

September 2025 Newsletter

Winter Heating

Set Your Cabin Heat Before Winter Lock-Up!

As we approach the colder months, we'd like to remind all members to adjust the heat in their cabins before locking up for the winter. Properly setting your thermostat helps maintain monthly costs but still maintaining enough heat to prevent frozen pipes and other cold-weather damage while conserving energy.

Before locking up for the season, please ensure the thermostat is set no lower than **50–55°F** (**10–13°C**). This keeps the interior warm enough to protect plumbing and other temperature-sensitive systems.

Also, be sure to:

- Shut off and drain your water supply if possible.
- Leave interior doors open for better airflow.
- Unplug non-essential appliances and electronics.
- Double-check that windows and doors are tightly sealed.

If you have a trusted neighbor, consider asking them to check on your property occasionally throughout the winter. A quick walkaround can help catch any early signs of weather-related issues.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and energy-efficient community through the winter months!

The Federation Achievement Award for Rural Students entering into postsecondary education.

The Federation Achievement Award was created to recognize deserving students of members across rural Alberta. The Federation of Alberta Gas Co-op's, annually recognizes deserving students of Members across rural Alberta in academic achievements entering into post-secondary education. Four (4) \$1,000 awards are handed out annually to youth of gas utility members within the Federation, as well as youth landowners who are serviced by Member Utility Towns, Villages, Counties or First Nations. Please log into the website

https://www.fedgas.com/community-programs to access the application form.

The application form must be submitted no later than October 1, following graduation.

Winter Heating Awareness

If you are locking up your cabins for the winter months, advise the co-op and adjust your temperature just low enough to maintain heat and to keep water lines from bursting. Possibly have a neighbor check your property from time to time to ensure your property is sustained. Elaborate on this note. Get input.

Did you Know

We are a Natural Gas distribution co-operative that started in 1968 by a group of like-minded rural folks who wanted better alternatives than coal and fuel oil to heat their homes. Investor-owned utilities found the residences in the rural areas to have too high of a cost to be worth their investment. Therefore, they created a cooperative to distribute natural gas to the high-cost rural areas. Since the humble beginnings, these leaders developed the largest network of rural gas distribution in Canada. During the 1990's, some of the Co-ops challenged the Government of Canada and achieved 'not for profit' status. If interested, you can find more information about us on our website www.gldcgas.com or the

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