

HEALTH INFORMATION

Some people are more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons—those undergoing chemotherapy, organ transplant recipients, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

REGULATED SUBSTANCE	HIGHEST LEVEL ALLOWED (MCL)	IDEAL GOALS (MCLG)	HIGHEST LEVEL DETECTED	RANGE OF DETECTION	SOURCES OF CONTAMINANTS
The City of Dayton complied with all MCL* standards for drinking water during 2010.					
The following results summarize thousands of tests performed in 2010.					
Regulated at the Treatment Plant					
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	1.21	.81-1.21	Natural geology / supplement
Nitrate(ppm)	10	10	1.56	0.15-1.56	Fertilizer runoff / natural geology
Turbidity (NTU)	TT=1	N/A	0.76	0.02-0.76	Lime softening residuals
	TT _{≥95%} must be ≤ 0.3		100% ₁		
cis-1, 2	70	70	0.5	ND-0.5	Discharge from factories
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	TT ₂	N/A	1.0 ppm ₂	0.54-1.13	Naturally in the environment
Regulated at the Customer's Tap					
Lead (ppb)	AL = 15	0	<.3 ₃	No samples > AL ND - 11	Corrosion of household plumbing materials
Copper (ppm)	AL = 1.3	1.3	0.055 ₃	No samples > AL ND - 0.105	
Regulated in the Distribution System					
Trihalomethanes (ppb)	80 ₄	0	29.4 ₄	11.6-42.8	By-product of chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (ppb)	60 ₄	N/A	5.4 ₄	2.1 –8.1	By-product of chlorination
Chlorine	MRDL=4	MRDLG=4	1.17 ₅	.21-1.9	Water additive to control microbes
Coliform Bacteria (%positive/ month)	5%	0	0.8% ₆	Not detected	Naturally present in the environment
Unregulated Compounds - concentration in ppb (Average and range are shown for treatment plant samples)					
Bromodichloromethane	N/A	N/A	1.2	0.8 –1.6	By-products of drinking water chlorination (concentration in ppb)
Bromoform	N/A	N/A	<0.5	ND-0.6	
Chloroform	N/A	N/A	0.83	0.5-1.7	
Dibromochloromethane	N/A	N/A	1.25	0.9-1.8	

- Dayton complied with requirements for every month in 2010. Turbidity is used to measure the performance of sand filters.
- Dayton complied with alternate compliance criteria for TOC regulations under the D/DBP Rule. The level reported is "average".
- 90% of samples were <3 ppb for lead and <0.055 ppm for copper.
- Highest running annual average.
- Highest running quarterly average.
- In 2010 two distribution samples were positive for coliform bacteria. There were 1,502 samples analyzed. All samples were negative for Ecoli.

***MCL** = Maximum Contaminant Level – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MRDL = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level—The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

MRDLG = Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal. The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

NTU = Nephelometric Turbidity Units (measure of "cloudiness")

TT = Treatment Technique – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

AL = Action Level-Concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

pCi/l = picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)

ppm = parts per million

ppb = parts per billion

N/A = not applicable

≤ = less than or equal to

≥ = greater than or equal to

> = greater than

< = less than

ND = Not detected

Radon is a radioactive gas formed by the decay of uranium in rocks and soil. As water passes through rocks and soil, radon is dissolved into ground water. Dayton's plant effluent water had a maximum radon concentration of 119 pCi/L in 2008. This is below the expected standard.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problem, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap water for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. Information on lead is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>. Paint chips and other exposures are significant sources of lead exposure.

City of Brookville to Increase Water and Sewer Rates

Brookville residents and businesses will see a slight increase in water and sewer rates beginning with the September utility bills that will be mailed out in October, 2011. The rate increase was necessary to maintain a proper balance in our Water and Sewer Funds. Among rising costs are charges from the City of Dayton who supplies water to Brookville. Dayton is increasing its water rates 1.6% beginning in June and has increased its well field protection charges from 50 cents per 1,000 cubic feet to 60 cents per 1,000 cubic feet. The City of Brookville continues to pay the well field charges which totaled \$9,549 in 2010. The City continues to realize increasing operating costs at the Waste Water Treatment Plant and the need for upgrades at the Waste Water Treatment Plant and lift stations due to aging equipment. The last water and sewer rate increase was in April 2009. Even with the rate increases, Brookville will rank 49th lowest out of 66 entities recently surveyed for water rates, 4th lowest out of 63 entities surveyed for sewer rates, and 19th lowest out of 63 entities surveyed for combined water and sewer rates.

The average homeowner uses approximately 3,000 cubic feet, or 22,500 gallons of water over a three-month period of time. The new water rate for a family using 3,000 cubic feet of water will be \$116.00 per quarter; a \$1.95 increase per quarter, or \$0.65 per month. The new sewer rate for a family using 3,000 cubic feet of water will be \$72.00 per quarter; or a \$6.00 increase per quarter or \$2.00 increase per month. The new combined water and sewer rate increase for a family using 3,000 cubic feet of water will show a net increase of \$7.95 per quarter or \$2.65 per month, or a 4.4% increase.

If you have further questions on this water and sewer rate increase, please contact the City Office at 833-2135, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Bike Patrol

The Brookville Police Department is re-instituting the Bike Patrol Program just in time for summer. Our Bike Patrol Officers are patrolling in town, on the bike path and in our parks. Pictured is Sgt. Doug Jerome and our two newest Bike Patrol Officers John Hanson and Adam Lyons.

Drug Drop Off

Each year the Police Department hosts a drug drop off day where you can bring in any old medications and we will dispose of them for you. In addition to our annual event, you can now dispose of unwanted medications year round by dropping them off at our Police Department on weekdays between 8am and 4pm. The Police Department is located at 301 Sycamore Street.



Police Department Hires New Officer

The Brookville Police Department would like to introduce our newest full time Police Officer, Mark Miller. Mark was a full time officer for the Germantown Police Department for the past 5 years. “Mark comes to us highly recommended. We believe he will be a valuable addition to our Police Department and look forward to working with him.” states Police Chief Preston.

Summer is here...

Where can I park my RV?

City Ordinance permits recreational vehicles to be parked behind the front yard setback on a hard surface, such as asphalt, concrete or weed-free compact gravel. Most front yard setbacks are 25’ from back of the sidewalk. RV’s need to be no less than 3’ from the property line, and can be parked in a drive for not more than 72 hours in a 7 day period for the purpose of loading, unloading, or maintenance.

Recreational vehicles are defined but not limited to travel trailers, pop-up campers, 5th wheel trailers, pick up campers, motor homes, converted trucks or buses, boats, boat trailers, wave runners, jet skis, snowmobiles, and snowmobile trailers.

The City also has an ordinance for off street vehicle parking. All parking facilities for automobiles, trucks, or vans for single or two family properties in the City limits shall be surfaced with a dust-free and durable material such as concrete or asphalt. For more information, contact Brookville Zoning Officer Jim Snedeker at 833-2135 or snedeker@brookvilleohio.com.

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Friendly Reminder

City Ordinance requires owners of dogs to clean up after them. If taking the family pet for a walk please be prepared to clean up any mess made on the sidewalk, grass or in a park. Your failure to comply not only leaves a problem for someone else to clean up- or step in- but can also result in you being charged criminally for your negligence.

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Summer Safety Tips From the Fire Department

Ah, yes, summer. A time to pack away the mittens and overcoats and get outdoors and enjoy the best of what Mother Nature has to offer.

But summer is also an extremely dangerous time of the year.

"Summer isn't a time to let down your guard when it comes to fire safety," says Brookville Fire Chief James Nickel.

Last year some 10,000 Americans were injured in accidents involving fireworks and 5,000 were injured in grill fires, according to the Ohio State Fire Marshal's Office.

This year, as in past years, several organizations including the Fire Marshal's Office and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) are offering fire safety tips for summer.

Those tips include:

- Children should never handle fireworks. Sparkler wires will burn up to 1,800 degrees and remain hot after they burn out.
- Build campfires away from dry areas of grass and leaves. Keep campfires small and have water nearby in case it gets out of hand.
- Before grilling check the connection between the gas tank and fuel line. Never wear loose clothing around a grill.

Summer is also the peak time of the year for lightning strikes and lightning fires. It's important to be prepared for this dangerous weather phenomenon. If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Look for shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away. Do not go under tall trees for shelter. There is no place outside that is safe during a thunderstorm. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before leaving your shelter.



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Don't forget to mow! Notices are sent to property owners when their grass is 8 inches or more in height.

Also, please note that all trees and shrubs are to be trimmed to a clearance height of 13 ½ feet over public streets, and branches overhanging public sidewalks are to be trimmed to a clearance height of 8 feet.