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Thank You!

Member Support Driving Success of NHEC Foundation

Thanks to the generous support of Co-op members, the New Hampshire Electric Co-op Foundation is ready to launch its charitable mission.

To date, more than 95 percent of Co-op members have contributed to the NHEC Foundation by devoting a few cents a month to the cause. That support has allowed the Foundation Directors to begin granting financial support to organizations and programs that seek to improve the quality of life in our New Hampshire communities. Be sure to check your April newsletter for news of the first Foundation grants.

The NHEC Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that is funded by the contributions of Co-op members whose monthly electric bills are rounded up to the

next dollar with the proceeds benefiting the Foundation. The average contribution per member is about 50 cents a month, or \$6 per year.

We understand that not all our members wish to contribute or disagree with the Foundation's funding mechanism. That's why we've made it easy to opt out of the Round Up Program – just have your NHEC account number ready and call the Co-op anytime at (800) 698-2007, press “5” and enter your account number at the prompt. Members can also opt out online using a convenient form in the “My Account” section of our website: www.nhec.coop.

The Co-op and the NHEC Foundation are grateful for the support shown by the vast majority of members. Now it's time to build stronger communities.

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About Our Cover



Cover Image: *Alton Bay View*, pastel, 5" x 7", by Donna Aldrich-Fontaine. More work by the artist may be viewed at www.polarisart.com.

An artist by nature all her life, Donna finally decided to exchange her high-tech career for a life as an artist. As a self-taught artist, she first began creating art in earnest about 10 years ago with pen and ink and quickly moved on to watercolors and gouache. Her current mediums of choice are pastels (mostly used in animal portraits).

Visit www.animalportraitsbydonna.com) and oils. Many of her paintings depict nature scenes in New Hampshire and Maine.

If you are interested in acquiring a limited edition lithograph of this month's cover, please contact Amanda Conaway at art@nhec.com. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number. Limited edition signed lithographs and posters are scheduled to be available this summer, and start at just \$25. (*subject to availability*)

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Shop the Online Business Directory

With more than 50 member businesses listed and more signing up every day, the Co-op's Online Business Directory is your one-stop resource for great deals and information about a host of local businesses. The Directory, located on the NHEC website at www.nhec.coop, is easy to navigate and features links to company websites as diverse as massage therapy and real estate. There's also an “Items Wanted” section that may net you some cash. Business owners – get your company listed! Ads cost just \$30 for a six-month placement, and all proceeds benefit the NHEC Chapter of Dollars for Scholars. To place your ad, write a brief description of your business, include your website address and send a check made out to NHEC. Please direct all correspondence to NHEC Online Business Directory, c/o Cindy McCormack, 579 Tenney Mountain Highway, Plymouth, NH 03264. For more information or questions, please contact Cindy at (603) 536-8713 or e-mail mccormackc@nhec.com.

CO-OP Member Discounts

Book your stay at the Bartlett Inn and present this coupon to receive **20% off** a two-night stay, or **15% off** a one-night stay. Discount is valid from April 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006*. Original coupon only, no photocopies. Visit the Bartlett Inn online at www.bartlettinn.com.

*Except holidays. Coupon is good for New Hampshire Electric Co-op members only. Original coupon only, no photocopies will be accepted.

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Board of Directors Meetings

The Co-op Board of Directors meets the second to last Tuesday of each month at Co-op headquarters in Plymouth, unless otherwise noted. The Board will meet next on Tuesday, March 21, 2006. The April meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2006. Unless otherwise specified, meetings are held at Co-op headquarters, 579 Tenney Mountain Highway, Plymouth. For more information, contact Sharon Yeaton at (603) 536-8801 or nhechq@nhec.com.

Scholarship Applications

The NHEC Chapter of Dollars for Scholars is now accepting applications for scholarships to be awarded in 2006. Now in its fourth year, the NHEC scholarship program will be awarding six \$1,500 scholarships, one of which will be reserved for a vocational student. For complete guidelines and an application, see our website www.nhec.coop or call Co-op Member Solutions at (800) 698-2007. The deadline for applying is April 14, 2006.

March Marathon Madness

Buy Now Before the Price Increase

Now is the time to purchase the ultra-efficient Marathon Water Heater from your Co-op. The manufacturer has announced a price increase to take effect May 1, 2006 on all models, so call the Co-op today at (800) 698-2007 to order.

Marathon water heaters feature a technologically advanced plastic inner and outer tank design that, unlike steel water heaters, will never rust or corrode. And Marathon stands behind every water heater with a lifetime warranty.

Remember - prices go up in May so order today!

WildBlue™ Is Coming!

High-Speed Satellite Internet Service From Your Co-op

Tired of dial-up Internet access but can't get high-speed service where you live?

install, and is done by trained installation technicians.

WildBlue™ may be for you.

WildBlue offers three service packages to consumers and small businesses (see table for details).

WildBlue is a high-speed satellite Internet service offered by the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative through a network of local cooperatives, including New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC).

All packages provide ISP services including email and web space, the WildBlue Portal, featuring the latest news, information and entertainment, customer care, and an equipment warranty. The cost of installation is \$300.

An always-on Internet connection, WildBlue's wireless service provides 2-way wireless high-speed data in both directions. Customers will not need an additional phone or cable line or the expense of a traditional dial-up ISP in order to receive Internet access. The service is easy to

This Spring, NHEC will begin deploying WildBlue to assess the market potential of this exciting new member service.

Package	Price/month	Maximum Download Speed	Maximum Upload Speed
Value Pack	\$49.95	512 Kbps	128 Kbps
Select Pack	\$69.95	1.0 Mbps	200 Kbps
Pro Pack	\$79.95	1.5 Mbps	256 Kbps

If you are interested in receiving WildBlue service, please have your NHEC account number ready and call NHEC at (800) 698-2007; select "6" at the prompt; enter your account number.

For member service please call 1-800-698-2007 or visit us online at www.nhec.coop

To report an outage please call 1-800-343-6432 or e-mail nheccc@nhec.com



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FOR SALE

Yamaha 2003- Blue SRX Viper 700cc, 1,000 miles, \$3,999. E-mail alexf12376@yahoo.com 508-269-0224

Stand-in tanning booth up-right, originally priced at \$10,000, excellent condition see at \$3,000. Will deliver up to a 60 mile radius of Colebrook, NH. 246-7077

Kitchen cook stove, black cast iron w/nickel plated trim excellent condition in Taunton, MA. \$500, Fisher baby bear wood stove \$100. 875-6951

New Jotul F602 woodstove \$400, Continental weight machines, curl bench \$200, leg sled \$375, lat pull \$300, station gym \$500, or all equip. for \$1,200. Iron disks 2-50lb. 522-6467

Stake body, oak & steel flatbed body w/oak sideboards. 9'-6" long X 7'-4" wide. Fits 1 ton frame, professionally built. Excellent condition. 823-8459

FHW Boiler/Oil 100,000 BTU, direct vent. Four yrs old. \$550. Stainless steel dbl bowl kitchen sink w/faucet, porcelain bath sink & faucet, good cond. \$150. 978-352-2932 or 253-8896

Four General P tires 235-75-15 almost new, .07 miles \$250. Two, P 215-70-r15 studded snows, \$90. 934-4907 or 568-0072

Hot water tanks, 75 gal, model state select, used 8 months only, propane fuel, can be converted. I have two, selling for \$250 each. 978-815-3731

1950's Pennyan Swift boat parts, wood & hardware (no seat hooks). 978-745-5754 or 726-3341

Truck cap fits Toyota pick-up. Hydraulic lift windows like new condition seen in Alton Bay \$375/ BO. 875-7524

Yotul wood stove, block matte, front loader, excellent condition, \$350. 356-2830

Ceramic Greenware \$200/BO take it all. 569-2041

Epson 500+ action printer, excellent condition w/3 ribbons (cost \$7 ea) all for \$75. 279-6767

Old industrial sewing machine w/work table. Operates w/electric motor & battery, has light & spool post Singer #111W151, \$400. 224-4876

FOR SALE

Freezer, upright, 11 CU ft., like new, four yrs old. I need a larger size, \$150. 253-6404

Right angle drill. Milwaukee Hole Hawg, w/case, used very little. New was \$325, sell for \$225. 536-4957

824 Toro Power shift snow blower \$300. 875-2065

Dining room table 6 chairs, buffet hutch, Lexington cherry Queen Anne style \$3,000. Clayton Marcus camel back 3 seat sofa \$1,500, green chaise \$300, more. Mary 786-3635

One grand piano for parts etc \$100, six upright pianos \$100 each, six player pianos \$200 each, rolls for player \$3 each. 755-3654

Thermo-Pride forced hot air furnace, model OC1-80 oil fired w/91,000 BTU output, new in 1991 used 12 yrs. Down-flow type, used in mobile home, good condition. \$900/BO. 863-1361

Blue Ox tow-bar, light bar for towed car, two brass wall sconces for candles, glass & wrought iron patio table, sm. rocking chair, Thule two-bike rack. Make offers, before 8pm 383-4228

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

Snowmobile for Sale 2003 Polaris Super-Sport 550, 1500 miles, excellent condition \$3000. 387-9598

Great boat & price, 1998 Larson 23.5 250HP, V-Birth, enclosed porto-potti, many extras, & trailer included. Honest value \$22,500. Need Scaffolding 4-6 sections. 786-9533

Desk & work table, \$70 for set. Kids cross country ski set shoe size 1, \$25, Scuba hoods & gloves, XL & S: \$15 for all, vertical blinds 7" X 79", two pairs for \$50. 286-4838

Camper: 21' w/queen sized bed, 3 motorcycle tie downs, fueling station. Heat, air conditioning, full bathroom & kitchen, \$13,500. 364-0711

50's Magic Chef, commercial range, 6 burners in good working order, 2 large ovens, broiler & griddle 57" wide 30" deep hood, shelf inc. Buyer must remove stove \$1,800/BO. 544-2237

Aluminum rack for full sized pickup, adjustable, \$300/BO. Hardwood floor sanding equipment, complete set \$5,500. Call for more info. 253-8499

WANTED

Old books, diaries, scrapbooks, postcards, photo albums, letters, posters, lobby cards, magazines: adult, movie, women, & men. (800) 225-9019

Old swords & bayonets. Fraternal, military, Civil War, Japanese, etc. If it has a blade I'm interested. Frank (800) 225-9019

Old oriental rugs (pre-1950), any size, almost any condition. Please call 387-3144

Yellow Rubber spout with one inch integral metal cap to fit eagle galvanized gasoline can. Bsgarzi@adelphia.net or (781) 585-6995

Lionel & American Flyer electric trains by Collector. Any amount or condition. Turn your unused trains into cash. Bkrsdoz@comcast.net or (978) 922-2485

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 (limit one ad per member, per month) Ads will be accepted only for private party sales - no business or business-related ads will be accepted (see NHEC's online business directory for business listings at www.nhec.coop). For newsletter classifieds, submit your ad with a check payable to NHEC for \$5 and mail to:

NHEC Newsletter Ads
579 Tenney Mountain Highway
Plymouth, NH 03264

Max. 150 characters per ad. Ads for real estate, automobiles, guns, ammunition or personals are not accepted. All ads must be submitted to the Co-op by the first of the month prior to the month of publication. For example, all ads for publication in the April newsletter must be submitted by March 1. Ads will run as space allows. All proceeds from the sale of ads benefits the Co-op Scholar Program.

For more information,
call (800) 698-2007.