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June is Dairy Month

In recognition of Dairy month, Red Lake Electric Cooperative would (3726003.02 Bruce and Lynae Holte) like to take a moment to salute local dairy farmers and the entire dairy industry.

The Cooperative appreciates the outstanding effort and vital contributions these farmers make to the area.

- Good-Vue Ayr Farms, Michael and Linda Hanson, Goodridge.

- Marion and David Vraa, Goodridge.
- Daniel and Susan Holen, Goodridge.
- Dale and Sheri Rupperecht, Thief River Falls.
- Leonard and Marge Geske, Thief River Falls.
- Kora-Kesh Holsteins, Ryan and Karon Griffin, Thief River Falls.
- Beyer Brothers, Chip and Neil Beyer, Red Lake Falls.
- Schindler Brothers, Joe and Carl Schindler, Red Lake Falls.
- Gerardy Farms, Tony and Sheila Gerardy, Plummer.
- Walter Brothers, Ray and Roger Walter, Plummer.
- Arlen, Gerda and Dean Koskela, Plummer.



- Gary Rahier, Oklee.
- Wayra Dairy, Wayne and Debra Vettleson, Trail.
- Orville and Shirley Brinkman, Trail.

Minnesota Dairy Facts

- Approximately 4,540 dairy farms produce milk that provides milk, cheese, yogurt and other dairy foods for residents of Minnesota, the U.S. and dairy consumers around the world.
- Approximately 98 percent of all Minnesota dairy farms are owned by families - in many cases, multiple generations of the same family.
- In Minnesota, the average dairy cow will produce 7.5 gallons of milk per day.
- That's more than 2,257 gallons over the course of a typical year.
- Minnesota dairy farms produce 1.06 billion gallons of milk annually.
- Dairy is the second largest agricultural business in Minnesota.
- Generating \$1.66 billion a year.
- Total economic impact to Minnesota is \$11.5 billion.

RLEC announces scholarship recipients

Each year, Red Lake Electric Cooperative provides scholarships for graduating seniors at each of the high schools operating throughout the Cooperative's service area.

The recipients are selected by the scholarship selection committee at the high schools. There were 11 recipients this year with each student receiving \$500.

The funds for these scholarships come from unclaimed capital credits.

Congratulations and best wishes to these scholarship recipients.



KAYLEE DAVIDSON
Marshall County Central
Kevin and Patty Davidson
Newfolden



JAKE THOMPSON
Badger/Greenbush/Middle River
David and Karleen Thompson
Middle River



KAYLANI KIESOW
Grygla-Gatzke High School
Ron and Coleen Kiesow
Goodridge



RACHEL FREDERICK
Goodridge High School
Dave and Joani Frederick
Goodridge



KEVIN LONGTIN
Red Lake County Central
Lonnie and Michelle Longtin
Plummer

Slay energy vampires with smart strips

By Brian Sloboda

As children, most of us were told to turn off the TV when no one was in the room to keep from wasting energy. But with today's televisions, turning off the set doesn't save as much energy as you think. "Off" doesn't really mean off anymore.

Several devices found inside your home are commonly referred to as "parasitic loads," "phantom loads," or "energy vampires"—consuming electricity even when switched off. Phantom loads can be found in almost every room, but a favorite "coffin" is your entertainment center.

Most TVs today slowly sip electricity while waiting patiently for someone to press the "on" button. They also use energy to remember channel lineups, language preferences, and the time. VCRs, DVD players, DVRs, and cable or satel-



lite boxes also use energy when we think they're turned off.

Studies show that in an average home, 5 percent to 8 percent of electricity consumption stems from phantom (1126005.02 James A. Fick, Sr.) loads. To put that in perspective, the average North American household consumes roughly 10,800 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of electricity per year. If you estimate that 6.5 percent of your total electricity consumption comes from phantom loads, the amount drained by these vampires equals about 700

kWh annually— or \$70 every year.

So how can you tell which devices are okay to leave plugged in and which need to have a wooden stake driven through their hearts?

Identify Plug Parasites

Microwave ovens and alarm clocks, which use relatively

small amounts of standby power, are acceptable to leave plugged in. A digital video recorder (DVR) uses a fairly significant amount of power when turned off, but if you record programs frequently you will want to leave it plugged in.

You don't have to worry about unplugging items with mechanical on/off switches, such as lamps, hair dryers, or small kitchen appliances like toasters or mixers—they don't draw any power when turned off.

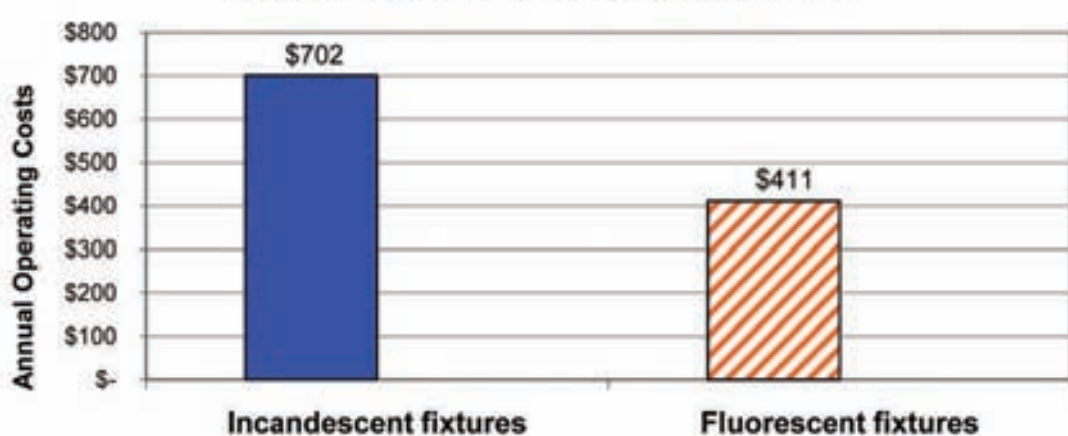
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QUICK TAKES

A look at some statistics from your Red Lake Electric Cooperative

Red Lake Electric Cooperative, Inc. will pay cash rebates to business customers for retrofitting inefficient existing lights to efficient fluorescent lights. The rebate amount is determined by the conversion type. Retrofitting to energy efficient fluorescent lights should realize an energy savings of 30% or greater. The table below shows the annual dollar savings for converting 15-250 watt, incandescent fixtures to 15-147 watt, T8 high-bay, 4 foot, 4 lamp, fluorescent fixtures. The installed cost per fixture used is \$245, the rebate amount per fixture is \$70, the annual hours of operation are 2080, and the cost per kilowatt hour is 9 cents.

Lighting Cost Comparisons



Based on the above figures this conversion would realize a six year payback if electric rates remained constant.



ALEXIS KLEMETSON
Lincoln High School
Tonya Klemetson and
Gary Klemetson
Thief River Falls



SHERI BARTH
Lincoln High School
Randy and Patti Barth
Thief River Falls



TRACY MEHRKENS
Lincoln High School
Albert and Cathy Mehrkens
Thief River Falls



ZACHARY CYMBALUK
Crookston High School
Daniel and Becky Cymbaluk
Crookston



KRISTEN WEISS
Lafayette High School
Ron and Sharon Weiss
Red Lake Falls

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Manager's Comments

by Roger Johanneck



PLAN Ahead

"Plan ahead" were words painted on a sign in my high school shop/industrial arts class. The signs lettering started off in nice even sized letters and then became progressively smaller and curved down to the lower right corner of the board because the sign's maker didn't allow enough room for the large font size they started out with.

It was a simple but catchy way to impress upon the students in class about the importance of planning ahead for the various projects we would build in school and I suppose, whatever followed high school.

All the planning we are required to do in the electric business has me think of that sign occasionally; most recently as your board of directors put their stamp of approval on two engineering studies completed at the Cooperative: one, a 20-year long range plan and two, a four year construction work plan and sectionalizing study.

The general purpose of each of these studies are similar in that they both analyze the past performance of Red Lake Electric Cooperative's system and to determine, recommend and estimate the cost of the system improvements required to provide satisfactory service under the electric load expected in the future. The Rural Utilities Service, our lender, also requires that we conduct these studies to maintain financing with them.

The long range plan is a management guide that outlines the most practical and economical means for providing safe and reli-

able electric service to RLEC's current and future customers. With proper maintenance, most of RLEC's distribution facilities have an installed life exceeding 40 years. The fact that facilities have such a long (6704004.02 Melvin R. Johnson, Jr.) life span along with the increasing high cost of construction distribution facilities, make it imperative to ensure our distribution facilities are sized properly.

The shorter planning tool is the four-year construction work plan that includes proposed system improvements from 2012 through 2015 and is used as the basis for our loan application to the USDA Rural Utilities Service.

Projecting growth in consumers, energy (kWh) usage, winter and summer peak energy demand, as well as ways to improve the reliability of the system through new tie lines, additional sectionalizing equipment and conductor and equipment replacement are all a part of this plan.

Energy (kWh) sales has fluctuated up or down from year to year but overall, members served and energy usage has been on a steady rise since the Cooperative was formed. An example of that is the energy purchased in 2009 was the most ever in the Cooperative's history; over 142 million kilowatt-hours were purchased to supply our member's energy needs. In 2010 energy purchases dropped off to 138 million kilowatt-hours. In 1980, annual energy purchases were 88 million kilowatt-hours. Over a 30 year period, even with the occasional dips in usage, annual energy needs by RLEC members increased by 56 percent.

What will energy sales look like

in another 30 years? How many homes and businesses will we serve? What kind of impact will new technologies or new governmental regulations that impact our cost of providing service have on system sales and demand for energy?

We know technology will increase efficiencies from today's appliances, and that new technologies and new gadgets will place additional demands on our system. Will you be driving a car powered by electricity within the next 10, 20 or 30 years? These are some interesting questions to ponder as we plan for the future and construct a system to reliably supply the energy needs of our members.

Another study used in our business that provides direction in our construction plans is the power requirements study. This study is conducted every two years by RLEC and all of the Minnkota Power systems. The study focuses on energy trends and power supply needs and concluded that the average new consumer over the next 10 years will use slightly more kWh per household than the present residential consumer.

Long range planning at your Cooperative is not something that you should have to concern yourselves with, after all, that is what we as your employees have been hired, among other tasks, to do. I thought you would like to know a little bit about the plans we have in place, so you are aware that the work you see going on throughout our service area is not a random act of setting poles and stringing wire. We want you to know we have a plan in place and we are building your Cooperative to be a reliable energy provider for today and well in to the future.



Member Service Department

by Kevin Reich

Incandescent versus compact fluorescent

Some people are under the misconception that incandescent light bulbs are being phased out.

Incandescent in their present form are to be phased out, but can be/will be replaced with more efficient counterparts.

Over the years, the incandescent bulb has changed very little. Of the energy consumed by the bulb, 5 to 10 percent provides lighting and the other 90 to 95 percent produces heat. In my opinion, this is not all bad when we live in an area where the heating degree days out-number the cooling degree days about 25 to 1. But manufacturers are being forced to improve the efficiency of incandescent bulbs due to the Federal Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.

The law does not ban the use or manufacture of incandescent bulbs, nor does it mandate the use of compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs). It simply requires that companies make incandescent that are 30 percent more efficient.

The time frame for the production of more efficient incandescent spans from January, 2012 to January, 2014; starting with the 100-watt bulb and ending with the 40-watt bulb. There are exemptions written into the law that excludes "specialty bulbs" such as three-way bulbs, appliance bulbs, rough service bulbs and many others.

There is a more energy efficient 72-watt incandescent that has been made to replace the 100-watt incandescent. It is currently only available in California therefore you will not find it locally, yet.

Currently there are two other options to incandescent and those are CFLs or light emitting diodes (LEDs). For the most part, LEDs are not a viable option if one tries to justify the additional purchase price. Therefore CFLs are the most cost effective option.

Some people do not care for the look of the "spiral" bulb or the cool light of the CFLs. Other downfalls of the CFLs are the inability to provide instant full brilliancy and the fact each bulb does contain a small amount of mercury. For the most

part, these concerns are being addressed as improvements have been and will continue to be made.

One true advantage of CFLs is they use about 75 percent less energy than an equivalent incandescent.

Often it is stated that a CFL bulb has not lasted for the hours of operation expected. I think this can also hold true for incandescent.

There are two things one should consider when purchasing any type of bulb, the (6828004.01 David Plante) voltage rating and the purchase price. These two things often go hand-in-hand. Purchasing bulbs

with a 130-watt rating rather than bulbs with lower wattage ratings, will last longer. One can be assured that these bulbs will be a little more expensive. Bulbs are not different than anything else one purchases in that "you get what you pay for."

Every type of bulb has its advantages and disadvantages and lighting options will continue to evolve. So one asks the question, what is the best option – personal preference.

Have a safe, enjoyable, sun-lit summer.

Happy Fourth of July

In observance of Independence Day, Red Lake Electric Cooperative's headquarters will be closed Monday, July 4.

In case of an electrical emergency or outage, call the after-hour phone number 218-253-2200.

As you celebrate Independence Day, remember to play and celebrate safely and responsibly.



Mission Statement

It is the mission of Red Lake Electric Cooperative to enhance the quality of life for people of our service area by consistently providing quality electric service and other valued services while holding our employees, our community and our environment in high regard.



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From the Mail Bag

Dear RLEC:

Thank you so much for the \$500 scholarship for my college education.

Sheri Barth
Thief River Falls

Dear RLEC:

Thank you so much for awarding me your generous scholarship, it will help out in my education to come.

Alexis Klemetson
Thief River Falls

Dear RLEC:

Thank you for providing me with the scholarship. It will be greatly appreciated as I pursue my degree at BSU next year.

Kevin Longtin
Plummer

Dear RLEC:

Thank you for the generous scholarship. It will be used next year when I attend the University of Minnesota, Crookston. I will be majoring in agribusiness and minoring in agronomy. Thanks again.

Zach Cymbaluk
Crookston

Dear RLEC:

I would like to thank you for awarding me your \$500 scholarship. The money will help with my college expenses while attending the University of Minnesota, Crookston while pursuing a degree in agronomy.

Jake Thompson
Middle River

Dear RLEC:

I would like to thank you so much for the donation that you have given to the 4-H Youth Development Program here in Red Lake County. This means so much to the 4-H members. It is a great incentive for them to work hard on their fair exhibits.

I would like to invite you to come to the Red Lake County Fair in Oklee June 24 through 26. We will be having the 4-H awards presentation on Saturday, June 25 at 6 p.m. in the community hall.

Thanks again for your donation.
Sincerely,
Sharon Weiss
4-H Program Coordinator
Red Lake County

WE PROUDLY PRESENT TO YOU The Red Lake Electric Cooperative Customer Service Guarantee



It's short and simple! Red Lake Electric Cooperative employees will meet or exceed your expectations of friendly, courteous service and will meet any commitments they make to you. If your expectations of the service provided by our employees is not met, please contact me at the Red Lake Electric Cooperative office, 253-2168. You will receive \$5.00 for your inconvenience and our promise to serve you better in the future. Our employees' commitment to quality customer service makes this guarantee possible.



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NOTICE

Hidden within the text of the articles of this issue of the Volts & Jolts are the names and account numbers of five RLEC members. They will appear within the articles in parenthesis as such (9999999.99 Roger P. Member). If you find your name and account number, clip it out and send it with your next payment. You will be credited with \$5 on your electric bill.



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Things you should know about your electric service

BILLINGS AND COLLECTION

You will receive your energy bill on or near the 20th of each month.

Payment of your monthly energy bill is due on the 20th of the month. You may pay your bill in person at RLEC during office hours, use the 24-hour drive-up drop box located next to the RLEC office, by Auto Pay, or by mail. Payment must be in the office, drop box, Auto Pay, or in the mail, as evidenced by the postmark, by the 5th day of the following month to avoid a late payment charge. A 1 1/2% monthly late payment charge will be computed on delinquent energy bills, the minimum late payment charge will be \$1.00.

If your payment is not received by the 15th of the month, a final notice of disconnection statement will be included on your following bill. The final notice statement will notify you when your electric service will be disconnected if the delinquent amount remains unpaid. If an employee is sent to disconnect your electric service, a \$50 collection fee will be charged to your account, even if you pay the collector.

To have a disconnected service reconnected, all amounts owing, a \$50 reconnection fee, and a security deposit must be paid. If the service must be reconnected after normal working hours, a \$100 reconnection fee must be paid.

BAD CHECKS

A \$15 charge will be levied each time a check is returned because of nonsufficient funds, account being closed or payment stopped.

OUTAGES

In case your electricity goes out, please do the following:

1. Check your fuses or breakers at the yard pole or meter pedestal.
2. Call your neighbor to see if they are out of electricity also.
3. Call the RLEC office (218-253-2168 or 1-800-245-6068) during working hours or 218-253-2200 after hours. We will accept collect calls for outages only.

METER TESTS

RLEC has a schedule in place to have its meters periodically tested for accuracy. Results from these tests show that meters generally slow down with age; however, if you think that your meter is recording too much usage, RLEC will test it for accuracy. You must pay a test fee in advance of the test. If the meter test shows that the meter was inaccurate, the test fee will be refunded to you.

STOPPED METERS

If you find your meter has stopped and you are using electricity, please contact the office immediately so we can replace it. Average consumption will be billed to the member for the time the meter was stopped so there is no advantage in not reporting a stopped meter.

METER READINGS

An automated meter reading system is utilized to obtain monthly meter readings. Although the system is normally reliable, there is always a chance that the correct reading has not been transmitted to the office for billing. Customers should periodically read their meter and compare it to the reading on the billing statement. If the actual reading is not close to the billing statement reading, please call the office.

GENERAL SERVICE RATES

Facilities charge variable \$24 to \$31 month
First 500 KWH 9.6¢ Kwh
Over 500 KWH (April-Dec.) 8.4¢ Kwh
Over 500 KWH (Jan.-Mar.) 9.1¢ Kwh
Multiphase users add \$20/month cost of service charge.

Standby, \$12/month (meter disconnected but the power line retained; standby is not available on services larger than 15 KVA transformer capacity).

Security light, \$7/month, high pressure sodium, \$8/month, mercury vapor; water heater flat credit, \$7/month (on January-April billing); off-peak equipment charge, \$5.00/month per heat meter; off-peak electric heat rate, 4.7¢/kWh long-term control, 7.0¢/kWh short-term control.

Recipe corner

Apple Crisp Muffins

2 c. all-purpose flour
1/3 c. packed brown sugar
2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 egg, beaten
1 c. 2% milk
1/2 c. canola oil
2 c. finely chopped peeled apples
Filling:
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
2 Tbsp. maple syrup
4 tsp. grated orange peel
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
Topping:
1/4 cup all-pupose flour
1/4 cup old-fashioned oats
1/4 cup packed brown sugar
1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
3 Tbsp. cold butter
1/4 cup chopped pecans
In a larg bowl, combine the flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and cinna-
mon. In another bowl, combine egg, milk and oil. Stir into dry ingredients
just until moistened. Fold in apples. Fill greased or paper-lined muffin cups
three-fourths full.
In a small bowl, beat the filling ingredients until smooth. Drop by table-
spoonfuls into centers of muffins.
For topping, in a small bowl, combine the flour, oats, brown sugar and
cinnamon. Cut in butter until crumbly. Stir in pecans. Sprinkle over filling.
Bake at 400 degrees for 16 to 20 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in
muffin comes out clean. Cool for five minutes before removing from pan to
wire rack. Yield: one dozen.

Amaretto Peach Parfaits

4 egg whites
1/2 tsp. cream of tartar
1 c. sugar
Parfaits:
5 c. sliced peeled fresh or frozen peaches, thawed
1/4 c. sugar
1 Tbsp. plus 1/4 cup Amaretto, divided
1/2 c. cream cheese, softened
1 c. confectioners' sugar
2 c. heavy whipping cream
Optional toppings: toasted flaked coconut and/or sliced almonds.
In a large bowl, beat egg whites and cream of tartar on medium speed
until soft peaks form. Gradually add sugar, 1 Tbsp. at a time, beating on
high until stiff glossy peaks form and sugar dissolved.
Drop by heaping tablespoonfuls two inches apart onto parchment paper-
lined baking sheets. Bake at 250 degrees for 32 to 38 minutes or until firm
to the touch. Turn oven off; leave meringues in oven for one hour. Remove
from the oven and cool on baking sheets.

Nectarine Barbecued Cornish Hen

2 medium nectarines, peeled and sliced
2 Tbsp. ketchup
2 tsp. thawed orange juice concentrate
1 tsp. sugar
1/8 tsp. chili powder
2 Tbsp. finely chopped onion
1 tsp. olive oil
1 garlic clove, minced
1 Cornish game hen (20 oz.), halved lengthwise
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
In a food processor, combine the first five ingredients; cover and process
until smooth.
In a small skillet, saute onion in oil until tender. Add garlic; cook one
minute longer. Stir in nectarine mixture and bring to boil; cook and stir for
one minute
Sprinkle hen with salt and pepper. Using long-handled tongs, dip a paper
towel in cooking oil and lightly coat the grill rack. Grill hen, covered, over
medium heat for 20 to 25 minutes or until juices run clear, turning and bast-
ing occasionally with sauce. Yield: two servings.

Rosemary Pork with Berry Port Sauce

2 pork tenderloins (1 lb. each)
2 tsp. olive oil
1 tsp. minced fresh rosemary or 1/2 tsp. dried rosemary, crushed
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. pepper
Sauce:
1 shallot, finely chopped
1 tsp. olive oil
1-1/2 c. port wine or grape juice
1 c. reduced-sodium chicken broth
1 c. fresh or frozen blueberries
1/2 c. dried cherries
1/2 tsp. minced fresh rosemary or 1/4 tsp. dried rosemary, crushed
Rub pork with oil; sprinkle with rosemary, salt and pepper. Place on a
rack in a shallow roasting pan. Bake at 425 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes or
until a meat thermometer reads 160 degrees.
Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, saute shallot in oil. Stir in the remain-
ing sauce ingredients. Bring to a boil; cook until liquid is reduced by half.
Cool slightly. Transfer to a blender; cover and process until blended.
Let pork stand for five minutes; slice and serve with sauce. Yield: eight
servings.

Chicken Stuffed with Walnuts, Apples & Brie

1/4 c. chopped onion
3 Tbsp. butter, divided
1/2 c. chopped peeled apple
2 Tbsp. chopped walnuts, toasted
1/8 tsp. dried rosemary, crushed
Dash plus 1/4 tsp. salt, divided
Dash plus 1/4 tsp. pepper, divided
2 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (6 oz. each)
1/8 tsp. garlic powder
2 oz. Brie cheese, cubed
1/4 c. cider vinegar
3/4 c. unsweetened apple juice, divided
1-1/2 tsp. cornstarch
In a large skillet, saute onion in 1 Tbsp. butter for one minute. Add apple;
cook 2 to 3 minutes longer or until apple is golden brown. Remove from the
heat; add walnuts, rosemary, and a dash of salt and pepper.
Flatten chicken to 1/4 inch thickness; sprinkle with garlic powder and
remaining salt and pepper. Place apple mixture and Brie on half of each
chicken breast; fold chicken over. Secure with toothpicks if necessary.
In the same skillet, brown chicken in remaining butter. Stir in vinegar
and 1/4 cup apple juice. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and cook for 15
to 20 minutes or until a meat thermometer reads 170 degrees.
Remove chicken to a serving platter; discard toothpicks. Combine corn-
starch and remaining apple juice; add to the pan. Bring to a boil; cook and
stir for two minutes or until thickened. Serve with chicken. Yield: two serv-
ings.

Apple Kolaches

1 c. butter
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
2 c. all-purpos flour
1-1/2 c. finely chopped peeled apples
1/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
Icing:
1 c. confectioners' sugar
4-1/2 tsp. 2% milk
1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
In a large bowl, beat butter, and cream cheese until light and fluffy.
Gradually add flour and mix well. Divide dough into two portions; cover
and refrigerate for two hours or until easy to handle.
In a small bowl, combine apples and cinnamon. On a lightly floured sur-
face, roll one portion of dough into a 15 inch by 9 inch rectangle; cut into
three-inch squares. Place a teaspoonful of apple mixture in the center of
each square. Overlap two opposite corners of dough over filling; pinch
tightly to seal.
Place two inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Repeat with remain-
ing dough and apple mixture. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes or
until bottoms are lightly browned. Cool for one minute before removing
from pans to wire racks. Combine the icing ingredients; drizzle over
kolaches. Yield: two and a half dozen.

Red Lake Electric Cooperative, Inc. Operating Report MONTHLY COMPARISON

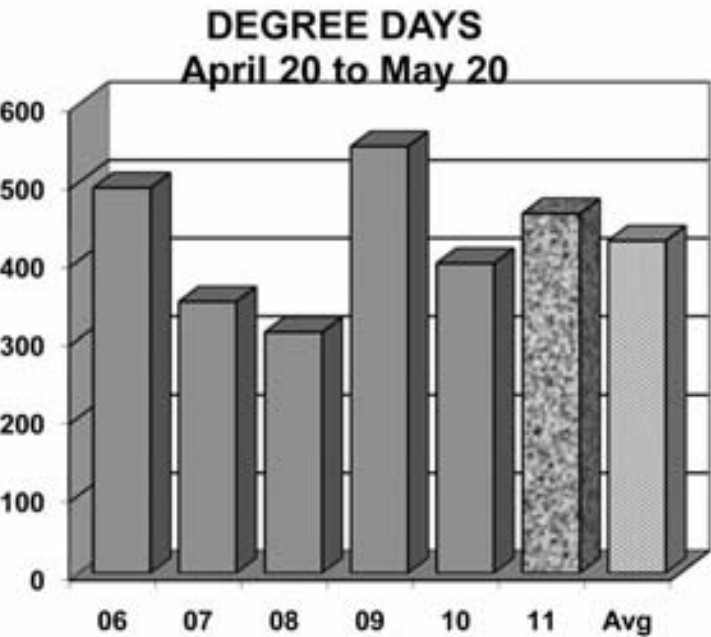
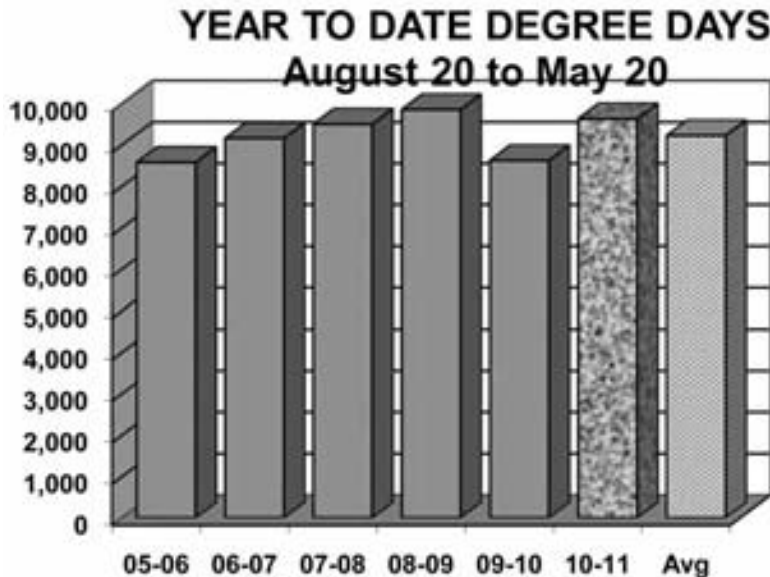
	APRIL 2010	APRIL 2011
Total Revenue	\$ 884,154	\$ 1,148,232
Total Margins	\$ 44,350	\$ (7,132)
Cost of Power	\$ 620,820	\$ 888,642
KWH's Purchased	10,871,375	12,362,420
Capital Credits Paid to Estates	\$ 14,373	\$ 24,239

YEAR TO DATE COMPARISON

	APRIL 2010	APRIL 2011
Total Revenue	\$ 4,537,829	\$ 5,128,663
Total Margins	\$ 681,805	\$ 654,026
Cost of Power	\$ 2,869,420	\$ 3,442,990
KWH's Purchased	57,929,423	62,473,865
New Service Connections	6	5
Customers Served	5,200	5,196
Capital Credits Paid to Estates	\$ 29,982	\$ 37,012
Miles of Line		
Overhead	2,325	2,324
Underground	235	239

DEGREE DAYS

To determine degree days, you must calculate the daily mean temperature for the time period you are measuring. Degree day computation is based on the assumption that a building does not require any heat if the outside temperature averages 65 degrees during a 24-hour period. To obtain a degree day figure, the high temperature and the low temperature for the day are added and the total divided by two. That figure is then subtracted from 65. For example, if the high temperature was 30 degrees and the low temperature 10 degrees, the figure would be 30+10=40; 40/2=20; 65-20=45. This would be a 45-degree day. The higher the degree day figure, the more heat required to warm your home.



More than keeping the lights on

From the beginning, electric cooperatives have had a simple goal: keep the lights on. While that goal hasn't changed much over the years, the value of electricity continues to grow with each passing day. Besides simply brightening up the dark, electricity warms our water, cools our food, cooks our meals and washes and dries our clothes. It powers televisions, computers, entertainment systems and other electronics. And it's available at a relatively low price compared to other consumer goods. A single dollar can power a refrigerator for a week, an average television for 48 hours or a laptop for 72 hours. Many of these services are provided for pennies per hour. Electricity has also supported numerous advances in our community and provides many of the modern day conveniences that we often take for granted. Where would we be each morning without an alarm clock, a warm shower, or a cup of coffee before heading out the door? On the way to work or school, street and traffic lights often guide us along the way. Upon arrival, electricity is there powering computers, printers, pop machines and many of the heating and air conditioning units. These businesses, in turn, provide jobs and much-needed goods and services in the community. Electric cooperatives contribute to economic development in the very areas they serve. Electricity from your co-op comes with the added benefit of member-owned service. Your electric cooperative operates on a not-for-profit basis under the direction of a democratically elected board of directors. This means that the sole motivation is to provide quality service at the lowest possible cost. It also means that you have a voice in how these services are delivered. Recently, much has been made of the rising cost of electricity. However, it's important to understand the value that electricity brings to our lives - each and every day. When you flip that switch, remember that your electric cooperative is working hard to keep the lights on.

Electric vehicle sales to grow in coming years

Reprinted from Great River News
More than 1 million plug-in electric vehicles (PEV) could be on U.S. roads by 2015, according to a report from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). A similar report released by Pike Research estimates total PEV sales will reach almost 360,000 annually by 2017. "The performance and cost effectiveness of the early [PEVs] in the market will be a major, but unknowable, factor in how many [PEVs] are on the road by 2015," the DOE report said. "The cumulative impacts of the various policy initiatives, the experience of the early purchasers of electric-drive vehicles and future oil prices will

all play a role in determining future consumer demand." The DOE report notes that sales of hybrid vehicles have grown to nearly 3 percent of total annual light-duty vehicle sales, with more than 1.6 million sold over the past six years. Electric vehicles are expected to represent 2.4 percent of annual car sales by 2017, according to Pike Research, with the majority being sold in New York, California and Florida.

Electric miracle



by Mark Glaess, Manager
Minnesota Rural
Electric Association

It's a story about a town visited by missionaries who in turn gave rise to rouge, extended daylight and formed a militia. It's a narrative sparked by a want ad and donation by a maybe, probably not, Presidential candidate. It's a new legend, on an old legend, about rural electrification. It must be 15 years when a pastor by the name of Lucien Caleb traveled from his parsonage located in Pignon, Haiti to his wife's hometown in Alabama. Haiti is among the poorest countries in the world where life pretty much ends at 50. There is a correlation between life expectancy and electricity, which may or may not have ignited the pastor's interest when he read, quite by accident, an ad to sell a turbine to generate electricity. The Pastor, perhaps thinking of the feeding of the 5,000 parable, or possibly he was just cheap, bid \$1. The seller, curious at a bid far below all others, inquired why. Caleb said his town needed electricity to provide lights for the kids, the hospital and maybe create a business or two. "Deal," said Donald Trump. Yes, that Donald Trump. Nothing, of course, is ever easy and transporting a diesel engine from New York to Haiti is more difficult than most and costing a bit more than the buck paid. Still the Pastor hauled it across the ocean, paid what can charitably called "tribute," only to drag the better part of a locomotive over mountain roads into a shed. That's where it stayed. Meanwhile, various missions to Pignon included an engineer by the name of Mike Callies. Upon introductions on the role of the mission the Pastor asked Callies, "by the way, what do you do?" The question led Mike, an engineer at Min-

nesota Valley located in Jordan, to the shed where the answer was, "yes, I think we can do something with this." That something was electrifying the town of Pignon by planting poles in the ground, stringing lines, and fulfilling the mission of the turbine all by hand and all reminiscent of what happened in Minnesota many decades earlier. Electricity sparked not one, but three beauty shops, lit up the town square, if not homework, and saw businesses sprout, including, conceivably, "made in Pignon, Haiti." Sewing machines heretofore were operated by foot. Gwen Thomas, who is a VP at East Central Energy located in Braham, traveled to Pignon and showed how much faster those machines work with the on switch. Gwen is part of the Minnesota co-op traffic to Pignon to advise that co-op on everything from keeping the books to safely keeping the lights on. Their co-op; 75 years later we tend to forget what that means. For the citizens of Pignon, it also meant arming themselves to prevent that country's civil war from tearing down their investment. Imagine that, or not, because with electrification, life expectancy grows by decades, as does income, educational achievement and knowing, at least in Pignon, children will have a better life than their parents. Say what you will about climate change. What's indisputable is electrification be it from coal, natural gas, propane, or in the case of Pignon, Haiti, diesel fuel, transforms lives. Maybe that's why John Wesley, the theologian and father of the Methodist Church, once observed that "electricity is the soul of the universe." It could be the reason why Minnesota is a national leader when it comes to forming electric cooperatives elsewhere. Astonishingly, the Pignon effort has been replicated in 42 other countries. That's also the electric miracle of electric cooperatives.

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For more information on the Pageants, please contact Destiny at 218-684-1169 or email rlcfair@notmail.com

Deadline to Register is July 13



This three-phase pole was broken by strong winds. During restoration work the upper part of the pole was secured to the pole butt until the pole could be replaced at a later time.

Pole replacements are never ending

Replacing poles throughout Red Lake Electric Cooperatives service territory is almost a daily occurrence. Poles need to be replaced; because of age, the need for greater clearance, for a service or line upgrade, due to being struck by farm implement or vehicle, because of a road rebuild, due to damage from wind or a storm. With nearly 40,000 poles in service, pole replacements are never ending for the Cooperative's line workers.

Right: Alan Cota, linecrew foreman, attaches a link stick to a phase wire as he prepares to un-tie all the wires on the damaged pole.



Two phase wires are tied-off and held out of the way, with link sticks, as part of the preparation to change out the pole.



The third phase wire is held up and out of the way in the jib of the bucket truck. The neutral wire has been tied off to the rear hitch of the truck. With all of the wires out of the way, the pole can be changed out. The work is done from the ditch side in order to prevent driving on the seeded field.



The replacement pole is in place and Alan Cota ties-in the wires onto the insulators. Rubber blankets and sleeves are used to cover-up items of different potential from the wire he is working on. The process of changing out the pole takes place with each phase wire energized with 7,200 volts. There was no disruption of electrical service to any member during the change out. Another pole replaced, hopefully to serve 40 to 50 years or more.

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Informational Web Sites

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- Electrical Safety Foundation International: www.esfi.org
- Alliance to Save Energy: www.ase.org
- US Environmental Protection Agency: www.epa.gov/greenhomes
- Energy Star: www.energystar.gov
- Minnesota Safety Council: www.minnesotasafetycouncil.org
- Safe Electricity: www.safeelectricity.org
- Lighting Controls Association: www.aboutlightingcontrols.org
- US Consumer Product Safety Commission: www.cpsc.gov

Bulbs die differently

Don't be fooled; a popping sound or smoke means a CFL's end-of-life mechanism works

Worried when you hear a compact fluorescent lightbulb (CFL) pop or sizzle? Despite confusion caused by an e-mail hoax circulating since April 2010, these sounds signal the bulb is working safely in its final hours. Smoke, a popping noise, and even a slight odor are typical and do not pose a fire risk as claimed in the misleading e-mail.

According to Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL), an independent not-for-profit firm that tests and sets minimum standards for electric-consuming items, about 130-150 million CFLs are sold every year in the U.S. While the bulbs produce 75 percent less heat than their incandescent cousins, differences between the bulbs go deeper than the amount of heat released. As the first wave of CFLs begins reaching the end of their lifespan, consumers are learning the bulbs die differently, too.

"As with any new product, it's important that consumers understand how it works," notes John Drengenberg, UL consumer affairs manager.

Most folks know traditional

incandescent lightbulbs tend to burn out the same way: a pop, a flash, and, when shaken, the familiar rattle confirming the bulb needs to be changed. With CFLs, light dims over time and the lamp may produce a more dramatic pop, emit a distinct odor, and even release some smoke. Sometimes the plastic at the base of a CFL will turn black, which is normal in most cases as safety standards require application of special flame-retardant plastics. "CFLs are one of the products we regularly test to specific requirements for electrical safety, fire, and shock hazards," Drengenberg notes. "Any popping sounds or smoke that a consumer might see when a CFLs burns out means that the bulb's end-of-life mechanism worked as it should have."

Consumers should look for the UL mark on packaging when purchasing CFLs. "If a CFL carries the UL mark, consumers know we have investigated it to specific safety requirements," reports Drengenberg.

For more information, visit www.safetyathome.com.

Bone up on bone health for a healthier future

By Holly Israel

Poor bone health has become a widespread health problem. Instead of enjoying their "golden years," many seniors face curtailed activities and bouts with fractures.

"More than half of Americans over the age of 50 develop osteoporosis, and it's four times more common in women than men," stresses Dr. J. Edward Puzas, Ph.D., a professor of orthopedics at the University of Rochester Medical Center in New York. "Once your bones become thinner and more fragile, you're more apt to suffer fractures. If you're elderly, this can be fatal."

Osteoporosis is linked to a lack of dietary calcium, which is critical to bone health. The average American consumes far less calcium than needed. Exercise is also essential to possessing strong bones.

Calcium is used by the body to form and maintain healthy bone tissue, and because 90 percent of our adult bone mass is already formed by the age of 17, healthy diets and active lifestyles are important from an early age. Kids need about 1,500 mg. of calcium per day. From around age 17, the process of maintaining healthy bones begins, and

calcium intake should be a minimum of 1,000 mg. per day through age 50. Calcium needs to return to 1,500 mg. per day for ages 50 and older, especially for post-menopausal women.

Various foods are high in calcium, such as dairy products - skim and 2 percent milk are just as rich in calcium as regular milk; deep green, leafy vegetables; soy; tofu; and almonds. Careful attention to food labels shows that certain items, such as some orange juices, cereal, and bread, are now fortified

with calcium.

To determine how many milligrams per serving is in an item, find calcium listed on the food label, and add a zero to the Daily Value percentage. Many people turn to supplements to ensure enough calcium consumption, but a balanced diet is really better for overall health. Supplements must have added vitamin D, as this aids your body in getting the calcium to your bones.

Exercise is the second key to bone health because it causes new

bone tissue to grow and makes bones stronger. During weight-bearing exercise, muscles push and pull against the attached bones, strengthening them. Walking or running and weight training are great for bone health. Adults need 30 minutes of exercise per day, while children need 60 minutes each day.

No matter what age, taking steps to achieve a well-balanced diet and active lifestyle are essential to healthy bones and an all-around healthy body.

Slay energy vampires with smart strips

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How do you slay other energy vampires? Try plugging household electronics like personal computers, monitors, printers, speakers, stereos, DVD and video game players, and cell phone chargers into power strips. Not only do power strips protect sensitive electronic components from power surges, you can quickly turn off several items at once. (Routers and modems also can be plugged into power strips, although they take longer to reactivate.)

Smart Strips = Easy Savings

Power strips, however, are often hidden behind entertainment centers or under desks and forgotten. A better solution may be found in "smart

strips." Most smart strips feature three outlet colors, each with a unique task. The blue outlet serves as a control plug, and is ideal for a heavily used device like a TV or computer. Anything plugged into red outlets stays on—electricity to these receptacles never cuts off—making them perfect for satellite boxes or other appliances that need constant power.

The remaining outlets, generally neutral or green in color, are sensitive (4313001.03 Travis and Tanya Harbott) to current flowing through the blue outlet, so turning off the TV or computer cuts power to them as well. Some smart power strips can be made even smarter with timers or

occupancy sensors that determine when to cut power to various devices.

Smart strips are available online or at specialty electronic retailers and generally cost \$20 or more depending on their size. Payback generally can be achieved in under one year, depending on the type of equipment the strips control and how often they are used.

Maybe our parents asked us to turn the TV off because vampires, phantoms, and parasites haunted their electric bills. These days, smart strips can chase these load monsters away from your home—and your pocketbook.

Can you help us locate any of the following?

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When Benjamin Franklin signed the Declaration of Independence, he is credited with saying, "We must, indeed, all hang together, or most assuredly we shall all hang separately." That recognition of the need to work together may also be why Franklin, in 1752, founded the first successful cooperative in the United States, the Philadelphia Contributionship for the Insurance of Houses from Loss by Fire, which still operates today.

The principles behind the Declaration of Independence that form the basis of American democracy also form the basis of cooperatives. A cooperative is owned and democratically controlled by the people who use its services. Each member has one vote regardless of their stake; that is, some members can not buy more control than anyone else. This stands in stark contrast to investor-owned businesses where only shareholders have a vote in how the business is run; and even among shareholders, some have more votes than others depending on their shares of stock.

The Declaration of Independence declared the equality of rights of its citizens and that people had the right to organize to secure their futures when their rights were infringed upon. At the time the

Declaration was written, democracy was a pretty untested idea - but the founders of our country were determined to make it work.

So when you celebrate the many liberties and rights we enjoy with our families and friends this year, think about those principles that inspired our Founding Fathers. They also inspired the pioneers who established electric coopera-

tives - folks who were determined to provide safe, reliable, and affordable power to secure the futures of rural communities.

Red Lake Electric Cooperative has always operated under the principles of democracy, and we are dedicated to fulfilling that promise as we serve members today and in the future.

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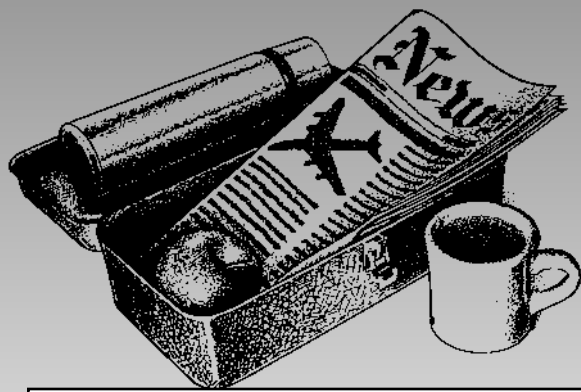
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