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Celebrating **75**
1936-2011 *Years*

HIGHLIGHT

PEOPLE'S COOPERATIVE SERVICES

Hi-Lites

Electricity...Transforming lives in Minnesota since 1882

In most households the morning begins with waking to the alarm clock, putting the coffee on, taking a shower, and maybe listening to the news on radio or television. Within fifteen minutes of being up, electricity has been used again, and again, and again. And most of us, take this convenience for granted.

"Yet, without the building of myriad power plants and the stringing of countless miles of wire; without the constant monitoring of the electric power grid and the juggling of supply and demand; that ready surge of electricity would not exist...nor would the modern world as we know it." So states the web site: Great Achievements. And indeed the electrification of America is an outstanding achievement, but none more so than the rural project that brought the world to the doorstep of country farms and residences.

In 1934, less than 11% of United States farms had electrical service. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt made this a priority when he created The New Deal Agency in 1935. He knew the U.S. lagged sadly behind Germany and France where 90% of their rural population had electricity. Private power companies who were supplying cities and small communities across the continent were reluctant to expand into rural areas. If the private companies did extend power to farms, the cost was often four times greater than their city counterparts paid.

Under Roosevelt's guidance, the development of Rural Electric Administration (REA) made it possible for local cooperatives to borrow money from the REA. From that time forward, the expansion of electricity and operation of the system has been due largely to consumer friendly cooperatives. By 1942, nearly 50% of rural America was receiving its energy via electrical lines.

World War II in the early 1940's put the project on hold. It resumed in earnest after the war ended; almost 100% of rural areas were electrified by 1952.

The preservation of this important part of our history is getting attention as many cooperatives are celebrating 75 years of providing service as is People's Cooperative Services right here in Southeastern Minnesota. Members and staff are aging as well and soon, their memories and stories that make up our history will be lost.

The Minnesota Historical Society is preserving this valuable information in a traveling exhibit program which will be in our area beginning in December of 2011 (Albert Lea, and June thru August 2012 in Owatonna). They encourage us to "Discover how electricity has transformed the lives of Minnesota since 1882. Learn what makes the generation of electricity possible and imagine how we will generate electricity into the 21 Century."

Locally, the Olmsted County History Center is also working with area residents, workers and People's Cooperative Services itself to preserve artifacts, information and history.

An invaluable asset of the History Center is Russ Turner. Many days you will find him in the tin shop on the grounds of the Center. "This isn't just a tin shop, it's also where we store and display engines, electrical equipment, tools used by lineworkers who worked to bring electricity to our area," said Turner. An employee of People's, Turner's current project is to oversee the construction of the new building. But near and dear to his heart, is the collection of artifacts and information that pertain to early power options.

"We have plans to construct a building which will be dedicated entirely to the history of electricity. Right now we have a MerleTate exhibit on the grounds which houses commercially viable electric portable generating units; specifically, the Delco brand, which were the first to be used. We also have a collection of appliances that were made possible because of the electric power. One of the first things purchased was an electric iron. Then, it was probably the radio. The capability of being connected to the world changed everything." seventeen thousand, seven hundred, forty two

The future building will display the comprehensive history from the generator to the Cooperative efforts which brought power lines over the hills and valleys of farms in our area and the resulting remarkable changes in rural life.

The History Center has a great deal of information regarding People's Cooperative and encourages area residents to share their thoughts and memories about the early days of rural electricity as well as any artifacts that would be of interest.

Debi Neville
Freelance Writer, Rochester

C.E.O. Message

As we close the door on summer and look forward to a beautiful Minnesota fall I can't help but get excited. There are so many great things that happen during this time of year – harvest season, football season and for many, back to school time!

It is also an exciting time at your Cooperative!

We had a busy construction and maintenance season and made great progress on many of our summer projects. In addition to many smaller projects, we finished rebuilding single-phase overhead line in Salem, Pleasant Grove and Rock Dell Townships, replacing underground cable in the Timberidge subdivision in Marion Township, and replacing three-phase overhead line along 60th Avenue SE in Marion Township. Right-of-way clearing has also been a focus with large projects in the Lake City and West Albany areas. As we move in to fall we will finish rebuilding the transmission line crossing the Zumbro River near Millville, five miles of transmission line along 75th Street NE, and the three-phase line east of Plainview and along Olmsted County Road 12 between Oronoco and Sandy Point. We also have major maintenance projects scheduled for the Canisteo, Ringe and Kalmar substations.

The pace of the new building construction has picked up and we are back on schedule to meet our anticipated move-in date of January 2012. You will find an update on the construction on page 8 and you can watch the progress via webcam by visiting our website at www.peoplesrec.com.

We also have a number of things planned this fall to help us better understand how we can better serve you, our members, both now and in the future.

Member Satisfaction Survey

We are working with NRECA Market Research Services to conduct a confidential telephone survey of a random sample of our membership. The purpose of the survey is to explore members' views on programs and services the cooperative currently offers or may offer in the future. By better understanding our member's wants and needs, we will be able to provide the service you expect and the programs that best meet your needs.

Interviews will start on September 20. Not every member will be called, but if you are one of the fortunate ones to be selected, please help us, by participating in the survey. The survey will take less than 15 minutes to complete. Interviewers calling from NRECA Market Research Services are not telemarketers and will not try to sell you anything.

NRECA Market Research Services guarantees complete confidentiality of your individual responses. You will not be

identified in any way. The survey results are compiled and reported back to us as group totals.

District Meetings

We will be holding four district meetings in October. These meetings are a forum not only for us to provide you with information, but for you to give us your feedback. As we move in to 2012, we will be changing the Annual Meeting to be only a business meeting. If you have questions or are seeking feedback on a particular issue, I hope you can find time to attend of the district meetings. The meeting times and locations are listed on the back page. This year we tried to offer a range of meeting times and locations to give you more options to attend. I look forward to seeing you there! seventeen thousand, five hundred, fifty

Member Advisory Committee

In November our member advisory committee will be holding their fourth meeting. The Board formed this group late last year as a way to gain more member insight and feedback in to some of the key issues and decisions that they face. Members of the committee are appointed by the Board to serve a three-year term and a third of the members will rotate off the committee each year. In November, we will be replacing one committee member from each district. More information about the member advisory committee can be found on page 7. If you have any interested in participating on the committee, please give me a call and I will be happy to talk with you more about the opportunity.

Planning Ahead for 2012

If you are looking to add some important dates to your 2012 calendar you will want to note that the 2012 annual meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12 and our 2012 member appreciation event will be held on Thursday, July 26. The annual meeting will be held at the Rochester International Event Center and the member appreciation event will be held at the Olmsted County Fair. Stay tuned for more details!

As always, if you have any questions or comments please give me a call, send an email or stop by the office.



Elaine J. Garry
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Insulating Your Attic: More Is Better

Is there enough insulation in your attic? By adding insulation, you can improve your home's energy efficiency and save money. Here's a tip from People's Cooperative Services that can help reduce your energy consumption—and your electric bills.

With adequate attic insulation, your home's heating/cooling system will operate more efficiently. It will keep you cooler in the summer and warmer in winter—and it will keep more money in your wallet. As TogetherWeSave.com has shown, adding insulation to your attic can save you \$240 a year.

Older homes tend to have less attic insulation than newer ones. An energy audit can indicate whether additional insulation is needed. twelve thousand, nine hundred, ninety eight

Before adding insulation to your attic, determine how much insulation is already installed, what kind it is, and how thick it is. Next, you'll need to know the R-value—which indicates the insulation's resistance to heat—of existing attic insulation. The higher the R-value, the greater the insulating effectiveness. Once you know the R-value, you can determine how much insulation to add by using the U.S. Department of Energy's Zip Code Insulation Program.

Now you're ready to decide what kind of insulation to install: loose-fill or blanket (batt and roll) insulation. Loose-fill insulation consists of small particles of fiber, foam, or other materials. Blanket insulation, the most common and widely available type of insulation, comes in the form of batts and rolls made from mineral wool, plastic fibers, and natural fibers. Loose-fill insulation is usually less expensive to install than batt insulation. And when installed properly, loose-fill insulation can provide better coverage.

For other tips on how to save energy—and money—visit www.energysavers.gov or Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives energy-saving website, www.TogetherWeSave.com.




INSULATION HELPS ME WEATHER THE ECONOMY.

I'm saving \$240 a year just by adding insulation. What can you do? Find out how the little changes add up at TogetherWeSave.com.



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Energy Efficiency
Tip of the Month

Is your washing machine more than 10 years old? According to the U.S. Department of Energy, families can cut related energy costs by more than a third—and water costs by more than half—by purchasing a clothes washer with an ENERGY STAR label. Choose a front-load or redesigned top-load model.


Source: U.S. Department of Energy

24-Hour Outage Report Line
(800) 214-2694 or (507) 288-4004

- Have your address and account number ready.
- If you call outside normal office hours your call will be directed to our after-hours call center. Please be sure to select the outage option by pressing 1 when prompted from the automated menu.
- Report outage location, phone number and any electrical related emergencies.
- Please be patient during major outages as phone line can be very busy.

When the lights go out, so do we!

SPOT YOUR NUMBER



Each month we hide five account numbers within the pages of the Highline Hi-Lites. If you find your account number, call the office at (507) 288-4004 by the last day of the current month and you will receive a \$30 credit on your electric bill.

Nobody found their account number in the August issue. Account numbers not found: Daniel Ristau, Edward Vitse, Brian Wunderlich, Thomas Crowson, and Glenn Augustine.

Facts About Mercury in CFLs

Ads and packaging materials for compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs) proclaim that they use much less energy and last much longer than standard incandescent bulbs. However, if you read the fine print on the packaging or find the notice on the base of each bulb, you'll see that it contains mercury.

While that may raise an alarm in your mind, there's no need to worry. The amount of mercury inside the glass tubes of an average CFL is miniscule—about the equivalent of the tip of a ballpoint pen—and it's especially small when compared to other items you may have around your home. The amount of mercury in a CFL runs about 4-5 milligrams (mg), while a glass fever thermometer contains 500 mg, and an old-style thermostat could contain up to 3,000 mg.

CFLs are safe to handle and use in your home, and they release no mercury when in operation. Even if you break a CFL, the amount of mercury that may become airborne poses a very low risk of exposure, says ENERGY STAR.

When CFLs burn out or break, the best course of action is to recycle them.

To find out if there's a facility or store near you that accepts CFLs, go to the Earth 911 website at www.earth911.org, or call 800-CLEANUP. Be sure to call the facility or store that's listed before you make the trip, to ensure that it allows homeowners or apartment dwellers to drop off CFLs.



EDITORIAL NOTE:

This editorial was provided by Living with Energy in Iowa magazine.

Watch Out for Electrical Hazards on the Farm

Those who live on a farm know that not only is it hard work, but it can be dangerous, too. Each year, farmers are electrocuted when large farm machinery comes into contact with overhead power lines.

Often, the situation occurs because a newer, bigger piece of equipment no longer clears a line the way a smaller one did. In addition, shifting soil may also affect whether or not machinery avoids power lines from year to year.

The following tips will help keep everyone on a farm safe:

- Look over work areas carefully for overhead power lines and utility poles.
- Make sure you have ample clearance when moving large machinery such as combines, grain augers, pickers, bailers, and front-end loaders. Do this every year as equipment sizes or soil conditions may change.
- Store large equipment properly if near or under power lines. When planning new construction, factor in existing power lines.
- Be extra careful when working around trees and brush; they often make it difficult to see power lines.
- Train all farm workers to keep an eye out for overhead power lines.

Sources: *Safe Electricity* www.safeelectricity.org; *National Ag Safety Database*



Peace of mind for snowbirds

No more worries of frozen or broken pipes while you're wintering down south. A Heartland Security System can alert you of a temperature drop in your home before it gets cold enough to cause damage. Furnace failure sensors can be programmed to sound an alarm and alert Heartland Security's dispatchers once a predetermined temperature is reached.

Security systems fitted with special sensors can help detect smoke, water and temperature changes within your home. They can also be customized to fit a multitude of applications, including livestock, surveillance, medical and more.

Sign up for a Heartland Security System by Sept. 30 and receive a FREE* furnace failure sensor!

Call today for a FREE estimate!
1-888-264-6380
www.heartlandss.com

Heartland Security

*Offer good through Sept. 30, 2011. Certain restrictions may apply. May not be combined with any other offers. People's Cooperative Services is one of 14 electric cooperatives that own Heartland Security.

Member Services Department



Adam Binner

Welcome to PCS!

Adam Binner and Liz Thompson both recently joined PCS as member services representatives.

Adam graduated from The College of St. Scholastica with a degree in accounting. He enjoys hunting, golfing, and spending time outdoors.



Liz Thompson

Liz graduated from Minnesota State University - Mankato with degree in business management. Liz previously worked as a member services representative at Jo-Carroll Energy Cooperative in Elizabeth, Illinois. She enjoys boating with her friends and spending time outside during the summer.

Carla Leslie Promoted

Carla Leslie was recently promoted to member services lead in PCS's member services department. Carla began her career at PCS in 2002 as a consumer accounts representative.



Carla Leslie

As the member services lead, Carla will work closely with the member services team to help resolve member billing issues or concerns and support them in ensuring timely, efficient and superior front-line service to all the Cooperative's members.

Congratulations on your promotion, Carla!

Residential Energy Audit - Take control and save!

People's Cooperative Services offers a residential energy audit program designed to provide members with an accurate assessment of the actual energy use in their home. For a reimbursable fee, a certified energy consultant will complete a thorough in-home energy audit.

Two types of energy audits are available:

Standard Energy Audit

Cost: \$240

Members are eligible to receive up to 100% of audit cost back through rebates, provided at least one recommended energy improvement is implemented.

This audit includes:

- Utility bill analysis
- Thermal envelop inspection (thorough insulation and air sealing analysis)
- Blower door diagnostics
- Furnace efficiency / safety and worst case back draft spillage testing



Performance Energy Audit

Cost: \$360

Members are eligible to receive a rebate for up to \$250 of the audit cost if recommended energy improvements are implemented.

- This audit includes all of the services provided with a standard energy audit plus, an infrared camera diagnostic inspection.

Following the energy audit, both you and the cooperative will receive a detailed report which includes the auditor's findings and recommendations for improvements that can be made to help you save energy. twenty five thousand, fifty nine

To learn more about the residential energy audit program, go to www.peoplesrec.com and click on Energy Audit Program (located under the member services tab) or call our member services department at (507) 288-4004.

Energy Efficiency with Geothermal Technology

When the decision was made to install a geothermal heating system in their home, Carl and Sylvia Rolfs of rural Kasson checked around.

The two are retired engineers from IBM and keep meticulous records of their heat and cooling usage. Cost comparisons and tracking kilowatt hour usage confirms that they made the right choice by installing a geothermal system. They will be going into their seventh heating season this fall with the system and they are happy with the advantages the system provides.

Saving money is the biggest reason to consider geothermal. When the system was installed, the expected pay-back time was twelve years. However, with the rising cost of LP, their back up fuel, the time line has decreased to less than eight years.

Having more even heating and cooling is a tremendous difference. It keeps the house warmer/cooler longer without the constant on and off of the furnace and air conditioning unit.

"When we are not on geothermal and the system switches to LP, we can tell immediately," said Sylvia.

The Rolfs' are on an energy grid with People's Cooperative Services. People's has a dual fuel rate which affords the Rolfs' a lower rate for electricity. When the usage of electricity is high, a radio controlled device, switches the geothermal system off and the heating/cooling energy source is then LP.

"It is an incredible method, really. It seems to work perfectly," Carl said. "The geothermal is not only our source for heating and cooling but is also our heat source for our water heater."

They have a backup water heater which stores the residual water from the geothermal system; it pre-heats water which lessens the energy need for the water heater.

Geothermal design uses the existing ductwork of a central heating system to distribute warm and cool air throughout



Carl and Sylvia Rolfs

the home. Using the earth as winter heat source or in summer, a heat sink, it takes advantage of the even, moderate temperature in ground to boost efficiency and reduce the cost of operation.

Holes, or wells are drilled in the ground and a closed loop or open loop system is installed. The depth and location of the wells is determined by the composition of soil and rock and the presence of water. The nature of the design allows the system to be installed in nearly any location.

Rolfs' home was built in 1888, and they have been there for over forty years, raised their two sons and are working on restoring the home while improving it.

"At first, it was just making the house livable, then project after project we continued to work on our home. After this many years, we have seen several rounds of improvements from new windows, new kitchen, additions and so forth," said Carl.

"Geothermal has been one of the best things we have done," Sylvia agreed.

Debi Neville,
Freelance Writer Rochester, MN

GO GREEN

Subscribe to receive the PCS newsletter monthly by email! You can do your part to help save paper, money on mailing costs and our environment!

Call the cooperative or email tlarsen@peoplesrec.com to sign up today.



Member Advisory Committee

The Member Advisory Committee (MAC) held their fourth meeting on Tuesday, August 16. During the meeting the group discussed what products and services the cooperative should consider offering in the future and the cooperatives efforts related to renewable energy.

The Member Advisory Committee is comprised of twenty-one members; consisting of three members from each district. Members are appointed by the Board of Directors to serve three-year terms. New members are appointed each year as the senior member from each district



completes their term. Past directors also serve on the committee.

The group, which serves as an advisory committee to the Board and Cooperative management, meets periodically to discuss current issues and developments affecting the Cooperative. The Committee provides input on member meetings, member services, community development and communications. The next MAC meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2011. If you interested in learning more about the Member Advisory Committee, please call the cooperative office (507)288-4004.



Member Advisory Committee

District 1

Lenny Laures
Josh Noser
Paul Pyfferon

District 2

Don Leth
Wayne McColley
Kurt Orning

District 3

James McKeon
Robert Oudal
Neil Stolp

District 4

Pete Hampe
Suzanne Kennebeck
Steve McNallan

District 5

Don Andring
Dale Hinckley

District 6

Art Friedrich
Joe Guyse
Nathan Redalen

District 7

Lori Miller-Beach
Robert Kuhlman
Art Reckinger

Past Directors

Sharon Hart
John Nintemann

Deer Creek Speedway Kids Club Safety Presentation

On Saturday, August 13, representatives from People's Cooperative Services gave a live electrical safety demonstration for the Deer Creek Speedway Kids Club. Over 40 kids watched eagerly as Bob Snaza (electrical technician), Tyler Larsen (member relations), and Tim Rasmusson (lineworker) give the demonstration.



Photos provided by Mike Champion

New Headquarters Update

Construction is now progressing at a rapid pace! We have made up most of the time we lost due to the weather in July and expect to meet our scheduled completion date of late January. The roof for the warehouse, vehicle storage, service center and wash bay is on and the construction of the pole shed on the north side of the building has started. The front office walls are complete and the structural steel work for the office roof is underway.

We are now working on the geothermal system, placing the roof over the office portion of the building, connecting power to the building, finishing the grading of the warehouse floor, pouring concrete for loading dock and roughing in the plumbing for the bathrooms in the warehouse.



People's Cooperative Services new headquarters building under construction.

The frontage road is now complete. Construction of the driveways along the east side of the property is underway. These will allow us to use the frontage road as an exit from the site and start the construction of the southwest entrance off County Road 12.

Be sure to watch the progress from our webcam at www.peoplesrec.com!



People's Cooperative Services existing headquarters and adjacent land on Highway 14 East, Rochester is listed "For Sale"

Contact Hamilton Real Estate, Inc.
Mac Hamilton (507) 281-1002



The Cooperative is also promoting the development of Oronoco Crossings - a 36 acre Commercial/Industrial development adjacent to the new headquarters location in Oronoco.

Member Survey We Want to Know What You Think

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Buyer Beware!

Energy saving product pitches might be “too good to be true”

All of us are looking for methods to save on our energy bills. As you search for energy savings, please keep in mind that there are people out there preying on your desire to save energy and money. An invitation for a free breakfast, lunch or dinner to listen to a presentation on energy saving products might sound like a good idea, but remember the old saying, “if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!”

Some of the products being promoted are reflective radiant barriers and power factor correction devices. Each product has an actual place that it is used in construction or electrical systems, but the demonstration creates a condition that does not normally exist in your home. Often in homes, especially in a colder climate, it is at best a misapplication, which produces little or no energy savings. Worse, if incorrectly installed, these can actually cause problems in the home.

A reflective radiant barrier offers little energy savings to a home in a northern climate that is already insulated. According to the Minnesota Department of Commerce’s Division of Energy Resources website, “radiant barriers are generally not worth the investment in terms of energy savings. Field tests by the Oak

Ridge National Laboratory suggest that attic radiant barriers are not an effective way to reduce heating or cooling loads in Minnesota.”

With the power factor correction devices, the first and primary fact is that residential electric meters measure and bill on kilowatt-hours, not power factor. There is no power factor penalty for residential homes, so there is no measurable savings for a homeowner to correct power factor.

People's Cooperative Services recommends that you check out claimed energy savings before you spend your hard earned money and use caution when looking for simple solutions to complex heating and electrical situations. Something that has an application in a factory or for cooling in a very hot climate may not offer any savings to a homeowner in Minnesota. As a non-profit member-owned cooperative, we really are looking out for your best interests.

The best place to start is with low-cost energy savings measures and People's Cooperative Services has number of helpful guides available to assist you. For more information call the cooperative office at (507)288-4004 or visit our website at www.cooperative.com. nine hundred, twenty four

Cold Weather Rule begins Oct. 15

Cold weather and the cost to heat a home can have a significant impact on your electric bills. In accordance with Minnesota’s Cold Weather Rule, your electricity cannot be disconnected between October 15 and April 15 for failure to pay your bill if the disconnection affects your primary residential heat source and **ALL** the following statements apply:

- Your household income is at or below 50 percent of the state median income. Income may be verified on forms provided by PCS or by the local energy assistance provider.
- You enter into and make reasonably timely payments under a payment agreement that considers the financial resources of the household.
- You receive referrals to energy assistance, weatherization, conservation or other programs likely to reduce the member’s energy bills from PCS.

Minnesota’s Cold Weather Rule does **NOT** completely stop winter disconnects. Before disconnecting electric service to residential members between October 15 and April 15, PCS provides the following information: notice of proposed disconnection, statement of members’ rights and responsibilities, list of energy assistance providers, forms available for member to request cold weather disconnection protection and a statement explaining the payment plan to secure continued service.

At People's Cooperative Services we make every effort to resolve past due accounts and will work with members to set up payment arrangements to avoid disconnection.

If you are having financial difficulties and cannot pay your electric bill, contact PCS at (507)288-4004 to discuss winter disconnection protection and the steps required to avoid being disconnected.

Local energy assistance providers serving People’s Cooperative Services Members

Olmsted County Energy Assistance

Community Service/Income Maintenance

- Phone: (507) 328-6500
- Website: www.co.olmsted.mn.us
- Application Request Line: (507) 328-6508

SEMCAC

Dodge County, Kasson (507) 634-4350
Fillmore County, Preston (507) 765-2761
Mower County, Austin (507) 433-5889
Winona County, Winona (507) 452-8396

Three Rivers Community Action, Inc.

Zumbrota (507) 732-7391

Salvation Army

Rochester (507) 288-3663

NEW!

Want Ad Guidelines

People's Cooperative Services publishes free ads as a service to our members within the following guidelines:

- Only PCS members or employees may submit ads.
- Member name, account number and phone number are required for all ads.
- Only one ad per member per month. Duplicate ads will not be published.
- Ads must be 120 characters or less.
- Ads will be printed for one month only.
- No ads or ad changes will be taken over the phone.
- PCS reserves the right to edit or reject ads.
- Ads are printed in the monthly edition of the Highline Hi-Lites.

Submitting Want Ads:

- Our preferred method for submitting ads is to use the online submission form available on our website at www.peoplesrec.com. Ads that are submitted online will be approved and posted for online viewing within one week of submitting. These ads will also appear in the next monthly edition of the Highline Hi-Lites provided they have been submitted prior to the last day of the month prior to publication.
- Ads that are submitted by mail or in paper format are **due by the 20th of the month prior to publication.**

Submit your ads and view them online at www.peoplesrec.com

ANIMALS & PETS

2006 AQHA Grulla Geld 14.2 H Rides, fun, video and pictures mclimhorses.com \$2500 507-867-9169

Horse Boarding: Indoor/Outdoor arenas, box stalls, tack room, pastures, shelters, round pen. Nice Facility 507-273-9699

50 gallon fish aquarium with iron wrought stand. Penguin Filter, castle, greenery, lots of extras. Great Value \$100.00 507-281-5347
Jack Russell pups DOB: 7/1/2011 tri-colored, tails done, males & females \$75, leave message. Parents on site 507-754-6754

for sale quarter horse gelding 12 sorel 4 white socks. drives double. gental 500.00 firm. 507-876-2500
Horse Boarding- \$185 and up. Our 18th year. www.rivernorthstables.com. 507-867-3661

FARM EQUIPMENT

Forage boxes, bale elev, chisel plow, field cult, IH 5-20 plow, disc, grain drill, Brillion seeder, IH 1086, JD hay cond 507-356-8444

Corn cobs. Makes excellent bedding. 507-289-0505

Allis Chalmers D14, WF, runs good, good transmission, good tires, 12 volt 507-378-2363

Hay: Large round and small squares of alfalfa and mixed grasses. 507-534-2035

Box Scraper King Kutter, 6 ft. \$350. jkfiesel@juno.com 507-358-2082

GEHL 800 chopper with hailio hay head + TR3038 corn head 1000 RPM electric controls, field ready. 651-345-2827

JD 510 Round Baler \$1,000; 6 ton wagon gear, trails good, repainted \$225, horse hay \$3 ea, delivery available 507-754-5437

M Tractor excellent condition, new tires, radiator starter, hi-lo transmission, buzzsaw and push blade included. 507-282-2913

WD 45 Allis Chalmer, factory loader, 2 buckets, good rubber, 12 volt starter, \$1800.00. Leave message 507-282-4356

NH 68 baler w/ thrower and bale rack \$1200.00 shedded. minnesota 6x loader hyd. lift & bucket. \$75.00 . 507-365-8499

Alfalfa grass baless, big squares and net wrapped small rounds, stored inside. 507-273-7300

Wagon tires, (4) 385-65 R 22-5; (2) 13 R 22-5; (1) 13 R 20. 507-932-4291

Ford 901 Power Master tractor reconditioned, New tires, seat, with loader and 3 point hitch. \$5295 507-288-4793

Reconditioned lawn mowers; push, self propelled, and riders. 507-282-5921

John Deere B Tractor with Woods Mower-Ford 8N ; Sotorage: RV, Boats, Cars. 507-282-8913

600 Gallon Bulk Tank surge vac pump 2 in. stainless pipeline. 507-367-2473

For Sale NEW IDEA BRUSH HOG GOOD SHAPE 350.00. PULL TYPE, FIVE FOOT 507-282-4538

Cab for John Deere Mower 507-282-5734

Round grass hay bales, no rain, 23 inside \$55, 17 outside \$45. Cash only. 507-753-2912

1959 Farmall 460 gas row crop wide front, excellent rubber, \$3,500. 507-356-4331

Hay- Large round, small square bales, no rain. 507-534-2035

Vermeer #12 tilling machine, PTO driven, plastic tile boot, tile your own, wet spots. \$3,000. 507-356-8435

LOST: Power shaft for New Holland H6830 mower. Lost Sunday, July 24th on Dodge County 15 or 4. REWARD. 507-365-8890

42" drum fan, \$200. 507-281-1488
Big round and small square bales of alfalfa, mixed grasses for sale. 507-273-8157

FOR RENT

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HOMES

Farm for sale cash or contract considered, Douglas area, 81 cpi, 171 acres. 507-951-4298

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Octagon Window 20"X34", new, glass low E insulated with 2 panes, white metal clad, for 6" walls, \$40. 507-289-4876

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Toro bagger, slip scrapper, furniture, recliners, rocking chair, black trunk, lots of books & VCRs, hand made jewelry. 507-367-2323

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Recipe submission guidelines:

- Recipes will be accepted until October 3, 2011 and must be postmarked by this date.
- Each entry must be neatly printed or typed, accurate and on a separate sheet of paper. No abbreviations!
- Entries must qualify for one of the following categories:
 - Appetizers & Beverages
 - Soups & Salads
 - Vegetables & Side Dishes
 - Main Dishes
 - Breads & Rolls
 - Desserts
 - Cookies & Candy
- We will print 20 recipes for each category. In the event of duplicate recipes, the earliest date marked (postmark or email date) recipe will be considered.
- Submissions are limited to People's Cooperative Services members. Member name, phone number, address and account number must be included on each recipe submitted.
- No phone call or fax submissions.

Cookbooks will be available to be picked up at the Cooperative office starting December 12, 2011 or at the Annual Meeting on April 12, 2012. Cookbooks are limited to one copy per member.

District Meetings - Mark your calendar!

During October, People's Cooperative Services will host four district meetings throughout the service territory. Members are invited and encouraged to attend one of the following meetings.

<u>Rochester</u>	<u>Oronoco</u>	<u>Stewartville</u>	<u>Plainview</u>
October 4	October 5	October 11	October 13
8:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	11:30 a.m.
PCS Community Room	Oronoco City Hall	Stewartville Civic Center	Plainview Legion
3935 HWY 14 E	115 2nd Street NW	120 City Center	215 3rd Street

Meetings will include various cooperative updates and time to address member questions. Registration will begin 30 minutes before the meeting is scheduled to start. Meetings will last approximately 45 minutes. Light refreshments will be served.

To help us plan accordingly, please RSVP to Tyler Larsen at (507) 424-6188 or by emailing at rsvp@peoplesrec.com. Please include your name, which meeting you will be attending and the number of guests attending.