



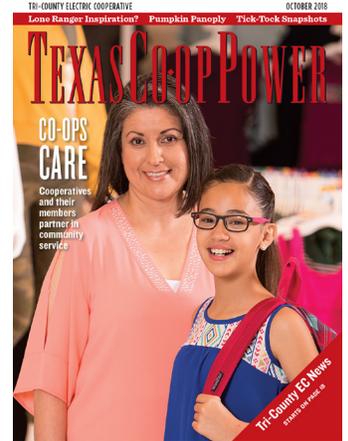
# TRI-COUNTY

## Electric Cooperative, Inc.

*"A Commitment to Service and Savings"*

Boo! October means Friday night football, bonfires, pumpkin spice and festive costumes. Check out what is featured in this month's **Texas Co-op Power!** 800814276

- Cooperative Month, page 18
- Halloween Safety, page 19
- Member Spotlight, page 20
- Meter Communications, page 22
- Electronic Vampires, page 23
- Lighting Guide, page 24
- Chocolate Cobbler, page 25



The *Texas Co-op Power* includes great stories from around the state of Texas, as well as local information. Make sure to look for your account number in the **Co-op News section** each month for a chance to get a **\$20 bill credit!**

## Happy National Cooperative Month!

As the nation's 30,000 cooperatives celebrate National Co-op Month this October, it is a perfect time to take a look back—and a look forward.

Tri-County Electric Cooperative was established back in 1939 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 and only electrified the cities. 800633913

Back then, there were frequent meetings among neighbors to discuss the formation of this cooperative. Once established, the co-op's annual meetings became "must-attend" events every year.

Fast-forward to today: Your electric co-op currently serves over 87,000 members and supports the schools and communities we call home. We also regularly return capital credits to our members.

We started out providing electricity, but our impact—with your support and input—has grown. Over the years, we've listened to you and your fellow co-op

member-owners, and we know that we must keep pace as technology and consumer needs evolve.

While times and technology will continue to change, our commitment to you will not. We understand that the spirit that helped create this co-op must be nurtured continually. You can be confident that your co-op will keep exploring new ways to help our members and our community.



Member Services Appreciation Week is October 1-5. Please help us thank our wonderful Member Services Representatives this month!

# Cherry Pumpkin Bread

Lezlee Shearman of Dennis



- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup maraschino cherries, chopped
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup can pumpkin
- 1/2 cup oil
- 2 1/4 cup flour
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts (walnuts or pecans)

Combine eggs, cherries, sugar, pumpkin and oil in a bowl and mix well. Add spices to flour and add to batter. Stir in nuts.

Spray loaf pans with non-stick cooking spray. Divide batter into 2 loaf pans. 8003156901

Bake at 350°F for 30-40 minutes, or until toothpick comes out clean.

Enjoy!

## Recipe Submission Form

Please submit your favorite recipe and this form to the Communications Department.

The recipe submission is a free and voluntary service provided by Tri-County Electric Cooperative. As we have more than 85,000 members, we may receive high volumes of submissions. Recipes must be submitted before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month to be considered for the next issue of the *Texas Co-op Power* (i.e., October 20th for the December issue). We reserve the right to refuse any recipe. Please submit recipes through the postal service or email and not on the back of your payment stub. These stubs are processed automatically because we receive hundreds daily. 800721331

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Recipe Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: Please include the above information with your recipe and send to [pr@tcectexas.com](mailto:pr@tcectexas.com)

Mail service: Please detach and submit this form with your recipe and mail to

Tri-County Electric Cooperative  
Attn: Recipe Submission  
600 NW Parkway  
Azle, Texas 76020

## It Pays To Stay Informed!

Find your account number in our Member Information Bulletin and you will receive a \$20.00 credit on your electric bill! Simply contact one of our Member Services Representatives by calling the number to the right.

It Pays to stay informed!



## TRI-COUNTY Electric Cooperative, Inc.

*"A Commitment to Service and Savings"*

600 NW Parkway | Azle, Texas 76020  
Phone: 817-444-3201 | 1-(800)-367-8232  
Fax: 817-444-3542  
[www.tcectexas.com](http://www.tcectexas.com)

Keller ★ Granbury ★ Azle ★ Seymour  
Headquarters