PLANS TO ENJOY A SPECIAL TREAT WITH MONEY SAVED BY ENERGY CONSERVATION EFFORTS

Websites with Energy Saving Tips:
www.energysavers.gov/tips/
www.consumerenergycenter.org/tips/
winter.html
www.energyideas.org/documents/factsheets/hometips.pdf

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Tips on Saving Energy & Money at Home
HEATING
- Dress warmly in layers, wear a hat.
- Set your thermostat at 68 degrees F.
- Keep one room warm and lower the temperature in less-used rooms.
- Turn your heater off or down at night.
- Close window coverings at night and open during the day.
- If your home has a fireplace, keep the damper closed when not in use and use a glass or metal closure.
- Caulk and weather-strip doors and windows.
- Install foam insulation gaskets in all outlets and switch plates on outside walls.
- Keep heaters clean. Arrange furniture so that registers are not blocked.
- Tape up plastic over windows or make your own storm windows.
- Seal leaks in heating ducts.
- Use door snakes to block drafts (you can make your own by stuffing a fabric tube with rice or hulls.
- Always keep water beds covered.

LIGHTING
- Turn off lights when not needed.
- Replace incandescent light bulbs with new, energy-efficient compact florescent lights.
- Replace all bulbs with lowest acceptable wattages.
- When possible, use one large bulb rather than several smaller ones.

HOT WATER & LAUNDRY
- Set your water heater thermostat to 120 degrees F. It’s the law.
- Wrap water heater and hot water pipes with insulation.
- Take showers instead of baths.
- Install low-flow shower heads.
- Repair leaking faucets.
- Run the washing machine with full loads only.
- Use cold water rinse for all loads of laundry. Try cold water wash using cold-water detergent.
- Line dry clothes whenever possible then use the dryer a few minutes to soften clothing.
- Clean dryer lint every load.

COOKING
- Use your microwave oven in place of your range.
- When you have to use your oven, cook more than one item at a time.
- Use flat-bottom pans and tight-fitting lids.
- Use smaller amounts of water and lowest possible heat settings.
- Preheat oven only for baking and not longer than 5 to 8 minutes.
- Use small cooking appliances (electric fry pans, toaster ovens, etc.) whenever possible.
- Run dishwasher when full only and set to air dry.

REFRIGERATION
- Keep your refrigerator temperature at 38 degrees.
- Freezer temperature should be maintained at 10 degrees F.
- Decide what you need before you open the door so you can get what you need and shut the door quickly.
- Defrost your freezer when ice or frost build up is 1/4” thicker.
- Check your refrigerator/freezer door gasket periodically for signs of deterioration.
- Vacuum or brush the cooling coils (in back) at least every six months.