



# Centerville CSD

Serving the Community Since 1959  
December 2016

## Board of Directors

- ◆ Eric Woodstrom - Board President
- ◆ Don Newman - Vice President
- ◆ Joy Willis
- ◆ Larry Whitehead
- ◆ Walt Richison

## **District Manager:**

Chris Muehlbacher

## **Executive Assistant:**

Tina Teuscher

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## *Meet Your Board Members*

*What a great year it has been. Because of our wonderful community and everyone doing their part to conserve water, the District will be reporting an estimated 30% conservation to the state for the period from December 2015 thru November 2016. Although conservation was voluntary, you surpassed the 25% goal from the state and proved that together we can succeed. With the recent rains continuing to fill our reservoirs, there is hope for greater water supplies.*

*With 2016 being an election year, we were happy to retain Directors Eric Woodstrom and Walt Richison. If you have not met the individuals who are dedicated to serving the District, let me introduce them to you...*

*Two of our long term members Directors Larry Whitehead and Walt Richison were instrumental in securing 2,800 acre-feet of prescriptive water rights from the United States Bureau of Reclamation; and the purchase of 900 acre-feet of pre-1914 water rights. Those 900 acre-feet have proven to be priceless in recent droughts. Director Whitehead has been a Board Member for 35 years and Director Richison has been on the Board for 25 years. These two gentlemen are valued for both their continued vision of the District as well as their wisdom of year's past.*

*Director Eric Woodstrom has served on the Board for 10 years. Director Woodstrom is a Chief Banking Officer here in Redding. He brings his financial expertise to the table and is dedicated to the District's Financial and Capital Growth.*

*Director Don Newman has served the Centerville community not only as a Centerville CSD Board Member for the last six years but was also the Fire Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department for many years. Director Newman has a heart of service. He has volunteered in aiding several states during times of disaster such as hurricane Katrina. We are fortunate to have him on our Board.*

*Director Joy Willis is our newest member joining the Board of Directors in 2014. Director Willis served Shasta County for 20 years as both a Supervisor and Director of SHASCOM. She was instrumental in obtaining over \$2,000,000 in grant funding and bringing Emergency Medical Dispatching to Shasta County. We are lucky to have Director Willis on our Public Information Committee. She has contributed to the way we communicate during emergency situations through our webpage and the new automated system.*

*Each of these individuals bring their unique perspective and qualities to every Board meeting. The Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month unless otherwise posted due to holidays. We encourage you to attend a meeting sometime and meet them.*

*The Centerville Community Services District Board of Directors and staff wish each of you a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!*



# Holiday Trivia...

Here are a few Holiday Fun Facts that you can share at your Holiday gatherings.

## Christmas Fun Facts...

- \* Did you know that Germany made the first artificial Christmas trees? They were made of goose feathers and dyed green.



- \* "Rudolph" was actually created by Montgomery Ward in the late 1930's for a holiday promotion. The rest is history.

- \* The poinsettia plant was brought into the United States from Mexico by Joel Poinsett in the early 1800's.



- \* Mistletoe was chosen as Oklahoma's state flower in 1893 and later changed to the state floral emblem.



- \* The Christmas Stocking got its start when three unmarried girls did their laundry and hung their stockings on the chimney to dry. They couldn't marry, they had no dowry. But St. Nicholas, who knew of their plight, put a sack of gold in each stocking and in the morning the girls awoke to discover they had dowry's and could marry.

- \* The Candy Cane dates back to 1670 in Europe but didn't appear in the U.S. until the 1800s. The treat we see today, where the shape is Jesus's hook to shepherd his lambs and the color and stripes hold significance for purity and Christ's sacrifice, became common in the mid 1900s.



- \* And that Eggnog first became popular in England where it was considered a drink for the upper class.



## Hanukka Fun Facts...

- \* In the 2nd century BCE, the brave Maccabees recaptured the Holy Temple in Jerusalem from the Greeks. The first thing they did was light the golden Menorah. They found only one jar of oil, but it burned miraculously for 8 days. Today some light a Menorah for eight days to recall this miracle and to be inspired by its message.
- \* Spinning the dreidel was originally done by students illegally studying the Torah. When greek soldiers would make a surprise raid, students would pretend to play a gambling game.



### Average Water Usage for the month:

Compare the usage on your water bill with the average of the District. November's Average: 1,700 cubic - feet.

### SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS:

The next scheduled Board of Director's Meeting will be held Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 pm, at the District Office.

The public is always welcome.

### *The District Office will be closed:*

*Friday December 23rd  
Monday, December 26th, and  
Monday, January 2, 2017*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*