



Chimney Rock News



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Manager Memos -by Alvin Harimon

Dear Consumer,

Well we are into August now and still up in the air about this covid thing, this is the month we should be starting back to school and getting back into the swing of school days and sporting events. But, this is 2020 and nobody knows if we will be in school or at home or if there will be any kind of activities. What we do know is that on Aug. 1st it is Hangover Day and the 2nd is Sisters' Day the fourth will lift our spirits a little as it is Chocolate Chip Cookie Day and the 7th is International Beer Day. The 11th through the 13th you can do a little stargazing as these are the days of the Perseid meteor showers, on the 13th it should be the first day of school so we shall see how that works out and it is Left Handers Day, on the 15th it is Relaxation Day so take a Saturday and go fishing or something relaxing, just don't put it off until the 20th because that is World Mosquito Day (why?), then we end the month on a good note as the 29th is International Bacon Day.

We have been fortunate in the panhandle as we have not been hit as hard as some of the urban places, but we have had our share of covid cases. Be careful, wash those hands, keep away from people, and wear that mask when you need to. We have our crew all working together again but still trying to keep a distance from each other when they can, sometimes wearing the mask and trying to keep everyone safe and at work. As always, keep away from down lines and be careful of poles and wires as we do our daily work or travel. You can call anytime day or night if you need to report an outage or a problem you may have seen on our lines, 586-1824 will either get you our office or dispatch service. Keep safe and have a good August and I will have more next month. P.S. if you get a chance take a look at our facebook page and the drone video of our rebuild of the river crossing at Bridgeport.

Watch for the Touchstone Energy Hot Air Balloon at the Old West Balloon Fest August 14 & 15th

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Energy Efficiency Credits

Energy Efficiency Credits are available on electric motors, electric heating, electric hot water heaters, Energy Star appliances and LED lights. Efficiency Credits are available on new installations only.

Certain standards of efficiency must be met to qualify depending on the type of electric equipment installed.

Some of the credits from Tri-State G & T are:

- *Electric water heaters - \$30 - \$100/unit
- *Heat pumps \$125 - \$150/ton
- *Electric motors 10-500 hp \$8/hp
- *2 Ton or larger Energy Star air conditioners-\$100-\$150/unit
- *Energy Star Appliances (refrig, clothes or dish washer and clothes dryers) \$30-\$90
- *LED lights - lesser of 1/2 cost of lights or \$8 per lamp

Chimney Rock also contributes to some of the credit.

Please contact our office for information on requirements and credit amounts at 586-1824.

Let us help pay for your new electric appliances and motors.

Safe – Efficient – Electric



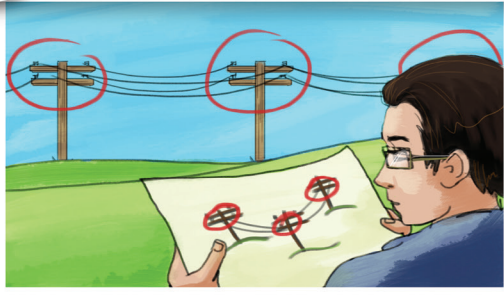
OVERHEAD POWER LINE SAFETY

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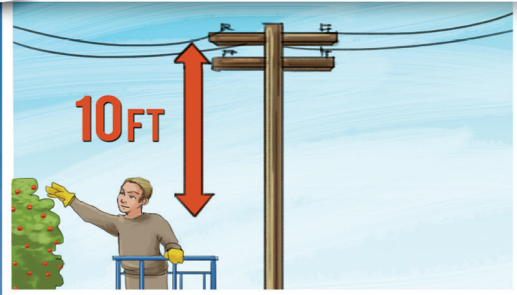
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Locate all overhead power lines.



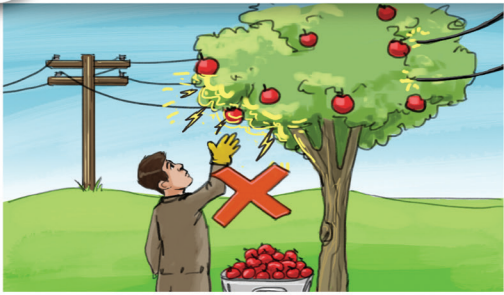
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Keep self and equipment 10 feet away from all overhead power lines.



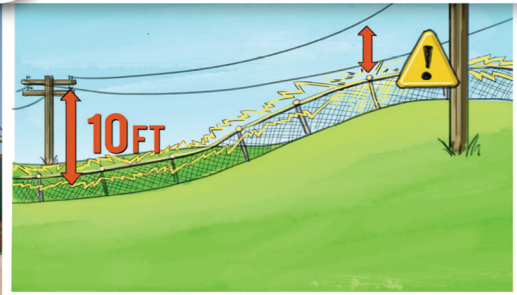
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Do not touch anything that is in contact with the power line.



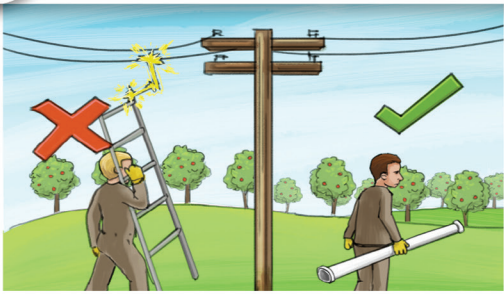
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Beware of fencing near power lines.



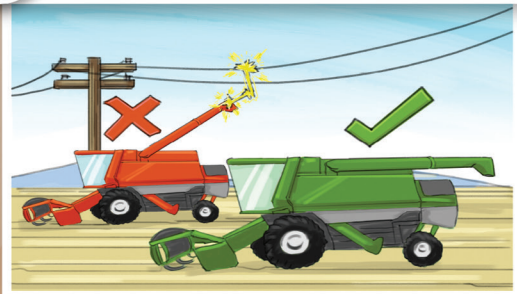
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Carry ladders and other equipment horizontally.



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Lower equipment apparatus before driving.



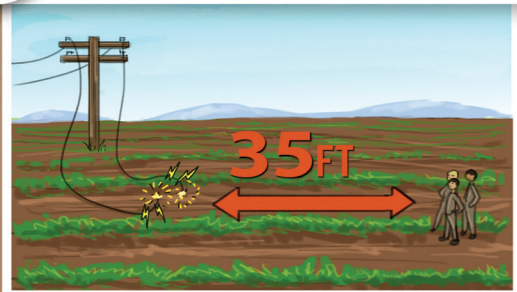
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Never spray near power lines with irrigation systems.



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Stay at least 35 feet away from fallen power lines.



We are Continually Learning to Improve Service to our Consumers

It's a new school year and kids of all ages are getting ready for a fresh year of learning! From kindergarten through college, students attend school to gain knowledge about a broad variety of subjects and learn new skills that will prepare them for the future. In a similar way, Chimney Rock PPD is continually learning in order to advance technology that improves electric service, reliability, safety and in turn, enhances quality of life for the consumers we serve in our local communities.

Chimney Rock PPD keeps abreast of industry trends because the energy sector is rapidly changing. Innovations in technology and energy types are fueling demand for more options. On the consumer front, people are looking for more ways to manage their energy use with smart technology. Consumers expect more convenient payment methods - whether through automatic bill pay using credit/debit cards or echeck, online or in person.

Technology improves operational efficiency.

For example, automated meter reading is the technology of automatically collecting energy consumption data and transferring it from the electric meter to our office. Because this information can be collected remotely, it enhances our system's efficiency, helps control costs and improves work processes. With these meters we also have the technology to track power outages. In the event of a power outage, we have ability to see if there is a single isolated outage or multiple outages. This is critical because resolving either issue is a very different process. This two-way communication also provides a means to verify that power has been restored after an outage. One of the biggest benefits from improved technologies, especially for outages caused by extreme weather is pinpointing the outage location, which helps to reduce risk for crews out on the road during severe weather events. We have also added our outage map to the Chimney Rock PPD website. You can log into www.crppd.com and click on Contact Us/Report an Outage to find a updated outage map.

Whether it is exploring emerging technologies, following energy trends, or helping our consumers find easier ways to manage their accounts, for Chimney Rock PPD our "school year" is never over. We will continue to study and research so we can better serve you, now and in the future.



Cucumber Dill Salad

3 cucumbers, seeded and chopped
3 tomatoes, seeded and chopped
1 red onion, chopped
1/3 cup finely chopped fresh dill
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar
1/4 cup olive oil
1 lime, juiced
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1/2 cup crumbled feta cheese
Salt and pepper, to taste

In a large bowl, toss all of the ingredients together. Season with salt and pepper.

If you have time, cover and store in the refrigerator for a few hours to let the flavors blend. This salad is best consumed within a couple of days.

This salad is wonderful on its own, but also great with whole wheat pita bread, a tortilla, and plain Greek yogurt.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Installing a smart power strip is a quick and easy way to start saving money while making your home more energy efficient. Smart power strips can actually cut power off to save energy since they are able to detect when a device is in standby mode.

Source: energy.gov



H-Frame Structures Constructed

On Saturday, June 6th, a storm rolled through our service area causing a tree to blow over into our power line. The tree took down the power line plus broke off two poles at the Bridgeport river crossing by the sandpits in Bridgeport. The line crew had to back feed the power in order to restore service to our customers and construct two H-Frame pole structures. After the frames were constructed new wire that spans the river had to be pulled in, this involved working on both sides of the river. Pictures show the H-Frame structures as well as what remained of the tree that fell into the line.



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August 10th, 9:00 a.m.

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