

News Briefs

Board of Directors Meeting

The Co-op Board of Directors meets the second to last Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 19, 2005. The May meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24, 2005. For more information about times and locations, please contact Sharon Yeaton at 603-536-8801, or e-mail nhechq@nhec.com.

Return Your Ballot, Win a Truck!

The Co-op will again be giving away a pick-up truck to one lucky member who returns his or her ballots before the June 1, 2005 deadline. Members will be receiving their annual ballots in May. The ballot will contain the names and biographical information of candidates seeking election to the Co-op Board of Directors. One returned ballot will be selected at random and the winner announced at the Annual Meeting on June 7, 2005. But you can't win if you don't enter, so look for your ballot mailing next month and return it for your chance to win!

Signs on Poles – Illegal and Dangerous

The Co-op reminds members that attaching signs to utility poles is illegal and may jeopardize the safety of Co-op lineworkers. Nails, staples and tacks could tear or puncture the rubber gloves that lineworkers wear while working with live wires. Even a small pinprick can compromise a lineworker's safety. The N.H. Legislature has also passed a law (RSA 236:75) making it illegal to attach anything to a utility pole. Please report any signs attached to utility poles to the Co-op at 1-800-698-2007.

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

Annual Meeting Is June 7

Members of the New Hampshire Electric Co-op will gather June 7, 2005 in Plymouth for the 66th Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting gets underway at Co-op headquarters in Plymouth at 9 a.m. when registration starts. The deliberative session starts at 10:30 a.m. The Annual Meeting is your opportunity to hear and discuss the operational and financial performance of the Co-op. As a Co-op member, you help decide the direction of the company and the way it does business. Make your voice heard by filling out and returning the 2005 Ballot, which you will be receiving in the mail in May.

Voters will fill three open seats on the 11-member Board of Directors this year. Candidates vying for election will be profiled in biographies to be included in the May ballot mailing. Ballots must be returned to Co-op headquarters no later than the close of business on June 1. Results of the Board elections will be announced at the Annual Meeting, with new directors being sworn-in immediately following the meeting.

Door Prizes, Raffle, Health Screenings

The Annual Meeting isn't all business. We've got hundreds of dollars worth of door prizes, raffles and other giveaways, plus a variety of energy-saving products on display. As a special gift to members who attend the Annual Meeting, the Co-op will be offering one-day-only discounts on the Co-op's Whole House Surge Protection kits (see story on page 2 for new surge protection payment plan options). Place your order for the purchase of a kit and save \$25! In addition, local health professionals will be conducting free blood pressure and cholesterol screenings. Can't make the meeting? Tune in to local radio WPNH-AM or WFTN-AM for complete simulcast coverage.

Feel free to join us for lunch at a minimal cost. See you there!



66th Co-op Annual Meeting

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

Co-op headquarters in Plymouth

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"Capital Credits" To Be Listed on April/May Bills

The New Hampshire Electric Cooperative will again be able to allocate positive operating margins to each of its members' accounts based on their individual usage. As a result, a line item pertaining to "capital credits" will appear on the bottom of the April and/or May bills. It will indicate the amount that is being set aside in each

member's capital account. However, please note that this is an equity account, not a cash account. It represents the members' ownership interest, or equity, in the cooperative.

YOUR CAPITAL CREDIT ALLOCATION FOR 2004 IS \$0.00. THIS AMOUNT WILL BE APPLIED TO YOUR PATRONAGE CAPITAL ACCOUNT. PLEASE SEE NEWSLETTER FOR IMPORTANT DETAILS.

Surge Protection for Your Whole House

New Three-Month Payment Plan Available



The Co-op is making it easier and more affordable to safeguard your home's appliances and electronics. Starting this month, members can purchase whole house surge protection direct from the Co-op and spread out the payments over three months.

What Is Whole House Surge Protection?

Whole house surge protection starts with a visit from a qualified Co-op electrician to test and analyze your home's electrical grounding. If it's up to snuff, the Co-op will install the HomeShield™ powerline monitor and HomeGuard® Surge Protection kit. This whole house surge protection provides your home with two levels of surge protection. First, the HomeShield blocks surges from entering your home with a special device installed by a qualified Co-op technician at your electric meter. This device protects your home and major "white" appliances, such as your refrigerator, air conditioner, dishwasher and washing machine/dryer.

You'll also receive four high-quality plug-in devices (HomeGuard Surge Protection kit) to provide a second level of protection for your television, computer and other sensitive electronic equipment. You'll get all this and a socket tester for just \$379, including delivery and installation. If you choose our convenient payment plan, we'll bill you \$133 per month on your regular electric bill (a one-time \$20 service fee applies).

It's Warranted

The HomeShield comes with a 10-year product replacement warranty and the plug-in units come with a lifetime product replacement warranty. Both come with a manufacturer warranty that insures your appliances and electronic equipment from surge damage. For more information about warranty details and payment plan pricing, consult our website at www.nhec.coop or call 800-698-2007.

Uninterruptible Power Supply Also Available

Members investing in the whole house surge protection system can also purchase our Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) system that provides surge protection and regulates the flow of electricity to your most sensitive electronic equipment, such as computers or other microelectronic devices. In the event of a power outage, the UPS acts as a battery back-up, giving users between 5 to 15 minutes (depending on the computer electrical load) to shut down their system. Two units are available, starting at \$129.

Order Today

No matter which option you choose or how many additional units you order, you'll be able to spread the payments out over three months. For more information or to order, call Co-op Member Solutions at 1-800-698-2007, or visit www.nhec.coop.

WHY SURGE PROTECTION?

Each year electrical power disturbances claim more than \$26 billion in property damage, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. All appliances, including sensitive electronics, are subject to damaging power surges – very brief but extreme bursts of extra energy, which can be caused by such things as lightning, animals or birds on power lines, or downed utility poles. Another common source of power surges is the cycling on and off of heavy energy users in your own home such as refrigerators, printers, power tools, etc. A high quality surge suppression system can provide protection for your home's appliances and electronics.



Dig Smart, Dig Safe®

By proclamation of the governor, April is Dig Safe Month in New Hampshire. It's a great time to stress the importance of avoiding underground utilities when you're digging or excavating this summer.

If you'll be digging the earth this year, even as shallow as a foot deep, you need to know what's under there first. It could be nothing, or it could be a buried utility line energized with 220 volts of electricity. Before you dig, think safety first!

Call 1-888-DIG-SAFE at least 72 hours prior to digging, even on private land. Participating utilities, including the Co-op, will be notified of your plans and mark underground wires. Dig Safe is a free service that notifies participating member companies of excavation plans in their service territories.

Not only is Dig Safe a good idea, it's the law if you're digging within 100 feet of any buried utility line. To learn more about Dig Safe and smart excavating practices, visit their site online at www.digsafe.com.

Save On the Stuff You Love to Do!

Golf Owl's Nest for Half-Price

Co-op members can play one of New Hampshire's most scenic golf courses for just \$22.50 (including cart) on **May 14 or May 21, 2005**.

Owl's Nest Golf Club in Campton has again teamed up with the Co-op to offer this half-price special to members only. Owl's Nest is easily accessible from Interstate 93 and offers dramatic views of the White Mountains and Pemigewasset River Valley. It's consistently ranked among the best public courses in New England and features five sets of tees to accommodate players of all abilities.



Take your pick – play either **Saturday, May 14 or Saturday, May 21**. Donate \$5 to the NHEC Chapter of Dollars for Scholars and you'll be entered to win one of two contests for men and women – “Closest to the Pin” and “Longest Drive.” The winners will receive two free rounds of golf with cart, courtesy of Owl's Nest Golf Club. To schedule your half-price round, call Owl's Nest at 1-888 OWL-NEST within seven days of the date you wish to play. Be sure to mention your Co-op Day discount. On the day of play, clip the coupon in this newsletter and present it at the pro shop to receive your discount. Up to four people can receive the discount per coupon. Only original coupons from this newsletter will be honored (no photocopies).

To view a course map and learn more about Owl's Nest Golf Club, visit them online at www.owlsnestgolf.com.



NH Electric Co-op Members
Present this coupon at **Owl's Nest Golf Club** on **May 14, 2005 or May 21, 2005**
and receive a **round of golf for \$22.50** (including cart).

Limit four players per coupon. Original coupons only, no photocopies please.

Bike or Ride for Half-Price at Loon Mountain

Whether it's the easy way or the hard way, you'll be high on Loon Mountain this summer.

On **Sunday, June 26**, Loon Mountain in Lincoln will offer half-price mountain bike rentals and half-price gondola rides to Co-op members.



Thirty-five kilometers of bicycle trails wind around Loon's base area, offering terrain suitable for all levels of riders. Loon's full-service bike center offers complete bicycle rentals, sales and repairs, as well as the inside scoop on the best places to ride. With your Co-op Day discount, you can rent a bike and ride for four hours for just \$10.50 (Adult). Juniors (6 – 12) pay just \$9.50!

Four-person gondola rides to the summit of Loon Mountain are also half-price for Co-op members on **June 26, 2005**. Loon's summit opens another world of activities for you and your family. Explore glacial caves, hike the self-guided interpretive nature trail, climb the observation tower, and visit with local artisans as they produce unique crafts in this beautiful mountain setting. Half-price gondola rides are just \$5.25 for Adults (13+), \$4.50 for Seniors (65+), and \$3.25 for Juniors (6 – 12).

To receive your discount, clip the coupon in this newsletter. Only original coupons will be honored (no photocopies). Up to four people are eligible to receive the discount per coupon. To plan your ride or to learn more about the many activities at Loon, visit them online at www.loonmtn.com.



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FOR SALE

Vintage snowmobile & Japanese motorcycle parts, good used, Skidoo, Matoski, Arctic Cat, SnoJet, Yamaha, Kawasaki, Honda, proj sleds parts in storage big inventory. 934-4623.

Framed scenic photos of the White Mountains \$60 & up. Unique gifts! White Mt. Photography. 3425 White Mt. Hwy N. Conway NH. View at gallery or www.whitemountainphoto.com 374-6050.

Kayaks used or blemished Old Town Kayaks, excellent condition. Start @ \$279, touring models & canoes. Andover NH 735-5000 or info@kayakcountry.com.

Natural NH stone sculpture rockery/fireplace stone, landscaping projects, patio & walks, random lengths & sizes boulders or slabs. 764-9897.

Piano & French lessons, award winning local certified Teacher w/ Bachelor's & Master's degrees, 463-5926.

Fly fishing - gear, tying materials, casting lessons. FFF Certified Instructor. Pond on-site in Raymond, NH. 895-3500, or www.mountainroadfly.com.

Fly fishing lessons given on private trout pond in a beautiful mountain setting. FFF certified casting instructor. Gift cert. available. Call Kathy, 356-6240, www.mountainviewflyfishing.com.

Tubes, power supplies, oscilloscopes, test equip., wire mold conduit parts & pipe. Let me know what you want. 673-4706, or treadbar6@aol.com.

Moose Antlers for sale, also items made w/deer & moose antlers. Three-door antique icebox shaker pegboard from 1793 building. 279-8250.

Ski lift chairs original Wildcat Mt Lynx chairs, \$250. Refinished w/legs as a bench \$375. Very limited. 356-7877.

Music lessons - Piano/organ/keyboard/voice and theory by professional musician/entertainer/author, in your home or in Lakeside Studios. 859-7873.

Asthma/Allergies? Need people who desire relief to evaluate a new compact hi-tech home air purification system at no cost or obligation, 800-536-8447.

HO Layout over 200 passenger, Pullman & freight cars, GO diesel engines, 100 steam engines, Dockside to Big Boys, GO tractor or trailers, 356-5474.

Sailboat, 23' sleeps 4, includes motor & trailer. Shoal draft lead keel, beamy & stable, ask \$3000. 968-9680.

Caribbean Cantata, armchair vacation to a tropical paradise! 2640 photos of Jamaica on a CD, by NH photographer Jane Wingate. \$24.95 pp. Preview CD, & order, janewingate.com.

Lange woodstove, 34" high, in good working condition. 787-808-3523.

Used tack, English & Western, fully restored & reconditioned by expert. Bob - 284-6531 (Sandwich).

Custom made full roof lumber rack for 2002 Dodge 1500 quad cab, w/6' bed. \$250. 284-6444.

Massage Therapy, relieves stress, muscle tension and pain. Gift certificates available. Call Janice, LMT, NCM TB, AMTA. 895-4435 or www.messageatsacredtouch.com.

Currier Climbing Tree Service, pruning & takedowns at a fraction of the cost. You save \$, when you do the clean up. 463-3736.

Eagle Woodstove, good cond., will burn green wood. Accepts 18" logs, \$375 or BO. Barbara 875-3353.

Industrial grade drill press, Delta, good cond. \$250 or BO. Barbara - 875-3353.

FOR SALE

2X6 Maple syrup Evaporator, stainless pans, extra syrup pan, SS sap preheater, accessories, \$1500. 200 gal holding tank galv. \$150. 823-8459.

Charms, 14kt gold, sterling silver. Italian charms 1000's to choose from. Largest selection in New England, great prices & free shipping. 356-7880.

Custom lampshades brighten your home with new shades featuring pressed flowers & woodland flora. Jennifer 284-7468, or www.botanicallampshades.com.

45" Studio Loom, Newcomb Co., good condition, \$500. 823-5290.

Lear truck cap 6 months old, fits Doge Dakota w/clamps, wiring, high back. \$800 or BRO. New Delta table saw 10" model TS200, never used, \$140 or BRO. 542-2809.

Nordic Track Cross Trainer, hardly used, manual, orig. \$1500, sell for \$300. Razor Scooter \$25, Aria electric guitar and Amplifier \$75. 432-8112.

One pair Blizzak Snow tires 175-70R-13. Like new. Used one season, \$40 for pair. 383-8923.

Friends of the Arts Regional Arts Council present Fred Carbo Inflatable Theatre on Saturday, April 30, 7:00 pm at the Silver Cultural Arts Center, PSU. 536-ARTS to order tickets.

12' Wood Ladder, \$100. 2 Adult mt. bikes \$50/both. Royal Jackson china, heirloom pattern, 124 perfect pieces, \$1500. Brown Bunny 1 yr old no cage Free. Sears Elipse Machine \$200. 875-1001.

7 Annie Knowles collector plates w/cert. of authenticity \$50. Sansui system in case w/glass doors EQ, 5 CD, 2 cassette, turntable & 2 speakers \$150. Grumman Alum 15' canoe \$350. 875-1001.

You've seen us on TV. You may have read about us in the papers. When people talk about magnets & wellness, Nikken is whom they mean. Call me, Nancy 536-2006.

Ice eater Kasco model F 47300 LF 3/4 HP. Keep your docks ice free or pond open. New \$850, sell for \$400. 536-4957.

Dish Network satellite system - receiver is brand new in the box, dish is slightly used. All you need is co-axial cable, \$100. 463-7767.

8N & 9N Ford Tractors for sale. 3 Point hitch w/power take off, fit many new attachments. Both run well. 267-8151, ask for Bob.

Complete reloading equipment w/supplies by Lyman, RCBS, Hornady, etc, Brass, primers incl. Asking \$500 or BO. 875-0363.

China cabinet & buffet, Knob Creek cherry 62"x19". Canted cabinet, 4 glass doors, lights, mirror \$1,200. Trail-a-bike for child to 85lbs. Adams Folder model fits in car, \$99. 536-5181.

Mattress/box 2 piece sets, orthopedic, pillow top, new in plastic, full warranty. Twin \$275, Full \$295, Queen \$349, King \$475. Can deliver. 968-8366.

Temper Visco Swedish memory foam mattresses, new in plastic, Full \$549, Queen \$595, King \$749. Can deliver 968-8366.

Bedroom, dining room, leather living room in boxes, cherry wood sleigh bed, dining room has lighted hutch & neutral micro-fiber upholster chairs. \$1695 each. Can deliver 968-8366.

Hot tub/spa 2005 model new in pkg. Redwood cabinet, interior light, 5 1/2 insulated cover, full warranty, 110 or 220, fully self contained, was \$4995, sell \$2950. Can deliver 968-8366.

FOR SALE

Great recreational boat, 14' glass master 60 HP Merc outboard excellent condition one owner used only on Merrymeeting Lake. New upholstery on panels & seats \$1985/BO, 772-5117.

Good quality horse hay, large square bales \$3 each. Over 3000 bales in barn. Call after 4 pm, Let phone ring, 787-6321.

English solid mahogany desk w/solid oak dovetailed drawers. Double sided, 7 drawers per side. Brass feet, must make room, will sacrifice for \$1200, 253-9524.

ATV for sale 350cc Yamaha warrior very fast, Extra set of brand new holeshot tires must see- \$3500 firm call Ryan @ 726-3433 from 3pm to 8pm.

WANTED

Moose antlers, medium rack 9 moose antlers 30"+, preferably on skull a medium sized matched pair separate, 726-7079.

Yellow Rubber spout with 1 1/2 inch integral metal cap to fit eagle galvanized gasoline can. Bob 781-585-6995 or bsgarzi@adelphia.net.

Pop-Up Camper Trailer, 2 person, good condition, w/propane stove. Rick 356-3035.

Consignors/antique dealers for baileys consignment gallery, 328 NH Rte 25, Warren NH. Used dining, living & other décor; quality condition. No appliances, or clothing. 764-9910.

Old musical drums, cymbals, catalogs, ect. Preferably from the 1960s & earlier, from the US or Europe (including Turkey). I pay cash & will travel to you. John 781-405-4477.

Hammond organs, B-2, C-3, A-100, Leslie speakers only. We pay cash. Call Dave 679-2703.

Lionel & American Flyer elec. trains any amount or cond. 1 pc. Or collection. Turn your unused trains into cash! 978-922-2485 e-mail bkrsdoz@comcast.net.

Early 1950's stove, 40" wide gas O'Keefe & Merritt, Wedgwood, or Western Holly w/2 ovens. Prefer in good & working condition, 887-7386.

Old fabrics, quilts, & pre 1940 clothing, shoes, hats & accessories, Men's, women's, and especially children's. Nancy 895-9498.

Vintage mannequin heads & torsos, vintage men's, women's & children's clothing, old milk & cream bottles & cans. Costume jewelry. 978-979-1874.

WANT TO BUY AN AD?

Advertisements in the Co-op member newsletter are a service for Co-op members only and cost just \$5 per ad, or run your ad in 11 issues for \$50. Submit your ad with a check payable to NHEC and send it to 579 Tenney Mountain Highway, Plymouth, NH 03264. Max. 150 characters per ad. Ads for real estate, automobiles, guns, ammunition or personals are not accepted. NHEC reserves the right to refuse any ad. All ads must be submitted to the Co-op by the first of the month prior to the month of publication. Ads will run as space allows.

All proceeds from the sale of ads benefit the NHEC Chapter of Dollars for Scholars.

For more information, call 800-698-2007.