

# Comanche Electric Cooperative Offers Most Reasonable Rates

Comanche Electric Cooperative prides itself on being able to provide the most dependable electric service at the lowest possible price. Energy isn't cheap—at least not in this day and age. But compared with what other people in Texas are paying for electricity, you're paying a very competitive rate.

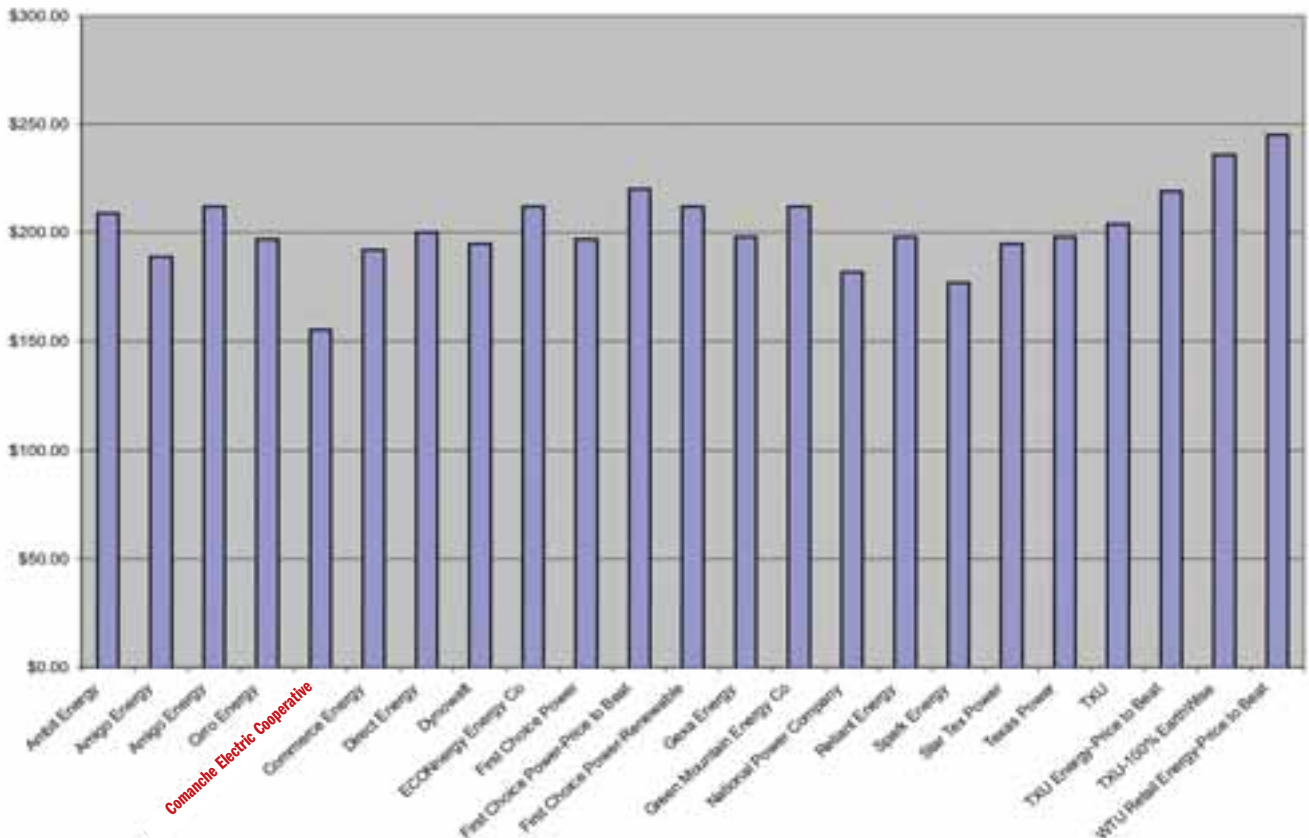
Comanche Electric Cooperative works hard every day to make sure that we provide you with low-cost power by purchasing our wholesale power from Brazos Electric Power Cooperative. Brazos generates and transmits wholesale power to 17 cooperatives like Comanche Electric Cooperative. In order to provide stable



electric rates, Brazos uses many forms of generation, including natural gas, hydroelectric and lignite coal and an assortment of power purchases.

A recent study was made of rates offered within different locations in Texas. Below is a chart showing the price per kilowatt-hour from the companies that provide electricity within our service area. This is the result as reported by the Public Utility Commission at [www.powertochoose.org](http://www.powertochoose.org). These rates are based on a 1,500-kWh average per month for the month of October 2006. The rate for Comanche Electric Cooperative is a 12-month average based on 1,500 kWh.

## Residential Electric Rate Comparisons



# Thank You for Changing a Life

The year 2006 started off with quite a show of fireworks, did it not? Wildfires raged across our area, and homes and livestock were lost. And throughout the year there have been many other instances of loss. But in times of need, there is no better place to be than in rural Texas.

Friends and neighbors come together and support and care for each other in a way that you won't see in the city.

Once again, Operation Round Up® came through for our members in need. Thanks to our many members who participate in the program, Operation Round Up was able to give donations this year to 42 families who lost their homes during the devastating wildfires that ravaged our area at the beginning of the year. The program also gave money to each fire department in our area and to each high school for their "Project Graduation," an alcohol- and drug-free celebration for seniors on graduation night.

In addition, money was sent to families who were having to face serious injuries and illnesses. We were able to help 20 families with home repairs that they were unable to do on their own because of illness or age.



And once again, Operation Round Up came through for many nonprofit organizations that received donations to provide gifts and food for area children. Organizations such as Angel Tree, Santa's Helpers, The Good Fellows and Toys for Tots were among those receiving donations.

Comanche Electric Cooperative abides by "The Seven Cooperative Principles," one of which is commitment to community. We take pride in that commitment and would like to thank each and every one of our members who so graciously participated in Operation Round Up. Your pennies have had a huge effect on the lives of your neighbors in need.

If you would like to make a difference in 2007 by joining Operation Round Up, please contact the billing office at 1-800-915-2533.



## BURDENED BY RISING COLLEGE COSTS? WE CAN HELP!

It's that time of year again when those of us with high school seniors start filling out college entrance applications and grant and scholarship forms. It's a daunting task, to say the least, but one that nevertheless, must be done.

The Comanche Electric Cooperative Association takes the education of our youth very seriously, and we strive to encourage young people to pursue continuing education. It is to this end that we offer a \$1,000 scholarship each year to a qualifying student. If you have a daughter, son, grandchild, niece, nephew, friend or anyone else who might be attending a university or college this year and whose primary residence is on CECA lines, please inform them of this wonderful scholarship opportunity.

To qualify for the scholarship, the student must be claimed as a dependent of parents or legal guardians who are active CECA members residing within the cooperative's service area. They must maintain a 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and must meet general entrance requirements at an accredited school. The applicant can be a graduating senior or a student currently enrolled in a college or university.

You can get applications and a complete set of guidelines by contacting Shirley Dukes at 1-800-915-2533 or by e-mail at [sdukes@ceca.coop](mailto:sdukes@ceca.coop).

### TIMING KEY TO LIGHTING EFFICIENCY

Looking for ways to increase the efficiency of your lighting? Timing could be the answer. With a little technology, you can make sure lights are on only when they need to be—even if you forget to turn them off.

**PHOTOCELLS**—These nifty devices turn lights on and off based on natural light levels, both indoors and out.

**TIMERS**—If you want to control what time lights go on and off, then timers are the answer. They allow you to set the on and off times. They are also great for security, letting you turn lights off and on when you're not home.

**MOTION SENSORS**—For outdoor lighting and security, these are a great choice. Whenever they sense movement, they turn on and then turn back off after a certain period of time.

# 'Twas the Season To Be Jolly

The employees of Comanche Electric Cooperative definitely caught the Christmas spirit in December. From Christmas parades to parties, here is our Christmas season in pictures. Enjoy!!



The Comanche Electric float takes part in a Christmas parade.



Even the big kids get into the act.

This was Tinker's last Christmas party as an employee. Tinker retired in December.

# COMANCHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



Not everyone likes Santa.



Just a few of the employee donations to Santa's Helpers.

