July 2020

Upcoming Events

- 1st Monday of Month—Plan Commission 6:30 p.m.
- 2nd & 4th Tuesday of Month—Village Board 7:00 p.m.

Please see the Meeting Calendar at prairiedusac.net for village meetings and agendas.

A project of the Villages of Prairie du Sac and Sauk City and the Sauk Prairie Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with many other great community organizations and businesses to bring free musical outdoor performances to the community.

The 2020 season has been scheduled as follows:

Aug 4 - Water Street Jacks

Aug 11 - Blue Steel Band

Aug 18 - Union Road

Aug 25 - Swifkick

All performances are scheduled from 6PM to 8PM at Meyer Oak Grove Park. In the event of rain or inclement weather, that evening's concert will be canceled.

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END OF DISCONNECTION MORATORIUM

July 25th marks the end of Prairie du Sac's moratorium on electric disconnection. This means if your utility bill is one month or more behind you will be getting a notification of disconnection. We are encouraging you to pay your bill in full or contact the Village Hall to setup deferred payment arrangements. If neither step is taken, your utility service could be interrupted. The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) administers the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Public Benefits Energy Assistance Program. For more information on WHEAP in Sauk County, call 1-608-356-8887.

MANAGING YOUR UTILITY BILL. WE CAN HELP.

Eligibility for WHEAP benefits is based on a number of factors. However, if the gross income for your household is less than the amount shown below, you may be eligible to receive assistance.

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HOUSEHOLD SIZE	LAST MONTH (GROSS) INCOME
1	$ 2,389.42
2	$ 3,124.67
3	$ 3,859.83
4	$ 4,595.08
5	$ 5,330.33
6	$ 6,065.50
7	$ 6,203.33
8	$ 6,341.25

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The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. Through Prairie du Sac Utilities participation in this program, you may be eligible for bill pay assistance. **Eligibility is based on the last month of income, so if your income has been impacted by COVID-19, consider applying today.**

CALL TODAY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND PROGRAM DETAILS:

(608) 356-8887

OR VISIT:

homeenergyplus.wi.gov

ENERGY ASSISTANCE IS HERE TO HELP.

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prairiedusac.net (608) 643-2421

At Prairie du Sac Utilities, we join forces with other local not-for-profit utilities through WPPI Energy to share resources and lower costs.

Shared strength through WPPI Energy

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After Hours Emergency Street or Utility Condition
Call (608) 643-3133

Police, Ambulance or Fire Emergencies
Call 911

Police Non-Emergency
Call 1-800-377-1195

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The Village encourages residents and businesses to signup for the community information service designed to deliver important and timely information. This service delivers trustworthy and important neighborhood-level public safety and community notifications by e-mail and text message. If you have not yet signed up to receive these messages, please visit www.prairiedusac.net and click on the Nixle link or text your zip code to 888777 to opt-in.

Insights to protect your drinking water

Do...

- Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible contaminants.
- Make sure dishwashers are installed with a proper "air gap" device.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum breaker on all threaded faucets around your home.
- Make sure water treatment devices such as water softeners have the proper "air gap", which is a minimum of one inch above any drain.

Hose bibb Vacuum Breaker

Don't...

- Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks or ponds.
- Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device.
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there is a one inch "air gap" separation.

Air Gap

In the Kitchen

Hoses and water treatment devices may create a potential backflow hazard if not properly isolated with backflow prevention methods.

What is a Cross-Connection?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water (potable) supply and a source of contamination or pollution. State plumbing codes require approved backflow prevention methods to be installed at every point of potable water connection and use. Cross-Connections must be properly protected or eliminated.

How does contamination occur?

When you turn on your faucet, you expect the water to be as safe as when it left the treatment plant. However, certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system may allow hazardous substances to contaminate your own drinking water or even the public water supply.

Water normally flows in one direction. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow backwards; this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to flow backward: back siphonage and backpressure.

Backsiphonage

May occur due to a loss of pressure in the municipal water system during a fire fighting emergency, a water main break or system repair. This creates a siphon in your plumbing system which can draw water out of a sink or bucket and back into your water or the public water system.

Backpressure

May be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water system. This may cause contaminated water to be pushed into your plumbing system through an unprotected cross-connection.

In the Bathroom - Toilet Tanks

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the **ASSE #1002** Standard symbol on the device and packaging
- Replace any unapproved devices with an **ASSE #1002** approved anti siphon ball-cock assembly. Average cost is typically $12 to $22 at home improvement stores
- Verify overflow tube is one inch below critical level (CL) marking on the device

ASSE #1002 Approved Ball Cock Assembly

In the Bathroom - Hand Held Shower Fixture

The hand held shower fixture is compliant if:

- When shower head is hanging freely, it is at least 1" above top of the flood level rim of the receptor (tub)
- Complies with **ASSE#1014**
- Has the **ASME code 112.18.1** stamped on the handle