



## See Us at The Home and Garden Show

Be sure to stop by our booth at The 2017 Chronicle Home & Garden Show. Our Energy Experts will be on hand in the Columbia County Fairgrounds Pavilion.

Visit the PUD booth from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 8, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 9. Our Energy Experts will provide information on a number of energy efficiency rebates and programs. These include:

- **Weatherization** - Includes replacing windows and adding insulation to your floors, windows, and walls
- **Electric Heat** - Ductless heat pumps, air source heat pumps, and zonal heating
- **Water Heating** - Find out how a heat pump water heater can save you money each month by lowering your electric usage

Tickets are free at The Chronicle office and St. Helens Community Credit Union if picked up in advance, or \$3 at the door the day of the show.

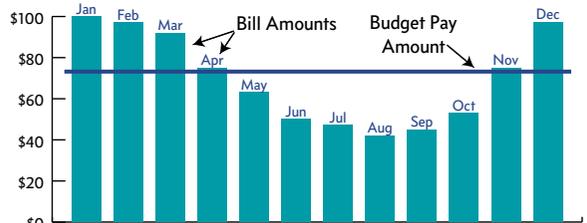
## March is the Month to Enroll in Our Budget Pay Program

**Worried about high winter bills?** Consider enrolling in our Budget Pay program.

Using Budget Pay, you pay the same amount each month, all year long. There is no guesswork when you receive your bill.

We enroll customers in Budget Pay in March. To enroll, you must have a zero balance and at least 12 months history with us. Each year in March, we review usage to set the monthly bill for the coming year.

Learn more about Budget Pay by calling Customer Accounts at **(503) 397-0590**, or visiting [www.crpud.net/budgetpay](http://www.crpud.net/budgetpay).



*"I think the Budget Pay program is great. I use it because there are no surprises for one year, from February to February. It makes it much easier to budget that way."*

*Diana P., St. Helens Budget Pay Customer*

## Call 8-1-1 Before You Dig

**If you're planning to dig this spring, be sure to call 8-1-1 before you dig.** Oregon law requires you to contact the utility locating service before you dig. This helps prevent dangerous cuts into electric or gas lines.

8-1-1 is a free service that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Be sure to call 8-1-1 at least two working days before any digging project. Learn more online at [www.digsafelyoregon.com](http://www.digsafelyoregon.com).



**Know what's below.  
 Call before you dig.**

## Floating Homes Annexation Moves Forward

The process of annexing floating homes in Multnomah Channel in to the PUD's political boundary is moving forward. Read more about this process online at [www.crpud.net/annexation](http://www.crpud.net/annexation).

## Congratulations to our 1st Community Hero

### Congratulations to Shanna Duggan, our Community Hero for January.

Shanna, who lives in St. Helens, was nominated by Brooke Sisco.

Shanna was nominated for inspiring women to exercise, support local businesses, and motivate people to try new things. See a video explaining more about Shanna's actions at [www.crpud.net/hero](http://www.crpud.net/hero).

We will honor a new hero each month. Visit [www.crpud.net/hero](http://www.crpud.net/hero) to make your nomination.



*Shanna Duggan, right, was nominated by Brooke Sisco to be our Community Hero.*

## Sign Up for Auto Pay and Paperless Billing

### Simplify your monthly bills by enrolling in our Auto Pay and Paperless Billing programs.

Stephanie and Simon in Scappoose are enrolled in these programs and they love the simplicity.

"We do it for two reasons. One, I don't have to think about it," said Simon.

"Two, it's nice because I just don't have paper come to my house. The less trees we can cut down the better."

Auto Pay pays your PUD bill each month with an automatic bank account deduction. You can choose your Auto Pay date to make it work with your pay schedule. To sign up for Auto Pay, visit [www.crpud.net/autopay](http://www.crpud.net/autopay).

Paperless Billing allows you to view your energy usage details electronically. Enroll at [www.crpud.net/paperless](http://www.crpud.net/paperless).

To learn more about either of these programs, call (503) 397-0590.



*The 2016 My Fair Lady Court, from left: Princess Judy Thompson, Scappoose; Princess Linda Kissinger, Clatskanie; Princess Lillibell Welter, Rainier; Princess Shirley Walker, St. Helens; and Queen Claudia Oblack, Vernonia. We are accepting nominations for the 2017 court.*

## Nominate a Senior Woman for the My Fair Lady pageant

### Do you know a fabulous senior woman who volunteers in our community?

Please nominate her for the 2017 My Fair Lady Court by April 7.

Throughout the year, the court participates in various activities around the county. 2016 Queen Claudia Oblack said that has been an enjoyable experience.

"It has just been a wonderful, rewarding experience for me. I've met some of the most amazing people and enjoyed my time with all of them," Oblack said. "I've really enjoyed being a part of that whole thing."

Nomination forms are available at the RSVP office in St. Helens, or on our website at [www.crpud.net/myfairlady](http://www.crpud.net/myfairlady).

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