

Otsego Electric Cooperative, Inc.

July 2025



# OEC Current

## OFFICIAL NOTICE AND INVITATION

The Cooperative's 81st Annual Meeting will be held in person, Wednesday, August 20th at Laurens Central School located at 55 Main Street, Laurens, NY 13796. Registration will open at 5:00 P.M. with the business meeting to begin at 7:00 P.M.

**Official notice and an open invitation are hereby extended to all bona fide members and their families of the Cooperative to come and take part in the proceedings.**

**REGISTRATION 5:00—6:45 PM      BUSINESS MEETING: 7:00 PM**

Brooks' House of BBQ will be serving a chicken dinner from 5:00 to 6:30 PM by **Reservation ONLY**. A bill credit will be issued to all members who are registered and seated in the auditorium before 6:45 P.M. Early Registrants will be entered in a drawing to win a bill credit of \$50.00. Please register by July 15th to be included in this drawing!

If you plan to join us and would like to reserve BBQ chicken dinners, please complete the ticket and return it with \$10.00 per dinner by 8/12/2025. Please make checks payable to "Otsego Electric Cooperative" and please **DO NOT** include this payment in your check for payment of your electricity. Dinner tickets will not be sold at the meeting.

## OFFICIAL BUSINESS

The official Business Meeting of the Cooperative will include: President and CEO Annual Reports (including OEConnect broadband) and the election of two directors. OEC's Financial Report, as audited by Mostert, Manzanero & Scott, CPAs, will also be available at the registration table.

A Nominating Committee composed of: Bruce Phillips, Susan Mathieson, George Weiss, Thomas Clapperton, Greg Horth, Mark Stillwell and Stacey Frazier met on June 11, 2025 to review the petitions for nomination for directors to be elected to a new term. Nominees are Patrick Hooker (3-year term) and Steven Child (3-year term).

President of the Board of Directors

Secretary of the Board of Directors

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## Board of Directors

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# 2025 Howard S. Marlette Memorial Scholarship Winners Announced!

This year OEC and the family of Howard Marlette awarded scholarships to five outstanding high school seniors. Our recipient's are Pauline Kennedy of Mount Vision, Stephenie Brean of West Edmeston, Kristopher Cade of Cooperstown, Elias Miritello of Milford and Arianna O'Dell of New Berlin. These awards are given annually in memory of Howard Marlette who was an active and well-respected member of the community and served Otsego Electric Cooperative, Inc. for 37 years as a Director and President of the Board. The Marlette family and OEC established these awards to honor Howard's lifetime of service. **Congratulations to all of our winners!**

## 5 WAYS to Reduce Use During Extreme Heat

During periods of extreme heat, the demand for electricity can skyrocket, placing additional strain on the grid. By working together to lower our electricity use, we can reduce pressure on the grid.

Here are five effective ways to lower use at home.

1. **Raise your thermostat setting a few degrees higher** than usual. Every degree can reduce cooling energy consumption.
2. **Cook with smaller appliances** to save energy and reduce heat gain in the kitchen.
3. **Keep blinds, curtains and shades closed** during the hottest part of the day to block direct sunlight.
4. **Use fans** to circulate air, which can make you feel cooler without needing to lower the thermostat.
5. Shift activities that require a lot of energy consumption to **off-peak hours** when demand is lower.



If you would like to order chicken or to pre-register, please call us and/or return the coupon located below along with the \$10.00 per dinner payment. Please make your check payable to Otsego Electric Cooperative. Please do not include this in your electric bill payment. No chicken tickets will be sold at the meeting.

## 81st Annual Meeting — Brooks' Chicken Bar-B-Q

\$10.00 Per Serving

Enclosed Please Find \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ Tickets at \$10.00 Each (Max 4 at Discounted Rate)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

*(Otsego Electric Cooperative Members and Family Only Please—Limit 4 meals at discounted rate)*

