



Lyon-Coffey Events

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ATTENTION:

Lyon-Coffey Annual Meeting 2007

Monday, April 9, 2007

Burlington High School, 830
 Cross St., Burlington

Dinner Served – 5:30 p.m.
 (Please RSVP)

Business Meeting – 7 p.m.

**Grand Door Prize
 \$250 FREE Electricity**

Great Food
 Annual Report
 Trustee Election
 By-Law Change Vote
 FREE Child Care during
 Business Meeting
 Wonderful Entertainment by
 The Kirchner Family

Kindly RSVP for dinner
 by March 23 by calling
 1-800-748-7395 or
 (620) 364-2116.
 You can also RSVP by mail
 using the form enclosed in
 this month's electric bill.

**We hope to
 see you there!**

Letter From The Manager



Scott Whittington

By the time you read this column the Cost of Service study will have been completed by C. H. Guernsey and the results presented to the cooperative's Board of Trustees.

As you may recall, the last general rate increase for Lyon-Coffey Electric was in 1993. The average life for a rate in the cooperative community is four to five years. Having held the line for 13 years is truly remarkable.

The Lyon-Coffey Electric staff has been very effective in confining costs and working efficiently over this period of time.

The next phase for the cooperative will be designing rates for the different classes. This activity will define the class revenue

requirements to meet the cost recovery obligations of the cooperative, recover revenue fairly for each member, and to meet the strategic goals identified by the Board of Trustees.

As always, we are willing to discuss this issue or any other topic you would like to talk about.

Either stop by the offices in Burlington or Emporia, or just give us a call. A public hearing will be announced to provide the membership with an opportunity to discuss any proposed changes at a meeting of the Board of Trustees. Notice of that meeting will appear in the pages of this section of *Kansas Country Living* magazine next month.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!
 From Lyon-Coffey Electric Cooperative

Nominating Committee Report

The appointed Nominating Committee met at the Burlington Cooperative office, Friday, February 9, 2007, to nominate members to fill the three Trustee positions open for election at the Annual Meeting April 9, 2007.

Additional members can be nominated for these positions by written petition of any 15 or more members or by nomination from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Any member is eligible to become a Board member of the cooperative provided they are a bona fide resident of the particular district which is open for election. Are not in any way employed or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy, or supplies to the cooperative, or a business primarily engaged

2007 Trustee Nominees

District I

Robert Converse
12976 Hwy K-31
Harveyville, KS 66431

District II

George Zentner
20922 NW Hwy K-31
Garnett, KS 66032

District IV

Harvey Raaf
P.O. Box 254
Gridley, KS 66852

in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures, services, or supplies to the members of the cooperative.

Active employees are not eligible to become a Board member or actively support the candidacy of a member for election.

Lyon-Coffey Board Recommends Bylaw Change at Annual Meeting

The Lyon-Coffey Electric Board of Trustees is recommending a bylaw change to be voted on by the members at the Annual Meeting, Monday, April 9, 2007. The proposed change is:

Article VII, Non-Profit Operation: Section 2, Patronage Capital in Connection with Furnishing Electric Energy

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, the Board of Trustees at its discretion, shall have the power to retire capital credits, however, that the financial condition of the cooperative will not be impaired.

All persons to whom capital credits have been allocated shall keep the cooperative informed of their current mailing address and the cooperative shall be obligated to pay each member or former member his share of the capital if so retired in accordance with these bylaws by either;

(1) applying the capital credit as a credit to a current member's account; or

(2) issuing checks and mailing same to such members and former members at their last known address as shown in the records of the cooperative; provided, however, that no check shall be issued or mailed to any member or former member whose mailed check for the previous year was returned unclaimed, unless a true and correct address is furnished the cooperative.

All amounts represented by checks which are unclaimed or uncashed at the end of three years from the date of the mailing of such checks, shall be deemed a contribution to the capital of the cooperative.

Cash Rebates from Lyon-Coffey Electric

Lyon-Coffey Electric is coordinating with the Kansas Electric Power Cooperative in offering a cash rebate to our members for certain water heater purchases and heat pump installations.

Following Are the Details of the Rebate Program

The cooperative must inspect the newly installed water heater or heat pump before rebates will be paid.

Electric Water Heaters

- 40-60 gallon water heaters must have minimum energy factor of .93
 - Over 60 gallon water heaters must have a minimum energy factor of .91
 - Cash Rebate = \$100 for regular or \$200 for a lifetime warranty heater
- Note:* Most standard water heater tanks do not meet the minimum energy factor. If a water heater rebate was paid on the unit being replaced, a second rebate can be paid only if the warranty has expired.

Water Heater Rebates Apply When:

1. The member installs an electric water heater in a new residence or business.
2. The member replaces a natural gas or LP gas water heater at the member's residence.
3. The member replaces an existing electric water heater with a new electric water heater.

Electric Heat Pump

When a member installs in a new residence or replaces any existing heating system with a heat pump the following rebates apply.

- 14 SEER - \$100 per ton, plus \$100 per unit
- 15 SEER - \$150 per ton, plus \$100 per unit
- 16 SEER and above - \$200 per ton, plus \$100 per unit
- Geothermal - \$125 per half ton, plus \$100 per unit