

FROM THE BOARD

Happy Fall and Greetings from your OHWA Board. The months are flying swiftly by and there are many things to think about as the end of the year approaches. As you are doing fall clean-up and winterizing, please check your outdoor faucets and hoses and drain your sprinkler system to ensure there won't be any breaks in the lines or leaks that could go undetected and lead to large water bills. It is important that you have an awareness of what your usual water usage is and what your regular bill typically amounts to throughout the year. If there is a large increase in your water usage and the corresponding bill, please check for possible leaks right away. Isolate the leak, if feasible, and plan to get it repaired as soon as possible. Contact Mary Tucker, Office Manager for OHWA, to inform the Association of the leak and confirm it has been repaired. It is possible that there could be some reduction in your water bill once the leak has been taken care of in a timely fashion.

ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the Orchard Heights Water Association's Annual Meeting of Members. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12th at 7 pm in the Titan Room of West Salem High School. Please join us to discuss what has been happening with OHWA over the past year and find out about ongoing efforts related to our Capital Improvement Plan. We hope to see you there.

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
NOVEMBER 12TH
7:00 PM
West Salem HS**

BE PREPARED

The past few years have brought us several storm systems, we want to remind everyone to make proper preparations for winter weather and possible power outages. Remember to stock up on fresh, storable drinking water, batteries and flashlights, and have a back-up plan if power should go out for more than 24 hours. When the power goes out, please conserve your use of water as we can only store about 36-48 hours-worth of water supply in our tanks.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you would like to be on the OHWA email alert list for info about emergencies/urgent situations in the water system, please make sure we have the most current contact information by contacting our office manager, Mary Tucker, at 503-569-9731 or at officemanager@ohwassn.com. Also, sign up for autopay at ohwassn.com and never suffer a late payment again.