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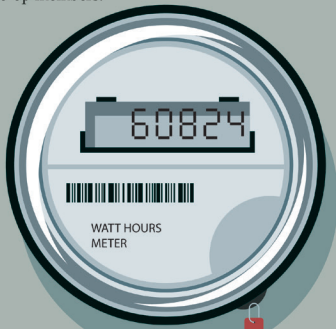
# MemberMatters

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## DO NOT TAMPER WITH YOUR ELECTRIC METER

Meter tampering can result in electric shock, is illegal and increases electricity rates for other co-op members.



- ⊗ Never break a meter seal.
- ⊗ Never open a meter base.
- ⊗ Never remove a meter or alter an entrance cable in any manner.

If you know or suspect that someone has tampered with their meter, please contact us immediately.

## BE SURE TO CLEAN THIS OFTEN OVERLOOKED HOUSEHOLD ITEM

**I**f we've learned one thing from the pandemic, it's how important it is to keep surfaces clean.

At this time of year, one of the most-touched surfaces in your home just might be the air conditioner thermostat. Killing germs on the thermostat's surface is only one reason to regularly clean it, however. Often, a malfunctioning thermostat is simply dirty.



Dirt can affect the way the thermostat calibrates, which means it must use more energy than normal to maintain a comfortable temperature in your home. In other words, a clean thermostat is a more energy-efficient thermostat.

Cleaning your thermostat when the seasons change from warm to cool and then again when they change back can extend the life of the device as well. Here's how to clean your thermostat:

- Remove the cover. Depending on the model you have in your home, you might have to remove screws, but most covers simply snap off.
- Using a clean, soft paintbrush and a gentle touch, dust the inner workings of the thermostat. For grime or debris at points where the electronic components touch, slide an open dollar bill like dental floss between them to loosen and remove it. An alternative tool is compressed air.
- Inspect the device for loose or corroded wires. If you find them, call an electrician to repair; this is not a do-it-yourself job.
- Replace the batteries.
- Dust the cover and then put it back on.

Note that smart thermostats do not need interior cleaning.



**All Kenergy offices  
will be closed  
Monday,  
September 7th for  
Labor Day**

# LEARNING STARTS **NOW**

**Educate children on bus safety before they leave for school.**

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Keep these situations in mind when talking to your children about school bus and bus stop safety.

- Don't play near or around power lines or poles while waiting for the bus.
- Stay away from pad-mount transformers (those big green boxes) or other electrical equipment.
- Plan with your children the different scenarios they could find themselves in.

In an emergency, your child may need to jump out of the vehicle, with both feet together, avoiding contact with the bus and the ground at the same time. Then, he or she should shuffle away with small steps, being sure to keep both feet together and on the ground at all times until at least 40 feet away. This will reduce the risk for electrical shock or electrocution. Take the opportunity to practice this with your child, even if it's just from your own vehicle.

Having continuous, proactive conversations with your kids is a great way to help them remember safety when the time comes.



## SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

A random computerized drawing of 254 applicants was held July 6<sup>th</sup> for three (3) **\$1,000 scholarships** and twenty-four (24) **\$500 scholarships**. Scholarships can be used for tuition, fees, campus housing, textbooks, computers, school supplies, and other costs directly related to the recipient's education. Congratulations to our winners!

### **\$1,000 Winners**

**Brooklyn Brown  
Joshua Baldwin  
Rylei Roy**

### **\$500 Winners**

**Allison Krampe  
Bethany Beals  
Cassady Coomes  
Chassity Roberts  
Collin Wilson  
Corey Benson  
Hailey Ballard  
Holly Payne  
Jacey Fulkerson  
John Michael Zoglmann  
Kaley Crabtree  
Kayla Austin  
Maci Simmons  
Madilyn Choate  
Madison Edge  
Mallory Robertson  
Marlena Hadden  
Peggy Sutton  
Preston Hazelwood  
Rachel Domsic  
Sarah Yeckering  
Tyler Walz  
Wes James  
Will James**

With schools starting back (whether in-person or remotely), we know our members that are parents need some creative ideas for healthy lunches. Try out this fun spin on chicken salad!

## INGREDIENTS

**1/2 cup** quinoa, rinsed and cooked (1/2 cup dry quinoa makes 1 cup cooked)

**8 ounces cooked** chicken breast (rotisserie chicken will save time!)

**1 large** leek, cleaned and thinly sliced (white part only)

**1 cup** Mandarin orange segments (if using canned oranges, drain the syrup)

**1/2 cup** dried cranberries

**salt and pepper**, to taste

## For the Asian Dressing

**3 tbsp** extra virgin olive oil

**1 1/2 tsp** rice vinegar

**1/4 cup** orange juice, freshly squeezed is best

**3/4 tsp** low-sodium soy sauce

**1 tsp** sugar, or raw honey

**1/2 tsp** ground ginger

**1/2 tsp** minced garlic

## QUINOA CRANBERRY CHICKEN SALAD



## DIRECTIONS

1. Prepare quinoa according to package directions. Cooking time is approximately 12 minutes.
2. Cut cooked chicken breasts into small, bite-sized pieces or shred them with a fork.
3. In a large salad bowl, combine cooked quinoa, chicken, leek, oranges and dried cranberries. Toss to combine and season to taste with salt and pepper.
4. In a small bowl, combine oil, rice vinegar, orange juice, soy sauce, sugar, ground ginger and garlic. Whisk to combine.
5. Just before serving, toss salad with dressing in an amount to suit your taste.
6. Serve over healthy greens or stuff into hollowed out tomatoes.

*Recipe courtesy of It's Yummi*



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Save Additional \$3 Off Lowest Adult Ticket  
Save \$1 Off Lowest Senior/Under 54" Ticket  
**Until then tickets are \$29.99 for anyone**

Holiday World.com / Fun Club Discount Tickets  
UserName: Holiday700 Password: World700  
Codes are case sensitive



## Did You Know?

It cost Kenergy's average residential member \$5.09 per day for electricity. That's less than the price of a Big Mac® meal at McDonald's!

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To redeem discounts, present your Co-op Connections card, Co-op Connections smart phone app or print coupon from [www.connections.coop](http://www.connections.coop)

### Bangle's Café

FREE Drink with Meal Purchase  
2036 Madison Street, Henderson

### Huddle House

15% Off Purchase  
Cannot be used with other discounts.  
3248 Mount Moriah Avenue, Owensboro

### New China Buffet

10% Off Monday thru Thursday  
4768 Frederica Street, Owensboro

### Ole South BAR-B-Q

Buy One Buffet, Get 2nd 1/2 Off  
Breakfast-Lunch-Dinner; Monday thru Thursday  
3523 Hwy. 54 E., Owensboro

### Preservation Station Family Restaurant

10% Off Total Purchase  
9661 Ky. 56, Owensboro

### Sidewalk Café

10% Off Total Purchase  
228 Second Street, Henderson

### The Café at The Dam

FREE Appetizer  
107 N Main Street, Beaver Dam

If you are a business wanting to participate in the Co-op Connections program, please contact Jeanette Weedman at (270) 689-6157 or [jweedman@kenergycorp.com](mailto:jweedman@kenergycorp.com)



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