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Committee nominates candidates for Districts 1 and 7

The Nominating Committees made up of Pointe Coupee Electric Members from Districts 1 and 7 met Monday, October 19, 2026 at Pointe Coupee Electric Headquarters at 2506 False River Drive in New Roads. The purpose of the meeting was to nominate candidates for the Board of Directors for terms of three years beginning immediately after the annual membership meeting in March, 2026.

The candidates nominated are incumbents Al Ewing, District 1 and Chris Settoon, District 7.

Pointe Coupee Electric members serving on the nominating committee from Districts 1 and 7 were listed in the September/October issue of Connections.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATING CANDIDATES BY PETITION is November 6, 2026 at 3:30 P.M.

According to the by-laws of Pointe Coupee Electric Membership Corporation, candidates to run for the Board can be nominated in two ways:

- (1) NOMINATING COMMITTEE of Pointe Coupee Electric Members make recommendations from their district; and,
- (2) PETITION - Any fifteen (15) members acting together in a district may nominate another candidate by petition not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the election.

NOMINATIONS BY PETITION for candidates in District 1 and 7 are due in the office of Pointe Coupee Electric at 2506 False River Drive, New Roads, Louisiana before or by the close of business at 3:30 P.M., November 6, 2026.

Candidates for the Board (2223100) must be active members of Pointe Coupee Electric and their main residence must be in the district for which they are nominated.

Only active members within the same district as the candidate may make nominations. The district number is listed on the far right side of the PCEMC bill in the green shaded area.

The list of nominations will be posted in the lobby of the Pointe Coupee Electric office.

If there are no nominations by petition, the candidates placed in nomination by the Nominating Committees will assume their seats on the Board of Directors beginning immediately after the annual membership meeting in March, 2026.

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 December 31, 2026 to receive a $25.00 credit on your bill. Your account number can be found on your billing statement.

GOOD LUCK!



STAY SAFE AND SAVE ENERGY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

As November gets underway, it's hard to believe the holiday season is just around the corner. Before long, many of us will be gathering with family and friends, decorating our homes and spending more time together.

While the holidays are a wonderful time of year, cooler (191006) temperatures, holiday decorations and more time spent indoors can also mean increased energy use and a greater risk of electrical and fire hazards.

At PC Electric, the safety of our members is always a priority. Here are a few simple tips to help keep your home safe and your energy use under control this holiday season.

Safety First

Before you start decorating, take a few minutes to inspect your holiday lights and electrical cords. Look for frayed wires, cracked insulation, broken plugs or other signs of damage. If a light strand (217800) or cord is damaged, don't use it.

If you're decorating outside, make sure you are using lights and extension cords specifically rated for outdoor use. And be careful not to overload outlets or extension cords with too many decorations.

Many families also enjoy candles and other holiday scents this time of year. While they can make your home feel warm and festive, candles should never be left unattended and should always be kept away from anything that could catch fire.

Another simple but important safety step is checking your smoke alarms. Make it a habit to test your smoke alarms regularly and replace the batteries when needed. It only takes a few seconds, but that small step could help protect your family in an emergency.

'Tis the Season for Savings

With cooler weather and more family and friends spending time at home, your energy use can increase during the holidays. The good news is that a few simple changes can help you save.

Watch your thermostat.
Heating and cooling (1125007) account for a large portion of the energy used in most homes. When you have a house full of family and friends, you may be able to lower the thermostat a few degrees. All those extra people in the house can provide a little extra warmth!

Choose LED holiday lights.
LED lights use significantly less energy than traditional incandescent bulbs and last much longer. They can help you enjoy your favorite holiday decorations without using as much electricity.

Use smaller appliances when possible.
The kitchen is often the busiest room in the house during the holidays. When preparing smaller meals or side dishes, consider using an air fryer, slow cooker, toaster oven or other countertop appliance instead of your full-size oven. These appliances can use less energy and help keep your kitchen from heating up while you're cooking.

The holidays are about spending time together, making memories and enjoying the people we love. With a little planning, you can enjoy all the season (1489201) has to offer while keeping your home safe and your energy use in check.

From all of us at PC Electric, we wish you and your family a safe, happy and energy-efficient holiday season.



More Than Your Electric Cooperative

When you think of PC Electric, you may think of the electricity that powers your home, the lights that brighten your evenings, or the people you call when the power goes out. But we hope (1902508) that when you think of PC Electric, you think of something more.

We are more than your electric provider. We are your friends, your neighbors, and, in some cases, your family.

We live and work in the same communities you do. We shop at the same stores, attend the same churches, cheer on our local teams, and watch our children and grandchildren grow up right here at home. We celebrate the good times together, lend a helping hand when times are hard, and look out for one another because that is what neighbors do.

As a cooperative, our purpose has always been about people. The power lines we maintain and the services we provide are important, but the relationships we build along the way mean just as much. Behind every account is a person, a family, a home, and a story. We never (1913202) want to lose sight of that.

The holiday season reminds us just how special those connections are. It is a time for gathering with loved ones, remembering those who are no longer with us, helping those in need, and appreciating the people who make our communities feel like home. It is also a time to reflect on the many ways we depend on one another throughout the year.

Whether we have served your family for generations or you have only recently become a member of PC Electric, we are grateful that you are part of our cooperative family. Your trust and support allow us to continue serving the communities we all call home.

As another year comes to a close, we want you to know how much we appreciate the opportunity to serve you. Thank you for allowing us to be a part (2118800) of your lives, not just as your electric cooperative, but as your friends and neighbors.

From our PC Electric family to yours, we wish you a Merry Christmas, a happy holiday season, and a New Year filled with good health, happiness, peace, and many blessings.

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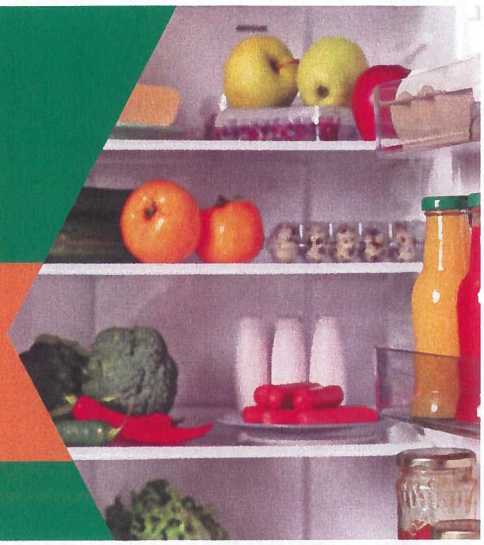
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ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP

Did you know that cramming your refrigerator too full can block cold air from circulating, while leaving it nearly empty can make it work harder to maintain its temperature? Keep food organized and leave a little space around the air vents so cold air can flow freely. Your refrigerator will cool more evenly and may use less energy!



Office Holiday Hours

Office Closed

Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 26, 2026
Friday, November 27, 2026

Christmas - Thursday, December 24, 2026
Friday, December 25, 2026

New Years - Friday, January 1, 2027