

## Look for them with your November SWRE Bill!

# NEW CO-OP CONNECTIONS CARDS COMING

### New Co-op Connections Cards are headed your way!

SWRE members can expect to receive new cards enclosed with their regular November SWRE bill.

The new cards are identical to cards that were last distributed to co-op members in January 2008. They are being sent to replace cards for members who may have lost or misplaced the previous cards.

The cards are not personalized with individual names or numbers, and they do not need to be activated.

### BUSINESS DISCOUNTS

*Co-op Connections*, a national Touchstone Energy program, provides discounts for purchases at participating local businesses, as well as some regional and national retailers.

Area businesses that display a *Co-op Connections* sticker on their window or cash register have agreed to provide a specific discount deal when SWRE members show their card at purchase. Businesses that participate do so voluntarily, and have set the terms of their discount.

Businesses and discounts are listed several times each year in **SWRE News**, and all discounts can be searched online at any time by clicking the "*Co-op Connections*" icon at the SWRE web page, [www.swre.com](http://www.swre.com), or [www.Co-opPocketPower.com](http://www.Co-opPocketPower.com).

At most local or area participating businesses, members just show their card to receive their discount. That's all!

A wide variety of national and regional deals can also be found at the website link. Most national deals must be accessed online and require the Group and Member number from back of the SWRE cards: **Group 22203OK10; Member #142407524.**

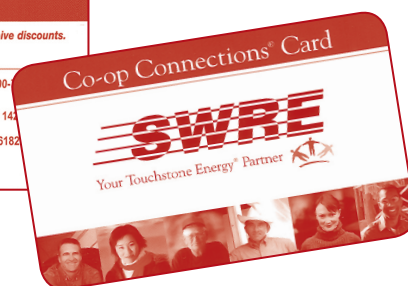
### PRESCRIPTION DISCOUNTS

Co-op members who do not have health insurance may use the card at participating pharmacies for discounts on many prescription medications.

The *Co-op Connections* Card is NOT insurance, and it cannot be used in conjunction with insurance or other prescription discount plans.

Lists of participating pharmacies, qualifying prescription medications and drug prices can be found online at [www.rxpricequotes.com](http://www.rxpricequotes.com).

Pharmacists who participate in the program will recognize logos on back of the cards: New Benefits and HealthTrans. They will also use the Group and Member numbers for processing the discount.



### Participation by drug stores is subject to change.

*NOTE: All Co-op Connections Cards distributed since January 2008 have been identical and are still current.*

Cards distributed from 2005-2007 did not have Group or Member numbers. While these early cards can still be presented for discounts at most local businesses, they lack the information to be used for prescription discounts or for online discounts.

Area businesses that participate in Co-op Connections include the following (check online for details of their offers):

**Altus Printing; Belles & Beaux, Altus; Beth's Beauty Box, Vernon; Coble-Burdette Mchanical, Vernon; Cotton Patch, Altus; Coy's Discount Foods, Vernon; Crowell Contract & Design, Crowell; Crown Jewelry, Altus; Frederick ACE Hardware, Frederick; Johnny Roberts Motors (service), Altus; Howard Chiropractic, Frederick; KC's Gift Store, Frederick; Lady Austin's, Altus; Luigi's Pizzeria, Altus and Blair; Marvin Tate Communications, Altus and Vernon; Mic's Barbeque, Vernon; Norsworthy Music Center/Radio Shack, Vernon; Osborne Enterprises, Altus; Pepperberries, Vernon; Petal Pushers, Altus; Red River Ranch Supply, Vernon; Ruble-Vance Autoplex (service), Vernon; Todd Smith, O.D., Vernon; Subway of Frederick; Vernon Ford Dodge Chrysler Jeep; Vernon Peanut Company; Wilmes Ford, Lincoln, Mercury (service), Altus; Wilmes Chevrolet, Buick, GMC (service), Altus.**

### Participating pharmacists (subject to change) include the following:

**Bunker Hill Drug, Altus; Clinic Pharmacy, Altus; Family Pharmacy, Vernon; Lewis Pharmacy, Frederick; REXCO, Altus; Shaw's Pharmacy, Crowell; United Discount Drug, Altus; United Pharmacy, Vernon; Wal-Mart Pharmacy, Vernon and Altus; Walgreens, Altus.**



by Mike R. Hagy  
Chief Executive Officer

# Thanksgiving Memories

If you are like me, the highlight of the month of November has always been Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a time of reflection as well as an opportunity to give thanks for all of the blessings we enjoy in our great country. As I reach that stage of my life that I like to call the AARP years (that is the years after I qualified to be a member of AARP), I realize that there are a lot of things for which I need to be thankful. I am thankful for my faith, family, freedom, and the opportunity to work in a job that I enjoy. By the way, there were a lot of dear friends who tried to sign me up for AARP long before I reached the magic age to qualify, but that is another story!

As a youngster, I can remember the excitement and joy of family coming together to share fellowship and food. There was always a big domino tournament between lunch and evening leftovers. Since there was quite an age difference between my sisters and me, my nieces and nephews were actually closer to my age than my siblings, so we always had a great time playing all kinds of games!

As I grew older and got married, Debra and I would always go to her grandparents' house in Duncan for Thanksgiving. Mamma, Debra's grandmother, could fix the best turkey dressing and rolls ever known to man! Her desserts were also the best, and I made the mistake of telling her in front of my wife that a particular dessert was the best I had ever had. Guess what? My wife has never cooked that dessert for me since!



As the years progressed and kids came along, it became time for Thanksgiving to be held at our house. Somewhere along the way (after several disasters), I learned how to cook the turkey and tried to use Mamma's recipe for the dressing, but it was as never as good as the dressing she cooked and no way could we even come close to the homemade rolls. Still, no one seemed to mind much since the food all disappeared by the end of the day. Eating, NFL football games, eating, hunting, visiting, eating, backyard football games... and did I mention eating?.. were all a part of this grand day.

As I reminisce about all of the Thanksgivings past, I pause to consider what our children and grandchildren will face in the years to come. Will they experience the same freedoms many of us have taken for granted? My heart goes out to those families who have lost loved ones fighting for our freedom, whether it has been in past or present conflicts. There will be empty places at many family gatherings across our great country this Thanksgiving. Please remember to pray for those families who have lost loved ones as well as those families who have members serving in our armed forces.

*May God bless you and your families during this Thanksgiving season!*

*Mike R Hagy*

## Happy Thanksgiving



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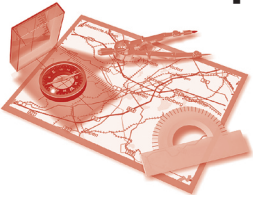
### HOLIDAY CLOSING

SWRE offices will be closed for Thanksgiving Holidays on **Thursday, November 24**, and **Friday, November 25**.

As always, service calls will be answered on those days. Members may call 24 hours a day, seven days a week to report outages.

**1-800-256-7973**

## Co-op Mapping Project Continues



Davey Resource Group (DRG) is progressing with SWRE's mapping project.

During this process, DRG reps are visiting and logging a GPS location for every SWRE meter, pole, or other co-op device. It is a detailed process that will likely take several months to complete.

Most of DRG's work is now underway in Texas, but the workers will be moving into SWRE's Oklahoma territory in coming weeks.

All DRG trucks are marked with DRG and SWRE logos, and its ATVs bear SWRE placards.

In most cases, DRG workers park their trucks in the general work area but use four-wheeler ATVs to move from site to site.

DRG has been contracted to complete the mapping project, and its workers are currently working extended hours and on weekends, trying to take advantage of the current nice weather conditions.

When the mapping project is complete, SWRE will have a concise, technologically current accounting for every item in our organization's power delivery system!

## SWRE NEWS

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## FALL CHECK-LIST

*Cooler weather is fast-approaching! Now is the time to take care of the following home projects:*

- Weatherize your home. Caulk joints where materials meet. Add weather-stripping to doors and windows. Install foam inserts in electrical receptacles on exterior walls.
- Add insulation. If your home needs more, start at the top and work down. Most warm air leaves through the roof, so start there.
- Have your heating system serviced. Replace air filters before you turn on the heat.
- Make sure that any backup heating source, such as a gas fireplace or wood stove, is in good working order. Now is the time to have your chimney cleaned.
- Check your smoke alarm and carbon-monoxide detectors to make sure that it is functioning.
- Install a programmable thermostat if you do not already have one. This can save a lot of money if you program it so that temps are lower at night or when no one is home.

## 24-Hour Dispatching Emergency Service

**1-800-256-7973**

*Payments can be made at SWRE*

700 North Broadway  
Tipton, OK 73570

Online payments can be made at [www.swre.com](http://www.swre.com)

*Payments may also be made at the following area banking institutions:*

### Oklahoma

**Altus** - First National Bank, National Bank of Commerce  
**Blair** - Peoples State Bank  
**Mt. Park** - First National Bank  
**Snyder** - Bank of the Wichitas  
**Frederick** - First National Bank, BancFirst  
**Tipton** - First National Bank

### Texas

**Chillicothe** - First National Bank  
**Crowell** - State Bank  
**Electra** - Waggoner National Bank  
**Vernon** - Herring Bank, Waggoner Bank, The Bank of The West

### What's Cookin' in the SWRE Kitchen...

## Lemon Mousse Pie

*This custard-based dessert is creamy and delicious!*



**THE FILLING**  
1 cup plain non-fat yogurt  
1 envelope (1/4 oz) unflavored gelatin  
2 tablespoons water  
1/2 cup lemon or lime juice  
2/3 cup sugar  
1 large egg  
4 large egg whites  
1 tablespoon unsalted butter or margarine

**THE CRUST**  
24 gingersnap cookies, crushed (1 1/2 cups)  
1 tablespoon sugar  
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened  
2 tablespoons vegetable or olive oil

1. To prepare the filling: Spoon the yogurt into a fine sieve set over a bowl; refrigerate and let drain for at least 2 hours or overnight. In a small bowl, sprinkle the gelatin over the water and let soften for five minutes. In the top of a double boiler, whisk together the lemon juice, sugar, egg, and egg whites; set the pan over, not in, simmering water. Cook, whisking constantly, for 6 to 8 minutes or until light and thickened. Stir in the gelatin and cook 1 minute more.
2. Remove the mixture from the heat and transfer to a heat-proof bowl. Stir in the butter, set the bowl in ice water, and whisk occasionally for 15 minutes or until cool and thickened. Lightly whisk the drained yogurt and fold it into the lemon mixture. Cover the bowl with plastic food wrap and refrigerate while you make the crust.
3. To prepare the crust: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. In a medium-size bowl, using a fork, thoroughly combine the gingersnap crumbs, sugar and butter. Add the oil and stir until the crumbs are evenly coated. Press onto the bottom and sides of a 9-inch pie plate. Bake for 8 minutes or until firm and set. Let cool to room temperature.
4. Spoon the lemon mixture into the pie shell, smooth the top, and refrigerate for at least 3 hours before serving. Will keep, refrigerated, for up to 3 days. *Serves 8*



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## TRADING POST

Ads are online for 45 days & updated daily at [www.swre.com](http://www.swre.com)

**FOR SALE:** 1992 GMC Safari XLT van. Has full set of seats which can be taken out for room. Cab and rear heaters. Five new tires from Walmart w/ Road Hazard. Auto transmission w/ overdrive. 1200 lb overload springs on rear. Commercial hitch attached to frame. Doesn't use oil. \$2,000 firm. Call **580-563-9176**. If no answer, leave a message.

**FOR SALE:** Disabled bed, electronic. Both ends fold up. Frame raises and lowers. Excellent condition. Paid \$1200. Selling for \$200, firm. Must see. Has frame mattress plus padded mattress. Used very little. Call **580-563-9176**. If no answer, leave a message.

**FOR SALE:** 1952 8N Ford tractor. Just overhauled. \$2,000. Call **940-839-8132** or **940-553-1784**. Vernon

**FOR SALE:** 2007 Samsung LED HD television. New lamp. Works well. \$500. Call **940-839-8132** or **940-553-1784**. Vernon

**FOR SALE:** 1976 AMF Skamp 16-ft camping trailer. Cooking stove w/ top burners and oven, refrigerator, AC. Sleeps 4 to 5. Good tires. Two large propane bottles. Full bath w/ shower. Good condition for age. Ideal for hunting lease. \$1,675. Call evenings after 8 p.m. Call **940-886-2321**

**FOR SALE:** 100 percent registered boar goat, 15 months, large build, gentle. Call **580-649-1815** or **580-649-1847**

**FOR SALE:** Fresh eggs. East of Altus. Call **580-738-5720**

**FOR SALE:** Mobile Home, to be moved. Two bedroom, two bath. All electric, CHA. All major appliances stay. Ceiling fans, mini-blinds and curtains. Many extras. Two years old. One-owner. \$21,000. Snyder area. Call **580-649-3542** or **580-595-0336**

**FOR SALE:** 1994 Buick LaSabre. One owner. Well maintained. All power. Dual power seats. New AC. 217K. \$2,100. Call **940-552-2212**

**FOR SALE:** 2003 Ford pick-up, 3/4 ton, 4x4, diesel. Call **580-318-2224**

**FOR SALE:** 1984 Redman double-wide mobile home. 28' x 80'. Three bedroom, two bath. To be moved. Can be seen in Vernon. Price reduced to \$25,000 OBO. Call **580-471-2976**

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