## **Interesting Water Facts**

- An ear of corn is 80% water.
- 80% of a pineapple is water
- 95% of a tomato is water
- 51% of the people in the United States depend on groundwater for drinking water.
- There are about 1 million miles of pipelines and aqueducts in the U.S. and Canada—enough to circle the Earth 40 times.
- The first water pipes in the U.S. were made from fire-charred bored logs.
- Americans drink more than 1 billion glasses of tap water per day.
- There are 54,000 community water systems in the U.S., processing nearly 34 billion gallons of water per day.
- The soft drink manufacturing industry uses more than 12 billion gallons of water annually to produce products valued at almost 58 billion dollars.
- The average person spends less than 1% of his total personal expenditure dollars for water and wastewater services.
- The average person needs a minimum of 1.3 gallons of water per day to survive in a moderate climate.
- The average person needs a minimum of 13 gallons of water per day for drinking, cooking, and bathing.
- It is not safe for hikers and backpackers to drink water directly from streams.
- 82% of human blood is water.
- Water regulates body temperature, carries nutrients and oxygen to cells, cushions joints, and protects organs and tissues.
- Up to 60% of the human body is water.
- 70% of the human brain is water.
- Nearly 90% of human lungs are water
- A person can live about a month without food, but only about a week without water.
- ♦ You should drink about 1 3 cups of water for each hour of physical activity.