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Electric Rates

| Farm and Home Service rate schedule R-1* | | |
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| Service Availability Charge | <u>\$18/month</u> | |
| First 500 kWh/month | <u>12.769¢/kWh</u> | |
| Over 500 kWh/month | @ <u>10.645¢/kWh</u> | |
| Seasonal Residential Service annual rate schedule S-1* | | |
| Service Availability Charge | <u>\$216/year</u> | |
| First 800 kWh/year | @ <u>20.769¢/kWh</u> | |
| Over 800 to 6,000 kWh/year | @ <u>11.645¢/kWh</u> | |
| Over 6,000 kWh/year | <u>@ 10.645¢/kWh</u> | |

(Your minimum annual charge will be \$216 per year for service between March 1, 2015, and Feb. 28, 2016.)

Commercial Service

| rate schedule C-1* Service Availability Charge | <u>\$18/month</u> |
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| First 1,500 kWh/month | @ <u>12.769¢/kWh</u> |
| Over 1,500 kWh/month | @ <u>10.645¢/kWh</u> |

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Kilowatt-Hour Tax applies to all rate schedules and must be added to the rates shown. First 2,000 kWh/month .465¢/kWh Next 13,000 kWh/month .419¢/kWh Over 15,000 kWh/month .363¢/kWh

Living by the *three P's*

I hope that by the time you are reading this in early September, we will finally have started to experience a lot more sunny days! But, as I look out my office window this day, I see clouds and rain, which have been the

"norm" for us in June and July thus far. Hay has been difficult to bale this summer, and corn has been impossible to cultivate, but we cannot control Mother Nature. At times like these, it is wise to rely on the three P's: patience, perseverance, and prayer, with special emphasis on the prayer.

The three P's are also useful when dealing with power outages. We ask our members to be patient when outages occur, even though life without electricity is difficult and frustrating. TVs, air conditioners, furnaces, water pumps and other necessities sit idle while misery and frustration grow. Making shadow puppets by candlelight

on the wall just doesn't keep the younger generation entertained for long — and cellphone batteries don't last forever. Please understand that our members and co-op employees share a common desire of getting the lights back on as quickly as possible.

We ask our employees to persevere as they work long hours under some very difficult circumstances. Often, their homes are without power too, yet our employees must leave their families because we need them here. Our linemen must work in some terrible conditions, including temperatures over 100 degrees or below zero. Perseverance is a job requirement.

Through the power of prayer, we ask God for His protection and guidance so that linemen can find the damages, repair the problems and return safely. We pray that our families will be protected while we are away and they won't be angry, even though we had to leave when they needed us. We pray that our members will understand that we cannot control the weather, and we do our best to maintain the electrical system and get their lights back on as soon as possible.

The three P's can serve us very well in almost every aspect of our lives. They are especially effective when we keep God in our hearts. Enjoy the sunshine!

God bless.

Visit with GMEC at Guernsey County Fair

Come out to the Guernsey County Fair, **Sept. 14-19**, and visit the Guernsey-Muskingum Electric booth under the grandstand. GMEC staff will be on hand to speak with you about the programs and services provided by your cooperative.



Jerry Kackley, General Manager/CEO

Time for an HVAC tune-up

Heating and cooling systems make up about 50 percent **of your total electric bill**

It's SEPTEMBER AGAIN, and cooler temperatures make it the perfect time to give your heating, ventilation and air-conditioning (HVAC) system a tune-up.

Thanks to HVAC systems, we can create comfort within our homes. However, both the cooling and heating seasons cause the electric meter to rack up additional kilowatt-hours. **Here are some smart energy tips to help increase your comfort while managing your electric bill:**

• I cannot express enough the importance of a periodic heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system tune-up. Manufacturers' suggested time frames might vary, but it's probably time if you cannot remember the last one. Also, be sure to ask the contractor to inspect the ductwork as well. An HVAC system that operates at optimum performance will provide the comfort you expect, plus you'll be using energy wisely. As a reminder, HVAC systems generally



make up 50 percent of total electric bills.

• Perhaps your HVAC unit is on its last leg, and you've been contemplating installing a new system. The good news is today's air conditioners and heat pumps are even more energy efficient than their predecessors. If replacement is

in your future, be sure to look for a contractor who understands building science and will run a computer-generated load calculation for your home. The software used by HVAC professionals removes any guesswork and accurately sizes the unit required to heat and cool your home. A properly sized system provides optimum comfort while using less energy to operate.

• Now is the time to replace the HVAC system return-air filter. Many homes have more than one, so be sure to change all of them. Clogged filters inhibit proper airflow and can cause premature wear and tear on your system. I suggest changing them monthly or as needed. Be sure to ask your HVAC professional if you plan to use HEPA or heavy-pleated filters to make sure they will work with your system.

• If you have a fireplace or woodstove, make sure to close the damper. An open damper is

similar to having an open window. Speaking of windows, if your home has double-hung (windows that open at both top and bottom) construction, make sure both top and bottom sashes are closed and locked. If left unlocked, it's not uncommon for the top sash to drop or open at the top.

• If you have an older home, some insulating products are prone to settle. Have an insulation contractor inspect the insulation level in your attic. If necessary, an additional layer of cellulose applied over the existing insulation will thwart unwanted heat gain in the summer and keep your home warmer in the winter.

• If the inside of your home has an attic entry point like a scuttle-hole, folding staircase or knee-wall door, be sure those are insulated and sealed. There are dozens of affordable attic access solutions available in box stores and online, many of which are do-it-yourself projects. (8)

> For more energy efficiency tips, home weatherization information and insulation how-to's, visit the Department of Energy's website at energy.gov/energysaver/ energy-saver. You can also contact Guernsey-Muskingum at 740-826-7661 or visit us online at www.gmenergy.com.



Reserve your spot for the Cardinal Plant Tour on Sept. 30

If you are interested in touring the power plant that generates your electricity, please call Guernsey-Muskingum's member services department today at 1-800-521-9879.

You, a cooperative member, are one of the owners of Cardinal Station in Brilliant, Ohio, and this will be a chance for you to see it in operation.

Arrangements are being made for **Wednesday**, **Sept. 30**. A bus ride, tour and lunch will be provided.

Seats will be reserved for GMEC members who have not taken the tour in the past. *Please call because seats are limited and will be filled on a first-call, first-served basis.*

Please be aware that if there would be a "high," or level orange, security warning issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the tour may be canceled. If you have any questions, please call your cooperative. We will be monitoring the situation.

Please, be our guests — but don't delay!



GMEC welcomes new employee Darrin Thomas



Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc., welcomes Darrin Thomas to its staff. Darrin began employment in June as a fulltime maintenance/dispatcher. He is a graduate of Maysville High School and served in the United States Air Force. He brings 16 years of warehouse experience from a local distribution center. Please join us in welcoming Darrin.

Is your name and location/ account number here?

If it is, call your cooperative's office and receive a **FREE** home change-out to compact fluorescent lightbulbs. (Limit 6 bulbs.) Thanks for reading the GMEC "local pages" of *Country Living* magazine.

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A day at The Wilds

BY BRIAN BENNETT, MANAGER OF MARKETING AND MEMBER SERVICES

IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE a Saturday in June that would rain all day. We woke up to hear the forecast was updated to "cloudy and scattered showers." Having talked about going to The Wilds near Cumberland for a long time, my wife and I took our chances. The day was overcast as we parked in the lot about 11:30 a.m. What I assume was once a school bus now painted in Wilds colors drove us up the hill to the Johnson Center for tickets.

We had some tour options. Knowing that we would probably get rained on, we narrowed our choices to A) an enclosed, air-conditioned bus with a smoother ride, or B) an open-air bus, which was a retired school bus with its top removed and replaced with a frame and tarp to keep most of the rain and sun off our lids. The noon open-air bus was selected, giving us an up-close experience with the animals perfect for taking pictures.

While waiting for others to get on the bus, I listened as our driver got an update from previous drivers about where some of the animals were, reminding me of Lake Erie fishing, when boat captains help each other find fish so guests get the best possible experience. Our driver, who also was our guide, wore a Garth Brooks-style microphone so everyone could hear every word she had for the group of 22. She told us that The Wilds had about 30 species, of which most we would see from afar, or some up close!

As we traveled through remote-controlled gates on gravel roads, our bus stopped where the animals were, to learn facts and take pictures. Many of the animals are endangered. One of The Wilds objectives is to help with breeding and repopulate breeds before extinction. The animals were comfortable with buses driving in their terrain, mostly ignoring our existence. Neither "fight nor flight" was on their mind.

We stopped twice to get off the bus. At each stop, we could find a restroom or a snack. The first stop was near one of the many lakes and a small bird sanctuary. This is when Mother Nature chose to rain on us. We conveniently stayed under the snack pavilion, skipping the short walk by the lake and staying dry. It was a great time to watch others feed the birds. Lots of laughing, but it gave me a flashback to Hitchcock's "The Birds," all in fun.

Our second stop was at the Carnivore center, an opportunity to see carnivores like wild dogs and cheetahs. Carnivores are relatively new to The Wilds and are separated from most animals classified as prey — the Wilds' openness does not lend itself well to predators and prey living together. The carnivore stop was welcome, and the wild dogs, beautiful!

Our trip "inside" the fences lasted three hours. We were returned to the gift shop and restaurant before our final bus descent back to the parking lot. The overcast, cool weather added to the animals' activity. It was exciting to hear about what The Wilds offers, including horseback riding tours, zip lines, overnight accommodations and more.

We may fly to Florida or drive to Cleveland or Pittsburgh for a family outing, but as we left, I checked our mileage. It was 11 miles from The

Wilds parking lot to our driveway! Yes, I live closer than most, but I did not know how The Wilds has grown in recent years, or the programming that has



been added for different interests. I was impressed, and often we do not appreciate what we have right here in Southeast Ohio.

GMEC PARTNERS WITH THE WILDS FOR OCTOBER DISCOUNTS!

Each Saturday in October, Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative members can enjoy discounted prices at The Wilds — free parking and \$10 off tours! Clip the coupon at right and bring it with you to purchase tickets.

The animals will be enjoying the crisp weather, too. Plan for at least four hours from your car and back.

Also, check out **www.thewilds.org** for complete details and pricing of the many opportunities for family fun.

GUERNSEY-MUSKINGUM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC OCTOBER DISCOUNT AT THE WILDS

\$10 OFF All saturday tours in october*

FREE PARKING (\$6 VALUE) WITH COUPON

Excluding Zipline tours.
Coupon valid for walk-ins only. Not valid for reservations.
Not applicable to other promotions.
PLU # 15025
14000 International Rd, Cumberland, OH 43732
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WOULD YOU PLEASE HELP YOUR COOPERATIVE FIND FORMER MEMBERS?

Guernsey-Muskingum Electric would like your help in locating the following former members (or their heirs) who received service from the cooperative in prior years. Capital credits refund checks were mailed to former members listed in this *Country Living* issue. These checks have not yet cleared the bank or have been returned to Guernsey-Muskingum as "undeliverable."

If you have information for any of the names in the capital credits refund list, would you please call the cooperative at either of the numbers listed below and provide the information to the member accounting department?

GMEC is aware that many of the former members listed are deceased. However, we are looking for surviving family members who are eligible to receive the capital credits check. Thank you for your help in locating our former members.

Toll Free

1-800-521-9879

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Stealing electricity and meter tampering are crimes

Since August 1978, a revised Ohio law has been in effect covering theft of utility service and tampering with utility equipment. The statute provides that a person does not have to be seen tampering with a meter to be held responsible for such action. Prior to the revision in the law, it was difficult to prosecute a person for meter tampering unless the action was witnessed.

In addition, in prosecution for a user's reconnecting a device that was disconnected by a utility, such activity now is considered prima facie evidence that the user intended to defraud the utility.

The law defines theft of a utility service as a first-degree misdemeanor if the value of the stolen electricity, plus any utility equipment repair, is less than \$150. It's a fourth-degree felony if the value is more than \$150 or if the offender was previously convicted of the charge. Tampering convictions carry similar penalties.

Tampering is defined as "to interfere with, damage or bypass a utility meter, conduit or attachment with intent to impede the correct registration of a meter or the proper function of a conduit or attachments."

Conviction can bring from six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine to five years in jail and a \$2,500 fine.

Meter tampering costs all of us. It costs the cooperative, and it costs you. And it's downright dangerous. If you witness someone tampering with an electric meter, contact your cooperative office. Stealing electricity is a crime, and anyone caught violating the law will be prosecuted.

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6th Annual

Farm Science Review Bus Trip

Wednesday, Sept. 23

Yes, I/we would like to join our co-op and ride in a Muskingum Coach Tour Bus to the Farm Science Review in London.

Seats will remain at \$25 each this year even with the increase in ticket prices and fuel cost.

Phone

Address

Name___

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____. Please make check payable to GMEC.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE TRAFFIC — LEAVE THE DRIVING TO US!

Your ticket covers the bus trip to and from the review and your admission into the grounds. Bus departs Cambridge at 6 a.m. and Zanesville at 6:30 a.m.

Mail or return to:

Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc. 17 S. Liberty St., New Concord, Ohio 43762

I will board the bus at CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

Certification of Active Duty Deployment Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc.

The cooperative will not disconnect electric service to the residential premises of any residential member who is deployed on active duty for nonpayment for electricity provided to the residential premises.

Upon return of the residential member from active duty, the cooperative will offer the residential member a period equal to at least the period of deployment on active duty to pay any arrearages incurred during the period of deployment. If the period the cooperative offers the residential member for repayment presents a hardship, the member may request a longer period to repay the arrearages. No late payment fees or interest will be charged to the residential member during the period of deployment or the repayment period.

"Active duty" means active duty pursuant to an executive order of the president of the United States, an act of the congress of the United States, or section 5919.29 or 5923.21 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The residential member must resume the timely payment of all charges for electric service provided by the cooperative after the return from active duty deployment.

In order to avoid disconnection of electric service for nonpayment for electric service during a period of active duty deployment, a completed Certification of Active Duty Deployment form must be submitted to the cooperative. Certification of Active Duty Deployment forms are available from the cooperative upon request. STOTTS MICHAEL D STOTTS SHIRLEY I STOUT LARRY STRANDBERG PATRICIA STUBBS JEFF STURGILL ROBERT E SUMMERFIELD JOHN SUNNAFRANK L M SUTTLE SEYMOUR SUTTON HERBERT SWEITZER HARRY R SWINDERMAN KENNETH SWINGLE BEVERLY SWINGLE JOEY C SWOPE RONALD E TALBERT CLIFFORD R TANNER WILLIAM TAYLOR DOUGLAS SS TAYLOR EARL R TAYLOR LEONARD THEIS ROBERT THOMAS GENE R THOMAS HAROLD L THOMAS JANET L THOMAS LINDA M THOMAS SCOTT THOMPSON VICTOR E THORLA C D THULL EDWARD TICE LARRY TIGER OIL CO TIGHE JAMES TIMES MIRROR CABLE T V TIMES MIRROR CATV - CAM TIMMONS JOHN M TIPPEL SUSAN A TIPPLE RALPH N TODD DONALD SR TODD JAMES G TOOLE BERNARD J TREAT WILLIAM D TRELKA JAMES M TREXLER MARY TRI-AD CORPORATION TRI-PETRO WELL SERV INC TROUT PHILLIP E TROUTMAN DERL TROYER ROD TUCKER CHARLES F TUCKOSH ERIC TYSINGER R J ULRICH EVERETT UNITED STATES CELLULAR URBAN LEO C USA WASTE SERVICES INC VAN VLECK JIM VANFOSSEN GARY VANVICKLE EDDIE E VERDUGO ANTONIO P VFRI7ON VESSELS CHARLES R VEST EDMOND VICKERS G WADDLE JEFFREY L WAGGONER JEAN A WAGNER JEFE A WAGNER JOSEPH E

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Your thoughts and opinions about the cooperative help us to serve you better. We want to hear from you!

> In September, the cooperative will be working with NRECA Market Research Services to survey our members about the appliances they own. The purpose of the survey is to help us to understand how members use electricity so we can plan for future energy needs. The surveys will be by mail, but not everyone will be contacted. If you are contacted, we would greatly appreciate a few minutes of your time to share your opinions of the cooperative.

We strive to provide all members with safe, affordable and reliable electric service. By participating in the survey, you will help us make decisions that benefit you, your family and your neighbors. All information is confidential.

Thank you!

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Looking for an easy efficiency upgrade? Additional insulation can make a big difference. The Department of Energy estimates you can reduce heating and cooling needs up to 30 percent by properly insulating and weatherizing your home. Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, so our employees and their families can celebrate Labor Day.

For outage assistance, call 1-800-521-9879 or 740-826-7661.

We wish you a safe and fun Labor Day weekend!

OFFICIAL NOTICE of MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

Medical certification forms are available upon request at Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc., office for those persons who must certify that disconnection of electric service would make the operation of necessary medical equipment impossible or impractic able, or that such discontinuation of electric service would otherwise be dangerous to the health and welfare of persons residing in the household.

In all cases where discontinuation of service would be especially dan-gerous to the life and welfare of the oc-cupants within a household, the con-sumer should contact the coopera-tive and request a "Medical Certifi-cation" form. This form must then be completed and certified by a licensed physician or local board of health and filed with the cooperative.



Saturday, October 3, 2015 10 am - 2 pm Tunis Farms 5640 Baughman Rd. Zanesville





Recognition of Bicentenniai and Century Farms

The First 100 Years of Ohio Agriculture

Barn Owls
Genealogy - How to start?
Bluebirds For Everyone
Bicentennial Tree Planting

Bicentennial Farms Wilbur & Betty Rambo Farm 1800 McGee Family Farm 1806 Joseph Burwell Farm 1813 Tunis Family Farm 1815

Exhibits

Ohio Division of Wildlife Earm Bureau Pioneer & Historical Society OSU Extension Timber Run Grange Muskingum Watershed Kindler Forest Management Army Corps of Engineers Soil & Water Conservation District Natural Resource Conservation Service Internsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperation Dairy Promoters Genealogical Society Old Steam & Gas Chub