



Meeting Calendar

**Board of Works /  
City Council**

Monday, January 9  
6:30 p.m.

**Parks and Rec. Board**

Wed., January 18  
6:30 p.m.

**Economic Dev.  
Commission**

Friday, January 20  
8 a.m.

**Redevelopment  
Commission**

Wed., January 25  
6:30 p.m.

**Water & Gas**

Thursday, January 26  
12 p.m.

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**Message from the Mayor**



As we ring in a new year, I want to take the opportunity to thank all of the dedicated City employees for a successful 2016.

I would like to express my gratitude to the City Council and Clerk Treasurer, and his team, who have worked diligently throughout the year to make Batesville fiscally strong heading into 2017.

Our city is a great place to live due to the countless hours spent by our City employees who keep our streets, parks and utilities in great condition. Thank you for all of your hard work.

Batesville is a great place to work due to our diverse business climate, exceptional educational opportunities, and first-class health care.

Batesville is a great place to raise a family because of those that protect and serve our city. To the police officers, firefighters and EMT's (many which volunteer) – Thank you for all of your efforts in keeping us safe.

Lastly, but by no means least, thank you to all of the community members who volunteer in various capacities to help maintain the beauty of our City, work to ensure events run smoothly, and provide assistance to those in need.

Each of you make Batesville the best place to live, work and raise a family!

-Mike Bettice

**City's stormwater project now complete!**

The 2016 stormwater improvement project was finished on time and about \$5,000 under budget. The project allowed the City to upgrade aging infrastructure that was prone to flooding.

The \$1.8 million project was financed by the issuance of revenue bonds and involved repairs to culverts, storm drains and sidewalks.

Roads affected were Ripley Street, Vine Street, Central Avenue, EGS Boulevard, Huntersville Road, Park Avenue and Second Street. A separate stormwater project on Ashlin Court was also completed last year.

In spring 2017, the City will repair front yards that were affected by the construction.

## City Hall Notes

### City welcomes new Code Enforcement Officer

Mike Wells has joined the City of Batesville as Code Enforcement Officer. Mike is responsible for inspecting buildings to ensure compliance with the Fire and Building Code. Other duties include issuing permits and inspecting new construction.

Mike previously worked for the State Fire Marshal's Office for four years and was a career firefighter for the City of Greensburg where he served as Fire Chief.

Mike and his wife of 37 years, Robin, live near Millhousen and have three children and five grandchildren.

*The City of Batesville's Street Department is conducting its annual Christmas Tree curbside pick up in early January. Call 934-4393 for more information.*

## Batesville Outdoors

Parks and Recreation Department

### Liberty Field gets new flagpole



The outfield at Liberty Field will have a new and improved look this summer. A 40-foot flagpole will be installed near the scoreboard and it will replace the smaller pole currently near third base.

The \$3,400 flagpole was made possible by donations from several local organizations: the VFW Post 3183, VFW men's auxiliary, VFW ladies auxiliary, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis, Batesville Fire & EMS, Batesville Eagles #1130 and an anonymous donor.

A dedication ceremony will be held later this year and the first flag to fly on it will be a flag that has flown at Wrigley Field in Chicago.

## Batesville Fire Department offers winter safety tips

Batesville Fire & EMS would like to remind residents of fire dangers during the winter months. Half of all home heating fires occur between December and February. Improper use of portable or stationary space heaters, wood burning stoves and fireplaces can greatly increase the chances of a home fire.

Here are some simple steps to protect your family this winter:

- Keep burnable items at least 3 feet away from heating equipment like furnace, wood stoves and space heaters.
- Never use your oven or stove top to heat your home.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off before leaving the house.
- Use fuel powered generators outside the home including garage.
- Protect your pipes. Run water at a trickle at times to help prevent freezing.
- Never use a blowtorch or fire to thaw frozen pipes.
- Install and maintain smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, test monthly.
- Don't forget about pets when temperatures are below freezing.

If you are unsure of a potential risk or have questions, please call Batesville Fire & EMS at 812-933-2230.

## 'Braun' the Bison roams into town



Batesville's newest art attraction was unveiled last month. The life-size bison sculpture was donated by Duke Energy as part of Indiana's Bicentennial Celebration. BHS art teachers Mary K. Cambron and Kyle Huntzman painted the project. Weberding Carving Shop donated the state seal and Enneking Auto Body provided finishing touches.

Community members voted on the name of the bison and "Braun" (the German translation of Brown) was chosen. Braun is currently showcased at the Memorial Building before its moved to a permanent home in 2017. The City thanks Batesville Bicentennial Committee co-chairman Carolyn Dieckmann and Bill Flannery for all of their work in 2016.

## BARC seeks donations for Phase 3

The Batesville Area Resource Center (BARC) plans to complete Phase 3 which will provide additional social services such as Totes for Tots and Teens and River Valley Resources. BARC currently houses a food pantry and health clinic for those unable to afford healthcare. The nonprofit group needs local funds to complete Phase 3. Visit Batesville Area Resource Center's Facebook page for more information!



## Crum Trucking holds Groundbreaking Ceremony

The City of Batesville congratulates Crum Trucking on their upcoming expansion! The transportation company broke ground in December on its 21,000-square-foot addition that will double its operations at its 1694 Lammers Pike headquarters. The expansion will accommodate current space needs and allow for future growth.

Crum Trucking is a family-owned company that began in 1963 and now has a fleet of more than 100 trucks servicing the United States, Canada and Mexico.

## BATESVILLE

### 2017 Spring Recycling Calendar

Batesville's curbside recycling program.

Please put recyclables at curbside before 6:00 a.m.

Recycling collection for residences north of Pearl Street are highlighted in green.

Recycling collection for residences south of Pearl Street are highlighted in blue.

**Acceptable Curbside Recyclables**  
Plastics- #1 thru #7 bottle/jug containers **ONLY**



Newspapers & Magazines  
Metal Beverage & Food Containers  
Corrugated Cardboard  
Paperboard - Mixed Office Paper  
Glass Food & Beverage Containers

### January

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## ONE BOOK ONE COMMUNITY

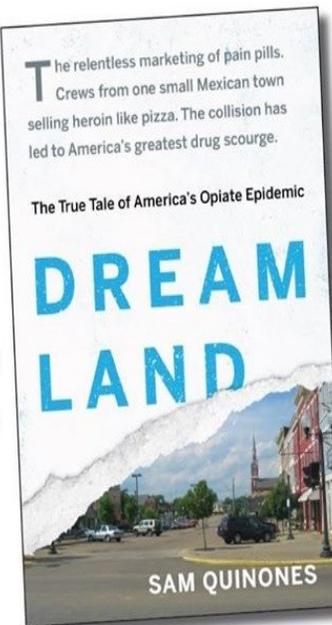
Join the Batesville Community as we read *Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic* by Sam Quinones. A community discussion will be held on:

MONDAY, JANUARY 30  
6:30 P.M.

BATESVILLE MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Begin reading the book now! Several copies are available at the Batesville Memorial Public Library, or purchase your own copy at The Bookshelf. Mention One Book One Community to receive a discount.

Let us know if you're coming! Join the Facebook group: Dreamland - One Book One Community, Batesville, Indiana, or e-mail [kim@drugfreebatesville.org](mailto:kim@drugfreebatesville.org).



## Stay Connected!

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Are you or a loved one suffering from an addiction? Celebrate Recovery meets each Thursday at 5:15 p.m. at Batesville Christian Church, 1294 Columbus Ave. Contact 812-363-5959 for more information about the program.

We want to hear from you! Coalition for a Drug Free Batesville has launched its annual Community Perception Survey. Take the opportunity to let your voice be heard by filling out the survey at [drugfreebatesville.org](http://drugfreebatesville.org)

## Remember When?



*Batesville Home Outfitters was the oldest retail furniture store in Ripley County in the 1970's. The store was located at the corner of Boehringer and Main Street.*

## City Services

(812 area code)

Building Commissioner	933-6103
City Clerk	933-6101
Community Development	363-3645
Economic Development	933-6113
Fire & EMS	933-2230
Mayor's Office	933-6100
Parks and Recreation	934-4560
Police	934-3131
Street Department	934-4393
Wastewater Treatment	934-5338
Water & Gas Utility	934-3811