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Radiant Board Considers Net Metering and Parallel Generation

At the Board Meeting to be held on May 18, 2010, the Board of Trustees will consider adoption of a service rider for the cooperative to implement "net metering." The net metering rider will be available to members operating their own renewable generation resource, such as a small wind turbine. Members must enter into an interconnection agreement with the cooperative to qualify for the rider.

Net metering, as the name implies, is a metering process designed to determine the net amount of energy provided to the member by the cooperative and the energy provided to the cooperative by the member. Net metering service is designed primarily to allow a member to offset some or all of their electrical requirements with their own generation. When the member generates some, but not all, of their requirements, net metering simply allows the meter to slow down. But in some instances, the energy generated exceeds the member's usage. In those instances, net metering allows the me-

ter to run backward, either offsetting prior usage or "depositing" kilowatt-hours into the "bank" (the meter) that the member can "withdraw" up until the end of the billing period.

At the end of the billing period, a member that has used more energy than he supplied pays the cooperative for that usage; however, a member that supplies more energy than he uses during the billing period is not compensated for the excess energy supplied under net metering.

Members desiring to be compensated for generation in excess of what they supply might gain more advantage by interconnecting under the cooperative's parallel generation riders. Under parallel generation, the purchase rate for excess energy from a renewable resource is 150 percent of the cooperative's monthly system average cost of energy, as required by Kansas state law. In either case, the member must pay the standard monthly customer charge required of the other members.



Energy Efficiency

Tip of the Month

During summer months when air conditioners work hardest, do energy-intensive tasks such as laundry and dish washing during off-peak energy demand hours, usually in the early morning or later evening.

Source: Alliance to Save Energy

Board of Trustees Meeting Notice

Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-104d, please take notice that the Board of Trustees of Radiant Electric Cooperative, Inc. will meet on May 18, 2010, at 7 p.m. at the Cooperative Headquarters, 9346 Jewell Rd, Fredonia, Kansas, to discuss and vote on the adoption or modification of any or all of the following rules, regulations, rate schedules, riders, or terms of service:

1. The adoption of a net metering rider for member-owned renewable generation.

The Board will consider the adoption of a net metering rider applicable to certain member-owned renewable generation installations installed primarily to offset the member's own energy usage. The rider would enable members with qualified installations to offset the energy purchased from the cooperative with renewable energy generated by the customer over the length of each billing cycle.

2. Modifications to Cooperative rules, regulations, and terms of service governing the operation of parallel generation by members.

Under certain terms and conditions set forth in K.S.A. 66-1,184 and the rates, rules and regulations of the Cooperative, members may operate generation in parallel with that provided by the Cooperative. The Board of Trustees will consider amendments to the existing rates, rules and regulations to comply with legislative amendments to K.S.A. 66-1,184 and to establish consistency with the terms of other member-owned generation.

The meeting is open to any member that wishes to attend. Members have the right to request review by the Kansas Corporation Commission of any rate change approved by the Cooperative as provided in K.S.A. 66-104d (g). Any member with questions may contact Dennis Duft, Operations Manager, or Leah M. Tindle Administrative Manager.

Radiant Electric Cooperative's 62

Congressman Jerry Moran was the keynote speaker at the Radiant Electric Annual Meeting of Members held at the headquarters facility on Thursday, April 8.

State Representative and Radiant member, Forrest Knox, and Doug Shepherd, Vice President of Member Services for Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., were also guest speakers.

A total of 158 members registered and more than 430 members and guests enjoyed the evening meal prepared and served by Radiant member Glenda Carter of Country Cooks

Catering. Desserts were prepared and served by Radiant member Rory Hamilton of Rory's Catering. The evening's transportation from the parking lot into the meeting was provided by Radiant member, Flint Oak of Fall River.

Other guests of the evening included Mark Barbee, Vice President of Engineering, Kansas Electric Power Cooperatives, Inc.; and Allen Zadorozny, Manager of Caney Valley Electric Cooperative Assn., Inc.

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Don Songer. Radiant Trustee's and employees were introduced. Songer presided over



Kansas agriculture has a "story to tell that we can be proud

the meeting, and presented the 2010 President's report and 2009 cooperative business overview.

Trustee Daryl Donohue presented the Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., No-Lost-Time Safety Award to Larry McVey, Safety Coordinator. The cooperative has worked 323,470 hours without a lost-time accident.

Kenneth Lambert, Chairman of the 2010 Nominating Committee introduced the candidates for Trustee elections. The individuals below were elected and will each serve a three year term:

► **District 1, Position 2**—Chad Estes



Over 430 members and guests attended the 2010 Annual Meeting.

nd Annual Meeting of Members



of" Congressman Jerry Moran told Radiant members.



Representative and Radiant member Forrest Knox addresses the members and guests.

addressed the procedure to be followed in case of a tie vote in an election for Trustee.

Board Vice Presi-

dent, Loren Dickens, explained the importance of the Our Energy, Our Future campaign telling members of Congress they must step up to keep the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from using the Clean Air Act (CAA) to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from power plants. Dickens encouraged members to complete the Our Energy, Our Future postcards on the tables. The completed postcards will be mailed to elected officials.

The evening meeting concluded with the announcement of prize winners, by Trustee, Chad Estes.

► **District 3, Position 5**—Lee Bracken Marilyn Kidd, Tom Ayers and Lawrence Jontra of the Radiant Electric Merit Scholarship Committee presented the \$1,000 scholarship awards for the 2010-2011 school term. Receiving scholarships were: Tyler Green son of Terry and Carolyn Green, Cherryvale; Ryan Tindle son of Terry and Debbie Tindle, Fredonia; Spencer Kepley son of Mike and Carla Kepley, Chanute and Regan Powers daughter of Rick and Kim Powers, Thayer.

The proposed bylaw amendment was voted on and approved by the membership. The bylaw amendment



From left, Tyler Green, Regan Powers and Ryan Tindle were presented scholarships at the meeting. Spencer Kepley is not pictured, but also received a scholarship.

Notice to Surge Protection Subscribers

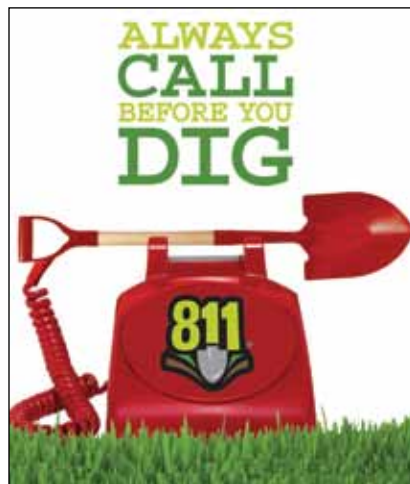
With spring time storm season upon us, you may want to take a look at your lightning surge protection device located behind the electric meter.



The surge protection device is equipped with two red lights on the bottom that let us know they are working properly. If you happened to notice both lights are not lit up, please call our office so we can get a serviceman by to repair or replace the device.

Welcome New Members

- Gerald Rusche—Buffalo
- James Roberts—Caney
- Kevin Jones—Chanute
- Rodney Hawkins—Cherryvale
- Timothy Russell—Coffeyville
- Eva Vanwinkle—Coffeyville
- Peter Hamblin—Elk City
- Ashley Crooks—Fredonia
- Rodney Schlegel—Fredonia
- Mark Ward—Fredonia
- Rebecca King—Independence
- Fern Potter—Independence
- Foziyah Al-Bureni—Neodesha
- Robert Anderson—Apache Junction, AZ



Local Event Calendar

CANEY

MAY 28-29—Mayfest: Call 620-879-2456

MAY 29—Safari Zoological Park: Begins summer hours. www.Safaripark.org

JUNE 4-6—Caney Valley Antique Power Association Pioneer Days: 40 acres of equipment, events, food and fun. Visit the Web site for more information at www.cvapa.com

CHERRYVALE

MAY 8—Cherry Blossom Festival

COFFEYVILLE

MAY 29—Opening Day at Aquatic Center

JUNE 2-5—Downtown Coffeyville Fun Fest

ELK CITY

MAY 29—Alumni Banquet: VFW services at Oak Hill Cemetery 10 a.m., decoration of graves and displays the Avenue of Flags.

FREDONIA

MAY 8—Gold Dust Days Festival: Gold Dust Hotel will be open to view lower floor of hotel from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

10 A.M.—Melodrama: Fredonia High School drama class presents a melodrama in the hotel's dining room. Tickets sold at door for \$2.

10 A.M.—Wilson County Old Iron Club broom making demonstration: Located in front of the Gold Dust Hotel: Brooms made from broom corn will be on sale while supplies last.

11 A.M-1 P.M.—Alfred Packer Memorial Sting Band: Enjoyed on the front porch of the Gold Dust Hotel.

MAY 8—City Wide Garage Sale: Maps available at the Gold Dust Hotel and the Plant Station. Local retailers are also having sidewalk sales. Baked food sale next to the Gold Dust Hotel.

MAY 29-31—Memorial Day Weekend: Avenue of Flags at the Fredonia Cemetery.

Holiday Office Closing



In observance of Memorial Day the Radiant offices will be closed on Monday, May 31.

Have a Safe Holiday!

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Preserving the Past for Future Generations

Members of the Caney Valley Antique Power Association (CVAPA) are dedicated to preserving history. Whether it is in stories, rebuilding machines or restoring small farm hand operated tools.

In the fall of 1997, the club was officially organized. However, before the club was started, several events led up to the forming of the CVAPA.

In 1995, Bill Ernest was asked to bring some tractors to the Caney Mayfest Tractor Pull. Later, they were asked to bring more tractors to the Fall Train Tour that the City of Caney had organized.

With the formation of the club they began to have exhibits in area towns, participate in parades and also attended shows that were held nationwide.

In 1998, the club began to showcase a tractor to feature each year called Pioneer Days. The event is held 3.5 miles North of Caney on Hwy-75. This year, the event will be held May 29-31 and the feature tractor will be the Allis Chalmers.

The 17th Annual Tractor, Flea Market and Engine Show will be held June 4-6. On June 3, a trail drive from Dewey, OK, will bring 12-30 tractors up Hwy-75 to the 40 acres north of Caney. The theme of the event this



On June 4-6, 2010, the Pioneer Days feature tractor will be the Allis Chalmers.

year is "Growing Up is Optional".

The club is a non-profit, with one goal in mind—preserving history for future generations. The exhibit will feature many attractions such as a saw mill, rock crushing, hay baling, plowing, wheat binding (the wheat is grown on three acres on the property) and many more.

At the blacksmith shop you may see horseshoe nails turned into spoons and railroad spikes made into knives.

In the rope shop you can see tools that have come from as far away as England and Australia.

The quilt show will feature over 60 quilts. Those attending will vote for their favorite quilt.

For car enthusiasts, a classic car show will be held during the three-day event, along with an antique and classic tractor pull and a garden tractor pull.

The exhibition grounds also features a two-room schoolhouse, a 40' x 60' pavilion, rest rooms and showers, 20 hookups for campers and space for 50 vendors.

If you like to talk, work on, or look at tractors, old machinery or things from the past, check out the club's Web site at www.cvapa.com and consider joining.



John Deere tractors at the 2009 show.