



TRI-COUNTY Electric Cooperative, Inc.

" A Commitment to Service and Savings "

Cooperative District Meetings Scheduled for August & September 2007



Wyman Pearson is the Director representing District II which includes the Weatherford area. Mr. Pearson has served on the Cooperative's Board since 1977 and will hold a district meeting at Harberger Hill in Weatherford on August 30, 2007.



Steve Harris is the Director representing District V serving the members in and around the Springtown area. This meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2007, and will be held at the Springtown Senior Citizens Center at 1070 N Main in Springtown.

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Don Lee is the Director representing District IX which includes the area in and around Southlake and Colleyville. This district meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2007, and will be held at the Whites Chapel United Methodist Church at 185 South Whith Chapel Blvd. in Southlake.

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Larry Miller is the Director representing District X which includes the area served by our B-K District office in Seymour. This district meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2007, and will be held at the Old Seymour High School located at 409 W Idaho on the corner of N Foley.

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Cooperatives help communities grow in a unique way. Cooperatives are owned and operated by the people they serve. That's you, your neighbor, people across town and in surrounding counties. Local control and local ownership make cooperatives special. The variety of goods and services provided by coops benefit the entire community.

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association has 864 distribution systems which are member owned providing electric service to over 40 million people in 47 states. That's quite a team of people working together to build a better community. This network of cooperatives working together helps strengthen responses to natural disasters like hurricanes, floods, earthquakes and fires. People working together has always been a strength for electric cooperatives and it continues still today.

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As an electric cooperative member, you need to be involved with the election of directors responsible for representing your interests. Tri-County Electric Cooperative is providing electric service to portions of sixteen counties in North Central Texas. Our service area is divided into nine districts, and the members from within each one of these districts has a responsibility to nominate a representative for the Cooperative's Board of Directors. This member involvement is why a cooperative is responsive to the wishes of its customers. Member ownership also means that you will receive the best possible value for your investment.

Members residing in Districts II, V, IX and X will be receiving a notice of their district meeting in the mail. We hope they will exercise their right to attend the district meeting. With your guidance and assistance, we can count on many more years of success!

August 2007 Member Information Bulletin

Your Thermostat Is The Best Tool For Cost Reduction



The thermostat on the wall of your home or business is one of the quickest ways to lower electric air-conditioning costs. For every degree of increase in temperature your operating cost can be reduced by as much as 3 percent. Make sure your thermostat is level and tightly mounted to the wall. A mechanical thermostat that is out of plumb will cause inaccurate operation of equipment.

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Remember to service the air filter on a regular basis. If the area in which you live is dusty it may need attention more frequently. Take note of the condition of the filter each time you remove it for maintenance. If you are on a monthly schedule and note that the filter is extremely dirty, you need to shorten the number of days between maintenance. Remember that during the hot summer months your unit is required to run longer to maintain the temperature. Longer run times means that the filter is seeing more cubic feet of air per day. Another condition affecting maintenance schedules is air quality. Hot dry conditions will result in more dusty conditions around the home.

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Dirty coils increase operating cost and can cause serious equipment failure. Keep them clean and save!

Make sure the outdoor condensing coil is clean and free of grass and other debris. This will improve efficiency and also prevent costly equipment failures.

Inspect doors and windows to make sure they are closing properly. A missing or torn weather seal can cause increased air infiltration resulting in higher operating cost. Keep windows latched as the locking mechanism frequently results in a tighter seal. Use the dollar bill inspection around doors. Close the dollar bill in each side and several locations around the door. If the seal is working properly you should meet firm resistance when you close the door and attempt to pull the dollar free. No resistance indicates a defective door gasket.

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From The Cooperative Kitchen



This month's recipe was provided by Maggie Escobedo from Weatherford TX. She will receive a Texas Co-Op Power Cookbook, compliments of TCEC.

PECAN BALLS

... INGREDIENTS ...

3 - Egg Whites

1 - Cup of Sugar

2 - Cups of Pecans – Copped

BEAT EGG WHITES UNTIL FLUFFY AND ADD SUGAR AND PECANS.

HAND ROLL BALLS FROM MIXTURE AND PLACE ON A COOKIE SHEET THAT HAS BEEN SPRAYED WITH A NONSTICK SPRAY.

BAKE PECAN BALLS AT 350 DEGREES IN THE OVEN FOR APPROXIMATELY 20 - 25 MINUTES.

HINT: COCONUT CAN BE SUBSTITUTED FOR PECANS.

THIS MIXTURE MAKES ABOUT 2 DOZEN. THEY ARE EASY TO MAKE AND SO VERY GOOD.

It Pays To Stay Informed!

Find your account number in our Member Information Bulletin and you will receive a \$20.00 credit on your electric bill. Simply make a note of your discovery on the return payment portion of your bill or give one of our offices a call.

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