

OWEN ELECTRIC CONNECTION

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Join us for Member Appreciation Days this month

As an electric cooperative, our top priority is always to provide reliable and affordable energy to you, the members we serve. Because we are a co-op, our mission is to enrich the lives of our members and serve the long-term interests of our local community and this mission has never been more critical than in recent months. One of the seven principles that guides all co-ops is “concern for community.” To me, this principle is the essential DNA of Owen Electric, and it sets us apart from other electric utilities.

October is National Co-op Month, and electric cooperatives across the country are highlighting the many ways we “Power On.” Keeping this theme in mind, I recognize the essential role we play in serving a special community like ours.

Who would have fathomed in March that the COVID-19 health crisis would amount to a test of our community and our nation? The changing circumstances due to the pandemic have created both challenges and opportunities. Over the past several months, we’ve all been challenged to operate differently, and Owen Electric has stepped up to help our members and strengthen



WHITNEY DUVAL

the safety net for our more vulnerable neighbors.

While we have certainly missed visiting with you in person, we’ve found new ways to stay connected. This included hosting our annual meeting, in June, virtually, using a WebEx platform to livestream our business meeting. In order to better accommodate you this year, we’ve extended our member appreciation event to two days, taking place Thursday and Friday, October 15 and 16, at each of our business office locations. We invite you to come register and receive your bucket, bulbs and appreciation gift using our drive-thru for safety and convenience. By registering, you’ll be entered into our

door prize drawing, and winners will be contacted the week following our member appreciation event.

We’ve seen other local businesses rising to meet similar challenges during this time, because that’s what communities do. While the challenges caused by COVID-19 have been daunting, I’m heartened to see how everyone is pulling together.

In 1937, Owen Electric was built by the community to serve the community. In 2020, we’re still committed to that mission, and we’ll continue to “Power On.”

President and CEO
Michael Cobb



A Touchstone Energy Cooperative

2020



MEMBER APPRECIATION DAYS

**STOP BY &
DRIVE THRU**

Owenton

8205 Hwy. 127 N.

Florence

Florence Gov't Center
8100 Ewing Blvd.

Dry Ridge

300 Arbor Drive

Butler

10599 Hwy. 27 N.

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY
OCTOBER 15-16**

8 A.M.-4:30 P.M.

**Stop by any of our
business offices to
receive your bucket,
bulbs & gift.**

**Just follow the signage
to registration & pickup!**

**Winners of door prizes
will be contacted the
following week to
arrange pickup.**

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST



OWEN Electric

A Full House of Energy Savings

ATTIC

In many homes, attic insulation is one of the easiest, least expensive and most effective ways to reduce your energy use. Contact us to find out how much insulation is right for your home. In colder regions, a properly insulated attic also reduces the chance of ice dams.

DEN/OFFICE

Plug all electronic gadgets such as phone and laptop chargers, printers, gaming consoles and BluRay players into a power strip with an on/off switch. When not in use, turn the power strip off to eliminate all those energy vampires.



BEDROOM

Ceiling fans can help save energy all year long! In the summer, fans should rotate counter clockwise to push air down creating a cooling flow. In the winter, fans should rotate clockwise to help draw cool air up toward the ceiling and push the warm air that naturally rises down to you and your family.



BATHROOM

Take a short shower instead of a bath. Short showers use much less water, and you'll also save energy by not heating all that extra water!



LIVING ROOM

Smart thermostats learn how you and your family live, and automatically adjust the temperature settings based on your lifestyle to keep you comfortable while saving you money.



KITCHEN

Make sure your burner isn't bigger than the pan, and use flat-bottomed pans to maximize surface contact with the burner. Don't preheat the oven until you're ready to use it. Minimize the number of times you open and close the refrigerator or oven door.



*Want to learn about additional ways to save energy?
Contact us for more energy efficiency tips!*



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Owen Electric vehicles to be auctioned at the Owenton Rotary Auction

The following former Owen Electric service vehicles will be up for auction at the Owenton Rotary Auction, being held at the Owenton County Park and Fairgrounds, Saturday, November 7, at 10 a.m. The vehicles will be viewable at the auction.

- #419, 2008 Polaris Ranger, 537 hours
- #820, 2003 Chevrolet Express AWD Cargo Van, 132,487 miles
- #875, 2009 Chevrolet 2500 HD 4x4, 211,279 miles, *dash cluster does not function

- #888, 2011 GMC Sierra 1500 4x4, 165,175 miles
 - #889, 2011 GMC Sierra 1500 4x4, 177,936 miles
 - #905, 2013 GMC Sierra 1500 4x4, 155,242 miles
 - #907, 2013 GMC Sierra 1500 4x4, 192,495 miles
- #419, Polaris Ranger and #889, GMC Sierra unavailable at time of photo
- *Vehicle mileage is subject to increase
- **Vehicles are sold 'as is' with no warranty expressed or implied.

OVERHEAD LINE SAFETY

Look up and out to prevent common mistakes made near overhead power lines.

LOOK UP WHEN...

- Using tools of any kind, especially when trees are nearby.
- Using cranes or other lifting devices that approach working distance within 20 feet of power lines.
- Putting up scaffolding, framing a building, painting, pruning trees or picking fruit.
- Moving a tree under a power line. Determine the overhead clearance from the top of the tree. Trees can conduct electric current.
- Working on top of buildings.



CHRIS HAYES