

"Taking Care of Our Member-Owners"

Member Information Bulletin August 2021



Your Co-op is Calling

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Mark your Calendar and Get Ready for Annual Meeting!

Your Tri-County Electric Cooperative employees are gearing up for the 82nd Annual Meeting of the Members. With COVID-19 still a concern, the meeting will be *virtual* again this year, and members may participate by streaming online or listening by phone.

Meet the 2021 Director Candidates

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 26, for a virtual candidate forum.

Stream Online: tcectexas.com/director-elections Listen by Phone: 855-710-6229

> Each director candidate will be asked a series of questions by co-op staff, as well as take questions from the membership. The forum will be recorded and available on our wesbite one week after the event. 30084001

Here is what you need to know about the Annual Meeting:

► Your Invitation and Notice: Around the first of September, members will receive an invitation and official notice for the Annual Meeting in the *Texas Co-op Power* Magazine. This magazine includes all information for the Annual Meeting, including how to participate in the virtual event, financial statements, and how to vote in the election. 800879884

▶ Your Ballot: Members will receive their ballot with the September *Texas Co-op Power* Magazine. The ballot will be located on the **back** of the magazine and is specific to each member. The ballot includes the election of directors for districts 3, 6 and 8. Learn more about the candidates in the 2021 Annual Meeting insert in the August *Texas Co-op Power* Magazine.

► Voting: All members may vote in the election, regardless of the district they live in. Members may vote online or by mail. Your September *Texas Co-op Power* Magazine will have further instructions on how to vote. Members who vote in the election will receive a **\$25 bill credit** and will be entered into the door prize drawing during the virtual Annual Meeting.

Make plans to join us Tuesday, October 5, for the virtual Annual Meeting!

Chili Cheese Chicken Melissa A Hofer of Keller



8 oz. softened cream cheese
1/2 tsp garlic powder
1/4 tsp ground cumin
1/4 tsp salt
1/4 tsp pepper
4 oz. chopped green chilis, drained
Chicken breasts
1 cup Monterey Jack cheese, shredded

Mix cream cheese, garlic, cumin, salt and pepper until blended. Stir in green chilis.

Arrange chicken on a flat baking dish. Cover chicken with cheese and chili mixture. Top with shredded Monterey Jack cheese.

Bake at 375°F for 35-45 minutes on the middle rack.

Serve hot over Spanish rice, greens tortillas or mashed potatoes.

Enjoy!

COOK'S TIP: Attempt to use pieces of chicken that are even in thickness to ensure even cooking. The thicker section of the breast may have to be split.

Wired in History:

U.S. Congressman Charles Stenholm, a former co-op manager, spoke at Tri-County Electric Co-op's annual meeting at the Weatherford High School football stadium, explaining why he had voted for some bills favored by the co-ops and against others. The members gave him their full attention and "expressed their approval of some of his remarks with vigorous handclapping and applause."

From the Tri-County Electric Co-op minutes, August 3, 1979

It Pays to Stay Informed!

Find your account number in our Member Information Bulletin or the *Texas Co-op Power* and you will receive a \$20 credit on your electric bill! **Simply contact our Member Services department by calling 817-444-3201.**

Share your Favorite Recipe!

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 97,800 member-owners, we may receive high volumes of submissions. Recipes must be submitted before the 20th of each month to be considered for the next Member Bulletin or issue of the *Texas Co-op Power* (i.e., August 20th for the October 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. 8003121203

Name:

Town:

Recipe Name:

Email: Please include the above information with your recipe and send to pr@tcectexas.com

Online: tcectexas.com/recipe-submission

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

Tri-County Electric Cooperative Attn: Recipe Submission 200 Bailey Ranch Road Aledo, Texas 76008



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