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<u>Last chance to get coats to us. We will be</u>

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Delivering them to the needy soon!

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Water is a Valuable Resource

The Earth is made up of 71 percent water, but it does not mean that you can waste it. We all need to appreciate it. Only 0.76 percent of the earth's total water supply is fresh groundwater (as opposed to saline groundwater). That is less than 1 percent. That percentage is shared by <u>7.6 billion people</u>.

Water is one of the most important utilities in our lives. Unfortunately, we often end up wasting more than just water when we leave the tap running for too long. In fact, more than a quarter of all the *energy* we use revolves around heating and using water, and that's just from normal day-to-day activities.

There are two water-using appliances in particular that tend to be energy hogs. The water heater is the biggest one since its main purpose is making sure that hot water is available whenever you need it... but even the most efficient water heaters tend to lose a lot of heat over time.

Using only slightly less power are the average washer and dryer - Being used only a few hours a week tells a *lot* about how much energy they consume.

So what can you do to help save water? You can: WASH FRUITS IN A BOWL AND USE IT TO WATER A PLANT USE THE SAME WATER GLASS ALL DAY LONG ORDER A GLASS OF WATER IN A RESTAURANT ONLY IF YOU ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO DRINK IT

The Centerville Community Services District Board of Directors and Staff wishes each of you a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!



Here are a few Holiday Fun Facts that you can share at your Holiday gatherings.

Chrístmas Fun Facts...

The Christmas club savings account started around 1905. It helps people prepare for Christmas shopping by saving a little over time.



Before settling on the name of Tiny Tim for his character from "A Christmas Carol," three other alternative names were considered by Charles Dickens. They were Little Larry, Puny Pete and Small Sam.





Although many believe the Friday after Thanksgiving is the busiest shopping day of the year, it is not. It is the 5th to 10th busiest day. The Friday and Saturday before *Christmas* are the busiest shopping days of the year.

The Candy Cane dates back to 1670 in Europe but didn't appear in the U.S. until the 1800s. The treat we see today is the shape of Jesus's hook to shepherd his lambs. The color and stripes hold significance for purity and Christ's sacrifice, becoming common in the mid 1900s.





Eggnog first became popular in England where it was considered a drink for the upper class.

Hanukka Fun Facts...

- In the 2nd century BCE, the brave Maccabees recaptured the Holy Temple in Jerusalem from the Greeks. The first thing they did was light the golden Menorah. They found only one jar of oil, but it burned miraculously for 8 days. Today some light a Menorah for eight days to recall this miracle and to be inspired by its message.
- Spinning the dreidel was originally done by students illegally studying the Torah. When greek soldiers would make a surprise raid, students would pretend to play a gambling game.

Average Water Usage for the month:

Compare the usage on your water bill with the average of the District. November's Average: 2700 cubic - feet.

Scheduled Board Meetings:

The next scheduled Board of Director's Meeting will be held Wednesday, December 19th at 7:00 pm, at the District Office.

The public is always welcome.

The District Office will be closed: Monday, December 24th Tuesday, December 25 th, 2018 and Tuesday January 1st 2019

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



