

# Friday Facts

## Did you know March 11, 2024 is National World Plumbing Day?

Many of us take plumbing for granted, until there is an issue. Plumbing is a major part of our everyday routine such as having a shower, getting a glass of water from a tap and flushing the toilet. The Illinois Section of the American Water Works Association (ISAWWA) would like to share a few facts with you:

Leaky faucets that drip once per second can waste more than 8 gallons of water a day. That is over 3,000 gallons per year! Fixing household leaks not only saves water, but can help reduce water utility bills by about 10 percent.

Toilet leaks can be caused by old or worn out toilet flappers. Replacing them can be a quick and easy fix for your water woes.

A shower head leaking at 10 drips per minute wastes more than 500 gallons of water per year. That is the amount of water it takes to wash 60 loads of dishes in your dishwasher.

An irrigation system that has a leak 1/32nd of an inch in diameter can waste about 6,300 gallons of water per month. Spring is the best time to test your irrigation system. Village Ordinance states that all residents with lawn irrigation systems must have their system tested annually.

This weekend, take a moment to check your water sources for leaks and drips. It can save you dollars and cents.

