

Beyond *the lines*

Carroll Electric exists to serve our members with safe, reliable, and affordable electricity.

motivation

(Does not require you to read the fine print.)

,mōdə'vāSH(ə)n/, noun

- the reason or reasons one has for acting or behaving in a particular way.
- the general desire or willingness of someone to do something.

If you have decided to read the fine print, congratulations! To be honest, it has been a struggle of how, or even if, to encourage you to read the fine print on the issues that follow. This struggle comes from the recognition the Cooperative's 96,000+ member/consumers are personally responsible for their own decisions. However, neglecting or ignoring critical information can sometimes lead people to assume things which simply are not true. To avoid this from happening, consider these facts. OK, let's get motivated.

Issue

1

Some online payment services such as Doxo, legally publish information about the Cooperative and other utilities on their website. However, not all the information they publish is accurate. While the service they provide often works just fine, Carroll Electric members have experienced situations where their payments have been sent to the wrong utility and/or arrived after the due date of their bill. Because the Cooperative is not affiliated with Doxo, this can lead to interruptions in electric service. Many of these online payment services charge processing and delivery fees. You might now be motivated to take a look at Carroll Electric's convenient auto-pay service, **eDraft**.

Carroll Electric is **NOT affiliated with Doxo.**

Bottom line: The most affordable (TRULY FREE), safe and secure form of payment is eDraft using a checking or savings account. However, if you prefer to pay online, you can do so at Carroll Electric's official website, carrollecc.com. Did you know **eDraft** can now be set up using a credit card? For all *credit card* transactions (one-time or **eDraft**), the Cooperative passes along our vendor's transaction fee (without any markup) of \$2.50.

Issue

2

Some companies offer to sell you RECs (Renewable Energy Certificates) implying the electricity delivered to your home will be sourced from renewable energy. The act of purchasing RECs does not alter which power generation plants are used to produce the power you need. RECs simply certify a unit of renewable power was generated and distributed *somewhere*. Carroll Electric is not affiliated with any organization selling RECs. Therefore, your motivation to use renewable energy for your home may simply be increasing your monthly energy bills.

Carroll Electric does **NOT partner with companies who offer RECs to the general public.**

Bottom line: Carroll Electric already delivers a diverse mix of power generation resources, see aecc.com.

High-Voltage Lineman Scholarship



Carroll Electric is proud to award a full tuition scholarship to Brett Summers of Berryville to attend Arkansas State University's High-Voltage Lineman Technology Program. Brett is a 2017 graduate of Berryville High School. He will enroll and begin this one-year, concentrated lineman training program in August.

The Technical Certificate in High-Voltage Lineman Technology is an industry-specific partnership between the Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas and Arkansas State University-Newport campus. During the training experience, students are involved with other technicians and receive both classroom and hands-on instruction. Upon completion of the ASU Technology Program, Brett will return to Carroll Electric for a 10-week supervised internship, putting into practical application what he learned through the program.

2017 Scholarship Recipients

Carroll Electric is proud to award scholarships to these high school seniors in northwest Arkansas and southwest Missouri. The accomplishments of these students have given them a good foundation on which to build a successful future!

Brandon Criner	Alpena High School
Rebekah Hardcastle	Ambassadors for Christ Academy
Lauren Holly	Bentonville High School
Layne Chester	Berryville High School
Kaylee Jackson	Blue Eye High School
Anne Summers	Cassville High School
Shaney Lee	Decatur High School
Isabelle Daniels	Deer High School
Paola Tapia	Eureka Springs High School
Laura Reyes	Gentry High School
Matthew Hubbard	Gravette High School
Colin Stimson	Green Forest High School
Kirby Willis	Har-Ber High School
Zachary Powers	Harrison High School
Madalyn Blaine	Heritage High School
Matthew Koontz	Home School
Phillip Emmitt	Kingston High School
Hunter Clayborn	Mt. Judea High School
Carlos Moreno	New Technology High School
Kameron Kinsey	Ozark Adventist Academy
Landon Rhine	Pea Ridge High School
Jonathan Wood	Providence Academy
Bailey Reed	Rogers High School
Clayton Caple	Shiloh Christian High School
Erica Springer	Siloam Springs High School
Stephanie Trejo Corona	Springdale High School
Jymme Ash	Southwest High School
Brooklyn Crow	Valley Springs High School
Jaclyn Goodall	Western Grove High School

Strawberry Spinach Salad

2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon white balsamic vinegar
Coarse salt and pepper
4 cups lightly packed baby spinach
6 ounces strawberries (1 ½ cups), hulled and thinly sliced
¼ cup chopped pecans
2 ounces feta, crumbled

Whisk together oil and vinegar in a large bowl. Season with salt and pepper. Add spinach, strawberries, pecans, and feta. Gently toss until spinach is evenly coated with dressing. Serve immediately.

If preparing this salad ahead of time, add all the ingredients to the vinaigrette with the exception of the spinach on top and let stand until ready to toss.

Prep: 10 min. Servings: 2



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