



POWER FACTS

An informational publication for members of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative concerning electricity and related subjects.

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Enter to Win A Kindle Fire E-Tablet or \$200 Off Your Electric Bill (A Winner Will be Drawn from Each District)

Each member of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative is eligible to be the winner of a free Kindle Fire E-Tablet or \$200 off of your electric bill.

How? It's simple!

Help MEC to better serve you by simply updating your contact information on the back of your bill stub. This information that we request you to update includes your: home phone number, mobile number, 911 address, mailing address, and your email address. Giving us your most accurate and up-to-date contact information is critical to our efforts in offering you the very best of service. This information allows us to quickly confirm power outages and re-

store your electricity if your power goes out. It is also important that we are able to communicate with you on important issues that affect your electric service.

Every account that has been updated by July 31, 2012, will be eligible for the prize drawing. One lucky member from each district will be drawn on Monday, August 6, 2012.

In addition to being eligible to win the prize for your district, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that your Cooperative has all of the information it needs to serve you better. If you have to call our outage reporting system to report an outage, we will get an instant verification of your location



through the identification of your phone number. Having this information means that MEC will have faster deployment of line personnel, shorter repair time and, most importantly, less time that you are without power.

Be on the lookout for additional information in your June electric bill statement and don't forget... update your information before July 31, 2012 to be entered in the drawing.



Save Gas, Money and Time with a New Payment Option

Beginning in May, Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative partnered with Wal-Mart to provide you with yet another option to pay your electric bill. Simply report to any Wal-Mart location's customer service desk and pay with cash or debit card. Wal-Mart does charge a fee of 88 cents which guarantees delivery within three business days. For an additional dollar, or \$1.88, they will guarantee next-day delivery. Please note that these fees are imposed by Wal-Mart and not Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative.



It's time for MEC's Annual Meeting of the Members

This year's Annual Meeting of the Members will be held Wednesday, June 20, 2012, at Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative's Pavilion in Chase City, Virginia. Each member of the Cooperative is invited to attend the meeting. Remember, MEC is your Cooperative and this is a chance to come and meet with the employees and directors who work to ensure that the Cooperative is operated to the standards that you, the owner, expect.

Wednesday, June 20, 2012
MEC Pavilion, Chase City

- 5:00 Registration Begins
Meal Served
- 6:20 Meeting Kickoff - Prize Drawing
(Must be present to win)
- 6:30 Business Meeting Begins
Awarding of Door Prizes following meeting
(Must be present to win)

Save Energy this Summer!!

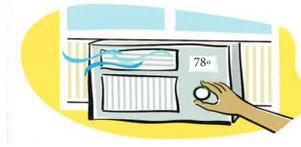
** Try these Tips **

Keep the sun (and heat) out.

- Close windows and shades, drapes or solar screens during the day.
- Plant trees and/or install awnings to provide shade in windows facing east or west.



Use air conditioning efficiently.



- Set the temperature as high as is comfortable when you are home. Fans can help by keeping the air moving.
- Set the temperature higher when you are away. Consider installing a programmable thermostat.
- Maintain air conditioning equipment and change filters as often as recommended.
- Sometimes, for energy savings, you may want to use fans instead of air conditioning.

Keep cold air in and hot air out.

- Seal spaces around windows and doors with caulk and weatherstripping.
- Insulate ductwork and attic spaces.



Our Business -- Is Your Business

If you receive electric service from Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative, you are a member-owner of your electric cooperative. You have a piece of the action because that's how cooperatives get things done.

That all-important action includes your voice and involvement in co-op activities, your presence and participation at co-op meetings, and your very valued votes for the co-op's board.

The co-op way of conducting business is time-tested and member-approved. And that includes meeting needs as efficiently and economically as possible.

Just look at the track record of over 900 electric co-ops all across the nation. We are proud to work hard for everyone's benefit--you, our consumer-owner, and our community and its economy. Locally owned and locally operated, we're a unique business, and that's because our business is your business!

