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# **Cold Weather**

Cold weather is coming! Freezing temperatures can cause major damage your home when your pipes freeze and burst. Here are some tips to prevent freezing:

- Have your irrigation systems blown out and turned off
- Disconnect all garden hoses
- If you have a meter pit in your yard, make sure that it is insulated
- Never completely turn off the heat in your home. Even if you are away, keep the temperature setting high enough so your indoor pipes will not freeze
- Know where your main water valve shut off is! In the event of an emergency, you might need to shut off the water to your house
- Cover all exposed outdoor pipes with weatherresistant insulation
- During extremely cold temperature, leave your faucets running at a drip

If you suspect that your pipes are frozen, please call us during regular office hours. We will send a field technician out to help assess your situation at their convenience. If you want immediate assistance or assistance after hours, there will be a service fee involved. Please remember, you are responsible for your meter! A replacement will cost you \$300. Stay warm and stay safe!



## **Friendly Reminders!**

The upcoming Board Meetings will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup> and November 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 pm. There will be a working session for the 2025 budget on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. Come observe how we create the budget! Any changes will be announced on our **Facebook** and **website** page.

# **Leaf Ghosts**



## You will need:

- Leaves!
- Acrylic Paint
- Black Sharpie
   White Chalk Marker

## **Directions**

- 1. Go outside and collect some leaves!
- 2. Paint your leaves using the acrylic paint and let them dry.
- 3. Use the black marker to make ghost faces or the white chalk marker if you used black paint.
- 4. Leave them as they are or punch a hole in the tops to hang as decorations!

Tip: You can create more than just ghosts! Try painting a turkey or a fox on your leaves for fun Thanksgiving décor!

Recipe from: www.abcdeelearning.com

## **Project Updates**

#### 1. Enclosing Pump House 6 is in Filing 14 off Keynes

- a. A building is being constructed around the current location of the Pump House.
- b. All costs are being paid by the developer.
- c. Construction should take 3 4 Months.

#### 2. Curb Stop Project

- a. We have a new GPS device that will help find your curb stops, sewer clean outs and be able to locate your buried pipes. But first we need to enter them in the device.
- b. All we need to do is stand over the Curb stop and enter in the GPS location. This takes just a few seconds.
- c. During the mowing off season, the fall, our techs will be walking around entering these into our system.
- d. Your curb stop is required to be accessible at all times, per district rules.

#### 3. Rehabilitation of wells

- a. Our goal is rehabbing two wells a year, increasing the reliability of the wells and ensuring production of water.
  - i. Well status
    - 1. 12 wells, 1 well permit to drill another, but no immediate plans
    - 2. 3 wells current not operating, 1, 3, and 5.
    - 3. Capacity is 1 million gallons a day, with demand currently at 240,000 gallons. During the summer, our highest demand was 650,000 gallons.
- b. This year, wells 6 & 11 were rehabbed.
  - i. Well 11 came in under budget by about \$150,000
- c. Next Year (2025), Well 2 (off Cranston) and Well 3 (off Jaggar Way) are scheduled to be rehabbed. Well 3 will be placed back into operation

We are considering adding an equipment storage facility to protect our equipment from the weather, especially in the winter.

We will have dumpsters again in 2025. May and September.

We would love to see increased participation at the board meetings. The meetings have been moved from 7 pm to 5 pm with a hard stop at 8 pm (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday). Please come and see what your board is working on and to add your input.

Newsletter, we moved the newsletter to seasonal (i.e. four per year). We would love to hear from you on items that you would like to see in the newsletter. Please let us know via email at pbhmd@pbhmd.com.

Would you be interested in these items.

- 1. Community Calendar (we need your events and dates)
- 2. Articles from the community?
- 3. Any suggestions will be considered.

Please let us know how we can help make this a great new year. We are listening.

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