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Thanksgiving Closures:
11/27 & 11/28

Downtown Alliance Dickens Holiday: 11/28

Fayetteville Woodpeckers Holiday Lights at Segra Stadium:
11/28-12/31



Celebrating the Holidays in Fayetteville: Community, Lights, and Season's Greetings

Fayetteville's holiday season is filled with community spirit, and PWC is proud to help make it merry and bright. Enjoy a festive walk-through downtown Fayetteville, where you can admire beautiful decorations and soak in the holiday atmosphere. Experience a spectacular light show at the Fayetteville Woodpeckers Holiday Lights at Segra Stadium, from November 28 through December 31. Scan the QR code to buy your tickets from the Woodpeckers and to learn more about when PWC will be at the Holiday Lights. We'll be handing out conservation tools and registering customers for a chance to win a \$100 bill credit. Alternatively, bring the whole family to Christmas in the Park at Arnette Park, a free event open to everyone. Both experiences are powered by PWC, giving local families a chance to enjoy breathtaking light displays and magical holiday memories.



In addition, our Holiday LED Light Incentive Program encourages residents to brighten their homes with energy-efficient LEDs, rewarding electric customers with bill credits while supporting conservation initiatives. These programs highlight our ongoing commitment to bringing joy, safety, and connection to Fayetteville, making the holidays brighter for everyone.

As the year comes to a close, PWC extends warm season's greetings to every family in our community. We're proud to serve Fayetteville and grateful to our employees who work around the clock, even during the holidays, to keep your power on and water flowing. We hope the spirit of the season fills your home with joy, warmth, and connection. Happy Holidays from the entire PWC family!



Christmas Closures:
12/25 and 12/26



Stay Safe And Warm: Space Heater Safety

If using space heaters this winter, consider both cost and safety. While portable and compact, electric space heaters can significantly raise your energy bill.

Tips for safe and efficient use:

- Don't leave your space heater unattended. It's a dangerous waste of money to heat a room you aren't occupying.
- Some space heaters warm the air while others heat the surfaces directly in front of them. Decide where and how you're going to use a space heater and buy the best option for that application.
- If you're using a space heater because your bedroom is too cold at night, consider turning down the thermostat on your central heating overnight, so you're not doubling up on heating costs.

Before relying on space heaters, improve home insulation with weatherstripping or regular furnace filter changes to boost overall efficiency.

Prep Your Home for Colder Weather: Essential Tips for PWC Customers

As winter approaches in Fayetteville, it's important for every household to take steps to prepare for colder weather. With a few proactive measures, you can keep your home cozy, lower your utility bills, and avoid costly repairs, all while making the most of PWC's energy-saving programs. Here's some tips to get your home ready for the season:

Stay Safe This Season:

Colder weather brings unique safety concerns. Inspect your electrical decorations, avoid overloading outlets, keep flammable materials away from heat sources, and always turn off or unplug decorations when you leave or go to sleep.

Maximize Heat Pump Efficiency:

Heat pumps are the most efficient electric heating option for our area, drawing warmth from the outside air (even when it's cold) to keep your home comfortable. For the best results, set your thermostat to 68°F while you're home and lower it when you're away or sleeping to save energy. Programmable thermostats can help with this. Also, adjust your thermostat by no more than two degrees at a time to avoid activating the auxiliary heat, which uses more electricity, especially when it's freezing outside.

Winterize Your Pipes:

To protect your outdoor plumbing from freezing, insulate both the irrigation system and backflow prevention devices. Turn off the water, wrap the main shut-off valve and exposed pipes with foam or tape insulation, and add extra insulation inside any covers to help prevent damage in cold weather.

Seal Drafts and Insulate:

Keep the heat in and the cold out by checking for air leaks around windows and doors. Adding insulation where needed will make your home more comfortable and energy efficient.

Take Advantage of Winter Time-of-Use (TOU) Rates:

PWC's Winter TOU rates give you another way to save by shifting energy-heavy chores like laundry and dishwashing to off-peak hours after 9 a.m. (Peak hours are 6 a.m.–9 a.m.). Plan accordingly to maximize your savings. By following these tips, you can ensure a comfortable, safe, and cost-effective winter. Stay warm, save energy, and make the most of the season with PWC!