

CLARK ENERGY LINES

A publication of Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc., proudly serving our members since 1938.

Get great deals and support local businesses Are you using your co-op 'connections'?

What's the best reason to flash your Co-op Connections Card? "It saves money!" says Tiua Chilton, co-op member and self-described smart shopper who uses the free card to receive discounts on everyday products and services.

Cardholders can save 10 to 85 percent on most prescriptions at over 60,000 independent pharmacies and national chains. Participating businesses also include healthcare providers (dental, vision, hearing, chiropractor, X-rays, lab work),

restaurants, hotels, and many retailers.

Chilton's favorite Co-op Connections Card story involves the sunglasses needed to protect her light green eyes during outdoor activities. She found the exact sunglasses she was looking for at a local vision center, and they were on

sale. Even better: by showing her card, she saved a total of 41 percent on the sunglasses, which were originally priced at \$188.

Tiua scored a great deal by using her "connections," and you can, too. Each Clark Energy member can get a Co-op Connections Card free of charge. There's no catch — no

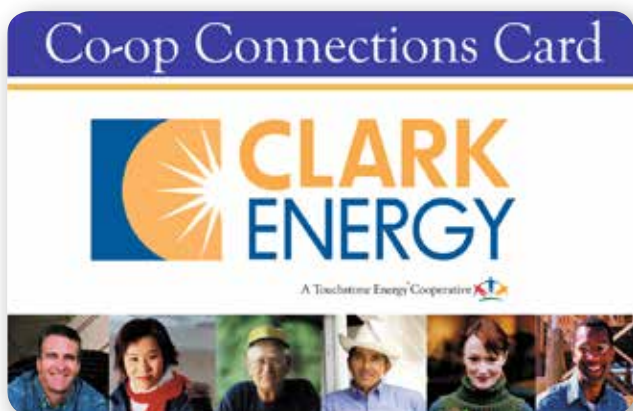
signup, no annual fees.

Patronizing participating Co-op Connections vendors and getting your discount is just as easy. Download the Co-op Connections Card app by searching for Co-op Connections Card in your smartphone store. The app will help you find discounts offered by businesses in our area.

Make a special effort to take advantage of your Co-op Connections Card on Friday, Oct. 6, which is National Co-op Connections Day. It's a great opportunity to celebrate another perk of being a cooperative member during National Cooperative Month while supporting our participating businesses.

Need a card?

Celebrate National Co-op Connections Day, Oct. 6, by visiting your favorite participating business. Need a card? Download and print one from www.connections.coop or contact Clark Energy at (800) 992-3269.



The Co-op Connections program delivers added value to Clark Energy members by offering a variety of discounts at participating local and national businesses. At the same time, it promotes economic development because participating businesses benefit from increased customer visits by co-op members.

From the President's Desk

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Our history, our future

Looking back provides the path forward

One of my favorite quotes has always been, "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Yet sometimes remembering our history with the goal of repeating it can actually be a good thing. As the nation's 30,000 cooperatives celebrate National Co-op Month this October, it is a great time to take a look back—and a look forward.

Take the history of your electric co-op. Clark Energy was founded when neighbors worked together to bring electricity to our rural community. Big investor-owned power companies thought they couldn't generate enough profit so they bypassed rural areas. Back then, there were frequent meetings among neighbors to discuss the formation of the cooperative. Once established, annual meetings were the "must attend" event every year. The co-op—on behalf of the member-owners—committed to provide the community with electricity.

Fast forward to today—and tomorrow. Clark Energy currently serves over 26,000 accounts. We have returned \$5,789,701.51 in capital credits to our members since 2012.

We understand the spirit that helped create this co-op must be continually nurtured. While times and technology will continue to change, our commitment to you will not.

Although we continue to look toward the future, you can be confident that Clark Energy will commit to explore new ways to help our members and our community.

Over the years, as we've listened to you and your fellow co-op member-owners, we know that we have to keep pace as technology and consumer tastes evolve. As always, we welcome your participation as we plan for the future.



Chris Brewer, President & CEO



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Stop the vampires!

The little vampires who ring your doorbell on Halloween night aren't the only ones you should be afraid of. Electricity vampires are all over your house—all year long.

Electrical vampires are appliances and electronics that continue to pull electricity, even when they are turned off.

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, vampires account for up to 5 percent of the energy in your house.

To save you from a witch hunt here is a list of the most likely vampires in your house:

1. Computers, modems, routers, printers, and other related equipment.
2. Your flat-screen TV. The larger it is, the more energy it uses, even when turned off.
3. Home theater equipment, including surround-sound devices.
4. Your cable or satellite TV box.
5. Anything with a digital time display, like your microwave oven or DVD player.

If an electrical device has a continuous display, like a digital clock, if it charges batteries, like your mobile phone charger, or if it has a remote control, like your TV—it's a vampire.

The best way to stop these vampires is to unplug them when you're not using them. You might also consider purchasing power strips so you have to pull just one plug to stop a group of electronics from using vampire electricity.

Means Receives Gold

District 4 Director Gale Means was recently recognized for having earned his Director Gold. To reach Director Gold status, cooperative directors must have earned their Credentialed Cooperative Director and Board Leadership Certificates. Congratulations!



NOTICE OF RATE DECREASE

Pursuant to the Kentucky Public Service Commission's (Commission) orders in Case No. 2017-00009, dated August 7, 2017, the following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of September 1, 2017, of this Order and will be reflected on member-owners' electric bills as of October 1, 2017.

These decreases are a pass-through to the member-owner as a result of fuel adjustment charge decreases in the wholesale power supplier's rates.

	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>New Rate</u>
SCHEDULE R - Residential		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.092425	\$.08992
SCHEDULE D – Time-of-Use Marketing Service		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.060450	\$.05794
SCHEDULE O – LED Outdoor Lighting Facilities		
Open Bottom	\$9.56/month	\$9.52/month
Cobra Head	\$14.75/month	\$14.66/month
Directional Flood	\$22.11/month	\$21.93/month
Ornamental Light w/pole	\$20.30/month	\$20.23/month
SCHEDULE T – Outdoor Lighting Facilities		
400 Watt	\$17.67/month	\$17.28/month
SCHEDULE S – Outdoor Lighting – Security Lights		
175 Watt Mercury Vapor	\$9.63/month	\$9.45/month
SCHEDULE E – Public Facilities		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.099370	\$.09686
SCHEDULE C – General Power Service		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.098850	\$.09634
SCHEDULE L – General Power Service (50-500kW)		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.071320	\$.06881
SCHEDULE P – General Power Service (greater than 500 kW)		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.061160	\$.05865
SCHEDULE M – General Power Service (greater than 1,000 kW, but less than 5,000 kW)		
Energy Charge per kWh	\$.064560	\$.06205

Clark Energy's offices in all locations will be closed on Monday, October 9, 2017, for an in-house employee developmental training workshop. We will reopen at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, October 10.