# LIGHT<sub>READING</sub> THE Summer 2018

## Save Energy And Money This Summer

#### **Summer Energy Tips**

If you noticed a draft in your home this past winter, that same crack or opening will also let the hot humid air in this summer! Your air conditioner or fan will have to work harder – and run longer – to keep your house cool. To keep your cooling costs down, seal cracks and openings around doors and windows by adding caulk or weatherstripping.

Minimize activities that generate a lot of heat such as using your computer, turning on your dishwasher, and using small heat-producing devices like hair dryers or irons. Your televisions will also add heat to your home.

Unplug your chargers. These power converters sometimes use electricity even when nothing is attached to them and they produce heat when they consume power. Feel each plugged-in power converter. If it's cold, it's not using much electricity and isn't warming your house and consuming energy. If it's hot, unplug it if possible.

Add a timer to your pool filter; there's no need to run the filter all day and night. And keep your drain baskets clean to reduce stress on the pump.

Visit our website, **www.tmlp.com**, House n' Home rebate program to view qualifying energy efficiency measures when you sign-up for a free energy audit.

#### We Had So Much Fun Last Year We've Decided To Do It Again!

Mark your calendars for Sunday,

#### **Summer Office Hours**

From June 4th through August 31st, TMLP will operate on an extended hours summer schedule:

#### Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Exception:

During the week of July 2nd through July 6th, TMLP will be open from **7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.** 

TMLP will be **closed** on July 4th and on September 3rd.

Regular office hours until June 4th and after August 31st are:

Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

#### **Dress Down For A Cause!**

Every Friday TMLP employees are given the opportunity to take a break from their usual 'work' clothes by wearing jeans to work. Each employee who participates makes a donation which goes to St. Vincent DePaul Society during the first half of the year and to another charity selected by the employees during the second half of the year.

September 30th when TMLP will be hosting its annual Open House at 55 Weir Street in Taunton!

The Open House will feature food and fun activities and demonstrations for kids of all ages.

Join us as we kick-off **Public Power** Week from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Since 2003, TMLP Dress Down Days have raised more than \$126,000 for various organizations including St. Vincent DePaul Energy Fund, Operation Christmas, American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, Boys & Girls Club & Dana Farber!

Thank you TMLP employees!

Email sonjabritland@tmlp.com with comments or questions regarding this newsletter.



RELIABLE

American Public Power Association

### **TMLP receives prestigious RP3 Award**

TMLP has been awarded the prestigious Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) Platinum designation from the American Public Power Association (APPA). The award distinguishes TMLP as one of less than 5% of the more than 2,000 public power utilities in the nation to be recognized for providing customers with the highest degree of reliable and safe electric service.

The APPA's RP3 program is based on industry-recognized leading practices for public power utilities in four important disciplines:

- Reliability
- Safety
- Workforce Development
- System Improvement

"The RP3 program recognizes TMLP for providing its customers with the highest degree of reliable and safe electric service," TMLP General Manager Ken Goulart said. "The designation demonstrates that TMLP is performing at a high level based on the stringent criteria and evaluation of such factors as operational safety practices, outage management, system planning, capital investment, emergency preparedness, investment in advanced technology, employee training and work force development."

"TMLP staff makes every effort to provide safe,



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Customer service for electric customers (508) 824-6976

Outage-related call (508) 824-3111

Administrative offices (508) 824-5844

Dig Safe issue (888) 344-7233

#### **Office hours**

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Payment locations 33 Weir Street Our office is open Monday through Friday

Drop boxes 33 and 55 Weir Street (to the left of the front door)

Trucchi's Supermarket 53 Tremont Street 534 County Street

TMLP Online 24-Hour Internet Outage Support

reliable and cost-effective service to our community, and we are honored to receive this designation which recognizes our commitment to our customers. We at the TMLP are honored – and proud- to receive this award. On behalf of the TMLP Commission, we thank our employees for their hard work."

The award was announced at the annual APPA Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held recently in Raleigh, NC.

Sign up for a Free Home Energy Audit! Call 1-888-772-4242 508-880-TMLP (8657)

Commissioners Joseph Martin, Chairman Mark Blackwell Sr., Secretary Peter Corr

General Manager Kenneth Goulart