

# Chimney Rock News



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#### **Manager Memos** -by Alvin Harimon

Dear Consumer,

Well June is here and I don't know how many of you know this but we have finally made it to the official fishing week for 2021, and the 1st is Flip a Coin Day so you can use that to figure out where you will fish that first day. You can also flip a coin for the 4th as it is Applesauce Cake Day and Donut Day so you will have to decide which one to have (or which one to have first). The 6th is D-day for World War II, the D actually has no meaning it is just a military term for date to start an operation, so it has nothing to do with Donald Duck Day on the 9th. On the 12th it is National Peanut Butter Cookie Day and the 14th is Flag Day. Then on the 15th the rest of the world will catch up to western Nebraska as it is Global Wind Day, and the 18th is again Go Fishing Day to go along with International Sushi Day. The 20th is Father's Day and a chance to go fishing again for National Catfish Day. Then we end the month with Meteor Day on the 30th.

With summer coming up soon and warmer weather around the corner I was reading an article on usage of electricity. It stated that the average household in the U.S. uses about 11,000 kwhs a year with about 16% of that amount used for air conditioning. As you are getting out more and enjoying the better weather please be careful around power poles and lines and remember that our phones are answered day and night if there is a problem or if you see something that could become a problem. Have a good summer, enjoy and stay safe!!



- All thunderstorms produce lightning
- Lightning often strikes outside the area of heavy rain and can strike as
- If you hear thunder, you're in the danger zone.

#StormSafety



## Energy Efficiency Credits

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

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

Some of the credits include:

- \*Electric water heaters \$30 \$100/unit
- \*Heat pumps-\$300-\$500/ton 15 SEER Minimum
- \*Electric motors 10-500 hp \$8/hp
- \*2 Ton or larger Energy Star air conditioners-\$100-\$150/unit
- \*Energy Star Appliances (refrig, freezer, clothes or dish washer and clothes dryers) \$30-\$90
- \*LED lights lesser of 1/2 cost of lights or \$8 per lamp, 500 Lumens or greater
- \*Electric trimmer, chainsaw, or pruner, electric blower or lawnmower - 25% of cost, up to \$100

Receipts are generally required. 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.

# 2021 Scholarship Winners

Chimney Rock Public Power District and its suppliers, Basin Electric and Tri-State Generation and Transmission are proud to announce this year's scholarship winners.

Baylor Sterkel of Bridgeport has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from Basin Electric. Baylor is the son of Brad and Tracy Sterkel and is a 2021 graduate of Bridgeport High School. While attending Bridgeport High School he was active in basketball, football, golf, one acts, B-Club, and FFA. He was also a member of the National Honor Society, Quiz Bowl, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Baylor plans to attend the University of Nebraska, Lincoln and receive a degree in chemical engineering.





Cole Faessler, a 2021 graduate of Bridgeport High School, has received a \$500 Tri-State Generation and Transmission scholarship. Cole is the son of Kurt and Shauna Faessler. He participated in football, basketball, golf, and FFA during high school. He was also a member of B-Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, TeamMates Mentee, Redington Valley 4-H Club, and the First Presbyterian Youth Group. Cole plans on attending the University of Nebraska at Kearney and major in business with a minor in real estate.

Kodie Harimon received a \$500 Tri-State Generation and Transmission scholarship. Kodie is from Bayard and is the daughter of Shane and Ashley Harimon. She attended Bayard High School and participated in basketball, cheerleading, volleyball, and FFA. Kodie was a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, and Lead Team. She plans to attend Western Nebraska Community College for two years, then attend Chadron State College and obtain a Bachelor's Degree in elementary education.



# When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!

Learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones during a thunderstorm. Being outside when lightning is present is not something to take lightly—ever.

Although the odds of being struck by lightning in a given year are less than 1 in a million, some factors can put you at greater risk. Lightning most often strikes people who work outside or engage in outdoor recreational activities. Regional and seasonal differences can also affect your risk of being injured by lightning.

The consequences of lightning strikes are serious. Lightning is one of the leading causes of weather-related fatalities. From 2009–2018, lightning caused an average of 27 deaths per year in the United States.

You can protect yourself from risk even if you are caught outdoors when lightning is close by.

### Safety precautions outdoors

- If the weather forecast calls for thunderstorms, postpone your trip or activity.
- Remember: When thunder roars, go indoors. Find a safe, enclosed shelter.
- Don't forget the 30-30 rule. After you see lightning, start counting to 30. If you hear thunder before you reach 30, go indoors. Suspend activities for at least 30 minutes after the last clap of thunder.
- If no shelter is available, crouch low, with as little of your body touching the ground as possible. Lightning causes electric currents along the top of the ground that can be deadly over 100 feet away.
- Stay away from concrete floors or walls. Lightning can travel through any metal wires or bars in concrete walls or flooring. Although you should move into a non-concrete structure if possible, being indoors does not automatically protect you from lightning. In fact, about onethird of lightning-strike injuries occur indoors.

#### Safety precautions indoors

- Avoid water during a thunderstorm. Lightning can travel through plumbing.
- Avoid electronic equipment of all types. Lightning can travel through electrical systems and radio and television reception systems.
- Avoid corded phones. However, cordless or cellular phones are safe to use during a storm.
- Avoid concrete floors and walls.

Lightning strikes may be rare, but they still happen and the risk of serious injury or death is severe. Take thunderstorms seriously. Learn and follow these safety rules to keep yourself safe from lightning.



Pork Chops with Glaze

1/2 cup ketchup
1/4 cup packed brown
sugar
1/4 cup white vinegar
1/4 cup orange juice
1/4 cup Worcestershire
sauce
2 garlic cloves, minced
1/2 teaspoon dried
rosemary, crushed
8 bone-in pork loin
chops (3/4" thick and 7
ounces each)

In a small bowl, mix the first seven ingredients. Pour 3/4 cup marinade into a large bowl. Add pork chops; turn to coat. Cover and refrigerate 8 hours or overnight. Cover and refrigerate remaining marinade.

Drain pork, discarding marinade in bowl. Lightly grease the grill rack.

Grill pork, covered, over medium heat or broil 4 in. from heat until a thermometer reads 145 degrees; 4-6 minutes on each side; brush generously with remaining marinade during the last 3 minutes.

# **Energy Efficiency**Tip of the Month



A dirty filter causes your air conditioner to work harder than necessary. Remember to change your air filter every month (or every two months) to prevent dust buildup, which can lead to even bigger problems.

Source: www.energy.gov



Smart light bulbs offer convenient control through voice commands or a smart phone app, and you can save additional energy (and money!) with LED options.

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June Board Meeting: June 14th - 9:00 am

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