



City Calendar

**EDC**

Jan 9 8 a.m.

**City Council/  
Board of Works**

Jan. 14 6:30 p.m.

**Park Board**

Jan. 16 6:30 p.m.

**Redevelopment  
Commission**

Jan. 23 6:30 p.m.

**Chamber Awards  
Dinner**

Jan 24 5 p.m.

**Water & Gas**

Jan. 31 Noon

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## Message From The Mayor



As we celebrate the new year, I want to take this moment to thank the dedicated City employees and our wonderful community volunteers for all their work in 2018.

I would like to express my gratitude to Clerk-Treasurer Paul Gates and to City Council who have all worked diligently throughout the year to make Batesville fiscally strong heading into 2019.

Our city is a great place to live due to the countless hours spent by our employees who keep our streets, parks and utilities in great condition. Thank you for all of your 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 who protect and serve us. To the police officers, firefighters and EMT's (many of 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!

*Get the newsletter by email! Visit the City website to sign up.*

### Clerk-Treasurer: Tax Dollars Used Wisely In 2018



The City of Batesville's non-utility expenditures (all expenses besides Water, Gas, and Wastewater) were \$342,000 under budget in 2018.

“Our department managers continue to watch their budgets and expenditures to make sure that tax dollars are being spent wisely” said Clerk-Treasurer Paul Gates.

The cash balance dropped from \$6.1M at the beginning of 2018 to \$4.8M at year-end. This reduction was expected due to the finalization of the Merkel Road project which used monies received from the State of Indiana and Ripley County.

The Wastewater financial report shows a cash balance reduction of only \$4,400 for 2018. Expenditures were under budget by \$24,400, again, showing prudent spending of wastewater fees collected.

## Volunteer at Brum Woods



The Parks Department is seeking volunteers who are interested in joining the community group known as “Friends of Brum Woods.”

The group provides assistance to the Parks Department who oversees the eighty-acre park that contains five trails. With only two fulltime employees who have vast job duties, the department relies on passionate volunteers for certain aspects of Brum Woods.

“The main purpose of these volunteers is not the labor maintaining the trails, instead giving their input, concerns, and working together to continually improve our trail system,” said Parks Director Mike Baumer.

Volunteer opportunities range from monitoring the trails for potential hazards and working with the Parks Department to improve the trail system for the increasing number of users.

“Brum Woods was established more than two decades ago and it has been the awesome volunteers who have poured countless hours of time into making this a true gem for our city,” Baumer remarked. “We want to build on that work with some new folks who are just as interested in keeping Brum Woods enjoyable for the years to come.”

Learn more about how you can volunteer by contacting the Parks Department at (812) 212-0603 or (812) 934-4560. Or email Baumer at [mbaumer@batesvilleindiana.us](mailto:mbaumer@batesvilleindiana.us).

## BATESVILLE

### 2019 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

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## 2019 Large Trash Pick-Up Schedule

Batesville residents with Rumpke garbage collection will have four opportunities in 2019 to utilize the large trash collection.

It will take place on February 2, May 4, August 3 and November 2.

Collection begins at 5 a.m. and citizens are encouraged to set items curbside the night before. View a list of acceptable and unacceptable items on the city website.

## Christmas Tree Collection

The Batesville Street Department began the process of curb-side Christmas tree collection in early January. The program will continue through the month.

Please note that these services are provided to residents within the city limits. Pickup schedules will only be interrupted in the event of severe weather.



## Where to discard old prescriptions

Do you have old or expired medications languishing in your medicine cabinet? The Batesville Police Department provides a drop-off container at the Memorial Building, 132 South Main Street.

You can drop off unwanted prescriptions 24 hours a day and the location is secured by video surveillance. Please keep the meds in the original bottle, remove the label, and drop it off at your convenience.

Thank you for keeping our community and our environment safe!

## Prescription Drug Drop-Off Locations

Safe use • Safe storage • Safe disposal

*Conveniently drop off your unused or expired medications for safe disposal at the following locations:*

**Batesville Police Department: 24/7**

**Franklin County Sheriff's Department: 24/7**

**Ripley County Sheriff's Department: 24/7**

**Margaret Mary Health: Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-9 p.m.**

*Used needles can also be dropped off in approved sharps containers at Margaret Mary Health and the Ripley County Health Department.*



## City has a drug-free workplace policy

Like many businesses in the private industry, the City of Batesville also maintains a drug-free workplace policy.



The City of Batesville is dedicated to providing safe, dependable, and economical city services to our community. To ensure we meet those goals, the City developed a strict policy for all safety-sensitive City employees. Testing also includes part-time employees, volunteers and contractors when they are on city property or when performing any city-related business.

The policy includes pre-employment, random drug, post-incident and reasonable suspicion testing.

The City instituted a substance-abuse policy more than a decade ago which was updated in October 2018.



YOU'RE INVITED TO  
***A Black Tie Event***  
 BATESVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
**ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER**  
*Thursday, January 24, 2019*  
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL  
 624 DELAWARE ROAD, BATESVILLE  
 DOORS OPEN AT 5PM  
 PENGUIN PRESENTATION 5:30PM  
 BUFFET DINNER AT 6:30PM  
 PENGUIN ENCOUNTER & AWARDS TO FOLLOW  
 TICKETS \$35 PER PERSON  
 RSVP BY: JANUARY 18TH - 812.934.3101  
 Presentation by:  
**WAVE ON WHEELS**  \*BLACK TIE ATTIRE IS NOT REQUIRED\*

## Stay Connected!

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## Remember When?



Batesville High School's first basketball team was organized in 1920-21 and played their games in an unheated barn at Liberty Park. This photo shows the 1925 team which had a live bulldog for their mascot.

## City Services

(812 area code)

Building Commissioner	933-6103
Clerk-Treasurer	933-6101
City Court Judge	933-6102
Community Development	933-6116
Economic Development	933-6113
Fire & EMS	934-2230
Mayor's Office	933-6100
Parks and Recreation	934-4560
Police	934-3131
Street Department	934-4393
Wastewater Treatment	934-5338
Water & Gas	934-3811