

Member Information Bulletin

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We are here for you during the COVID-19 Pandemic.



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Brazos Bankruptcy and Summer Grid Conditions

We are three months into the Brazos bankruptcy and our commitment of transparency with you remains. As a member of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, you can rest assured that co-op leadership has your best interest at the forefront. Here's what you need to know this month:

- ▶ Brazos's bankruptcy is a fluid process that is far from over. Important hearing and filing dates are approaching and we continue to work with legal counsel and consultants to navigate this situation. This is a problem not of our making, but we are doing our best to represent the interests of the Tri-County Electric Co-op membership.
- ▶ The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) is predicting a hot summer, and higher temperatures typically include a higher demand for electricity. Co-op leadership continues to focus on system reliability and reducing exposure to market price volatility through these peak times. 800861301
- ▶ Summertime is a prime opportunity to practice energy efficiency. Members may find energy-saving tips and tools on our website at tcectexas.com. Follow us on Facebook @TCECTexas for energy-saving tips and updates. 195601001

Members may be eligible for federal assistance to pay utility and rent bills.

The Texas Rent Relief (TRR) Program received \$1 billion in federal assistance with the recent Coronavirus Relief Bill. The funds help Texans with unpaid bills dating back to March 13, 2020.

Approximately \$100 million has been paid to Texans since applications opened in February 2021.

Eligibility includes households at or below 80% of the area's median income; one or more of the tenants qualify for unemployment benefits or can attest they experienced a loss of income or experienced financial hardship during the pandemic. 800697186

To check eligibility and apply, visit texasrentrelief.com or call 1-833-989-7368.

We are in this together.

Strawberry Ice Cream Pie

Martha Cyphers of Aledo



Strawberry Jell-O, 2 small boxes or 1 large box

¼ cup sugar

1 ¾ cup water

2 pints strawberry ice cream

8 oz. cool whip

3 graham cracker crusts

Dissolve Jell-O and sugar in water. Chill until thick syrup consistency. Beat until light and fluffy.

Add ice cream and beat at a low speed until ice cream is incorporated into the Jell-O mixture. Fold in cool whip.

Divide mixture among the three graham cracker crusts. Put in refrigerator for at least 2 hours to chill.

Enjoy!

Wired in History:

The merger of Tri-County Electric Co-op and the B-K Electric Co-op, headquartered at Seymour, was approved by the Texas Public Utility Commission, resulting in a combined membership of 43,716 meters in 16 counties.

From the Tri-County Electric Co-op minutes, June 16, 1998

It Pays to Stay Informed!

Find your account number in our Member Information Bulletin or the *Texas Co-op Power* and you will receive a \$20 credit on your electric bill! **Simply contact our Member Services department by calling 817-444-3201.**

Share your Favorite Recipe!

Please submit your favorite recipe and this form to the Communications Department.

The recipe submission is a free and voluntary service provided by Tri-County Electric Cooperative. As we have more than 95,800 member-owners, we may receive high volumes of submissions. Recipes must be submitted before the 20th of each month to be considered for the next Member Bulletin or issue of the *Texas Co-op Power* (i.e., June 20th for the August issue). We reserve the right to refuse any recipe. Please submit recipes through the postal service or email and not on the back of your payment stub. These stubs are processed automatically because we receive hundreds daily. 8003153201

Name: _____

Town: _____

Recipe Name: _____

Email: Please include the above information with your recipe and send to pr@tcectexas.com

Online:
tcectexas.com/recipe-submission

Postal service: Please detach and submit this form with your recipe and mail to

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