

COLUMBUS CURRENTS

2018 Annual Meeting of Members

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Columbus Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held on April 14, 2018, at the Animas School Auditorium. *The official notice will be mailed at a later date.*

That all important action includes your voice and involvement in co-op activities, your presence and participation at annual meetings and your very valued vote for your Board of Trustees.

At the Cooperative we focus on what matters...the consumer. That is the driving force behind how your electric cooperative works. It doesn't take a lot of fancy words to understand the difference between your electric utility companies. Simply put, if something-a policy, a service, and a way of doing business is good for our consumers, then it's good for the Co-op too. Contrast this philosophy with that of the big power companies. Making a profit is first and foremost for them. That's all well and good unless there is a clash between profits for the company and serving consumers and their communities. When that happens, guess who wins? Whenever a community faces a need – a challenge to make life better – the cooperative business

model comes into play. That choice is simple, because the Co-op philosophy is simple: Members are the Co-op, so if it's good for them, then it has to be good for the Co-op itself.

Please plan on attending your annual meeting on Saturday, April 14th at the Animas School Auditorium.

Deming and Columbus members interested in riding the bus, please call the office to reserve your seat.

Spanish translation service will be available, please sign up so we can make accommodations.

Servicio de traducción en español estará disponible en la Reunión Annual. Por favor de registrar para que podamos hacer arreglos.

At your Co-op the consumer comes first- and that means you!

Don't forget the twenty-five dollar joke contest. See you there.



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The Cooperative is required to notify each member of the following provision of the By-Laws. The following passage regarding the nomination of Trustees is from page 6 of the By-Laws of Columbus Electric Cooperative, Inc.

ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4, Nominations.

(a) NOMINATIONS BY PETITION

Any fifteen (15) or more members, in any one district, acting together may make nominations by petition for trustee of their district, and such petition shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Cooperative twenty-five (25) days prior to the annual meeting of the members. Upon receipt of such nominating petition from any district, the Secretary shall immediately post said petition at the office of the cooperative, and such nomination shall be announced at the annual meeting prior to election of trustees.

(b) NOMINATIONS MADE FROM THE FLOOR.

Additional nominations for trustee for a particular district or for trustee-at-large may be made from the floor at the meeting of the members by any member from the same district. Each member shall be entitled to nominate one candidate from his district.

(c) NOMINATING FOR TRUSTEE-AT-LARGE.

When the trustee-at-large is to be elected, nominations may be made by members of any district in the same manner set forth in sub paragraphs (a) and (b) above.

(d) NOTICE FOR NOMINATIONS

The names of the nominees for trustees so made by petition shall be set forth in the notice of the annual or special meeting of the members at which trustees are to be elected, and the Secretary shall at such meeting list all nominations made by petition and from the floor.

If you have questions about your Voting District, the nominating process, or would like a copy of the By-laws, please contact the Co-op.



Holmes retires after 31 years

After 31 years of dedicated service to Columbus Electric and its' members Jeff Holmes retires. Jeff began working as a meter reader in 1986 and since then has traveled over a million miles reading meters. Jeff is known for his hard work and dedication to this company as well as to those he has met in his career. We will miss Jeff's positivity and kindness and wish him the very best in his retirement.

Winter Shut-off Ends March 15,2018

To avoid potential disconnection of services please contact Columbus Electric at 800-228-0579 to make arrangements for payment.

Members of New Mexico tribes or pueblos who need help with translation or with other matters may contact the New Mexico Public Regulations Commission's consumer relations division at 888-427-5772, who will contact the appropriate tribal or pueblo official for assistance.

Emergency Response Number
1-800-228-0579

Toll - free Office Number
1-800-950-COOP (2667)