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Keep Your Sewer Line Clear with These Helpful Tips

There are a few simple things you can do to keep your sewer line clear and in good working order. Here's a quick overview of what they are!

Depending on the problem, a sewer line repair can cost a <u>few thousand dollars</u>. Because it can be such an expensive undertaking, it is important that you learn how to maintain a sewer line to help you avoid sewer line clogs.

- Be Cautious About Putting Food in Drains
- Use High-Volume Flush
- Don't Flush Any Non-Food Items
- Maintain Your Roots
- Avoid FOG (Fats, Oil, and Grease) Buildup
- Use One-Ply Toilet Paper
- Do Preventative Flushing & Cleaning
- Find the Best Sewer Line Repair Today
- Call the District Office for immediate concerns



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Stop worrying about if you paid your water and sanitation bill. Sign up for autopay today...



Wipes Clog Pipes!

Place these items in the TRASH and NOT the toilet:

- Disinfecting wipes
- Paper towels
- Baby wipes
- Towelettes
- Mop refills



BILLING SCHEDULE (est.)

Bills Mailed - March 3, 2023
Payments Due - March 15, 2023
Late Notices Mailed - March 16, 2023
Shut Off Payments Due - March 28, 2023
Shut Off Day - March 29, 2023
Meter Read Date - March 31, 2023

If you believe you may be late making your pay-

ment, please call us to make arrangements to avoid the \$30.00 delinquent fee.

STRATMOOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION - http://www.stratmoorhills.org/contact.php

SEWER PROBLEMS

If you have problems with your sewer line, please give us a call first so that we can determine if it is your service line or our main line. If it is in your line, we will notify you promptly. If it is our problem, we will take care of it immediately.

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You may want to store up some extra sleep in the next few weeks because you are about to lose an hour of it.

Come Sunday, March 12th at 2 a.m. most of America will be "springing forward" as daylight saving time kicks in, giving us another hour of sunlight.

Here is a look at seven things you may not have known about daylight saving time.

- "Spring forward and fall back" is an easy way to remember how to set the clock when daylight saving times begins and ends. You set your clock forward one hour at 2 a.m. on March 12th. You will set it back one hour at 2 a.m. on Nov. 5th.
- 2. In the United States, <u>daylight saving time began</u> on March 21, 1918. U.S. government officials reasoned that fuel could be saved by reducing the need for lighting in the home.
- 3. Ancient agrarian civilizations used a form of daylight-saving time, adjusting their timekeeping depending on the sun's activity.
- 4. Many people call it daylight savings time. The official name is daylight saving time. No 's' on 'saving.'
- 5. Benjamin Franklin came up with an idea to reset clocks in the summer months as a way to conserve energy.
- 6. A standardized system of beginning and ending daylight saving time came in 1966 when the Uniform Time

 Act became law. While it was a federal act, states were granted the power to decide if they wanted to remain on standard time year-round.
- 7. Arizona (except for the Navajo, who do observe daylight saving time on tribal lands), Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands do not observe daylight saving time.

NFPA ENCOURAGES TESTING SMOKE ALARMS AS DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS



Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 12th, at 2 a.m., when we spring forward one hour for the purpose of making better use of daylight. As we set our clocks ahead, the <u>National Fire Protection</u> <u>Association</u> (NFPA) recommends testing your smoke alarms. Roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths occur in homes with no smoke alarms or working smoke alarms. When smoke alarms should have worked but failed to operate, it is usually because batteries were missing, disconnected, or dead. NFPA provides the following guidelines around smoke alarms:

Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button.

Make sure everyone in the home understands the sound of the smoke alarm and knows how to respond.

Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

Replace the smoke alarm immediately if it does not respond properly when tested.

Smoke alarms with non-replaceable (long-life) batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, a warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.

For smoke alarms with any other type of battery, replace batteries at least once a year. If the alarm chirps, replace only the battery.

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Board elections are held in May of odd-numbered years. Board meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (2160 "B" Street). Meeting agendas are posted at the Water District office (1811 "B" Street), the Fire Station and at the Stratmoor Elementary School (200 Loomis Avenue). If you would like more information about the Districts, please contact Kevin Niles at the Water and Sanitation Districts at 576-0311 or by e-mail at kevin@stratmoorhillswater.org or Dottie Barrett for the Fire Protection District at 576-1200 or by e-mail at mail@shvfd.com