

Water Conservation....

Did you know.....?

- ❖ **3 Gallons of water** per day are saved if you turn off the water while you brush your teeth
- ❖ **5 Gallons of water** per day are saved if you shorten your shower by one or two minutes
- ❖ **20 Gallons of water** per day are saved if you fix a leaky faucet
- ❖ **15 – 50 Gallons of water** per day are saved if you wash only full loads of laundry
- ❖ **25 Gallons of water** per day are saved if you water your lawn before 8am to reduce evaporation

Save and conserve water by.....

- ❖ Upgrading to a low consumption toilet which uses 1.6 gallons per flush compared to 3.5 gallons for older models.
- ❖ Use a faucet aerator which uses 1 gallon per minute compared to a normal faucet use of 0.5-5 gallons per minute
- ❖ Use a low flow shower head for 2.5 gallons per minute compared to 4-7 gallons per minute for a regular showerhead.
- ❖ Upgrading to a water efficient washing machine which uses 20-25 gallons per load compared to 45-55 gallons per load for a standard washing machine.
- ❖ Use a dishwasher for 5-15 gallons per load compared to washing dishes by hand which uses an average of 20 gallons.

Check for water leaks by.....

Reading your inside water meter before and after a two hour period when **NO** water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, there is a leak!

- ❖ Change drippy faucets
- ❖ Check for cracked pipes
- ❖ Put a coloring tablet (available at Darien City Hall free of charge) in the toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl within 30 minutes, you have a leak that should be repaired immediately.

If everyone does a little, we all benefit a lot!