

Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative's Water Heater Program

Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative (CVEC) offers you a rebate, a monthly credit, and reimbursement for water heater repairs when you install a new 50 gallon or larger electric water heater and enroll in our Water Heater Program.

Rebates:		
50-79 Gallon (energy factor $\geq .90$)	80-84 Gallon (energy factor $\geq .85$)	85 Gallon or larger (energy factor $\geq .91$)
Replace Electric \$63.00	Replace Electric \$169.00	Replace Electric \$211.00
New Service or Replace Gas/Oil \$193.00	New Service or Replace Gas/Oil \$389.00	New Service or Replace Gas/Oil \$461.00

These rebates apply to new electric storage water heaters of 50 gallons or larger, with a signed Water Heater Agreement, and specifically exclude tankless, or "on-demand" electric water heaters.

In exchange for the rebate and monthly credit, you allow CVEC (via our power supplier, Dairyland Power Cooperative) to control your water heater during periods of peak demand.

A key component of the Water Heater program is the Load Management Receiver (LMR). CVEC will install an LMR on your water heater. The LMR will allow Dairyland Power Cooperative to interrupt the power to your water heater during periods of peak demand. The duration of the interruption will vary depending on the size of the water heater and on the peak demand. The maximum duration for interrupting power to a water heater is four hours in any 10-hour period for a 50-79 gallon water heater, and six hours in any 10-hour period for an 80 gallon or larger water heater.

With a properly sized water heater, controlling of the water heater should be completely transparent to you. The Water Heater Program works to the benefit of you, the member, in the form of a rebate and an ongoing monthly credit, and also the cooperative, as loads can be curtailed during periods of peak demand, reducing the overall cost of electricity.

To enroll in the program, simply submit a copy of your paid receipt for a qualifying electric water heater, along with a completed rebate form after the water heater is installed. When this information is received, CVEC will contact you to schedule an appointment to install the LMR. The LMR will be installed outside the home, with (in most cases) flexible conduit run to the load center. Your rebate will be credited to your electric bill after the LMR is installed. The monthly credit will start the day the LMR is installed. The monthly credit is applied to accounts with a current balance only.

If your water heater requires service, CVEC will reimburse you up to \$75 per service call (maximum of \$150 per controlled water heater per year). A copy of a paid receipt is required for reimbursement. If you replace the parts yourself, CVEC will reimburse you for the cost of parts only, with a copy of a paid receipt. Replacement parts reimbursement is limited to a maximum of two elements and two thermostats per year, not to exceed \$150 per controlled water heater per year.

Warranty issues must be addressed directly with a participating dealer. CVEC does not sell or warranty water heaters as of January 1, 2014.

The CVEC Water Heater Program is subject to restrictions as stated in the Water Heater Agreement. The program may be changed or cancelled at any time without notice. ■



Ken Schmitt fills District 6 Board of Director Vacancy

Ken Schmitt has been appointed to fill the vacancy left by George Webb's recent resignation from Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors. He will join the current co-op board of directors by representing District 6.



Ken was born and raised on a small dairy farm in Neillsville, which he later operated. He graduated from Neillsville Public Schools in 1983 and was an active member of FFA, and he served on the Clark Electric Junior Board in 1982. In 2003 he met his wife, Laura, and they were married the following year. In 2004, they sold their dairy cows and moved to the Town of Howard where they started a grass-based, cow-calf operation that has evolved to include some grass-fed meat sales.

Ken plays an active role within his community. He is a lifetime FFA Alumni member and a member of St. John's Catholic Church-Cooks Valley, where he has served on the Finance Council for several years as well as the Sexton Cemetery Committee. He's also chairman of the Cemetery Committee. In April of 2010 he was elected to the Chippewa County Board, for which he served on the Land Conservation Committee for one term and on the Extension Committee until mid-term, at which time he was appointed to the Executive Committee. In April 2012 he lost a close election to another incumbent, largely due to the redistricting and downsizing of the board from 29 to 15 members.

Ken lives in Colfax with his wife, Laura, and their four children, three boys and one girl between the ages of 3 and 9. ■



Celebrate Labor Day Safely

If you plan to wrap up your summer season with a long Labor Day weekend outside, on the lake or around the pool, keep these safety tips in mind:

- If you have a boat or dock, inspect and maintain all electrical systems near the water. Use a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) on all circuits feeding electricity to the dock. These devices interrupt the flow of power when they sense a surge. Portable GFCIs require no tools to install and are available at prices ranging from \$12 to \$30.
- Sailboats often have masts of 30 feet or more, which are dangerous when they come into contact with overhead power lines. Look up as you get close to shore, and stay at least 10 feet away from overhead lines. Coming into contact with an energized power line causes serious and sometimes lethal electric shock.
- Use covers on outdoor power outlets, especially near swimming pools. Keep cords and electrical devices away from the water, and never handle electrical items before you've dried off.—Sources: *Electrical Safety Foundation International, Safe Electricity*

**Have a safe and happy Labor Day weekend!
Our office will be closed Monday, September 1.**

Unclaimed Capital Credits Provide Scholarships to Local Students

The following list of members received electric service from Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative several years ago, and the capital credit funds are still being held in their names. We've been unable to return this money because we don't have a current address. If you know the whereabouts of these people, please contact our office at 715-239-6800 or 1-800-300-6800. To claim these funds, they must contact Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative and provide satisfactory evidence of their right to receive them. If we cannot locate these people, the unclaimed funds will be used to provide scholarships to local students through our Federated Youth Foundation.

This is an excellent opportunity for you to donate your capital credits to be used for scholarships for graduating high school students of Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative members. If you have an interest in doing so, please give us a call; it's a simple procedure to donate these funds to a worthwhile project.

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