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*Join fellow co-op members
at the 2023 Annual
Membership Meeting*



WEDNESDAY
JANUARY
25



SCOTT CIVIC
CENTER
MAJOR PARKWAY
NEW ROADS, LA



9:00
REGISTRATION
12 NOON
BUSINESS MEETING

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Jill Copeland

Manager of Member Services and Communications

LaCour and Hurst elected to board of directors

George LaCour, Jr. of District 3 and Brenda Hurst of District 5 were recently elected without opposition to serve on the PC Electric Board of Directors.

They will begin their new three-year terms at a meeting of the board immediately following the PC Electric Annual Membership Meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2023.

The directors are (291100) elected by members from the seven districts comprising the service area of PC Electric. Directors must be PC Electric members who reside in the district they represent.

The seven directors comprising the PC Electric Board are responsible for managing the business and affairs of the electric cooperative. They exercise all of the powers of the cooperative except such as are by law, the Articles of Incorporation or the cooperative by-laws conferred upon or reserved to the members.



George LaCour Jr.
District 3



Brenda Hurst
District 5





84th ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING



JOIN FELLOW CO-OP MEMBERS AT THE 2023 PC ELECTRIC ANNUAL MEETING

It's that time of year again; PC Electric is gearing up for the 2023 annual meeting, which will be held on January 25, 2023, at the Scott Civic Center in New Roads, LA.

The annual meeting is a special time for co-op members to gather, share experiences and hear from the (2420200) co-op leaders.

PC Electric employees work hard to host this fun event, and we encourage you to attend and exercise some of the many rights you have as a member of an electric cooperative. We know the food, health fair, and prizes are the best parts of the meeting, but there is so much more to the event.

Did you know the annual meeting is an occasion to discuss and learn more about the issues affecting our community?

The annual meeting is a perfect opportunity to learn more about the topics that impact you and talk about what we as a community can do to address our most pressing challenges and take advantage of available opportunities.

Your electric cooperative is not owned by far-away investors, and it is not run by an appointed board of directors. Your electric cooperative is run by a democratically elected board that is given the privilege to serve you, our members.

So, we hope you will join us at this year's annual meeting; not only will you have a blast, you may even win a prize.

From all of your friends at PC Electric, we hope to see you on January 25th at the annual meeting.



January 25,
2023



Scott Civic Center
1200 Major Parkway
New Roads, LA



09.00 AM
REGISTRATION
12 NOON BUSINESS
MEETING



PC Electric

ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

All high school seniors who are members of PC Electric are eligible to enter!
Also eligible to enter are high school seniors who attend the following schools:

- Iberville Parish: Plaquemine High, St. John High, and Math, Science and Arts Academy-West
- Pointe Coupee Parish: Livonia High, False River Academy, Catholic High of Pointe Coupee, and STEM Academy
- West Baton Rouge Parish: Port Allen High School

Contest Rules: Students must write a formal letter (1592902) of approximately 500 words to an elected official. Students, this is the perfect opportunity to voice your personal opinion to your elected officials on any issue, problem, or success. The topic of concern should be stated and thoroughly discussed in the letter. The letter should be addressed to the respective local, state, or federal official in formal letter format. Obscene or offensive material will not be accepted and will automatically be disqualified. Good luck to all, and have fun writing.

Guidelines and Information: The department staff shall consider the following criteria in selecting the recipients of the scholarship:

- (A) Applicant/Recipient must have a parent or legal guardian who is a member of and receives electricity from PC Electric OR attends one of our adopted schools listed above.
- (B) Applicant/Recipient must have maintained at least a 2.5 overall GPA in high school.
- (C) Applicant/Recipient must include a copy of his/her high school grades transcript.
- (D) Applicant/Recipient must be entering his/her freshman year (1608201) of college or trade school.
- (E) Applicant/Recipient must be a full-time student.

Format of Letter

1. Complete the attached application and staple a copy of your transcript to the application. Paper clip the application and transcript to your letter.
2. Letter must be in the format of a formal letter, typed and double-spaced.
3. Please don't sign your letter. Simply sign or end your letter as follows: A Concerned Student, A Thankful Student, etc.
4. Contestants should keep a personal copy of the letter.
5. Deadline is March 7, 2023, by 4:30 PM
6. Letters should be mailed to the following: Jill Copeland PC Electric P.O. Box 160 New Roads, La. 70760

Alternatively, applicants may drop off completed applications, and essay's to the PC Electric office at 2506 False River Drive in New Roads. Letters become the property of PC Electric and may be published at the discretion of PC Electric.



AWARDS EDUCATIONAL MINI-GRANTS TO LOCAL SCHOOLS

Teachers whose schools are within a community served by PC Electric and whose students' homes or parents' businesses are served by the Cooperative are eligible (1059804) for educational grants under an educational program sponsored by the Co-op.

To qualify for the grant, each adopted school must submit a written plan for an educational program that they would implement or expand. Only academic programs can qualify for one of these mini-grants.

On November 10, 2022, PC Electric hosted a luncheon and awarded educational mini-grants to its adopted schools throughout Iberville, Pointe Coupee and West Baton Rouge Parishes. The funds were presented (1165327) to the following school principals and/or school representatives in each of the three parishes.

Crescent Elementary & Jr. High
Cainview K-8
False River Academy
Holy Family
MSA West
North Iberville Elementary
Port Allen High School
Rosenwald Elementary
St. John High School
STEM Magnet Academy
Upper Pointe Coupee Elementary
Valverda Elementary

For more information on our educational programs, visit our website at www.pcemc.org.



IBERVILLE PARISH

Chris Settoon, Board of Directors (District 7), and Myron Lambert, General Manager with Iberville Parish School representatives.



WEST BATON ROUGE PARISH

Chris Settoon, Board of Directors (District 7), and Myron Lambert, General Manager with West Baton Rouge Parish School representatives.



POINTE COUPEE PARISH

Chris Settoon, Board of Directors (District 7), and Myron Lambert, General Manager with Pointe Coupee Parish School representatives.

**FEELING LUCKY? LOOK FOR
YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER TO
WIN A BILL CREDIT!**



If you see your account number published inside this issue, call PC Electric by February 28, 2023 to receive a \$25 credit on your bill. Your account number can be found on your bill statement.

GOOD LUCK!

REPLACE STANDARD POWER STRIPS WITH ADVANCED POWER STRIPS TO SAVE ENERGY. ADVANCED POWER STRIPS LOOK LIKE ORDINARY POWER STRIPS, BUT THEY HAVE BUILT-IN FEATURES THAT ARE DESIGNED TO (1983103) REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF ENERGY USED BY STANDBY ELECTRONICS THAT CONSUME ENERGY EVEN WHEN THEY'RE NOT IN USE (ALSO KNOWN AS PHANTOM LOAD).

THE NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY (NREL) ESTIMATES THAT THE AVERAGE HOME LOSES \$200 ANNUALLY TO ENERGY WASTED BY PHANTOM LOAD.



**ENERGY
EFFICIENCY TIP!**



**EASY
SLOW COOKER
Cheeseburger
Soup**

Craving a burger? Then you'll love this cozy twist! This cheeseburger soup recipe has SO much cheddar cheese, crispy bacon, and plenty of ground beef. It's a family-friendly (2346001) dinner, and everyone will want seconds.

Ingredients:

- 1 (32-oz) bag of frozen shredded hash browns
- 1 lb hamburger cooked
- ½ lb bacon cooked and chopped
- 2- lb Velveeta cheese
- 4 to 5 cups of chicken broth
- 1 tsp pepper
- 2 Tbsp dried minced onion flakes
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 2 tsp Worcestershire sauce

Instructions:

Combine all ingredients in a 6-quart slow cooker. Cook on low for 8-10 hours, stirring occasionally. Top with cheddar cheese and bacon, or even pickles if desired.

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