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JUNE NEWSLETTER

Your health and your home are your comfort, and we understand how important that is to you.

That's why when it comes to your water quality, we do our best to help you become an educated consumer. We continually attend state and national trade shows, conventions, and classes, so that we can keep current on developing standards, and help communicate those changes to you. At Thursty Water Systems, we care about our customers and we keep your health and your home in our best interest. We stay educated, so that we can help to keep you educated too. With over 30 years of experience, we're a water company you can trust.

**And to all you Dads out there,
Happy Father's Day from Thursty Water Systems!**

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In Our Community: Annual 4th of July Holiday Box Drive

Support Our Local Troops! Donations Needed



We are happy to announce that the Wolfeboro Area Armed Forces Support Group is currently holding Wolfeboro's Annual 4th of July Holiday Box Drive!

We always enjoy meeting and greeting all of you generous community members and visitors. You truly help to make a difference in our local community when you offer any size donation.

The drive will continue through Monday June 13th. Donations are needed, and your generosity and support is greatly appreciated.

This year, there are two exciting themes! Check out what's needed & learn all of the [Details Here](#).

Get Ready For Summer!

We're just as excited as you are to see some real summer sunshine. The first day of summer is June 21st, and we want to help you prepare to enjoy all that summer has to offer, starting with your home and your water, of course!

Summer Projects? Please call to schedule your summer projects today! With business booming across town as our local population increases for the summer, we want to be sure to accommodate your needs in this busy season.

Is Lakewater Your Primary Water Source? If so, you probably have an Ultra Violet System to remove bacteria from your water supply. If you do not have a UV System, contact our office to learn how we can help improve the quality of your water. Or, when it's time to replace that UV Bulb, we will be happy to help!

Starting up your Pool or Spa: Did you know that we sell pool and spa supplies in our showroom? We have a selection of pool chemicals and accessories, and we can order replacements for your pool and spa filters. If we don't have what you're looking for, we can discuss alternatives or place an order for you.

WATER TRIVIA

Be the first to answer this month's trivia question correctly for a chance to win a Thursty Water prize! Send your answers to thurstywater@metrocast.net. We will notify the winner on June 30, 2011.

Q: Americans use the most water each day by using *what household necessity*, than they use by doing any other activity?

May's Q: Name one water contaminant and how it impacts human health.

Answer: For a list of possible answers, [Click Here](#).



Thank you to all who submitted answers. We appreciate your participation!

Top 5 Water Myths

Have you ever received the chain email that says drinking cold water causes cancer? This is definitely a water myth, as are many other common assumptions about water. You may be surprised to find out that the following "facts" are simply misconceptions, and are not true.

Here are the Top Five Water Myths, as documented and researched by Max Jay for WaterTechOnline.com:

5. There is less water on the planet now than previously. This is entirely untrue. However, the planet's population has been steadily increasing, giving us the impression that there is less water on the planet. Water is recycled through a complicated process that cleans and reuses essentially everything. In reality, there is the same amount of water on Earth now as there has always been, but the increasing population spreads the water far thinner than it has ever had to be. Many areas are looking into inexpensive desalination processes in order to compensate for this demand.

4. Water with vitamins is better for you than regular water. We often see people running around with vitamin enriched water believing it is a healthier option. However, what the bright colors of the mineral waters don't tell you is that they're loaded with other stuff too, like sugars and artificial flavorings.

3. Drinking cold water causes cancer. As ridiculous as it sounds, this myth has been circulating on Internet message boards and in chain emails for several years. The theory behind this urban legend is that drinking cold water after a meal allows fats to coagulate. Supposedly these coagulated fats adhere to the walls of the intestine and cause cancer. However, according to snopes.com, "the internal heat of the human body quickly nullifies any temperature differences among the various items that have been swallowed."

2. There are more pollutants in drinking water today than in the past. Many people believe that the number of harmful substances in our water supply has increased exponentially within the past 25 years or so. While this is a logical assumption due to the increased use of automobiles and machinery that release toxins into the atmosphere, it is actually a false conception. In actuality, 25 years ago it merely seemed as though there were less pollutants in the drinking water due to the level of technology we had to detect them. Today, we have far more sensitive and sophisticated tests that allow us to know and understand more about our water than we have ever been able to in the past.

1. Bottled water is better and safer than tap water. This is a common misconception. Sometimes bottled water can be healthier, but other times it's just more marketable. In reality some of these bottled waters are just tap water that gets bottled and shipped out. Often times, if stored for too long, the chemicals used to make the plastic seep into the water, which is incredibly unsafe, especially if used multiple times. Obviously the FDA gives the companies a level of quality to maintain, however the tap requirements set by the EPA are very similar.

To read the complete article online [Click Here](#).

Lead-Free Legislation is Already Impacting the Water Industry

Last year, Congress proposed to reduce the amounts of lead in drinking water systems to less than 0.25 percent. President Obama signed the amendment into affect in January of this year. The changes will take three years to be officially enforced, and when that time comes, municipalities cannot install any equipment that exceeds these lead limits.

Pump and turbine manufacturers are already scrambling to construct the proper equipment to meet these new requirements. Bronze is the most commonly used metal in the systems, and contains traces of lead which exceed the new law. Manufacturers have found that by removing the traces of lead and in place using alloys

including aluminum, zinc, or tin, makes the equipment reach below the new 0.25 percent levels. Although this seems like a potential alternative, this "new" bronze is highly susceptible to damaging effects of chemicals that are necessary to add to our drinking water, including chlorine. Chlorine is needed to kill and prevent bacteria in public drinking water systems. It also wears away at the replacement alloys, which means a shorter lifespan of bronze pumps.

Manufacturers have also turned to stainless steel, and although the metal is stronger, it could cause a pump's performance to suffer.

As of now, manufacturers are also looking into using a relatively new thermoplastic compound called Vesconite. Vesconite seems to offer a better alternative as it contains no lead and will not suffer from the effects of chlorine.

This is one example of a current change being made in the water industry, and as manufacturers aim to meet the new standards within these next three years, we can expect more developments.

For More Information [Click Here](#).

Testing Your Water is Easy as 1,2,3... and 4!



Before you invite family and friends to your home this summer, why not test your water to be sure that what you're giving them is safe? By taking a few easy steps, you can find out what's in your water in less than one week!

Step 1: Stop by our showroom to pick up your free Water Test Kit. Each kit includes the bottles you'll need, the directions to pull your test, and a card that lists your testing options.

Step 2: Review the list of testing options and corresponding prices. Select your choice and fill out the information on the card. *Remember, all pricing is Lab Pricing only and we do not charge anything extra.*

Step 3: Pull the test! We recommend pulling your test from the bathroom faucet. Remember to take off the washer and use an alcohol swab to wipe down the faucet. After letting the water run per the directions in your kit, go ahead and fill up the sample bottles.

Step 4: Drop off your test kit at our showroom that same day. Remember, we can only accept samples Monday through Thursday until 3:30pm. Bacteria can die in 27-30 hours, so it's important to bring your test directly to our office. We'll check over your test to ensure that you have filled out the necessary information and pulled your water sample correctly.

Next: Let us do the rest! We typically receive results in about three business days, and will forward your results directly to you. If there are any concerns with your water quality, we will put together a customized analysis with recommended solutions.

MVSB Can Help Finance Your Water System Install

Meredith Village Savings Bank can help finance your water system. Call for details!



Got Questions? Call to Schedule Your Appointment Today

Showroom Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:00am - 4:30pm
Call (603) 569-1569

For emergencies, please call (603) 569-1569 or Toll Free 1-888-551-4545.

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