

## **NEWS FROM YOUR BPW**

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### **Fall Safety Tips**

- ✓ Be Cautious of Back-to-School Traffic
  - O There is more traffic on the roads in the morning and late afternoon.
  - O Be alert when you're crossing the street or driving in a school zone.
- ✓ Get Your Fire Safety up to Speed
  - Get an inspection of your heating systems and anything else that hasn't been used in a while.
- ✓ Be Prepared for Unexpected Cold Weather
  - If you don't have an emergency car kit in your vehicle, now is a good time to make sure you have one in there before winter starts.
- ✓ Make Sure Your Batteries Are in Order
  - Test your batteries and replace them if necessary. Make sure you have backups on hand in case of power outages or other.







# AUBURN FIRE HYDRANT TESTING IN OCTOBER

Look and listen for newspaper and radio broadcasts on specific dates for fire hydrant testing that will be done in October throughout Auburn.

BPW will operate all 200 fire hydrants to make certain they are functional.

Customers may find temporary discoloration of their water during this period. The water does remain safe to drink, but you should run water clear before washing clothes.

BPW service trucks drove in the Nemaha County Parade on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Candy and handheld fans were given out to many enjoying the parade entries.





#### The Average American uses about 100 Gallons of Water a Day!

Shower: about 2-5 gallons a minute

Bathroom sink: about 2-7 gallons a minute

Toilet: up to 7 gallons a flush

Dishwasher: about 9-12 gallons a load Kitchen sink: about 2-5 gallons a minute Washing machine: about 41 gallons a load



#### Tips to conserve water:

- Take shorter showers or baths with a partially filled tub.
- Don't let water run unnecessarily while washing hands, teeth, dishes, etc.
- Wash dishes and clothes when you have a full load.
- Use water saving devices on faucets and showerheads.
- When replacing old toilets, buy a low flush model.





#### **Happy Public Power Week!**

October 2-8, 2022

## What does "Public Power" mean?

It means reliable, affordable, environmentally responsible electricity that helps build strong communities.

Our office will be closed Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

Office Hours: 7:30 am to 5:00 pm M-F

Service Center Hours: 7:30 am to 4:00 pm M-F

Closed the following dates: Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving break.

Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> for Christmas break.