



# Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.

## Member Newsletter

### February 2023

#### This Month's Topics:

- **Board Appoints Committee**
- **Rebates**
- **Energy Efficiency Tips**
- **Office Closure**

#### Board of Trustees

##### President

Darryl Sullivan, District 3

##### Vice President

Ray Ruffini, District 2

##### Secretary

Tami Garrett, District 3

##### Treasurer

George Biel, District 3

##### Trustee

Dennis Franklin, District 1

##### Trustee

Judy Smith, District 1

##### Trustee

Warren Strong, District 2

##### Trustee

Paul Scott, District 2

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

#### Sierra Electric Cooperative Board Appoints Committee on Nominations

In accordance with the By-Laws, and to provide candidates for consideration for the position of Board Trustee at Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s 2023 Annual Meeting, the Board of Trustees appointed certain individuals to serve on the Committee on Nominations as follows:

##### Committee on Nominations

**Darla Ham (District 1)**

**Debby Bell (District 2)**

**Jenny Padilla (District 3)**

##### Phone

**575-740-2678**

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**575-743-1629**

[The 2023 Annual Meeting of the Members will be held on Saturday, April 1st at the Hot Springs High School. Registration opens at 10:30 a.m. A BBQ meal will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the Business Meeting will start at 12:30 p.m. Your Official Notice of the meeting will be mailed in March.](#)

At this meeting, elections will be held for three positions with three-year terms on the Board of Trustees and one position with a one-year term for Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.

The following are the open positions with incumbents up for election with a three-year term:

**District 1: Dennis Franklin**

**District 2: Ray Ruffini**

**District 3: Tami Garrett**

The following vacant position is up for election with a one-year term:

**District 2: Vacancy**

If you are interested in serving on the Board of Trustees and would like your name placed in consideration for nomination, please contact a member on the Committee on Nominations no later than Tuesday, March 1, 2023.

Please refer to Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc. By-Laws, Section 4.06: Nominations regarding the procedures for nominations.

Visit [www.sierraelectric.org/laws](http://www.sierraelectric.org/laws) to view the By-Laws online.

The Board of Trustees has also appointed the Credentials & Election Committee to oversee the election process that will be conducted at the Annual Meeting, as follows:

##### Credentials & Election Committee

**Cindy Goetz**

**Sharon Frye**

**Dolores Ortega**

**District 1**

**District 2**

**District 3**

## Rebates

Tri-State G & T offers rebates to members of Sierra Electric Coop through their Beneficial Electrification and Efficiency program. The program benefits consumers by using electricity in new and exciting ways focused on implementing technology that has historically been powered by fossil fuels to technology driven by electricity. In partnership with our members, electrification can save co-op consumers money, benefit the environment by reducing overall emissions, improve consumer quality of life, and foster a more robust and resilient grid. For more information on rebates that are offered feel free to contact the office.

## Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Insulating your electric water heater can reduce standby heat loss by 25% to 45%, saving you 7% to 16% on annual water heating costs.

The Dept. of Energy rates this project as medium difficulty, meaning most homeowners can tackle this project on their own. You can purchase pre-cut jackets or blankets for about \$20 at most home improvement stores. Visit [energy.gov](https://www.energy.gov) for project tips and additional considerations.

Source: [energy.gov](https://www.energy.gov)



## Lighting tips to save on your electricity bill



TURN OFF UNUSED  
LIGHT SWITCHES



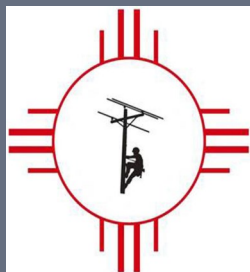
SWITCH TO  
ENERGY EFFICIENT  
LED BULBS



APPLY TASK  
LIGHTING

## Office Closures

Sierra Electric will be closed Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day.



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