


# Energy Partners

A monthly look at the happenings of and related to:



New-Mac Electric Cooperative

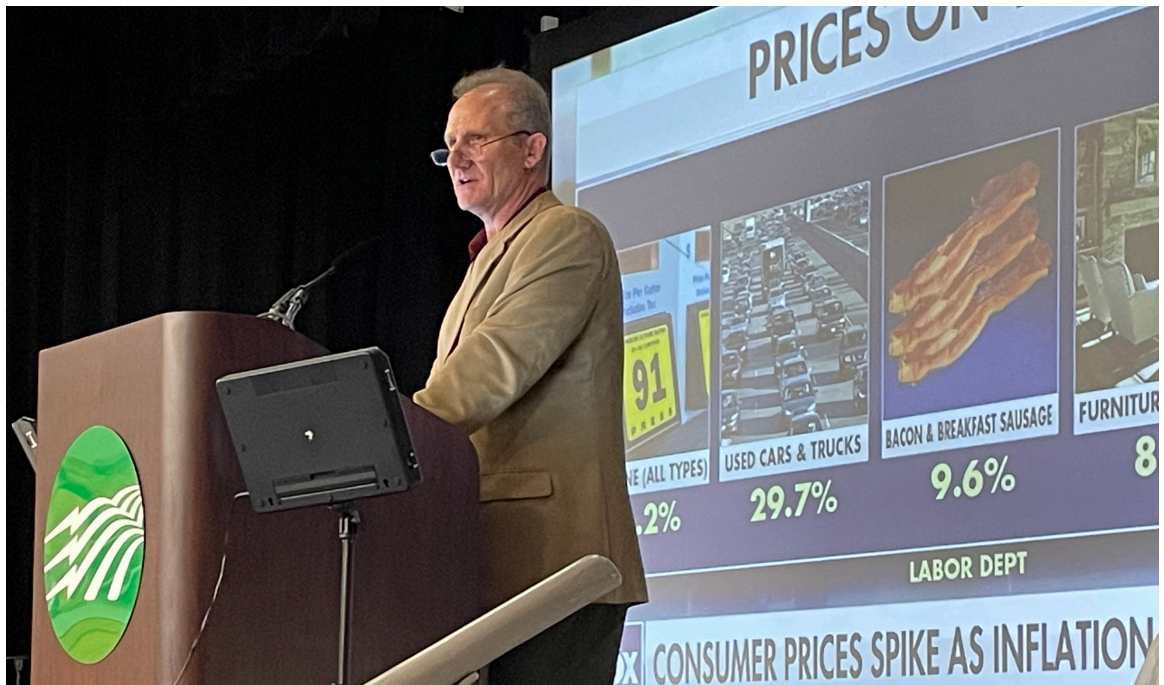
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## New-Mac Electric holds an in-person meeting for the first time in three years

### Co-op welcomes members back for the 83rd Annual Meeting

New-Mac Electric Cooperative held its 83rd Annual Meeting on Oct. 29 at Crowder College’s Neosho campus. Approximately 1,000 people were in attendance. The 2022 Annual Meeting was the first in-person meeting in three years as a result of COVID-19. The past two meetings were conducted as drive-thru “Special” Meetings.

General Manager Stan Irsik spoke to the membership about the changes New-Mac has encountered over the last three years. Those included the 2021 Polar Vortex that



New-Mac Electric CEO/General Manager Stan Irsik addresses the membership at the co-op’s 2022 Annual Meeting.

caused temperatures to get as low as negative 17. Irsik thanked members for their response when asked to conserve energy, stating “During the most critical time when the demand for power was highest, we asked you, our member-owners, to conserve if possible. We watched as our load level dropped from a record high of 119 MW down to 110 MW in about 15 minutes.”

Irsik went on to explain what un-

certainities the cooperative might face in the upcoming year, including obtaining necessary materials for new construction, the ongoing battle against mother nature and continuing efforts to keep clear right-of-ways. Participants also had the opportunity to vote for three seats on the co-op’s Board of Directors. Winning three-year terms on the nine-member board were incumbents Tim Short (District 2), Maurice Mailes (District 7) and Jason Ruddick (District 8).

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## Did you miss our big day? If so, you missed a lot!

### Help yourself to 'Rural Missouri'

Copies of the latest Rural Missouri magazine are always available, free of charge, at either New-Mac office.

### Offices closed for November holidays

New-Mac's offices will be closed Nov. 11 in observance of Veterans' Day and Nov. 24-25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### Assistance is available

If you are having a problem paying your New-Mac account, please call us to make arrangements. Please don't disregard paying your bill. There are programs and options (such as Levelized Billing) designed to assist you. So, please give us a call at (417) 451-1515 or (800) 322-3849.

Additionally, funds may be available through the Economic Security Corporation's Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. In order to apply for this program: call 417-781-0352, email [liheap@escswa.org](mailto:liheap@escswa.org), or visit the website [www.escswa.org](http://www.escswa.org).

### Outage reporting

To report an outage, have your map number (location number) ready and call 451-1515 or (800) 322-3849.



The New-Mac 2022 Annual Meeting was met with beautiful weather for outdoor vendors and indoor fun for the whole family. Clockwise from top left: New-Mac's Cathy Cooley helps a member register to vote; Freeman Health system conducts a health fair for attendees; 8 kids came away with bikes; members stand for the National Anthem before kicking off the 2022 Annual Meeting; Buddy Bear poses with the 500 dollar grand prize winners; and Lonesome Road provided bluegrass for entertainment. See more photos like these on our Facebook page.



# A very 50's Halloween at New-Mac Electric

New-Mac Electric was excited to take part in this year's Trail-of-Treats, organized by the Neosho Daily News. Over 70 Neosho companies joined in on the Halloween spirit this year and had candy for all the trick-or-treaters.

New-Mac employees created a Grease/50's inspired trail through the co-op's Neosho community room for all the kids to enjoy, and of course, candy was handed out! New-Mac hopes everyone had a fun and spooky Halloween!



## Thanksgiving Updates!

The New-Mac Electric Neosho and Anderson offices will be closed November 24 and 25 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. In addition, starting the weekend of Thanksgiving, neither drive-thru location will be open on Saturdays going forward.



## Pay by Phone

Don't forget you can pay your bill by phone anytime – **24/7** – with our automated, toll-free payment line.



## Energy Partners' Recipe of the Month:

### QUICK LASAGNA

Submitted by New-Mac member: **Dee Craig**

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| 1 lb. ground beef                | 1 2/3 cup of water                                  |
| 2 green peppers, chopped         | 1/4 cup zesty Italian salad dressing                |
| 3 cloves garlic, minced          | 12 oven-ready lasagna noodles, broken into quarters |
| 1 jar (26 oz.) spaghetti sauce   |   |
| 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese |   |

Brown beef in large saucepan; drain. Stir in peppers, garlic, spaghetti sauce, water and salad dressing; bring to a boil. Add noodles; stir. Cover. Cook on medium-low heat 10-15 min. until noodles are tender, stir occasionally. Remove from heat. Sprinkle with cheese. Makes 4 servings. Substitute: 12 regular lasagna noodles, broken into small pieces, for the oven-ready noodles. Increase water to 2 cups and cook 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Send your recipe, along with your name and account number, to: Recipes, c/o New-Mac Electric, P.O. Box 310, Neosho, MO 64850; or [recipes@newmac.com](mailto:recipes@newmac.com). If your recipe is selected, New-Mac will apply a \$15 credit to your bill.



Above: shows the crowd of approximately 1,000 listening to the Management Report by Stan Irsik. Below: New-Mac employees Jason Poe and Kurt Goewert answer questions from a member at the information booth during the 83rd Annual Meeting.





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**Management**

CEO/General Manager..... Stan Irsik  
System Engineer ..... Jeff Crites  
Executive Assistant ..... Linda Crosby  
Manager of Billing Services.. Josh King  
Manager of Marketing ..... Mark K. Rakes  
Line Superintendent ..... Jeremiah Taylor  
Controller..... Marti Wiley

**Board of Directors**

District 1 ..... Bruce Youngblood  
District 2 ..... Tim Short  
District 3 ..... Linda Poor  
District 4 ..... Beryl Kennedy  
District 5 ..... Billy P. White  
District 6 ..... Paul Sprenkle  
District 7 ..... Maurice Mailes  
District 8 ..... Jason Ruddick  
District 9 ..... Jamey Cope

**Services Provided to Members**

Automated Phone Payment  
Autowithdrawal Payment  
Green Power  
Levelized Billing  
Online Payment & Usage History  
Rental Light  
Meeting Rooms Available  
Safety Programs  
Surge Protection

## 2022 Annual Meeting at a glance

Thanks again to everyone who participated in the 2022 Annual Meeting and made it a success!

**Attendance:** Approximately 1,000 New-Mac members and family.

**Board Member Election Results:**  
District 2 ..... Tim Short  
District 7 .... Maurice Mailes  
District 8 ..... Jason Ruddick

## ○ Annual meeting

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Members also approved two proposed amendments to the cooperative’s bylaws. One of the changes allows for the co-op to use the monthly newsletter and website for posting notifications as an alternative to limited circulation of published newspapers. The second broadens the representation of the membership by allowing each of the district’s representation on the Nominating Committee.

The 2022 Annual Meeting was a wonderful day to get together with the membership to ensure they see the cooperative leadership still, after 83 years, is putting them first. As General Manager Stan Irsik said, “There is no substitute for in-person gatherings like this one.”

It’s the hope of your cooperative that you were able to see the hard work that is put in each day for you our members, and of course that a fun time was had by all who attended.