

CHIPPEWA VALLEY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

NEWSLETTER

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POWERFUL
COOPERATIVES
PARTNERSHIPS



Powerful partnerships... part of the defining principles for cooperatives. In fact, cooperatives can serve their members most effectively and strengthen the cooperative movement by working together through local, national, regional and international structures. Sometimes these partnerships take the form of formal alliances or joint ventures. But many times, these partnerships are simply the act of working together toward common goals that can have positive impact for all members.

The power of these partnerships must be real. Every day, all across America, 120 million people are solving problems and enjoying a better life because of their co-ops. They trust their co-ops to help them find solutions to their everyday needs. In these days of corporate greed and distrust, ordinary people can still utilize a business structure that puts them first because cooperatives are owned by the members who use them.

Powerful partnerships... important to cooperatives and important to you.

*October is
Co-op Month!*

WHY IS MY BILL HIGHER THAN MY NEIGHBOR'S?

Some members ask: "Why is my electric bill so different from my neighbor's bill? The answer is simple. It is **YOUR** electric bill. It is not your neighbor's— it is a bill for electricity consumed by **YOU** and **YOUR FAMILY** in **YOUR HOME**. Yes, your homes may be similar in size, but your homes and the ways in which you use electricity are still different.

Your homes are different in many ways – in square footage, wall insulation properties, ceiling and attic insulation, leakage around windows, ceiling heights, positioning or lack of ceiling fans, furnace and air conditioning

thermostat, air flow in your home, etc. Your own family does not use electricity exactly as your neighboring family. Your family may stay up later using lights, watch television more, use multi televisions, and use more computer time. If you change the thermostat many times during the day, you are not utilizing your furnace or air conditioner to its most efficient advantage.

And while you're thinking about it, discuss with your family, ways to reduce your electric energy bill. Do some brainstorming. How can they help cut down on energy usage? You may be surprised at what they come up with.

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