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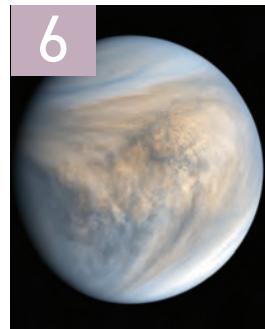
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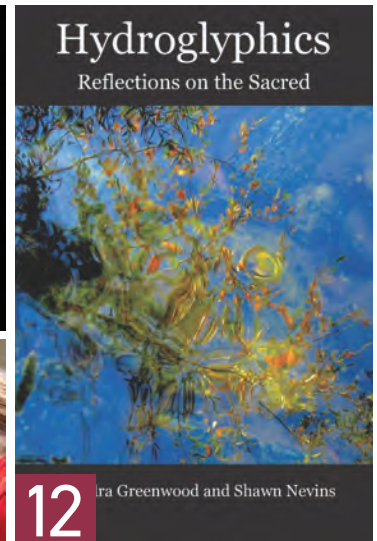
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Continental Divide Electric Cooperative member Jolene Garcia-Jaramillo wins \$20!



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Appreciate Your Lineworkers Every Day

There are a number of holidays and appreciation days we celebrate. Some are more important than others. We do not observe National Earmuff Day (March 13) or National Maritime Day (May 22) like we do Memorial Day.

And it is sometimes difficult to pin down the exact date we celebrate an event. The Fourth of July is easy to remember, but for Easter, we go back to a formula determined in 325 A.D. Easter is usually the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the March equinox.

This month, New Mexico's electric cooperatives celebrate Lineworker Appreciation Day on Monday, April 11. This is one of those days that is difficult to pin down, so you might see other dates set aside to recognize these courageous workers.

Some quick background: In 2013, the U.S. Senate declared April 18 of that year as Lineworker Appreciation Day. This was a one-time resolution, not an ongoing designation. Though the 2013 resolution only applied to that specific year, many electric cooperatives planned to use that date the next year.

However, April 18, 2014, fell on Good Friday—not the best day for an appreciation day. So many utilities used another date. The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's board of directors decided that for subsequent years, the second Monday of each April would be Lineworker Appreciation Day. The board took this action to ensure the date always falls on a weekday and never falls on Good Friday.

So, more than 900 electric cooperatives throughout the nation will recognize this date. Other electric utilities and organizations chose different days: The International Brotherhood of Electric Workers celebrates on July 10; the Edison



Electric Institute has also used different dates.

No matter what is recognized as the "official" date, the recognition is well-deserved. Lineworkers are truly first responders during storms and other catastrophes, often working to make the scene safe for other public safety personnel. It is a dangerous job that does not respect family time, distance from home or the hour of the day.

Our cooperative lineworkers leave the comfort of their warm beds to brave the elements, sometimes even crossing co-op boundaries to help neighboring cooperatives. We have sent crews to Louisiana and Florida to help repair hurricane-ravaged electric systems. And lineworkers do this without expectation or fanfare.

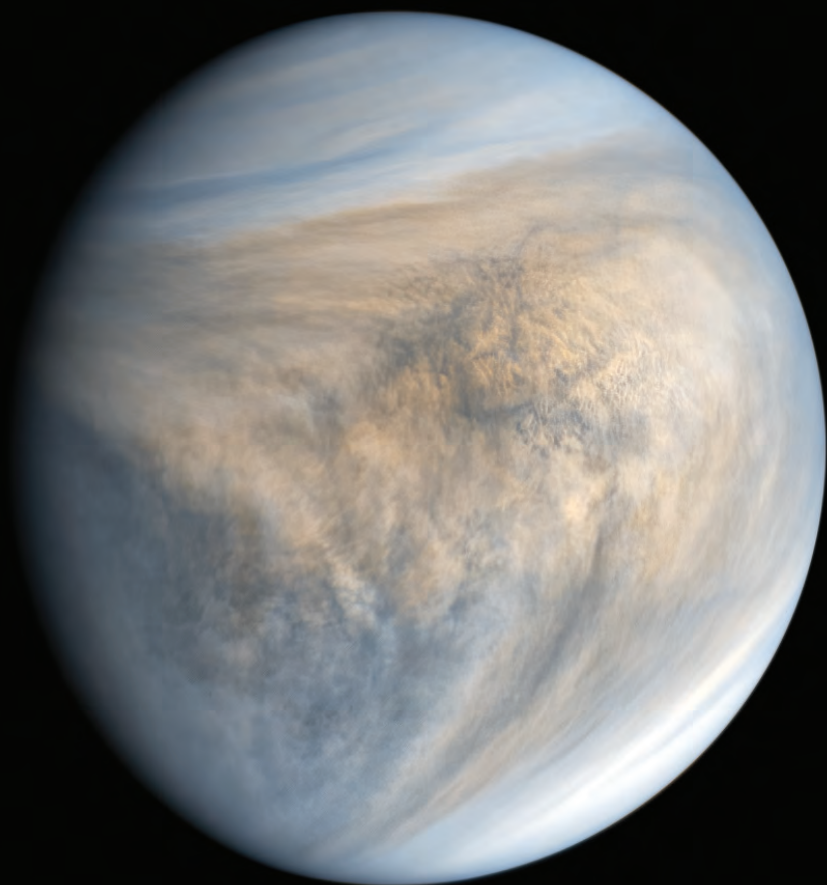
Once, a New Mexico lineman was called out at night to rescue a little girl's cat from the top of a pole. It was Christmas Eve. He

went without hesitation.

That is what lineworkers do. They do not wait until it is convenient before beginning to restore power. No matter the conditions, if they can safely perform the work, lineworkers stay on the job until your electricity is back on.

Back to the confusion on the date for Lineworker Appreciation Day. What day is really Lineworker Day? The answer lies in the words of Senate Resolution 95 from 2013: "... linemen work with thousands of volts of electricity high atop power lines 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to keep electricity flowing."

The next time you see one of these courageous individuals, take a moment to say hi and let them know how much reliable electricity means to you. No matter the "official" date, for those of us who recognize the importance of the job they perform, Lineworker Appreciation Day is every day. 📧



When the Planets Align

April's morning sky is full of activity from several of the bright planets in our solar system. At the beginning of the month, Mars is the highest world in the southeastern sky before dawn, followed closely by Saturn and the brilliant world Venus. Saturn quickly catches up to Mars, as the two worlds come in close conjunction with each other on the morning of Tuesday, April 5. Afterward, Saturn climbs higher and separates itself from the red planet.

Around mid-month, Jupiter also begins to make its appearance in the morning sky, although initially, it is very low in the east during dawn. For a few

days, the four worlds—in order, Saturn, Mars, Venus and Jupiter—appear strung out along a long straight line, although their continuing motions soon begin to distort this arrangement. Jupiter climbs rapidly out of the dawn and has a close conjunction with Venus on the last morning in April.

Our evening sky is not entirely empty of planets this month. Our solar system's innermost world, Mercury, begins to be visible in the western sky during dusk around midmonth. It puts on a good showing there during the last two weeks of April before beginning to disappear into twilight after the first week of May.

There is a partial eclipse of the sun

Saturday, April 30. It will primarily be visible from the Southeastern Pacific Ocean and southern and western South America, with the maximum amount of sun coverage—slightly over half of it—visible from south of Tierra del Fuego, an archipelago at South America's southern tip. New Mexico misses out on this solar eclipse, as well as the next two, but will be witness to a striking annular eclipse in October 2023 and six months later a strong partial eclipse, which will be total in our neighboring state of Texas. ☾

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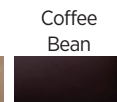
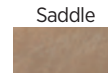
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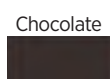
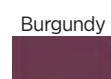
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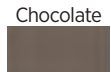
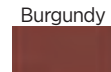
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SPOT THE ELECTRICAL HAZARD

After you complete this activity, color the items with crayons or colored pencils.



When combined, electricity and common items that seem harmless can create dangerous situations. Look at the items grouped below, then circle the two items that (when combined) create an electrical hazard.

Check your work in the answer key.

1	 toaster	 fork	 bagel
2	 hairdryer	 electrical outlet	 running water
3	 drone	 power lines	 picnic
4	 swimming pool	 floatie	 extension cord

Answer Key: 1) fork & toaster 2) hairdryer & water or outlet & water 3) drone & power lines 4) extension cord & pool



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Five Questions to Ask Your Home Inspector

Many factors go into buying a home. For most people, energy efficiency does not top the list. Unfortunately, houses don't typically come with energy-efficiency ratings.

It can be difficult for a buyer to know a home's efficiency when viewing the listing online or taking a tour. Your home inspector can help you identify potential energy costs and energy-efficiency upgrades.

Some homes may already be efficient, while others may need improvements. There's nothing wrong with buying an inefficient home, but you will want to know what you are getting into and that you can afford the energy costs once you get the keys.

Here are some questions to ask your home inspector:

What is the condition of the electrical panel and wiring?

A panel upgrade or rewiring can be costly. Older panels and wiring aren't inefficient, but they can delay or make some energy-efficiency projects more expensive. In several homes I have worked on, older wiring had to be replaced before adding insulation.

Make sure the panel can handle new appliances you might want to add, such as air conditioning or an electric vehicle charger.

How old is the HVAC system, and how efficient is it?

The typical lifespan of an HVAC system is 15 to 25 years. As the largest energy user and often the most expensive equipment in the home, you will want to know the energy, maintenance and replacement costs. If the HVAC system is old, consider the cost for a replacement.

How old is the water heater?

The lifespan of a storage water heater is about 10 years. The cost to replace a water heater ranges from \$400 to \$3,600, depending on the unit type and installation costs.

If an older water heater is in a finished space or on a second floor, replace it before it fails and potentially causes water damage.

What are the levels and conditions of insulation in the attic, walls and floor?

Insulation is one of the easiest and most beneficial

energy-efficiency upgrades. It isn't as pretty as new countertops, but it can make a home more comfortable, waste less energy and reduce outdoor noise.

To cut down on drafts and make insulation more effective, air seal before insulating. Seal cracks, gaps or holes in the walls, floors, ceiling and framing between heated and unheated spaces.

If your new home needs insulation and air sealing, make this your efficiency priority. The sooner you do it, the more energy you will save over time.

Recommended insulation levels vary by location. Learn more about insulation and air sealing at www.energy.gov.

Are there any extras in this home that will increase my utility bills?

Any motors in the home or on the property should be

assessed, including well pumps and septic systems. When it comes to extras, life's luxuries aren't free. You will want to be able to afford the cost of operating amenities, such as pools, hot tubs and saunas.

Additional Considerations

You can request the home's utility bills for the previous two years from the seller or realtor. Your bill will not be the same due to your energy habits, but this will give you the home's estimated energy costs.

Electric rates vary across the country. If you are moving to a new city, check the rates at the local electric utility.

When buying a house that checks all your boxes, ask your home inspector the right efficiency questions to save you from hidden surprises in your home and on your first utility bills. 📄



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An Apprenticeship of the Book of Pleasures

This book—which is keeping me up at night—was originally published in 1968 by the Ukrainian-born Brazilian novelist Clarice Lispector. I

was drawn to this title, however, by Sheila Heti—author of the book’s afterword—whose name and recent autofiction work keeps finding its way to my eyes and ears.

Lispector has me rapt with her brave but also somewhat bewildering prose.

So, bewildered as I am, how can I tell you what this book is about? It is the love story of Lóri and Ulisses, a philosophy professor who has some notion that Lóri, a primary school teacher, is not ready for the relationship he wants. For more, let me lean on Heti, who says the quest of this book is to love and be loved.

“To truly love and be loved, one must first find one’s way to the most difficult thing, which is ‘a joyful relationship with the mightiness of life,’” Heti says.

By Clarice Lispector
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Irena Sendler: Get to Know the World War II Rescuer

Having read that antisemitism is surging as the number of Holocaust survivors dwindles, I reached out to friend Judy Winnick. I met her 15 years ago when she performed as Irena Sendler, “Angel of the Warsaw Ghetto,” for school audiences that visited the historical museum where I worked.

I admit I reached out to Judy in a bit of a panic. I wondered out loud to her, asking, “What am I doing, as the grandchild of World War II veterans, to ensure those atrocities are not forgotten, or worse? Are my own kids, ages 6 and 8, too young to comprehend the horrors of World War II?”

Judy told me 8 is the earliest age to begin talking about the Holocaust, although if kids ask about it, we have a responsibility to answer in an honest and age-appropriate way. She wasted no time in sending books my way.

The most accessible “Irena Sendler: Get to Know the World War II Rescuer,” is vivid, informative and inspiring. It’s also designed for young readers.

Just this morning I stood in my kitchen as my children detailed Irena Sendler’s accomplishments for a family friend. They spoke of how Irena saved 2,500 Jewish children from certain death; how she renamed the children with Polish names, but took care to save their birth names and true identities on scraps of paper until the war was over; how she taught Jewish children Catholic prayers (to be caught unable to recite a prayer was a sure giveaway to a Nazi soldier, who might stop any child at random to investigate them); and how Irena was able to escape death—though not torture—at the hands of her eventual Nazi captors.

To perform as Irena Sendler, Judy has at least 40 books about Irena, World War II, Zegota (Poland’s Underground), Jan Karski and other people who had major roles in the rescue of Jews in Poland during the Holocaust. Judy continues to go to extraordinary lengths to keep Irena’s legacy alive. We are making plans to bring her portrayal of Irena to New Mexico schools next year.

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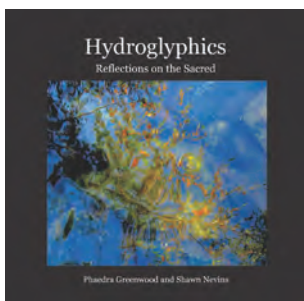
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Hydroglyphics: Reflections on the Sacred

Like author Phaedra Greenwood, I live in Taos, where her name is often in the air, maybe especially so when I am hanging around the Society of the Muse of the Southwest book shop. But I’ve yet to meet her!

Greenwood is the author of many books, but the one on my nightstand is a mind-bender to behold. Here, in this book, I find her meditation on “geometry in water” or what she calls “hydroglyphics”—which she shares in gorgeous photographic detail—to be utterly

mesmerizing. In her opening note to readers, Greenwood shares how she has come to interpret water as nothing less than the sacred pathway to understanding (or at least approaching!) the inherent mysteries of art and space and time and love and life.

Each of Greenwood’s photos are paired, with great effect, with the earthy poetry of her friend and likewise accomplished author Shawn Nevins. I’m wondering now what will I say to Greenwood when our paths eventually cross? If I keep my wits about me, we will talk about books.

By Phaedra Greenwood and Shawn Nevins
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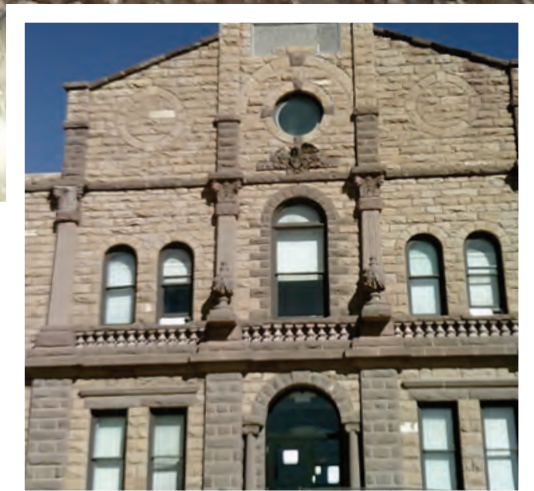


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Spirit of the Community

By Margaret Nava

Perhaps it was the remoteness that attracted him. Maybe it was the mysterious underground springs—the seemingly bottomless inky-blue waters of Blue Lake or the freedom of the windswept grasslands stretching east toward the table-like Llano Estacado.

Whatever the reason, in the late 1870s, William H. Bonney—aka Billy the Kid—drifted around San Miguel County. He stocked up on supplies and danced with pretty señoritas at Alexander Grzelachowski's general store in Puerto de Luna, fished the muddy Pecos River in La Cuesta, hung out at the saloons of Agua Negra Chiquita, dined at Don Celso Baca's hacienda and played cards with any vaquero who would buy him a drink.

In 1877, Bonney, barely 18, herded cattle on John Tunstall's ranch in nearby Lincoln. After Tunstall's murder, Bonney joined the Lincoln County Regulators, launching his

fame as a gunman.

Regardless of his notorious reputation, people liked him. They invited him into their homes, fed him when he was hungry and cared for him when he was sick.

For the most part, people living in the small farming communities of San Miguel County treated Billy the Kid as family and, for a short while, he found comfort and shelter there.

Shortly after his 21st birthday, the "Kid" was gunned down by Sheriff Pat Garrett.

In 1890, the village of Agua Negra Chiquita was renamed Santa Rosa after the capilla—chapel—built by Bonney's compadre, Celso Baca, in honor of both his mother, Rosa, and his departed wife, Dona Rosa Viviana. According to some reports, she was buried beneath its floor.

In 1891, the southern part of San Miguel County was partitioned and named Guadalupe County. For a while, Puerto de Luna, 10 miles south of Santa Rosa, was the county seat, but change was coming to

The first Guadalupe County Courthouse is located in Puerto de Luna. The current county courthouse, inset, was built in 1909 after the county seat relocated to Santa Rosa in 1903.

Guadalupe County.

At the turn of the century, Santa Rosa became the terminus and interchange point for rail lines running between Texas and New Mexico. Survey crews and construction workers built and lived in tent towns.

Saloons, eating houses, general stores, slaughterhouses and poker parlors sprang up everywhere. What once was a sparsely populated settlement of homesteaders became a rowdy conglomeration of, among other things, 15 saloons, nine eating houses, three hotels, a blacksmith and more than 4,000 railroaders.

In 1903, Santa Rosa deposed Puerto de Luna as the seat of Guadalupe County.

Of course, every railroad town had its share of questionable characters. One such personality was Cherokee Dora.

Also identified as Cora Chiquita, the

New Mexico Historical Review of 1948 categorized her as a woman who “could out cuss any muleskinner, ride any horse which would carry a saddle, and hold her own in a drinking bout.”

When an explosion injured several construction workers, Dora volunteered to ride 65 miles to Las Vegas to get medical supplies. The trip took a day and a half, but returning on a near-dead horse, she delivered the goods as promised.

In his book, “Santa Rosa, A Journey Through Time,” Daniel B. Flores paints a different picture. Based on a report in the Chicago Tribune, Dora (or Cora) “rode her horse into saloons and became so drunk and disorderly that she was arrested and fined.”

Apparently escaping jail, she again mounted her horse and caused considerable concern “by riding up and down the main street, a revolver in each hand, yelling and shooting at everyone whose appearance did not suit her fancy.”

Flores believes it is important to remember all the antepasados (ancestors) who helped shape these communities.

“Our past,” he says, “has so much history that we should preserve it for ourselves and our future generations because our future is a combination of our past and present.”

Once work on the railway interchange was completed, Santa Rosa’s rough-and-tumble days came to an end. Railroad crews moved to other projects, the tent towns disappeared, saloons shut down and the population rapidly dropped.

Those remaining joined forces to build a respectable community. Cattle ranches replaced farms, brothers Julius and Sigmund Moise started a mercantile store and money-lending business, Dr. Van Patten opened a drug store, E. G. Cooper printed the first edition of the Santa Rosa Star, H.B. Jones established the Guadalupe County Savings Bank and the Guadalupe County Courthouse was built in 1909.

Respectability flowered in Santa Rosa.

The first Guadalupe County Courthouse in Puerto de Luna had fallen into ruin after the county seat moved to Santa Rosa. The newer structure, built of local red sandstone, was built on land set aside by Santa Rosa’s town developer, Charles Eddy, who first suggested the merits of building a rail line between El Paso and New Mexico.

That line became known as the El Paso and Northeastern Railroad. Its terminus and interchange with Rock Island and

Pacific Railroad was Santa Rosa.

By the 1920s, the population began to rebound. Although Rock Island offered passenger service between Chicago and Santa Rosa, the building of Route 66 triggered the village’s real growth.

In his classic novel “The Grapes of Wrath,” John Steinbeck called Route 66 the “Mother Road” because it was the route desperate sharecroppers traveled in search of new opportunities following the Dust Bowl of the 1930s. Gas stations, mom-and-pop businesses and tourist camps provided vital necessities to travelers. The towns through which the road traveled prospered.

After World War II, returning soldiers were eager to get out and explore the United States. Santa Rosa became a popular rest stop for tourists headed to Albuquerque or beyond.

“Get your kicks on Route 66” became its new mantra.

As traffic increased on the highway, so did the population of Santa Rosa. Unfortunately, when the Federal Highway Act of 1956 created the Interstate Highway System and Interstate 40 began working its way through New Mexico, small towns—including Santa Rosa—struggled.

The heydays of Route 66 fizzled as motorists opted for the convenience of the interstate. Gas stations, tourist camps and diners shut down. Farms and ranches were forsaken in favor of city life.

Finding a doctor in remote areas was always difficult. When people such as Cherokee Dora weren’t available, people living in and around Santa Rosa sent for a curandero.

As detailed in Rudolfo Anaya’s autobiographical novel, “Bless Me, Ultima,” under the tutelage of his folk-healer grandmother, 6-year-old Antonio Marez learned about the beauty and ugliness of the world around him.

Born and raised in Santa Rosa in the late ’30s and ’40s, Anaya centered this book on people and places familiar to him, including his birthplace. When President Barack Obama awarded him the National Humanities Medal in 2016, Anaya modestly commented, “Tell Santa Rosa this is for them.”

In a quiet corner of Park Lake Park on Historic Route 66 and Lake Drive in Santa Rosa, a bronze statue created by sculptor Reynaldo “Sonny” Rivera depicts Anaya sitting on a tree stump while writing about

his beloved boyhood home.

Less than 2 miles from the park, Guadalupe County Hospital is a welcome sight to residents and visitors. Distinguished as the smallest hospital in New Mexico, this 10-bed general acute hospital that opened in 2011 serves the entire county of fewer than 4,700, as well as thousands of Route 66/I-40 travelers.

Christina Campos, the hospital’s administrator, calls the hospital a game changer.

“After the old hospital closed down in the ’90s, many Santa Rosans were forced to travel 117 miles to Albuquerque or 110 miles to Santa Fe for medical care,” she says. “The new GCH provides state-of-the-art facilities with emergency and inpatient care, as well as diagnostics, laboratory and imaging services. The Sunrise Medical Group—an independent practice located adjacent to the hospital—provides clinical services for residents and visitors of Guadalupe County. Our goal is to save lives and keep people healthy.”

Campos started at the hospital as a volunteer in the early 1990s and has served as its administrator since 2004.

“This new hospital isn’t just part of the community, it is the community,” she says. “The majority of our employees are local residents. Many received scholarships from the hospital to become nurses. The art pieces hanging on our walls were created by local photographers. Even the stone used in the hospital’s construction came from local quarries.”

In 2013, Campos was chosen to serve on the National Advisory Committee for Rural Health and Human Services. In 2020, Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham appointed her as one of 15 advisers on the Economic Recovery Council.

Campos and her husband, Joe—a former county commissioner and four-time mayor of Santa Rosa—own Joseph’s Bar and Grill, where people come together to share authentic New Mexican food with neighbors and travelers alike.

In many ways, Santa Rosa is still the remote settlement visited by Billy the Kid in the 1870s. In other ways, it is the heart of culture and history depicted in Adolfo Anaya’s book.

It was and always will be a reflection of the spirit of community. 📖

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Annual Meeting Date Set

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Because Farmers' Electric is locally owned and operated, your involvement is crucial. Mark your calendar today and plan to attend the annual meeting of your electric cooperative.

Registration is from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The business meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

Join us to hear reports from co-op officers, trustees and committees, and take part in election of trustees from Districts 2 and 7.

Always Call Before You Dig

The snow is melted and spring has sprung, making way for outdoor do-it-yourself projects. When your project involves any type of digging, it's very important to locate and avoid utility lines buried underground. Possible buried lines include electric, gas, phone, internet, cable, fiber and water. Whether you're taking on building a new fence or deck, or tilling the soil to plant a garden, you should always call 811 before digging.

Dialing 811 is free. You can also visit nm811.org to submit an online request. Give the operator your location, and within a few days, they will arrange for locators from your local utility service providers to mark any buried lines with paint or flags.

Failing to contact 811 and proceeding to dig in an unmarked area could result in disastrous, expensive and sometimes fatal consequences. In 2018, it was estimated that underground lines were damaged every six minutes and caused by people who did not call and have the lines located and marked before digging.

Please remember to call 811 every time you dig, even if you have had lines located and marked in the past. A few days' wait is well worth it to prevent damage to various lines and injury to you or others. Your neighbors will also thank you.



Shut the Door on Energy Waste.

Did you know **25% to 40%** of energy used to heat and cool your home is wasted through air leaks? Seal all exterior doors with weatherstripping to minimize energy waste.

By Amber Bentley

There is no doubt about it, warm weather is on its way. Not only is it important to make sure your heating unit works properly, you should check your home to make sure none of that cold air escapes.

When the weather turns warmer, drafts around windows and doors constantly let in warm air. Most people immediately want to drop their thermostat even lower; however, that will cause you to use more energy when you do not necessarily need to. The best solution is to weatherstrip your home. This is typically an easy fix to eliminate energy waste and help you save on your monthly electric bill.

Sometimes drafts are obvious; other times the openings are much smaller. There are two quick ways to find out if cool air is escaping from your home.

For doors, look for daylight between the door and its frame. If you see a hint of light between the two, you need to weatherstrip that area.

For windows, place a piece of paper between the sash and seal, then close it. If you can remove the piece of paper from the window without ripping it, you need to weatherstrip that area as well.

Weatherstripping is easy. An assortment of materials is available to you (rubber, foam, metal) and they all are

inexpensive. Once you have bought what you need, keep the following in mind before you begin weatherstripping: Be sure the surface is dry and clean; measure the area more than once for best accuracy; and apply so strips compress both sides of the window or door.

To Weatherstrip Windows

- Place the stripping between the frame and the sash.
- Be sure the stripping compresses the window when shut.
- Make sure it does not interfere with window movement.

To Weatherstrip Doors

- Choose the proper sweeps and thresholds for your door.
- Weatherstrip the entire door jamb.
- Make sure the stripping meets tightly at both corners.
- Use a thickness that allows for a tight press between the door and the ground, but one that does not make the door difficult to shut.

Roughly half of the energy your home uses comes from heating and cooling. So the next time you feel an uncomfortable draft in your home, do not immediately crank up the air conditioning. Find out where the draft is coming from and properly weatherstrip the area. This will ultimately save you more energy and more money.

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Enjoy the Holidays, and the Leftovers

With an abundance of April holidays to celebrate, the kitchen becomes a warm gathering place. This month's recipes focus on a great way to start any day, as well as what to do with a few leftovers from holiday meals. Vegetarians will enjoy the walnut pesto pasta salad, which packs a punch of protein, plant-sourced Omega-3s and an antioxidant boost. The recipe is also a lovely side dish to any meal and is a World Health Day—April 7—salutation. When in a leftover Easter ham quandary, sweet sunrise ham stacks are the answer.

How about a coffee break with apricot-cinnamon coffee cake? Hint: it's probably best described as dessert. Find some time to relax around the kitchen table and enjoy springtime in the Land of Enchantment.

Walnut Pesto Pasta Salad

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| 8 cups fresh kale leaves, chopped, large spines removed | ¼ cup Parmesan cheese, grated and divided in half |
| 8 oz. whole wheat spaghetti | ¼ cup extra virgin olive oil |
| ⅔ cup walnuts | Salt and pepper to taste |
| 1 teaspoon fresh garlic, chopped | 2 teaspoons red pepper flakes, if desired |
| 1 teaspoon dried oregano | |

In a large kettle, boil 4 cups of water. Add kale and cook for 1 minute until bright green. Scoop out kale with a slotted spoon, then drain and cool on paper towels. Roll kale in paper towels to remove moisture. Set aside.

In same kettle, add pasta and cook until just soft. Turn heat off, strain pasta and set aside.

In a food processor, add walnuts, oregano and half of the Parmesan cheese. Pulse until well blended. On low speed, slowly add olive oil until pesto is formed. Carefully add kale until completely blended, adding water as needed to keep pesto form.

In serving dish, place cooked pasta. Pour pesto over pasta, tossing to blend. Sprinkle salt, pepper and leftover Parmesan cheese over pasta, adding pepper flakes if desired. Serve warm or cold.



Sweet Sunrise Ham Stacks

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| 4 English muffins | 8 ½-inch slices cooked ham |
| 1 stick butter, melted | 8 eggs |
| 1 cup brown sugar | 8 slices smoked provolone cheese |
| 8 slices pineapple, drained, reserve juice | ½ cup orange marmalade |
| 1 teaspoon ground mustard | |

In a microwave-safe bowl, heat butter until just melted. Stir in brown sugar until dissolved. Divide into two bowls.

Whisk ground mustard into one bowl of brown sugar mixture. Set aside.

Spray grill pan or skillet with butter-flavored cooking spray. Place pineapple slices in pan. Brush with butter-brown sugar mixture. Grill until slightly browned and turn, brushing the exposed side. Place on plate and set aside.

In same skillet, place ham slices. Brush with butter-sugar-mustard mixture. Grill until slightly browned. Turn heat off.

Split, toast and butter English muffins. While toasting, heat orange marmalade and ½ cup pineapple juice in microwave until just warmed.

Spray separate skillet with butter-flavored cooking spray and fry eggs sunny side up.

To assemble, stack one half-toasted, buttered muffin, one slice pineapple, one slice ham, one slice of cheese and one egg. Pour marmalade mixture over top. Serve warm.



Apricot-Cinnamon Coffee Cake

2½ cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 cup brown sugar
½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup finely chopped dried apricots
1 cup sugar
2 sticks butter, softened

3 eggs
2½ teaspoons vanilla
½ cup sour cream

Drizzle:

1 cup powdered sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 teaspoons butter, softened
2-3 tablespoons half & half
Zest of 1 lemon

Generously butter inside of angel food cake pan. Set aside.

Preheat oven to 350 F.

In medium bowl, stir brown sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and walnuts together. Split mixture into halves. In one half, stir in chopped apricots.

In another medium bowl, whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt until blended.

In large mixing bowl, mix sugar and butter until blended. Add eggs and vanilla until mixture is just incorporated and no lumps appear.

Add flour mixture to sugar mixture in two additions until blended. Add sour cream. Batter will be thick.

Spoon half of the cake batter into cake pan, sprinkle brown sugar-apricot mixture around top and spoon on the rest of the cake batter. Top with reserved brown sugar-walnut mixture.

Bake for 30 minutes. Reduce heat to 300 F and continue baking for an additional 25 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Cool cake in pan on cooling rack. When cooled, gently loosen outer edge of cake with knife. Invert pan to remove onto serving plate.

For drizzle, mix powdered sugar, vanilla, and butter until crumbs form. Add enough half & half to form drizzle consistency. Drizzle cake and sprinkle with zest.



Sue Hutchison was born and raised a block from the freeway in Southern California. She had an early start with industrial, large-scale cooking before age 20. She's always been both a beach bum and at home in the kitchen, where she enjoys making new creations.





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A New Line of Co-op Cyber Defense

By Cathy Cash

On any given day, federal agencies push out multiple cybersecurity alerts to those who run the electric grid and other critical infrastructure. The ability to synthesize and send such critical information the other way—back to government authorities—has been lacking until now.

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and its member cooperatives are developing a Threat Analysis Center to help electric co-ops detect potential hacks in their operating systems and alert federal agencies in real time to credible threats.

The system will help spot hackers at the national level, cut off infiltration and limit damage, says Will Hutton, cybersecurity principal at NRECA.

“We will push really urgent and important threats from federal authorities and help co-ops test for the presence or absence of a threat,” he says, “and we will apply information from the co-ops to see how widespread the problem is.”

Quick access to analyzed cybersecurity reports from electric co-ops will help the Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center and the Department of Energy identify and map out energy sector cyberattacks. This will improve understanding the immediate threat environment, including the ability to determine if an attack is nationwide or centered on infrastructure in one region.

“It is important that that information flows back to us so when E-ISAC calls and says, ‘How widespread is this problem?’ we will have an answer,” Hutton says.

Here’s how it works: An electric cooperative joins TAC and

commits to outfit its system with a continuous monitoring platform that can quickly detect anomalies in its operational systems. TAC will push out “rules” or short software programs for co-ops to test their systems for new or old hacks, then notify the co-op and E-ISAC of any legitimate threats.

“We are very much breaking the old pattern of being reactive,” Hutton says. “Once machine-to-machine communication happens between co-ops and TAC, we can immediately look for new threats and back test old data for previous indicators of compromise.”

Timely information from a wide swath of data points is key to a strong cyber defense, says Hutton, who likens it to a community watch.

“The more eyes looking out for your property—or, in this case, your network—the safer you’ll be from cyber mischief,” he says.

TAC will be headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, and made up of co-op and NRECA employees located throughout the country in regional or state centers.

So far, 65 electric co-ops have installed Essence or another continuous monitoring platform to join TAC. Another 48 have signed agreements to do so.

“We’re trying to get tools into the hands of more people,” Hutton says. “The more co-ops participate, the more effective the program is. If we can catch cyberthreats earlier—interrupt them and remove them, even for a handful of co-ops—that could be a savings in millions of dollars.”

NRECA’s Business and Technology Strategies group, which will run the center, expects to have it up and running 24/7 by the end of this year. 📧

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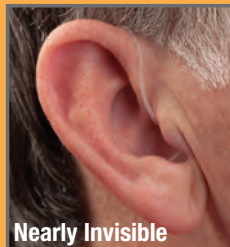
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- Unplug appliances when not in use.
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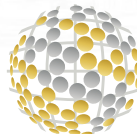
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