



The Village News

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The Heart of
Wine Country

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From the Village President, Bob Getz

Hopefully everyone is dry and didn't have much water damage. This is the first time I remember the park being under water in over 40 years! Even the ducks didn't want to be in the creek as it was moving so fast!

As we approach spring, I have just a few things I would ask you to keep in mind. Always check the Village ordinances before you do any remodeling or additions. Sheds and accessory buildings are regulated as well. Please check the ordinances before you purchase a shed or accessory building. The soft sided garages are not allowed by ordinance. You can find all of our ordinances on our website, or you can come in to the office for copies of them. It is the easiest way to avoid any additional fees or costs.

The DPW staff have about 80 more water meters to install. They have done a great job of working to get them completed. The goal is to have them all installed by the end of May. Remember, the old meters were very inefficient and most were inaccurate, so there is a chance that your water bill may go up. On the flipside, it may go down!

Mowing season is fast approaching. The DPW crew will pick up yard waste as long as it is placed in some sort of receptacle, preferably a garbage can or a similar container. Pick up is usually on Friday morning so the Village will look nice for the weekend.

We look forward to warmer weather and another great summer in Baroda!

Music in the Park Summer Concert Series
6:00—7:30 p.m.

The first concert of the season will be on **Sunday, June 24**. To kick off the concert season, come join us in welcoming *Jared Knox* to Baroda! Jared has been playing country music around Southwest Michigan since high school. He even had a run on American Idol in 2006! He is definitely a crowd pleaser!



Summer Reunion Band will perform on **Sunday, July 22**. They are a group of seasoned musicians, formed back in 2015, that play classic rock and roll and love to entertain! They have played a wide variety of places throughout Southwest Michigan. You can find them on face book at “Summer Reunion Band”.



The final concert of the season will be **Sunday, August 26** with *The Ember Jar*. Formed in the fall of 2011, The Ember Jar has sought to find and refine their sound through the untethered exploration and fusion of diverse genres. They continue to streamline a style presented through dynamic arrangements supporting rich, emotional vocals — a blend they refer to as “Soulful Indie Rock”. They travel often to share their music on a national level, including recent tours throughout the South, Midwest, and East Coast.



Call for volunteers

Do you have something that you are passionate about and looking for a way to make a difference or a way to get involved in all things Baroda? Whether you are a resident of the Village, the Township, or live in a different community; you can get involved ... and we need you!!

There are many things that we would love to be able to do, but we need your help to make it happen. Volunteerism is great for students to earn school credit, it's great for young people to have on their resume, and it teaches everyone to give of themselves and their time for the betterment of the community! Just a few hours a month is really all you need to make a difference!



So whether you want to help with an existing event, or have a great idea of your own, there is a way for you to get involved! Just a few that come to mind:



- Music in the Park
- Christmas in the Village
- Party on the Pavers
- The Village Park
- Gardening/weeding/trimming
- Clean up day
- Public art project

We would love to have our citizens get more involved, and would love to hear from you.

Use your talents, hobbies, passions, etc.!

Stop by the municipal building and see Tina Boehm, and she will get you moving in the right direction! You can also call the office at 422-1779, or email at clerk@barodavillage.org



Baroda Happenings!

New Garage Sale Ordinance

Spring is just around the corner and time for garage sales to begin. In brief, here are the highlights:

- ⇒ Three days is the maximum time limit for one sale.
- ⇒ Three sales per location per calendar year.
- ⇒ A permit must be obtained from the Clerk's Office (there is no charge to hold a garage sale).
- ⇒ Signs may be put up, but must be removed after the sale period.
- ⇒ All sale items MUST be stored indoors from 9:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

The ordinance may be viewed in full online or at the Village Office.

2018 Baroda Events



April 1	Cemetery Clean up
April 12	Large Trash pick up
May 27	Memorial Day Parade
June 24	Music In The Park
July 3	Baroda Fireworks
July 22	Music In The Park
July 28	Party On The Pavers
Aug. 19	Michigan Wine Trail 1/2 Marathon
Aug. 26	Music In The Park
Oct. 11	Large Trash Pick up
Oct. 15	Cemetery Clean up
Dec. 9	Christmas In The Village

Be sure to check the Community Calendar on our website for updates of events at www.barodavillage.org.

We Now Accept Credit Card Payments!

You can now pay your water/sewer payments, property taxes, building permits and electrical permits with a credit card online by visiting our website at barodavillage.org. Just look for the "pay bills" link.

As always, you may also pay with a check, cash or money order either in the mail drop it in the drop box or in the Village office.



Park Reservations

Reservations for the Village Park for 2018 may be made by calling the Village Office at 422-1779.

NEW THIS YEAR: There is a \$25 rental fee for Village residents, and a \$50 fee for non-Village residents. Groups of 50 or larger will be charged \$75.

As always, there is a refundable \$20 key deposit is also required. Keys must be picked up at the Village Office by Thursday prior to the date you have the park reserved and be returned or left in the drop box at the Municipal Building within three (3) days after reserved date.

