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Watch for Public Power & Clean Water Week Celebration October 7 - 13, 2018!

"It's a week we look forward to every year as we come out of the hot, summer months and head into a more comfortable, Southern fall," says Ron Mull, General Manager of Marietta Power and Water. "Our employees have worked so hard this past year dealing with the effects of historic winter storms, the diligence of keeping power reliable in the hot summer months, and some challenging water distribution issues. And power staff has even assisted other communities with storm damage as well.

"We take this week to do things to really appreciate our employees and also let the community know the many positive aspects of local power and water distribution for Marietta's residents and businesses," stresses Mull.

Marietta Power and Water is among more than 2,000 other community-owned, not-for-profit electric utilities, and many more municipal water and sewer systems, celebrating the safe, reliable and affordable services it has provided the community for 112 years! These same utility services generate revenues, many of which are put back in to the community.

Marietta Power and Water has almost 200 employees serving more than 45,000 industrial, commercial, and residential power and water customers. The week will be noted with such things as celebration banners on light posts and a proclamation delivered by the Mayor at the September City Council Meeting.

With a focus on reliability, Park Street Elementary students will again participate in a poster contest with this year's theme being "A Day Without ..." urging students to imagine life without reliable electricity and clean water. Winning posters are always available to view all year at City Hall.

During the week, visitors to the Marietta Power and Water administrative building can enjoy snacks and giveaways. Customers are also again invited to a Customer Appreciation Hot Dog Cookout Lunch in front of the main building on Friday, October 12! 💧



We Celebrate ...

- **Low rates**
- **High reliability**
- **Responsiveness to citizens**
- **Community focus**
- **Economic development assistance**
- **Local control**



4 Simple Ways to Prepare Your Home for Fall Weather

Summer may feel like it is here to stay, but fall is just around the corner. Now is the time to ready your home for fall's cooler temperatures and unpredictable weather conditions.

- 1 Check for drafts.** Stay warm, save energy, and reduce your heating bill this fall by examining your windows and doors. Check window and door frames for cracks. Fill them with caulk that contains silicone. Putty, rope-like caulk can help seal large cracks.
- 2 Check the heating system.** Inspect your home's heating vents to make sure they are not blocked or covered by furniture, carpeting, or curtains. Dust the vents and clean or replace your filters. It is also a good idea to make an appointment with a professional for an annual heating system check-up. That way you are assured, that on that first cold night, you will have heat.
- 3 Clean the fireplace and chimney.** Before building that first fall fire, you should have your chimney cleaned. Ask the chimney cleaner to check the damper to ensure it can be tightly closed to prevent drafts and will keep the heat in.
- 4 Store air conditioners.** If you have removable window air conditioners, be sure to unplug them before taking them down. Also, dust and clean them before covering or storing them away.

For more energy saving tips, visit www.mariettapowerandwater.com. 💧

Calendar

Saturday, October 13 Sunday, October 14

Marietta Chalktoberfest

Marietta Square

The event features professional chalk artists creating works of art. The chalk festival is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (770) 528-1444 or visit www.chalktoberfest.com.

Saturday, October 13 and 27

Marietta Square Artists Market

Marietta Square

Enjoy the paintings, drawings, and photography of fine artists settled alongside skilled craftspeople who feature an eclectic roster of distinctive goods including fire pits, cutting boards, terraria, pens, and fine jewelry. For more information, please call (706) 389-9935 or visit www.artistsmarketmarietta.com.

Saturday, October 20

Halloween Happenings

Marietta Square

An annual event featuring games, kid-friendly activities, a costume contest for children under 12, a pet costume contest, and much more. Also included in this event are HarvestFest and Scarecrows in the Park. For more information, please call (770) 794-5601.

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