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BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES NEWS

BILL PAYMENT

KIOSK LOCATIONS:

HEB - 1609 N. Texas Ave

HEB - 725 E. Villa Maria

Texan Market

457 N. Harvey Mitchell Pkwy 24 Hour Location

BTU Drive-Thru 205 E. 28th St.

24 Hour Location

You can pay at any of these locations with cash, credit card or check. Account number, BTU bill, keycard or reminder letter required.

Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the "e-payment" option by calling (979) 821-5700. Account number and credit card required.

www.btutilities.com

979.821.5700

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PUBLIC POWER WEEK

Bryan Texas Utilities' motto is "the difference is you," but what does this mean? As a municipally owned, not-for-profit utility, BTU is ultimately governed by the citizens of Bryan by electing City Council members who then appoint directors who comprise the BTU Board. You make the difference, and you drive the decisions by whom you elect to local government positions.

Across the nation, publicly owned utilities serve 48 million customers, or one in seven Americans. Being served by a municipally owned utility means that you can enjoy economical rates, high reliability and local control. BTU works to invest in and improve the community, and as such, spurs local economic development and purchases locally whenever possible.

"We are honored to serve this community as a public-power utility," BTU General Manager, Gary Miller said. "Every decision is made with the customer in mind."

BTU employs more than 180 personnel in the Brazos Valley, and BTU staff handle all responsibilities of the utility from the local call center, power plant operators, engineering professionals to powerline workers. When you dial any BTU number, you will speak with a representative who also lives and works here. BTU serves both city and rural territories, serving the City of Bryan, parts of the City of College Station, much of Brazos County, and portions of Robertson and Burleson Counties, in total more than 640 square miles.

Not only does BTU light the community, but it strives to be a light within the community by making a positive impact through programs and special events, quite often focusing on the youth of the Brazos Valley. In 2017, BTU donated an interactive exhibit to the Children's Museum of

the Brazos Valley, dubbed the Bryan Texas Utilities' Illumination Station. The exhibit is a 4-foot tall LED pegboard that encourages creativity and allows children to hone their fine motor skills. BTU also hosts two separate contests for local youth, one geared towards younger grade school students and another for high school students. The BTU Kids Calendar is produced each year with winners' artwork from local elementary schools. The calendar is distributed to the schools and to the public at the BTU main office. The high school students participate in an essay contest in which the winners attend an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. along with nearly 2,000 other high school students from utilities across the nation. This event allows students to connect with their peers while exploring all of the attractions that our nation's capital has to offer.

BTU has both a residential and commercial energy efficiency incentive program. For residents, BTU offers a 10 to 25 percent rebate on the total project cost for approved measures. The three approved measures include installing EnergyStar® rated windows, adding attic or exterior wall insulation, and/or installing solar screens. On the commercial side, projects are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Find more information about incentive programs online at btutilities.com.

BTU is more than an electric utility; we are also a part of your community. The directors and employees are deeply committed to the Brazos Valley and just like you, want to see our community succeed.

"BTU has been powering this community for over 100 years, and will continue to do so with high reliability, reasonable rates, and friendly service." - Gary Miller



MOVE OVER SLOW DOWN LAW

Most Texans know about the "Move Over/Slow Down" Law. It is the law that tells you exactly what to do: move over a lane to the left when able and/or slow down when an emergency vehicle, tow truck, or Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) vehicle is stationary on the roadside. In the most recent state legislative session, legislators approved additional language to be added to H.B. 61 that defines the "Move Over/Slow Down" Law. The additional language expands the requirement to protect utility vehicles on the roadside that have flashing amber and blue lights and to municipal solid waste transportation vehicles. The additional requirement goes into effect on September 1, 2019. This new addendum to the law improves safety for BTU workers and contractors who often must maintain equipment located close to the roadway. **Specific details for drivers are:**

- · Motorists must vacate the lane closest to the vehicles included in the law that are using visual signals, or
- Slow down to 20mph below the posted speed limit if you are in the lane closest to the signaling vehicle, or
- Slow down to 5mph below the posted speed limit if it is less than 25mph

Safety is of utmost importance to BTU, and we need the support of the community to achieve our goal of every employee going home safely at the end of every day. Please help us achieve this goal by observing the "Move Over/Slow Down" Law and by carefully navigating around working crews and vehicles.



Iwin Oaks

FALL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, October 19 / 7 AM to 2 PM / TAMU Services Building

The Household Hazardous Waste & Computer Collection Event is a FREE event brought to by BVSMA (Twin Oaks Landfill). Please access the event from Highway 30/Harvey Road. This is for residentially generated waste only; no commercial waste will be accepted.

Learn more at: www.TwinOaksHHW.com



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24Phillips Event Center / 6-9 PM

Gaming, prizes, dancing, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, memory photos and costume contest

Presale tickets (before Oct. 23): \$10 individual / \$15 couple. To purchase, call (979) 209-5528 or visit these locations:

Bryan Parks & Recreation - 1309 E. Martin Luther King, Bryan, TX 77803 / Bryan Aquatic Center - 3100 Oak Ridge Drive, Bryan, Texas 77802

At the door: \$15 individual / \$20 couple

CONSERVATION TIPS

Energy Conservation Tip:

Use LED security lights outdoors. They may cost more upfront, but payback takes five to 10 years, and LEDs can last up to 20 years.





Water Conservation Tip:

Apply mulch around shrubs and flower beds to reduce evaporation, promote plant growth and control weeds.