PEC *Pickwick Electric Cooperative*

Deadline for filing director nominating petition draws near

For a member to become a candidate for a director position, he/she must file a petition with the secretary of Pickwick Electric Cooperative. The petition must be filed at least 20 days before the district meeting and signed by at least 25 qualified and eligible voting members in the voting district.

There will be no nominations from the floor. Elections for each district will be held within the district, and only members of that district will be eligible to vote. If a candidate is not present, the chairperson will not accept his/her petition unless the chairperson has a written statement from the candidate stating his/her willingness to serve as director if elected.

Directors must meet the following qualifications:

- Must be a member and reside in the district he/she is to represent.
- Must not be employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the cooperative or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to members of the cooperative.
- Must not be the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary is paid.
- When a membership is held jointly by a husband and wife, either one, but not both, may be elected director, provided both meet all the qualifications for a director.

Dates for the 2005 district meetings are:

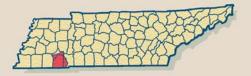
District	Meeting	Meeting	Deadline for Filing
No.	Place	Date	Nominating Petition
2	Crump Community Center	Aug. 15	July 26
4	Bethel Springs Elementary School	Aug. 16	July 27
6	Adamsville Senior Citizens Center	Aug. 18	July 29

Cooperative bylaws contain complete information concerning the election of directors. A copy of the bylaws may be picked up at the PEC office. Blank petitions for nominating a director may also be picked up at the cooperative office.



Pickwick Electric Cooperative

Serving members in all of McNairy County and portions of Chester, Hardeman and Hardin counties in Tennessee and Alcorn and Tishomingo counties in Mississippi



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These five pages contain local

news and information

for members of Pickwick

Electric Cooperative.

District meetings to be held

During August, three of Pickwick Electric Cooperative's nine districts will hold meetings to elect directors. These important meetings give you, the member, the opportunity to select the leadership of your cooperative.

An official notice giving more detailed information about the meetings and election procedures will be mailed to all members of Districts 2, 4 and 6. In addition to the director election, some nice attendance prizes will be given away. The district meetings are being held prior to Pickwick Electric's annual membership meeting on Thursday, Sept. 15.

The August and September issues of *The Tennessee Magazine* will have more information on the annual meeting.

We urge your continued support of the cooperative by participating in these meetings.

Ronnie Fullwood Incumbent Director

District 2, Aug. 15, 2005 Crump Community Center Registration, 7 p.m. Business meeting, 7:30 p.m. District 4, Aug. 16, 2005 Bethel Springs Elementary School Registration, 7 p.m.

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Ray Allison Incumbent Director Dean Glidewell Incumbent Director

District 6, Aug. 18, 2005 Adamsville Senior Citizens Center Registration, 7 p.m. Business meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Avoid outdoor electrical hazards at work and home

Warmer weather means an opportunity for outdoor work, both on the job and at home. Increasing safety reduces the likelihood of electrical accidents, injuries and deaths.

Awareness of the more frequent causes of electrical injuries and following basic safety guidelines can help reduce electrical safety hazards for you and your family, friends and coworkers.

The following safety rules will help ensure safety when working outdoors.

• Water does not mix with electricity. Avoid damp conditions — including wet grass when using electricity.

• Ladders — even those made of wood — carried in an upright



position can contact a power line with potentially fatal results.

• Unplug outdoor tools and appliances when not in use.

• Inspect power tools and appliances for frayed cords, broken plugs and cracked or broken housing, and repair or replace damaged items.

• Use ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) on outdoor outlets. Portable GFCIs are available from most hardware and home improvement stores.

For more electrical safety information, call Pickwick Electric at (731) 645-3411 or visit www.electrical-safety.org, where you can download the Outdoor Electrical Safety Check.



Laura Foley Valedictorian Adamsville High School

You are to be commended for your scholastic achievements



Kacy Waller Salutatorian Adamsville High School



Mary Lauren Walden Valedictorian McNairy Central High School





Jeremy Hamlington Salutatorian McNairy Central High School

Holiday Closing

The Pickwick Electric Cooperative office will be closed Monday, July 4, 2005 for Independence Day.

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The switch is on

Pickwick Electric Cooperative gives its customers the opportunity to participate in the Tennessee Valley Authority's Green Power Switch Program.

Green power is electricity generated by renewable and cleaner energy resources. Power out of thin air — it's no magic trick. Properly placed wind turbines can generate electric power anywhere the wind blows steady and strong.

Wind turbines use the momentum of moving air to quietly turn large blades that are attached to the shaft of an efficient electric generator.

Green power costs more because the technology used to produce it is more expensive than traditional power-generating methods. Investing in the Green Power Switch program is an investment in Earth's future and in protecting our environment.

You can buy Green Power Switch in 150-kilowatthour blocks. Each block you sign up to purchase will add \$4 to your monthly PEC electric bill. You can buy just one block or as many as you like. The green power you pay for will be added to TVA's electric system as part of TVA's total power mix.*

To make the Green Power Switch, just fill out the information at right, giving your PEC account number and the amount of green power you want to buy each month.

Mail it to: Green Power Switch, Pickwick Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 49, Selmer, TN 38375. For more information, call (731) 645-3411 or visit us online at www.pickwick-electric.com.



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 150 kilowatt-hours (\$4) 300 kilowatt-hours (\$8) 450 kilowatt-hours (\$12) 	 G00 kilowatt-hours (\$16) 750 kilowatt-hours (\$20) Other
Name	Phone
Account number	
Address	
City	StateZIP
Signature	Date

Harness the Power of Nature. Make a Difference. Buy Green Power.

* The Center for Resource Solutions (CRS), an independent, nonprofit organization, will perform an annual audit of Green Power Switch to verify that power from green power sources is sufficient to supply the amount of power sold.

Cooperative to offer new decorative and area lighting

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utdoor lighting has always been one of our more popular programs requested by members. A leased lighting program introduced last year by Pickwick Electric Cooperative has sparked a greater interest in outdoor lighting. The program was designed to provide area lighting for businesses and industries. With this increased interest, the cooperative has added some new options that now give all members more choices for lighting around their homes and businesses. The program can even assist cities and counties with special lighting projects like ballfields, walking tracks, parks and city streets.

PEC partnered with several companies to provide new decorative and parking lot lighting. Ameron International and Dynamic Lighting are providing decorative concrete and aluminum poles, and Dynamic Lighting and American Electric Lighting are providing decorative fixtures that will work with all four types of poles. The poles are 12-35 feet tall and range from a simple round design to a fluted ornate design. The lights include acornstyle fixtures, typically seen on city streets, to Colonial designs.

The cooperative will be installing samples of all poles and fixtures in the front parking lot area of its Selmer office. A brochure and pricing list will soon be available so our customers can choose the fixtures that fit their specific needs.



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Several different parking lot lighting layouts are available. The installation of these fixtures causes less disruption if installed during construction and landscaping.



The acorn-type fixture is ideal for a home application or decorative scheme around a business.



This shoebox-type lighting fixture with a concrete pole offers attractive parking lot lighting.