



Electric Dispatch

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Keep your home comfortable this winter.

With all the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, family and friends visiting, and all that goes along with it, sometimes the very thing you count on to keep everyone comfortable might get overlooked; namely your home's heating and air conditioning. Probably one of your home's most important appliances (especially during the cold winter months), your heating and air conditioning does more than just keep those chilly temperatures at bay. It also provides filtration for your home as it circulates air. So, it's especially important to make sure it operates in tip-top shape, year 'round. Here are three easy steps to make sure your

family and guests will be cozy and cheery all year long:

Get your heating and air conditioning tuned-up.

Like most major mechanical devices in and around your home, your furnace should be maintained by a licensed professional who knows how to look for worn parts and changes in performance that often indicate pending breakdown. So, call your heating and air conditioning contractor for a tune-up soon.

Change your filters.

It is recommended that central heating and cooling system filters be changed

every 30-60 days to allow for optimal airflow, reduced stress on the system, and effective air filtration to remove all those dirty particles in the air.

Use your programmable thermostat.

One of the simplest and most effective energy efficiency features in your home is your programmable thermostat. Remember to set it the right temperature for the season. Setting a new schedule that coincides with the comfort you need during the holidays will insure that your home stays the temperature you want, while also keeping utility costs in line.

Earth from Space Exhibit Comes to Roseville Utility Exploration Center

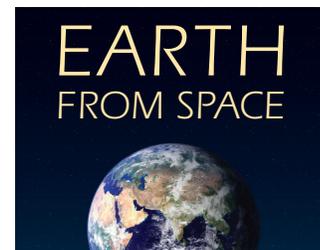
If you've ever wondered what Earth looks like from space and the only time you've ever seen Earth from that perspective is at the movies or on television, now's your chance. NASA is coming to the Roseville Utility Exploration Center.

Earth From Space features a spectacular collection of highly detailed photographs taken from the popular exhibit at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum's Center for Earth and Planetary Studies. This awe-inspiring poster exhibit includes large color reproductions of images taken from miles above Earth by state-of-the-art space satellites that are constantly orbiting the globe. These satellites are rigged with high-tech cameras that allow them to capture extremely rare

views of powerful, Earth changing events, such as dust storms, forest fires, volcanic eruptions and hurricanes; documenting environmental cycles, natural disasters and man-made ecological effects for scientific research.

These important and remarkable photographs provide us with invaluable clues about the dynamic nature of our planet. And this free, temporary exhibit will provide everyone in your family with an out of this world experience they'll remember for years to come.

The NASA:
Earth From Space exhibit launches on January 7, at 10AM sharp. This amazing exhibition will give you a rare opportunity to see Earth as you've never seen it before.



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Be ready for storms this winter.

Roseville Electric, your community-owned electric utility, is at the ready to help you during winter storms. Roseville Electric customers rarely experience outages because of our robust tree trimming program to keep our overhead power lines clear, but when fierce winter storms hit you could experience a power outage.



Should an Outage Occur During a Storm

Call Roseville Electric's hotline at **916.774.5428**. (If you see a downed power line, don't touch it! Call 9-1-1 immediately)

Check out this easy-to-follow tip sheet on the Do's and Don'ts of power outages, and what to do when power is restored:

www.roseville.ca.us/outages

Preparing for a Storm

Help reduce storm related outages by properly storing lightweight outdoor furniture and garden accessories.

Remove landscape debris to avoid those items being carried away by strong winds and into overhead power lines.

Create or purchase an emergency preparedness kit. These kinds of kits can be used for any type of emergency situation, including power outages. We recommend your kit include flashlights, extra batteries and a battery operated radio.



If you're interested in Roseville creek and stream water levels, visit www.roseville.ca.us/streams.

Watts Up? Get your energy usage kits at the library.

Have you ever wondered how much electricity that old freezer in the garage uses? Are you in the dark about how much money CFL and LED bulbs are really saving you? Do you want to know the exact wattage coming from your home entertainment system when it's in standby mode? Well, you're in luck. Roseville Electric's Watts Your Energy Usage meter loan kits will help you find out exactly how much electricity you're using. And knowing how much electricity you're using can save you money. Watts Your Energy Usage kits are available to any Roseville Electric customer who wants to use them. Just stop by your local Roseville Public Library to check out a kit just like you would a book. The Watts Up meter and handy quick start guide enable you to determine how much energy your appliances use and how much energy is wasted each month. Once you know that, the meter allows you to calculate whether upgrading to ENERGY STAR® appliances will save you money. It also allows you to find out just how much energy those CFL and LED bulbs are actually saving you.

Visit us at www.roseville.ca.us/lowermybill for more energy and money saving tips.

January Mail Bag:

Q: Can I save energy by using space heaters this winter?

A: Not really – placing plugged-in space heaters around your home can actually increase your energy bill. Space heaters are convenient for warming small areas or a single room, but when trying to heat several rooms in your home, it is usually more efficient to run your central heating system. Space heaters can use up to 1,500 watts, which would be like turning on 25 extra lights in your home. Always be sure to follow safety precautions when using space heaters.



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