

# Notice of Annual Meeting of Members

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be held on the cooperative grounds in the city of Van Alstyne, state of Texas, at 8 p.m., July 20, 2009, to take action on the following matters:

1. The reports of officers, directors and committees;
2. The election of two (2) directors for three-year terms; and
3. All other business which may come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Committee on Nominations by the Board of Directors of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative, Inc., the committee shall nominate one or more (as the judgment of the committee may direct) members as nominees for director of the districts to be elected at the annual meeting, and after such selection or nomination, shall post a list of said nominees in the principal office of the cooperative at least thirty (30) days before the meeting at which time the directors are to be elected. Any fifteen (15) or more members may make other or additional nominations in writing over their signature no less than twenty-five (25) days prior to said meeting, which nominations shall be placed where the committee nominations are posted.

The directors to be elected on July 20, 2009, at the annual meeting of members are:

DISTRICT 3: Charles Rice  
DISTRICT 4: Steve Robinson

The enclosed ticket represents your authority as a member of the cooperative and should be presented at the gate to serve as your registration and to be used for the drawing of door prizes.

Should you be unable to attend and would like for a member friend or neighbor to represent you at the meeting, the enclosed proxy may be executed.

*Stephen L. Robinson*, Secretary

# President's Address

**A**s president of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative, I invite you and your family to your annual meeting. These meetings are an important part of the operation of your cooperative because they give you the opportunity to be active in the direction of your company.

The annual meeting consists of reports on the various operations, activities and the financial condition of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative through the end of fiscal year 2008. You will have the opportunity to decide who will represent you in the boardroom. The director positions for Districts 3 and 4 are to be elected.

Prior to the actual business meeting, we will award a few prizes as you register. As has been the custom for many years, we will have cold drinks and popcorn available. In more recent history, we have been providing a more substantial snack, such as hamburgers, hot dogs or barbecue sandwiches, with any donated proceeds given to a local charity. And, your trip to the annual meeting would not be complete without a serving of homemade ice cream from the Order of the Eastern Star. You can enjoy all of this while walking through a variety of information booths concerning energy efficiency and the cooperative's safety program. This year, we are saluting the firemen, police officers and emergency personnel that serve our communities. They have been invited to display their patrol cars, fire trucks and provide information prior to the business meeting.

Following the business meeting and election of Directors, the evening will end with the awarding of door prizes as a small token of appreciation for your attendance. In the past, we have given away a variety of small appliances and tools such as circular saws, curling irons, weed trimmers and bread makers. You never know what you might win. The grand prize is a \$500 credit on your electric account with the cooperative.

Since the annual meeting has always been a family affair, please make plans for the whole family to attend. We will have activities to entertain the kids.

We understand that time is limited, and sometimes it is hard to get everywhere you need to go. While we encourage your attendance, we don't want busy schedules to eliminate your input at your electric cooperative. Therefore, if you cannot attend the meeting in person, please return the Proxy Voting Form attached to this annual report. We want you to have a vote in how your cooperative is governed. All Proxy Voting Forms received by July 17, 2009, will be eligible for a drawing for a \$150 credit on your account for electric service with the cooperative.

On behalf of the board of directors and the employees of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative, I can truly say we are looking forward to seeing you on July 20, 2009.

*Charles M. Rice,* President

# Director Nominees

## District Three

**Charles Rice** is the incumbent Director of District Three. He and his wife, Margo, have lived in the Gunter/Van Alstyne area for more than 35 years. They have one son, Millard. Millard is married to Cynthia, they have two daughters.

Charles was raised in Collin County near Plano. After earning a degree in Agriculture Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1958, he returned to continue a lifelong career of farming and raising livestock.

Charles has always been an active member of the community. He has participated in a variety of community organizations, serving as a Board member of many. Some of these organizations are the Van Alstyne Area Chamber of Commerce, a rural water system, and the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Board; as well as others. Currently, he is a Board member of the Texas Star Bank, and he is the President of Grayson-Collin Electric Cooperative, Inc.

## District Four

**Steve Robinson** is the incumbent Director of District Four. He has lived in the Celina area all of his life. After graduating from Texas A&M University in 1973 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Engineering, Steve served as a pilot in the United States Air Force. Following his Air Force service, he returned to Celina to raise a family with his wife, Jackie, and work on the farm that has been owned by the family since 1892.

When not busy farming, Steve enjoys a variety of activities including gardening, camping, and flying. Steve still holds his pilot's license, which allows him to relax in the open skies.

Some of Steve's proudest moments have come from being a father. Two of his children followed his footsteps and earned degrees from Texas A&M University. Their oldest son, Chad is married to Shelly; and they have two children. Their daughter Leigh Ann has also earned a Master's Degree in Speech Pathology and works with children for Baylor Healthcare. Their youngest son, Kyle graduated from UNT and is an Edward Jones agent with his office in Celina.