



# Electric Line Newsletter

## Keep Cool and Conserve Energy

With warm weather just around the corner many of us will be switching from our heaters to our air conditioning. Air conditioners can use a lot of electricity which in turn uses money. Use these tips for conserving electricity and save money.

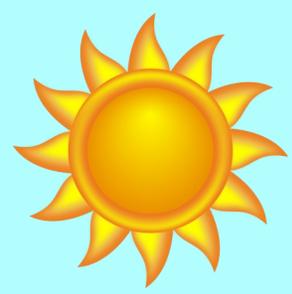
During the day leave your blinds and drapes closed. This keeps the sun out and keeps it from warming your home.

Set your thermostat to 78 degrees (or higher) when you leave home for the day. By keeping your house warmer while you're away, you are reducing the cooling that is done in your home. This conserves energy and lets you keep some of your cash in your pocket.

Switching your air conditioning fan from "on" to "auto" will save you money on the cost of energy. When your air conditioning unit is "on", it continuously runs until you shut off. When your air conditioning is on auto it will self-regulate when to cool your home. When temperatures get too high, it will turn on and run until temperatures are back down.

Many people close doors and windows in their homes when they leave for the day. Instead of closing them, leave them open. If you leave your windows and doors open, it will allow better central air flow and will reduce the amount of time you need your air conditioner.

By using these tips you can not only keep your home cool but also save some money.



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**Dates to  
Remember:**

April 1st– April Fools  
April 15th– Tax Day  
April 21st– Easter  
April 22nd– Earth Day



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## National Lineman Appreciation Day

Whether you are in your kitchen preparing breakfast on your electric stovetop, brewing a pot of coffee or watching the news on your television, you are using electricity. Although many of us don't think about where our energy comes from it is important to recognize the men and woman that keep our lights on and our coffee brewing.

Linemen can be found in many places including power plants and on the side of the road working on power lines. They lay lines in the ground and in the air. Working with electricity is a dangerous job. Linemen put their lives on the line every day to make sure we have the electricity we need to run our lives.

Linemen are men and woman who build and maintain power systems. April 18th is Linemen Appreciation Day. It is a day to observe and celebrate those who work long hours day after day to make sure we can live our day to day lives in comfort. Thank you to our lineman, Dell Olsen, Chris Tuszke, Richard Lashau, Jason Walter, Quinton Zdroik, John Bestul, and Mackenzie Yarbrough all the other linemen who help keep the lights on!





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## Celebrate Our Earth

Earth Day is a day to really be conscious about the earth we live on. Caring for our world is important because we only have one! So why not make Earth Day every day? Use these tips to help preserve our home for future generations.

- Conserve water by taking showers instead of baths.
- Bring reusable bags when you go to the store to cut back on plastic.
- Instead of driving take a bike or walk.
- Reduce your paper use by paying as many bills online. You can pay your CWEC bill online using StubHub.
- Turn your lights off when you exit a room and unplug electronics when not in use.
- CWEC also offers rebates for making your home more energy efficient. For more information visit our website [cwecoop.com](http://cwecoop.com) and click on member services.



As weather starts to get warmer and the trees start to bloom CWEC will be clearing vegetation around powerlines. While driving, if you spot a bucket truck or machines clearing brush please slow down and remember using cell phones in a work area is illegal!

## What Makes up your Electrical Bill?

