

# MEWS

## MEWS Is Honored With Safety Award

Mayfield Electric & Water Systems has earned the American Public Power Association's Electric Utility Safety Award for safe operating practices in 2011. We earned 1<sup>st</sup> place award in the category for utilities with 91,982 worker-hours of annual worker exposure. Darrell Shaw, chair of the APPA Safety Committee



and Safety & Technical Training Specialist at Memphis, Tennessee, Light Gas & Water Division presented the award on April 17, during the association's annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference, held in Cleveland, Ohio.

"Safety should always be priority number one for electric utilities," said Shaw. "Sending each and every one of our employees home safe to their families every night is what it's all about."

More than 275 utilities entered the annual contest. Entrants were placed in categories according to their number of worker hours and judged for the most incident-free records during 2011. The incidence rate, used to judge contest entries, is based on the number of work-related reportable injuries or illnesses and the

number of worker-hours during 2011, as defined by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

"A lot of work goes into building a strong safety record," said Marty Ivy, General Superintendent of Mayfield Electric & Water Systems. "MEWS looks forward to continuing to improve its safety practices as it provides reliable service to the community."

*The safety contest has been held annually for the last 52 years. APPA is the national organization representing more than 2,000 not-for-profit, community- and state-owned electric utilities.*

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Mayfield, KY 42066**

**OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday thru Friday  
7:00 AM to 4:30 PM**

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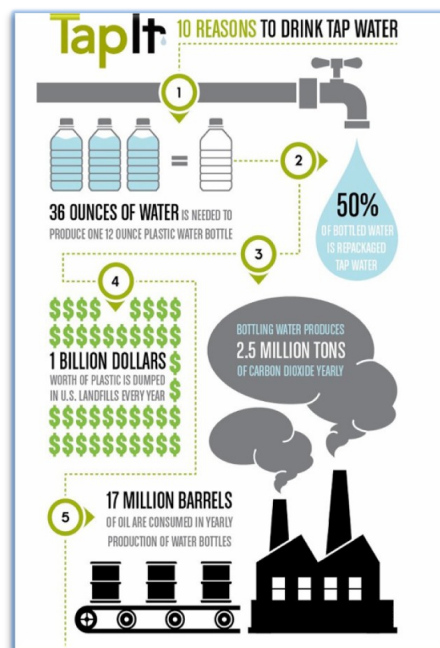
**Sam Boyd Neely, Jr.**  
Attorney

The electric plant board is made up of progressive community leaders and directs the management of MEWS.

The plant board consists of 5 members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

# *In The Community:* **National Drinking Water Week**

Every year during the first week of May, Mayfield Electric & Water Systems, along with the American Water Works Association, celebrates National Drinking Water Week! This celebration marks a time when MEWS and the community remember that clean, safe and reliable tap water is a convenience that should not be taken for granted. We in this community are very fortunate to be able to walk over to our tap, lift a handle, and enjoy safe, clean drinking water. This week gives MEWS the chance to bring awareness to the vital role water plays in our community while also showing appreciation to all of customers. Throughout National Drinking Water Week, MEWS gave away water bottles to be used with our new bottle-filling station (see article on page 4) and held opportunities to win water-related items such as Brita water pitchers, water hoses and sprinklers. Winners of the items were drawn on the Monday after National Drinking Water Week. Thank you to everyone who came out and celebrated with us! We hope you enjoy your eco-friendly, refillable water bottles!



## **Follow Us On Twitter**



Twitter is an online tool that helps connect businesses more effectively with the right audience at the right time. Businesses and organizations of all shapes and sizes are now using Twitter to stay connected to their customers. It can be used to quickly share information with people interested in your company and to build relationships with customers, partners and other people who care about your business.

Mayfield Electric and Water Systems invites you to follow us on Twitter to get minute-by-minute information about your utilities. There are updates on power outages, water main breaks, traffic alerts, boil water advisories, tree-trimming and daily work schedules.

To follow MEWS on Twitter, go to [www.mayfieldews.com](http://www.mayfieldews.com), scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on the twitter icon. Or, you can search @MEWSPublic at [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com).



# Getting To Know Us: Jeanna Elliott

Jeanna Rogers Elliott began employment with Mayfield Electric & Water Systems in 1984 as Power Utilization Engineer. After a long and varied 27 year career at MEWS, she retires this August as Customer Service and Marketing Manager.

Jeanna is a member of many community organizations of Mayfield, including Youth DEAL, Inc., Rotary, and the Purchase Players CPAC. When she is not working she enjoys spending her time with her son C.J. Elliott, who graduated from GCHS in May.

Jeanna has been an asset to Mayfield Electric & Water Systems and will be missed. We wish you well!



## MEWS Installs an Eco-Friendly Fountain

**Hydration is essential for good health.** That's why Mayfield Electric & Water Systems has installed a state-of-the-art water fountain in our lobby. Not only can our customers drink clean, refreshing water from this fountain when they visit, but it also has a bottle-filling station. So, our customers can feel free to bring in their reusable sports bottles and fill them up!

The bottle-filling station also has a "green" ticker that shows you how many plastic water bottles you save from filling up the landfill every time you fill a reusable one with MEWS tap water.

Don't have a reusable water bottle? Don't worry, MEWS has a complimentary BPA-free, biodegradable, environmentally-friendly one for you. These bottles were also made right here in the USA!

So, when you come to MEWS, bring your bottle and fill up while you are here! Remember, drinking water is essential for good health.



# Please Use Caution

Mayfield Electric & Water Systems has upgraded every water meter within the city limits to the new Automated Meter Infrastructure (AMI) metering system. These new meters provide our customers with innovative equipment that allows for daily consumption monitoring through [www.myusage.com](http://www.myusage.com), early leak detection, more accurate meter reading, and minute-by-minute readings to help track your water consumption and potentially save money.



These new meters have a black, plastic piece of equipment that is attached through and setting on top of your water meter lid (pictured above). This piece of equipment transmits your meter reading wirelessly to MEWS. **We respectfully ask that you please use caution when mowing or working near your water meter** as not to damage or destroy it. If it becomes inoperable, your readings will temporarily stop transmitting to our office and an MEWS employee will have to replace the equipment. MEWS strives to provide our customers with the best possible equipment and service at the most affordable price, but continually replacing our equipment can get costly. In order to sustain low-level rates and avoid passing the cost down to our customer, we ask you to please mow **around** your water meter, not over it, and we encourage you to call MEWS if your transmission device has been damaged. Thank you!



**Report Power Outages,  
Water, or Sewer Problems to:**

**270-247-4661**

**After hours call:**

**270-247-3531**

## *Employee Service Anniversaries*

*July, August & September*

Marty Ivy	22
Brian Womble	21
Kevin Workman	21
Dusty Qualls	14
Kevin Leonard	13
Jeff Kelley	11
Chris Cope	11
Todd Whitis	10
Jason Kendall	9
Van Allen	8
Miranda Evans	3

## **OFFICE CLOSINGS:**

**Independence Day**

**July 4, 2012**

**Labor Day**

**September 3, 2012**



Mayfield Electric & Water Systems encourages the use of CFL bulbs, but wants to remind our customers that CFLs contain very small traces of mercury and should not be disposed of in your regular garbage.

**Bring in your expired bulb and we will recycle it for FREE!**