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Annual Fire Hydrant Inspections

This time each year, YCUA winterizes the over 3,000 fire hydrants in its system and checks their operation for fire protection. The procedure involves an employee completing an inspection of the internal workings of each fire hydrant, making repairs, and removing water from the hydrant barrels to prevent freezing. YCUA will also flush or run each fire hydrant to insure that it will operate properly during an emergency. As part of this process, each fire hydrant is tagged with a ribbon to indicate that the winterization has been completed. The color of the ribbon changes each year and, this year, the color green was selected.

Area residents should be advised that, as crews flush fire hydrants, there may be some discoloration of the water. If rust-colored water is experienced, simply run the cold water tap for a few minutes to let the water clear. Please keep in mind not to wash any light colored clothing until the water is running clear. The rust coloring is caused by a natural buildup of minerals in the water system.

The fire hydrant inspection program helps insure that all of our fire hydrants are ready in the event of an emergency. If you have any questions about the program, please contact YCUA Director of Service Operations Michael Shaffer at 484-4600 ext. 311.
