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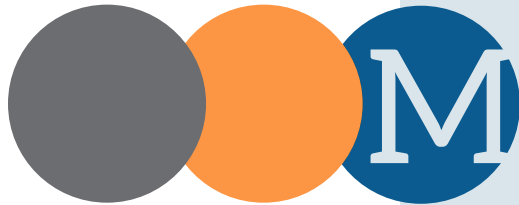
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# MemberMatters

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## WE NEED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS!

Providing or updating an email address on your account is quick and easy - and really helps us communicate with our members better! There are several ways to do it:

- Go to [www.kenergycorp.com](http://www.kenergycorp.com) and click on 'My Account'
- Download and use the **Kenergy SmartHub** app on your phone
- Call 800.844.4832
- Fill out the Account Information Change Request form on the back of your bill and mail it in with your payment.



## LOOKING AHEAD TO 2021 POSSIBILITIES

**A**fter a tumultuous 2020, the transition to 2021 is both welcome and perhaps disconcerting. We pray that our community, state and nation can return to normal this year. Yet, many factors remain that upended our lives last year.

Through change and uncertainty, Kenergy works diligently to be a constant. This demands a deliberate and intentional effort by all our employees. The electric grid is a complicated and comprehensive system that needs constant attention and maintenance, sometimes in less obvious ways.

For instance, to deliver electricity to all 45,530 members served by Kenergy, we maintain 7,178 miles of line. Our crews need to be able to envision both the past and the future. How has our infrastructure held up under past forces, and what maintenance needs to be performed to ensure safe and reliable service into the future?

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# WHY IS MY POWER OUT?

A storm or a squirrel may be to blame



When the power goes out, we work hard to resume service as quickly and safely as possible.

## Here are some common reasons the power goes out:



### **STORMS:**

Mother Nature can interfere with power delivery.



### **TREES AND VEGETATION:**

This is why we work so hard to keep power lines clear.



### **ANIMALS:**

Curious animals can cause damage, especially squirrels.



**ACCIDENTS:** Run-ins with a utility pole or other equipment can cause an outage.



**PUBLIC DAMAGE:** Unsafe digging, equipment or line damage, vandalism or theft can all interfere.



**OVERLOAD:** This happens when demand spikes, like on a hot summer day.



**EQUIPMENT ISSUES:** We maintain and inspect equipment regularly, but sometimes malfunctions occur.

Thank you for your patience during outages.



## 2021 DIRECTOR ELECTION

Prior to Kenergy's annual membership meeting to be held on June 8, 2021, three individuals will be elected to represent Districts 2, 7, and 10.

A district director must be a member of the cooperative and must reside in the district he or she represents.

Any 15 or more members may make nominations of eligible persons for district director. Such nominations shall be by signed written petition and must be submitted to Kenergy by **4:00 p.m. on February 18, 2021.** Only members eligible to vote in a district are authorized to sign a petition nominating a member from that district.

Information about the election is available on Kenergy's website, or you may contact Debbie Hayden at 270-689-6101 or email [dhayden@kenergycorp.com](mailto:dhayden@kenergycorp.com).



## KITCHEN Slow Cooker Salsa Chicken Taco Recipe

*Start the new year off right with an easy dinner idea!*

### INGREDIENTS

- **2 pounds** boneless, skinless chicken breast
- **2 cups** (1 jar) Chi Chi's Smoky Chipotle Salsa
- **2 tablespoons** taco seasoning
- flour or corn tortillas, heated
- sliced avocado
- crumbled queso fresco
- chopped cilantro

### DIRECTIONS

1. Spray slow cooker with nonstick cooking spray. Add chicken, salsa, and taco seasoning to slow cooker and stir to combine. Cook chicken on HIGH for 4-6 hours, until chicken falls apart and shreds easily with a fork. Shred chicken with two forks.
2. Layer tortillas with salsa chicken and desired toppings like sour cream, lettuce, black beans, guacamole or pico!

*Recipe and picture courtesy of  
SharedAppetite.com*



### Looking Ahead ... *continued from page 1*

Sometimes, that means Kenergy must replace poles, transformers and build new substations. You will also find our crews and contractors performing right-of-way maintenance, both clearing existing vegetation and looking into the future to prevent encroaching limbs from threatening delivery of electricity to you.

Sometimes, Kenergy, working with our fellow co-ops, becomes aware of legislation in Frankfort or Washington that could affect the safety, reliability or affordability of our electric service. One year ago, thanks to co-op members speaking up, we were able to stop state government from adding a sales tax to residential power bills. As a new General Assembly

and Congress convene, we will let you know if we again need your help to protect the interests of your co-op and community.

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, all this work has been performed adhering to safety restrictions. Kenergy appreciates your continued patience and cooperation as we practice social distancing. We look forward to a reopened and normal world.

As we begin 2021, all of our employees here at Kenergy wish you a happy, peaceful, safe and healthy New Year.



# ARE YOUR KITCHEN'S APPLIANCES UP TO DATE ON ANNUAL CHECKUPS? HOME APPLIANCE CHECKLIST



## REFRIGERATOR

- Check water connection for leaks.
- Check hoses for links and kinks.
- Plug into a GFCI outlet.

## DISHWASHER

- Check water connection for leaks.
- Check drain connection for clogs.

## STOVE

- Check oven door for broken glass.
- Check for gas leaks.

## Featured Businesses Offering Discounts

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)

New Year's Resolution? Here are a few places to keep you on track!

### 270 Power Yoga

20% Off The \$40 Intro Special. Now Intro 40 Days for \$32!  
3333 Frederica Street, Owensboro

### Owensboro Fitness Center

\$25/Month No Registration Fee  
3239 Alvey Park Drive E., Owensboro

### Clark's Health & Nutrition

10% Off Any Product In Store.  
May Not Be Combined With Other Discounts.  
3118 Alvey Park Drive E., Owensboro

### Gene's Health Foods

10% Off Vitamins and Supplements.  
May Not Be Combined With Other Discounts.  
1738 Sweeney Street, Owensboro

### Jubilee Ballroom Dance

10% Off Private & Small Group Lessons  
12198 Dorsey Lane, Philpot

### Profile by Sanford

50% Off Annual Membership  
2928 Heartland Crossing Blvd., Owensboro

### Culligan of Cadiz

Free Installation Offer  
Cadiz, Call 270.984.8812

### Wheatgrass Juice Bar

10% Savings On Any Juice, Smoothie or Food Item  
3500 Villa Point Drive #102, Owensboro

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

### Cruse Salon

15% Off Product  
1724 Cruse Drive, Owensboro

### Merle Norman

10% Off Anything In Store.  
Not Valid With Any Other Promotion Or Offer.  
2785 Veach Road, Owensboro

### Salon Calidora

10% Off Manicures, Pedicures Or Permanent Makeup Procedures.  
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