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BRECKENRIDGE PUBLIC UTILITIES

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2023

2023 Breckenridge **FALL** City Wide **RUMMAGE SALE** **SALE**

Friday, **October 6th** from 8 am - 6 pm
Saturday, **October 7th** from 8 am - 3 pm
Rain or Shine!



A listing of addresses & map of the locations & dates of each sale will be available at www.breckenridgemn.net & on Facebook Event. Hard copies will also be available at City Hall beginning Monday, October 2nd.

Questions? Call: (218)643-4681 or
Email: lgef@breckenridgemn.net

Reminder: It is against city ordinance to post signage on city property (including the corner of Minnesota Ave & 5th St/Hwy. 75).

Enjoy the cooler fall temps & get out & enjoy what Breckenridge has to offer: Playground equipment, swings, shelters, trails, riverbank fishing, grassy areas, pickleball, disc golf and much more!

For a full listing of parks and amenities visit www.breckenridgemn.net/parks



Where individuals grow, families connect, and community thrives

6th Street North and Beede Avenue, Breckenridge

(218)643-1282 or City Hall (218)643-1431

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC Mon-Fri from 3:15-5:30pm
(Early School Dismissal 1:15-5:30pm & No School 3:15-5:30pm)
Activities Include: pool, cards, board games, air hockey, Foosball & much more! *Tables & booths available for doing homework!

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Anyone under age 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Food, Snacks & Beverages for sale during open hours!

The center is available year-round rentals.

Call City Hall (218)643-1431 for more information or to make reservations.



Have a SAFE & HAPPY HALLOWEEN

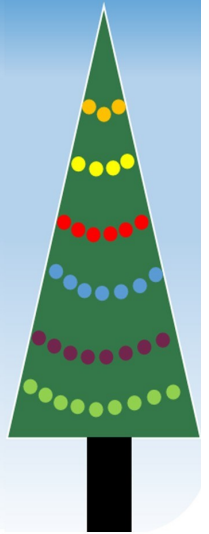
Tree Lighting

Join us in kicking off the holiday season at this free, family event.

Monday, November 27, 2023

5:00-7:00 PM *Tree Lighting at 6pm

Family Community Center
521 6th Street North



WATER CONSERVATION REMINDER:

Check Toilets ~ Make sure the water level is not too high, the fill valve is working properly, and the flapper is not leaking. A running toilet can waste hundreds of gallons of water per day.

For a FULL list of LOCAL HAPPENINGS visit www.breckenridgemn.net

Cold Weather Rule in Effect Oct. 1st to April 30th

Regardless of payment history, residential customers who have trouble paying your utility bills are eligible for the Minnesota Cold Weather Rule. Your utility cannot disconnect your residential electrical services if you meet the following requirements:

1. Utility disconnection would affect the customer's primary heat source.
2. The customer has declared inability to pay on forms provided by the utility.
3. The household income of the customer is at or below 50% of the state median household income, as documented by the customer to the utility and the customer's account is current for the billing period immediately prior to October 1 or the customer has entered into a payment schedule for 2023-2024.

CALL (218)643-4681 to work out a payment schedule

Cold Weather Rule Income Guidelines

Household Size	1-Month Income
1	\$2,722
2	\$3,559
3	\$4,397
4	\$5,235
5	\$6,072
6	\$6,910

Fall Check List for Around Your Property

As the weather gets colder and the leaves fall, there are some critical routine maintenance to keep your household running smoothly into the winter. Here are some top to-do items to tackle this fall.



Check your property & remove any junk/debris to include vehicles that are not operational or currently registered. If you have any questions regarding what is considered junk/debris, please review the Breckenridge city ordinance §103-1 regarding storage of debris and the definition of debris under §103-2 at www.breckenridgemn.net. If you have any questions, you can contact the Police Department at (218)643-5506.

Turn Off Exterior Faucets: un-drained water in pipes can freeze, which will cause pipes to burst. Start by disconnecting all garden hoses and draining the water that remains in faucets.

Clean your dryer vent: pull out your dryer, disconnect the vent & remove it from your wall and dryer. Clean out the lint, since it is a fire hazard.

Caulk Around Windows & Doors: check for gaps between the door or window frames, if you see light or feel a draft, reapply caulk or weather-stripping. Also, check the bottom of the doors and replace door sweep if broken or missing.

Test Your Sump Pump: slowly pour several gallons of water into the sump pit to see whether the pump turns on. You should do this every few months. *Sump pump can NOT be connected to city sanitary sewer system without BPU fee!!

Clean the Gutters: your gutters fill up with leaves, sticks and other debris. Failing to clear this gunk from your gutters can mean rain & melting snow won't be able to drain easily-potentially causing seepage and leaks into your home.

Tune Up Your Heating System: have a technician inspect your furnace or heat pump to be sure the system is clean and in good repair for top-efficiency. Also, don't forget to replace the air filter.

Check Your Detectors: check the batteries & expiration dates on your smoke & carbon monoxide detectors.

Run Ceiling Fans in Reverse: run blades in a clockwise direction after you turn on your heat to create an updraft to push hot air downward.



DO NOT PUT GRASS CLIPPINGS -or- LEAVES ON THE STREET! This can end up in the storm drain & become an added expense for all of us.

Grass Clipping & Leaf Drop Off Site is located at Pope Street. Turn south at Favorites Deli off Minnesota Ave. (No bags, cardboard boxes or branches)

*****Tree Branch Drop Off Site** is located 3 miles north on Highway 9, turn right after the Head of the Red Trap Club, 3/4 mile to the east, site is on right side. *****YOU NEED A KEY TO ENTER the Tree Branch Drop Off Site, due to illegal dumping.** Stop by City Hall to pick up a key. *****ONLY** tree branches, leaves & grass clippings



Preparing your home for any season is always important!



HeatShare is a utility-sponsored fuel fund to assist families in crisis in paying their heat bill.

You can help make a difference in the lives of your neighbors here in Breckenridge.

Contributions are tax deductible and may be sent along with your regular payment to the Breckenridge Public Utilities.

For more information, Contact Breckenridge Public Utilities at (218)643-4681 or the Salvation Army at 1-651-746-3542 www.heatshare.org
Also pay by credit card online at <https://donate.salvationarmyusa.org>

Breckenridge Public Utilities offers

BUDGET BILLING

This would be an average of your utility bill over a 12-month period and set average monthly bills (more details to be mailed directly to your home)

ARE YOU INTERESTED???

Just fill out this form & return it with your payment.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Account Number: _____

YES, I WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO HEATSHARE

I want to give my neighbors the gift of heat this winter season

Name _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Utility Co. Breckenridge Public Utility Account # _____

Please make a check payable to HeatShare. Cut out & send this HeatShare coupon with the utility payment to the Breckenridge Public Utilities. **Thank You!**