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Receive some clean savings

Is your washing machine showing its age? Purchase a high-efficiency clothes washing machine and receive a \$100 rebate. Being wallet-wise and water-wise is the way to wash.

A high-efficiency washing machine uses 15-25 gallons less water per load, almost half the amount of water a regular washer uses, saving up to 7,000 gallons a year. The washing machine is the second biggest water-user in most households.

Download more information and rebate application at www.mwdoc.com, or call 1-800-954-4344.



Construction of District's water distribution system, circa 1926

1926 to 2006 From wood pipes to pvc, pipeline replacement a must

In 1926, many local residents received water through wooden pipes. Of course, those wooden pipes have since been replaced, but even modern-day pipes don't last forever.

Due to corrosion, pipes can weaken and break. To provide continuous water service, the District's pipeline replacement program is ongoing.

The program, which is funded through the District's Capital Improvement budget, ensures that the District's 135 miles of distribution pipeline are properly maintained. Since 1970,

over 20 miles of old cast iron pipe has been replaced. This year's budget includes money for pipeline replacement along Laguna Canyon Road.

This project includes installing over 6,000 feet of pipe and three new fire hydrants, increasing water service reliability and fire hydrant flow. The project is estimated to cost \$1.5 million.

Construction begins in late February and continues through spring. Traffic may be restricted during the day, but every effort will be made to reduce traffic issues.



Headquarters also housed City Hall and the Police Department until 1952.

Beauty at the Beach

District headquarters and garden honored by Beautification Council

It is said that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, or in many eyes, as was the case of the Beautification Council of Laguna Beach. The Council honored the District with an Award of Merit in early October, as well as 31 other local businesses and homeowners.

The District's headquarters was recognized as an excel-

lent example of a building in addition, blending with the original 1927 "Mediterranean Revival" style architecture.

The Council also praised the District's Water-Wise and Fire-Safe Demonstration Garden as not only enhancing the beauty of the downtown area, but also adding an educational resource for residents and visitors.

How to pay while you're away Auto pay ensures that your bill is not late

With the District's auto pay service, you will never have to worry about writing a check, paying for postage, or risking costly late fees again.

Through auto pay, your bi-monthly bill is paid automatically from either your checking or savings account,

and you will continue to receive a statement stating the approximate date the payment will be deducted.

The auto pay service is free to all District customers. To enroll, please call customer service at (949) 494-1041.

Liquid lingo



Understanding how water measures up on your bill

Units, usage, and gallons, oh my! You don't have to be a rocket scientist to understand how water is measured and charged for on your bill. Below is an explanation of the terms.

Usage

Usage is the number of gallons of water that you have used since the District last read your meter.

Units

One unit of water equals 748 gallons, or 100 cubic feet, and costs \$2.82, which is .004 cents per gallon. Compare that to bottled water at about \$1.55 per gallon.

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