



# COMMUNITY LINK

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## FIX A LEAK WEEK



### Fix a Leak Week

March 14-20, 2011

## EVERY DROP COUNTS

Did you know that an American home can waste, on average, more than 10,000 gallons of water every year due to running toilets, dripping faucets, and other household leaks?

Nationwide, more than 1 trillion gallons of water leak from U.S. homes each year. That's why WaterSense reminds Americans to check their plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems each year during Fix a Leak Week.

### Beat the Leak: Check. Twist. Replace.

Drip. Drip. Drip. That sound adds up to more than 10,000 gallons of water wasted in the average home each year due to easy-to-fix leaks. Nationwide, household leaks add up to more than 1 trillion gallons lost each year.

As part of EPA's We're for Water campaign, Fix a Leak Week—March 14 through 20, 2011—encourages American households to stop leaks and begin saving enough water each year to fill a backyard swimming pool.

Start saving water today with three simple steps: check, twist, replace.

- **Check your home for leaks.** You can detect silent toilet leaks, a common water-wasting culprit, by adding food coloring to the toilet tank and waiting 10 minutes before flushing. If color appears in the bowl, your toilet has a leak. Visit [www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/fixaleak) for do-it-yourself toilet repair tips and videos.
- **Twist and tighten fixture connections** with a wrench or apply pipe tape to ensure that fixture connections are sealed tight. If you can't stop those drops yourself, contact a plumbing professional. For additional savings, twist WaterSense labeled aerators onto bathroom faucets to use 30 percent less water without noticing a difference in flow.
- **Replace the fixture.** If you just can't nip that drip, it may be time to replace the fixture. Look for the WaterSense label, which indicates that a fixture uses at least 20 percent less water and was independently certified to perform as well as or better than standard models. For example, replacing your home's old, inefficient showerheads with WaterSense labeled models lets you shower with power while shrinking your household's water footprint by 2,300 gallons annually and saving enough energy to run a television all year long.

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **Trout Classic—Saturday, April 16th**
- **Sunday, May 1st - LORIE LINE & HER FAB FIVE**
- **City Wide Garage Sales—Saturday May 7th**
- **Western Days 2011 planning is in full force. Volunteers Needed! Pam Bluhm 867-3870**
- **Wit's End musical will be on stage in August. Watch for auditions!**

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# Chatfield Center for the Arts

*Historic Potter Auditorium*

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*March*

**FRIDAY—11TH**

**THE ST. OLAF COLLEGE  
NORSEMAN  
CONCERT BAND**

*Conducted By:  
Paul Niemisto*



The Norseman Band has a reputation of a dynamic and exciting concert ensemble. The 95-piece ensemble tours each spring to regional mid-west locations, as well as Canada.

Niemisto is in his 32nd year as conductor of the Norseman Band. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and the University of Minnesota. Prior to coming to St. Olaf, he taught public school instrumental music in Nova Scotia, Canada, and played with the CBC Halifax Orchestra. He is founder and director of the Ameriikan Pöijät (Boys of America) Finnish American Brass Ensemble, as well as the Cannon Valley Regional Orchestra, a community symphony orchestra based in Northfield.

*March*

**SAT—12TH & SUN—13TH**

**THE REAL HOUSEWIVES  
OF  
CRICKET COUNTY**

*Written By: Eddie McPherson  
Directed By: Tony Cole*



**A HILLBILLY COMEDY**

**Presented by Chatfield High School  
One Act Play Group**

Welcome to Cricket County, the land where the words “Road-kill” and “Stew” are usually used in the same sentence. Just when life couldn’t get any more exciting in the backwoods, it seems that the neighbor-spin’, coon-huntin’ and cookin’ up some tasty frog legs just took a back seat to what else is comin’ down the dirt road.

Come for a down-home, knee-slapping good time and enjoy the “Cricket County Pearls of Wisdom” about what it really takes to have a happy, healthy marriage, with characters named “Bodean, Chigger, Hattie, Fester and Imogene, you wont go home disappointed.

**7:30 PM**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**FREE-WILL OFFERINGS ACCEPTED**

**SAT 12TH—7:00 DOORS/7:30 CURTAIN**

**SUN 13TH— 1:30 DOORS/2:00 CURTAIN**

**ADULTS \$5, STUDENTS & SENIORS**

**\$4, CHILDREN UNDER 2 FREE**

**BOX OFFICE DAY OF SHOW**



**Water  
Droplets**

By finding and fixing leaks during Fix a Leak Week, March 14 through 20, 2011, you could save more than 10,000 gallons of water per year—enough to fill a backyard swimming pool—and up to 10 percent on your utility bills!



**MARCH 2011**

- **Mon Mar 7th—  
Planning & Zoning 7:00 pm**
- **Mon Mar 14th—  
City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Thu Mar 24th—  
EDA 5:30 pm**
- **Mon Mar 28th—  
City Council 7:00 pm**

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