## New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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## NEW ENTERPRISE RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday through Friday 7 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

#### **EMERGENCY OUTAGE NUMBERS**

814-766-3221 1-800-270-3177

# COOPERATIVE (ONNECTION

## **New Enterprise REC Annual Meeting**



MARK MORRISON

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW FOR** the 87th annual meeting of the members of New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

This year, the meeting will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, at the Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds, 145 Cave Road, New Enterprise. Based on member survey results from previous events, we will continue to hold a drive-thru meeting. Members will visit a few stations as they drive through the grounds. At the first station, members will be able to donate nonperishable food items for a local food bank. Those who participate will be registered for a drawing to win one of two \$100 bill credits.

Members will proceed to registration, where they will receive the cooperative annual report and a registration packet. All registered members will receive a \$30 electric bill credit for attending the meeting.

This year, Directors Mark Swope, Area 1, Brian McCoy, Area 2, and Dave Bequeath, Area 5, are running uncontested. Therefore, they will be automatically re-elected to a three-year term.

Members can tune into a radio broadcast to hear cooperative highlights and news from me and the board president. Directors and employees will also be on-site to answer members' questions.

#### MARK MORRISON GENERAL MANAGER/CEO



## Incumbent Directors to be Re-elected

The 2025 Nominating Committee recently met at the cooperative and nominated the following candidates for the three director seats up for election. Since there were no other nominees, the following incumbent directors will be re-elected at the 2025 annual meeting and serve an additional three-year term for their respective areas.

## **Mark Swope**



Director Mark Swope represents Area 1 of New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative (REC). He has earned his Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) certificate a program administered by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. The CCD program focuses on cooperative

governance and prepares directors to fulfill their fiduciary duties on behalf of the membership.

Mark lives in Potter Creek with his wife, Tania, on their

small farm, where they raise registered Angus cattle. Mark, a 1982 graduate of Northern Bedford High School, served in the U.S. Army for six years. He is employed at Suit-Kote, a New York-based company. Mark has been an auctioneer for the past 30 years in four different states.

Mark and Tania have two children, Ezra and Kate, and two grandchildren and one on the way. When he is not at work or auctioneering, he enjoys working with his cattle on the farm and hunting. Mark attends the Community Baptist Church and is an adult Sunday School teacher.

## **Brian McCoy**



Director Brian McCoy represents Area 2 of New Enterprise REC.

Brian graduated in 2000 from Central High School, Martinsburg, and works at his family business, McCoy's Lawn and Garden in Roaring Spring.

Brian lives in Frosty Hollow with his wife, Jenny, and their three children.

He has been a cooperative member for over 15 years. He hopes to focus on guiding the cooperative to continue delivering safe, reliable and affordable electricity to the membership.

Outside of work, Brian enjoys spending time outdoors, hunting, fishing, and most of all spending time with family and friends.

## **Dave Bequeath**



Director Dave Bequeath represents Area 5 of New Enterprise REC.

A 1977 graduate of Everett High School, Dave is retired from the Everett IGA, where he worked for 41 years. He was a member of the Everett Jaycees and served 15 years as an EMT and board member with Raystown EMS. Dave lives outside of Everett on a small farm with his wife, Jill.

The couple has two sons, Nicholas and Jonas, and three grandchildren, Evelyn, Warren, and August.

Dave became a board member in 2004 and serves as board secretary. Dave serves on several board committees and holds a CCD certificate.

# Drive-Thru



Join New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative for our drive-thru annual meeting. The meeting will be held at the Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds, 145 Cave Road, New Enterprise, PA 16664, from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, June 3.

Each member who registers and attends will receive a \$30 credit on their electric bill.

Don't forget to bring a non-expired, nonperishable food item for Buddy's Food Bank and be entered into a drawing for a \$100 bill credit!

Directions to the Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds:

#### From Bedford I-99

Follow I-99 North to Exit 7 PA 869 toward St. Clairsville/Osterburg. Follow 869 East for 3.5 miles over Brumbaugh Mountain; at the bottom of the mountain, turn right onto PA 869 East for 2.5 miles. Turn right onto Cave Road for a half mile. The Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds are on the right.

#### From Woodbury

Head southwest on PA 36 South toward Everett. Turn right onto PA 869 West toward New Enterprise for 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Cave Road for for a half mile. The Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds are on your right.

### **From Saxton**

Follow PA 26 South, then turn right onto PA 36 North toward Loysburg for 3.8 miles. Turn left onto PA 869 West toward New Enterprise for 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Cave Road for a half mile. The Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds are on your right.

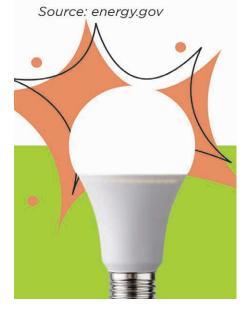
### From Waterfall

Follow PA 655 North, take a sharp left onto PA 913 West for 1.7 miles. Turn left onto Wells Valley Road for 4.9 miles. Turn right onto PA 915 North for 9.4 miles. Turn left onto PA 26 South for 4.9 miles. Turn right onto PA 36 North toward Loysburg for 3.8 miles. Turn left onto PA 869 West toward New Enterprise for 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Cave Road for a half mile. The Southern Cove Power Reunion Grounds are on your right.

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH

Routine maintenance is important to keep your refrigerator running efficiently. Lint and dirt should be cleaned from the refrigerator coils every six months to a year, and more often if there are pets in the home.

When coils are coated with lint, dust or pet hair, your refrigerator works harder than it's designed to, which can prevent the appliance from cooling properly and efficiently. The additional work can increase the energy costs of the refrigerator by as much as 35% and shorten the life of the appliance.



# How to Save Money in the Laundry Room

**AH, THE JOYS OF HAVING** a washer and dryer in your home. There's no waiting for a machine, no coin slots and no one taking out your wet load if you aren't right there when the cycle ends.

Although it's cheaper per load and much more convenient to do laundry at home, there's a somewhat hidden cost to consider: the energy it takes to run your washer and dryer.

What appliances in your home use the most energy? At the top of that list is the hot water heater, and right behind it are the washer and dryer.

Here are a few tips to save money in your laundry room:

- ▶ When using your washing machine, select the right amount of water for the load that is, don't select the "extra-large" setting when doing a small load. In fact, consider waiting to do laundry until you have full loads to conserve water.
- ► Using warm water instead of hot can cut a load's energy use in half and using cold water will save even more, according to energy.gov.
- ► Use dryer balls, which help separate clothes and get more air to them, cutting drying time.
- ▶ Use lower dryer settings. Even if your dryer runs longer, you'll use less energy and be less likely to over-dry your clothes

- ▶ Clean the lint out of your dryer between loads and scrub the filter once a month to remove buildup.
- ▶ Put similar items together since lighter-weight clothes take less time to dry. Drying towels and heavier cottons takes longer.
- ► Use the moisture sensor option on your dryer if it has one
- ► Take a clue from your teenage boy and wear clothes more than once between laundering (although don't wait until your jeans can stand by themselves).
- When purchasing a dryer, consider an Energy Star<sup>®</sup> version, which typically uses less energy than a conventional model.
- ► Energy Star-certified washers use about 20% less energy and 33% less water than regular clothes washers.
- ► Thoroughly clean your dryer's vents and duct system at least twice a year.

To learn more about how much you are spending to run your washer and dryer refer to energy.gov's appliance energy-use calculator. And for more information about safety around electricity, visit safeelectricity.org.

