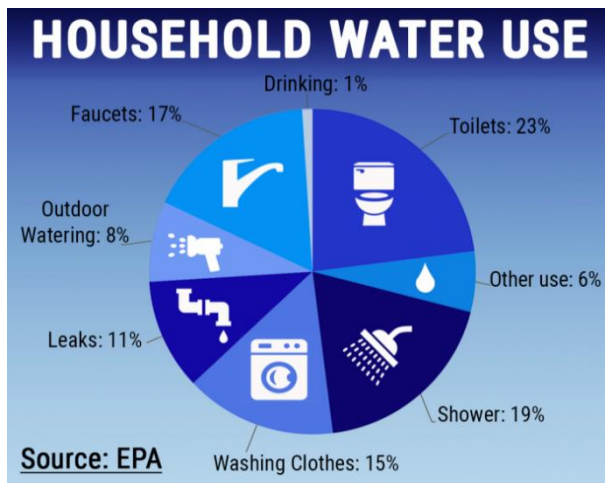


## **FROM THE BOARD**

Greetings from your OHWA Board, the OHWA Board continues to meet monthly via Zoom meetings due to ongoing health concerns. Any communication with the board or topics for discussion can be submitted to our office manager Mary Tucker at [officemanager@ohwassn.com](mailto:officemanager@ohwassn.com) or by calling 503-569-9731.

## **WATER CONSERVATION**

Did you know that the average individual uses about 100 gallons of water each day? Here are a few ways to lower your water consumption.



- Sweep outside instead of using the hose.
- Run the dishwasher only when full.
- Keep a container of water in the fridge rather than running the faucet to get cold drinking water.
- Water your lawn before 9am or after 6pm. This reduces evaporation.
- Turn off sinks when not actively in use. Think about when brushing teeth and loading the dishwasher.
- Collect rainwater to use for watering plants.
- Put a bucket in the shower to collect the “warm

up” water. Use this to water plants.

- Check for any leaks. Even small drip leaks can waste up to 2,700 gallons of water per year. To do this turn off all water in the house then check the dial on the street meter. If the dials are turning you may have a leak.

## **MEET DON LOVAS**

Don Lovas has joined the Orchard Heights Water Association as a Water Operator. He will be reading meters, testing and maintaining water pH and chlorination, as well as other duties. Don has over 20 years of water distribution experience in Arizona and Oregon. He is a certified water distribution and water treatment operator, as well as a certified cross connection and backflow specialist. Don enjoys playing softball, baseball and golf. In his free time, he and his kids enjoy camping, kayaking and biking.

