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New Payment Drop-Box

For your convenience we have installed a drive-up payment box located in the semi-circle drive in front of the cooperative office that can be used 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Members should enter from the east and pull up on the driver's side.

Map Location Game

Every month we will have four map location numbers hidden throughout *The Wire*. If you find your map location number, call our office and identify your number and the page that it is on. If correct, you will win a \$10 credit on your next electric bill.

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Congratulations to James Jones of Avon! He found his map location number in the April issue of *The Wire*. He receives a \$10 credit on his next electric bill. Thanks James for staying informed with your cooperative by reading our monthly newsletter.

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System-Wide Meter Change outs

As we stated at the beginning of the year – new and exciting changes will be taking place this year at McDonough Power. In preparation for our new Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) system we will be changing out all meters on our system beginning with the residential meters. We have contracted HD Supply to perform all of our meter change outs – they will begin in May. If you see an unfamiliar vehicle at your location near the meter it may be the folks with HD Supply there to change out your meter. They should have a McDonough Power magnetic sign on the side of their vehicle. You will experience a minor disruption in your electric service as your meter is being changed out. Prior to changing out the meter the contractors will knock on your door as an attempt to notify you of the service interruption. Stay tuned because each month we will try to give you an update on the progress being made. 6326WW26-750B

COMING SOON



- We are in the process of revamping our Web site – same Web address, new look, enhanced information and better energy efficiency tools. www.mcdonoughpower.com
- We are in the process of upgrading our very outdated computer system. The implementation process has already begun and will continue through June of this year. This change will allow us to better serve you, our members. Keep informed with the changes by continuing to read our monthly newsletter.

RECIPES

German Chocolate Bars

Ingredients:

2/3 cup butter, softened
1 box German chocolate cake mix
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
1 container coconut pecan frosting
1/4 cup milk

Directions:

Heat oven to 350°. Lightly grease or spray bottom and sides of 13x9-inch pan. 10126D1-416A

In medium bowl, cut butter into cake mix using pastry blender or fork, until mixture looks like fine crumbs. Press half of the mixture (2 ½ cups) in bottom of pan.

Bake 10 minutes. Sprinkle chocolate chips over baked layer. Drop frosting by tablespoons over chocolate chips. Stir milk into remaining cake mixture. Drop by teaspoonfuls onto frosting layer.

Bake 24 to 28 minutes or until cake portion is slightly dry to touch; cool complete. Refrigerate until firm.

Makes 48 bars

Cheesy Potato Salad

Ingredients:

2 1/2 pounds red potatoes, cubed
1 cup sour cream
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup white sugar
1/2 bunch green onions, chopped
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
1 tablespoon real bacon bits

Directions:

1. Place the potatoes into a pot, and fill with enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, and cook for about 10 minutes, or until easily pierced with a fork. Drain, and set aside to cool.

2. In a large bowl, mix together the sour cream, mayonnaise, sugar, half of the onions, and half of the cheese. Gently stir in the cooled potatoes. Top with remaining cheese and onions, and sprinkle bacon bits over the top.



For Sale

It is spring and we're cleaning house. The cooperative has a few items for sale that we're offering to MEMBERS ONLY. These items will be on display in front of the co-op office beginning May 1st. We will take sealed bids on the items until 3 p.m. on May 15, 2008. That day the sealed bids will be opened, and the items will go to the highest bidders. Below are some details and pictures of the items. To check them out in person and to submit your bid stop by the co-op office any time between now and 3 p.m. on May 15th. Since this is open to members only we will verify your membership at the time that you place your bid. 532RM55-900A

1999 Ford F150 Extended Cab



Color - Red • 93,100 miles • V8 4.6 Liter • 4WD
Great Shape • Minimum bid \$5,500

2002 Ford Explorer XLT



Color - Dark Red • 92,735 miles • V6 4.0 Liter • 4WD
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Dynaweld Flatbed Trailer



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