

Celebrating Co-op Independence



July is the time we celebrate our nation's independence. Our forefathers believed it was in the greater good to create a self-governed country in 1776, and through their great sacrifice the United States of America was born.

We liken this to when electric cooperatives were formed in the 1930s. When power companies balked at bringing electricity to rural areas, it was an independent streak that inspired groups of farmers around America's countryside to band together, beating incredible odds to improve their quality of life.

So, when you're enjoying your hot dogs, apple pie and fireworks on July Fourth, think about the second reason to celebrate independence – cooperative independence!

**Happy Independence Day from your directors and staff
at Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative!**



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