

Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Member Newsletter

March 2024

This Month's Topics:

- **SEC Scholarship**
- **Office Closure**
- **Spring Energy Saving Tips**
- **Happy St. Patrick's Day**
- **Annual Meeting Reminder**

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The Board of Trustees meets the third Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Cooperative boardroom.

SEC Scholarship

Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SEC) is proud to announce the start of the 2024-2025 Scholarship Award season. The deadline for applications is April 5, 2024.




The SEC Education Foundation was formed in 1990 by the SEC Board of Trustees. Since then, we have awarded \$274,400 in scholarship awards to students attending an accredited New Mexico college/trade schools full-time.

Eligible students for our scholarships include immediate family members of active cooperative members (customers receiving electric service directly from Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.), immediate family members of SEC employees and persons residing in the service area of Sierra Electric who utilize the electric power service provided by the Cooperative.

We are also grateful for our partnership with Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association which provides us with scholarship awards for our applicants as well. All applicants are considered for both scholarship awards.











**Sierra Electric Cooperative Office Closed
Friday March 29, 2024 for
Good Friday.**






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10 Spring Energy-Saving Tips

<p>Service Your Air Conditioner</p> <p>Easy maintenance such as routinely replacing, or cleaning your air filters can lower your cooling system's energy consumption by up to 15%.</p> 	<p>Open Windows</p> <p>Opening windows creates a crosswise breeze, allowing you to naturally cool your home without switching on the air conditioners.</p> 
<p>Use Ceiling Fans</p> <p>Cooling your home with ceiling fans will allow you to raise your thermostat four degrees.</p> 	<p>Cook Outside</p> <p>On warmer spring days, keep the heat out of your home by using an outdoor grill instead of indoor ovens.</p> 
<p>Install Window Treatments</p> <p>Energy-efficient window treatments or coverings such as blinds, shades, and films can slash heat gain with temperatures rise.</p> 	<p>Caulk Air Leaks</p> <p>Using low-cost caulk to seal cracks and openings in your home keeps warm air out—and cash in your wallet.</p> 
<p>Bring in the Sunlight</p> <p>During daylight hours, switch off artificial lights and use windows and skylights to brighten your home.</p> 	<p>Set the Thermostat</p> <p>On warm days, setting a programmable thermostat to a higher setting when you are not home can reduce your energy cost by approximately 10%.</p> 
<p>Seal Ducts</p> <p>Air loss through ducts can lead to high electricity costs, accounting for nearly 30% of a cooling system's energy consumption. Sealing can go a long way in energy savings.</p> 	<p>Switch on the Bathroom Fans</p> <p>Bathroom fans suck out the heat and humidity from your home, improving comfort.</p> 





Annual Meeting

When - Tuesday, April 9th

Where - Truth or Consequences Civic Center

Registration :10:30 am BBQ Meal:11:30 am

Business Meeting 12:30 pm



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