

MESSAGE FROM GENERAL MANAGER

CODY LASATER

# It's a Matter of (Co-op) Principles

ALL COOPERATIVES, INCLUDING Hamilton County Electric Cooperative, adhere to the same set of seven principles that reflect our core values of honesty, transparency, equity, inclusiveness and service to the greater community good.

October is National Co-op Month, so this is the perfect time to reflect on these principles that have stood the test of time and provide a framework for the future. Let's take a look at the first three cooperative principles.

#### Voluntary and Open Membership

Hamilton County EC was created out of necessity to meet a need that would have been otherwise unmet in our community. A group of neighbors banded together and organized our electric co-op. They worked together for the benefit of the whole community, and the newly established electric lines helped power economic opportunity in our community.

Key parts of that heritage remain—the focus on our mission and serving the greater good. In this, we include everyone to improve the quality of life and economic opportunity for the entire community. Membership is open to everyone in our service territory.

#### **Democratic Member Control**

Our co-op is well-suited to meet the needs of our members because we are locally governed. Each

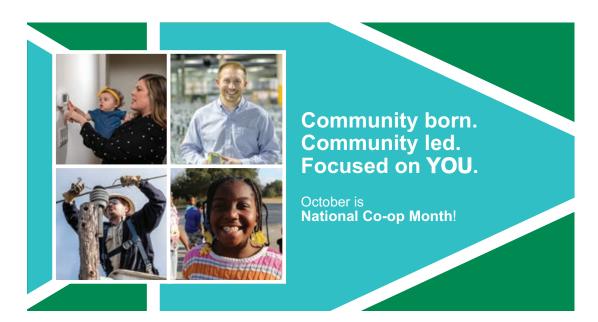
member gets a voice and a vote in how the co-op is run, and each voice and vote are equal. Hamilton County EC's leadership team and employees live right here in the community. Our board members also live locally on co-op lines, and they have been elected by neighbors just like you.

#### Members' Economic Participation

As a utility, our mission is to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy to our members. But as a co-op, we are also motivated by service to the community rather than profits. Members contribute equitably to, and democratically control, the capital of Hamilton County EC. At least part of that capital remains the common property of the cooperative. Members allocate surpluses for co-op programs, initiatives, capital investments and supporting other activities.

Because we are guided by the Seven Cooperative Principles, it's not just about dollars—it's about opportunity for all and being fair when engaging with our members.

Hamilton County EC is a reflection of our community and its evolving needs. We view our role as a catalyst for good and making our corner of the world a better place. And that, by the way, sums up the seventh co-op principle, Concern for Community.





# Is It OK To Switch Between AC and Heat During the Fall?

**WARM FALL DAYS CAN TURN** chilly once the sun goes down—enough that you might be tempted to run your air conditioning during the day and then turn on the heat at night.

If it's hot enough during daylight hours for the AC and cool enough overnight for the heat, there's really no harm in using both on the same day. However, it's a good idea to ease one system off before switching on the other. Here are a few tips for a good transition.

**Air conditioning systems run in cycles.** Once the house reaches the temperature you have set on your thermostat, it will cycle off. You'll hear it when that happens. Before you turn your AC off, listen for it to complete its cycle. Short-cycling can cause the AC compressor to lock up.

Wait five minutes after you turn the AC off before you switch on the heat. This grace period will give the refrigerant in the AC a chance to normalize, which can prevent circuits from tripping if the transition to the heater is too abrupt.

**Avoid drastic thermostat changes.** Once the AC is off, raise the temperature just a few degrees and then wait for the heat to rise to that temperature before raising it any more. This prevents your heating system from overworking, which is inefficient.

You might be able to avoid using both systems in the same day with some simple steps.

**In the morning when it's cool, open the blinds** to let the daylight naturally warm rooms but block the sun before it gets too warm so your air conditioner doesn't have to work so hard.

**Anticipate the evening temperature drop** and stop running your air conditioner before the weather cools down.

**Put extra blankets on your bed to feel warmer** and try to avoid having to run the heater overnight. If the morning is chilly, wear extra layers and slippers until the temperature warms up.

#### Hamilton County Electric Cooperative Association

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General Manager Cody Lasater

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## 24/7 Outage Hotline Numbers

For information and to report outages, please call us.

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#### ABOUT HAMILTON COUNTY EC

HCEC owns and maintains more than 4,000 miles of line to provide electric service to more than 12,000 members in Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Mills and San Saba counties.

#### PAYMENT OPTIONS AND LOCATIONS

Online at hamiltonelectric.coop

**Call** 1-877-833-4031 to pay using our automated phone system (credit/debit card or check).

**Bank draft** can be set up or bill payments can be charged to a debit or credit card monthly.

Hamilton County EC Office 112 E. Gentry St., Hamilton

Fort Gates Water Corp. 103 Gateway Circle, Gatesville

Head Insurance 1006 Fourth St., Goldthwaite

Kempner Water Supply 11986 E. Highway 190, Kempner

Lometa City Hall 109 W. San Saba St., Lometa

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Kevin Cameron, pictured with his wife, Rose, won the grand prize \$800 bill credit. HCEC General Manager Cody Lasater and Bobbi Young, Steve Young's wife. Honoring retirees Robert Gardner and Melvin Eilers Jr. A selection of items given away in the prize drawing. Memorials for former General Manager Steve Young and retired directors Henry Langford and Jack Elam.

# HCEC Members Meet in the Heat for Annual Meeting

LACK OF AIR CONDITIONING, a change in venue and tripledigit temperatures did not keep Hamilton County Electric Cooperative members from attending the co-op's annual meeting August 5.

The meeting was originally scheduled to be held in the Hamilton Independent School District's Chandler Craig Auditorium. But upon notification that the auditorium air conditioning wasn't functioning to capacity and parts needed to make repairs weren't available, co-op management and directors were forced to consider their options. After having to cancel the annual meeting the past two years, the board preferred not to cancel or postpone the meeting. They decided to relocate the annual meeting to the Circle T Arena. Except for one of the designated dining areas, this venue also had no air conditioning; however, a covered area with overhead fans provided some relief from the heat. The co-op's staff, board of directors and employees welcomed more than 380 members and their guests as they entered the arena. Members' first stop was at registration, where co-op employees handed each member a \$25 Walmart gift card and entered their registration cards for the prize drawings to be held later.

As in the past, J&M Hill Country BBQ catered a generously portioned meal of brisket, sausage, fried fish, all the fixings and dessert to more than 800 hungry attendees. After dining, early arrivals enjoyed music from the Hard Luck Band.

Board President Robert Straley called the 83rd annual membership meeting to order at 7 p.m. Dane Barron, pastor of First Baptist Church of Evant and a Hamilton County EC lineman, gave the invocation, and Alicia Straley sang a moving rendition of our national anthem.

General Manager Cody Lasater thanked everyone who



# Director Election Results

On August 5, the membership of Hamilton County Electric Cooperative Association elected the following members to its board of directors:

#### Jack Caldwell, District 1

Ervin Koerth, District 3

The cooperative's board of directors met August 25 and elected officers. The following members comprise the Hamilton County EC Board of Directors:

**Robert Straley,** President, Lampasas, District 4

**Dusty Duncan,** Vice President, Lometa, District 5

**Brandon Haile**, Secretary-Treasurer, Hamilton, District 2

Jack Caldwell, Evant, District 1

Sam Campbell, Goldthwaite, District 6

Ervin Koerth, Gatesville, District 3

John Priddy, Mullin, District 7

helped with the meeting and acknowledged special guests and retired employees in attendance. He recognized retired board President Bubba Gerald and his wife, Shirley, and mentioned two directors who had retired since the cooperative's 2019 annual meeting: Melvin Eilers Jr. and Bob Gardner. Lasater introduced the board of directors and their spouses and guests.

"There have been several challenges we have been faced with since our last meeting and ones we continue to work through," said Straley in his opening remarks. "The first challenge being the pandemic and secondly was the winter storm Uri. Then we lost our longtime manager Steve Young. Steve was the longest tenured employee in the history of the co-op—45 years. Steve always had the co-op, its personnel and our customers' best interests at heart. Steve had been training his replacement for some time. Cody Lasater stepped up and took over the reins of the co-op. It's very apparent Steve trained Cody because they are both tight as bark on a tree, which is good because being a co-op, we are a nonprofit. Cody has stepped in and done a wonderful job."

Straley named each of the cooperative employees and their titles, giving special recognition to Shea Wilson, manager of

operations and the line crews.

"What our linemen do daily can be extremely dangerous if not done correctly," he said. "We have 1,357 days without an accident causing missed days of work. That equates to 355,723 work hours. Over the last 15 years, the co-op has added an average of 15.3 miles of line per year. Last year that number rose to 65 miles of line, and last month they erected 10 miles of new line with five less linemen than were employed 15 years ago. And yes, these men still can and will climb poles. Not only that, but three of our more seasoned linemen, Randall Denning, Mike Armstrong and Greg Belcher, won first place in the old man—I mean senior—division of the lineman rodeo in Seguin. These men and women are your neighbors, and they want your electricity up and going when you have an outage as much as you do. These men and women are the ones that work hard every day to keep all of your lights on."

Straley commented on the state of the electrical industry, supply chain issues and demands on the grid, saying, "With more people, homes and businesses in our service area, we are trying to find more ways to be as efficient as possible, as is evident in the miles of line difference over the last few years."



The business portion of the annual meeting featured the results of the election of directors by a quorum of members voting by mail. Bob Lilly, attorney with Carpenter & Croft, notified the audience that Jack Caldwell and Ervin Koerth were reelected to three-year terms, representing District 1 and District 3, respectively.

In closing the business, Lasater took the opportunity to honor and acknowledge three cooperative men who have passed away since the 2019 annual meeting: Jack Elam, Henry Langford and Steve Young.

"Jack Elam from Evant served on the board from 1973 to 1989," Lasater said. "During his time on the board, Mr. Elam served as president for 10 years until his retirement. He passed away on June 28 of this year at the young age of 105. One hundred and five years old—that is remarkable.

"Henry Langford from Lampasas served on the board from 1978 to 2020," Lasater continued. "Mr. Langford, with almost 42 years of service, is the longest-serving director in the history of the co-op. In his time on the board, Mr. Langford served as vice president from 1996 to 1998 and then served as president from 1998 to 2002. He passed away on March 28 of last year. I had the privilege of attending board meetings the last 10 years that Mr. Langford served as a director, and I can honestly say I have never met a finer man. Every year at the annual meeting, my favorite moment was when Mr. Langford's daughter, Alicia, finished singing the national anthem. I would always glance at Mr. Langford, and I could see him swell up with pride, which brought me so much joy. It's moments like that I hope to someday experience with my two sons. He is and will always be missed." In conclusion, Lasater gave a moving, heartfelt tribute.

"I would like to take a moment to honor and acknowledge Steve Young, our general manager," he said. "Steve passed away last year in August after 45 years as an employee of the cooperative. And, as our board president stated, Steve was the longesttenured employee in the history of the co-op. But to me and many other employees, Steve was much more than just our general manager. I knew Steve for 33 years, as I played high school football and baseball with his son Brandon, and back then, Steve was just another friend's dad. Fast forward 16 years to when Steve hired me to work at the co-op, he was no longer just a friend's dad; he had become my boss, and it was a little intimidating. I learned real quick—I wasn't half as smart as I thought I was. In fact, I will tell you, Steve is the smartest man I have ever known.

"But being an intelligent man was such a small part of what made Steve special. To me, Steve was my boss, my mentor, my friend, and also Steve was like a second father to me. When I was first hired at the co-op, I had no idea what I was getting into. I assumed because I had an accounting degree, I would plop down at a desk and just start punching numbers. Then I was introduced to RUS accounting—and by the way, they don't have a class for that in college.

"Fortunately for me, I had Steve Young to mentor me and walk me through difficult concepts that were foreign to me. Oh, and did I mention how smart that man was? At that time, Steve had 30 years' experience in this industry. Imagine the wealth of knowledge that man possessed. He had the answers to any question you could throw at him. But the most important thing Steve mentored me on was what it means to be a part of



the co-op family. He always stressed the importance of having members' best interests in mind when performing our job or making difficult decisions because it's the job of the cooperative to serve the member-owners. I am eternally grateful that I was fortunate to have Steve as my mentor.

"Steve was also one of my closest friends, but let there be no mistake, there was never any misconceptions regarding who was in charge. It took many years for the bond between Steve and I to develop. You see, when I was growing up, you didn't have friendships with your elders. You said 'yes sir,' 'yes ma'am,' and that was the extent of any conversations you had with adults outside of your family members. Because of this, as a young adult, I had a difficult time forming relationships with others that I perceived as my elders. But over the years, as my relationship and friendship with Steve grew, I no longer felt that age barrier that I had once seen as existing when I was younger. I owe a great deal of gratitude to my friend Steve Young for guiding me through that transformation.

"In addition to being a great friend, Steve was also like a second father to me. My father passed away in 1994 and in many ways, Steve filled that void. He counseled me through difficult times, offered his advice when I needed it and also when I didn't request it, much like a parent does. Steve was a very caring person and he loved kids. He always got a big smile on his face and loved to visit with employees' kids when they were brought by the office. Unfortunately for Steve, if employees' kids were visiting the office, they were more than likely peddling that high quality merchandise they were coerced into selling for some school fundraiser. But everyone knew, there was a guaranteed sale about to take place if they could locate Mr. Steve. Steve loved his employees, he loved the cooperative and the members, and he loved the directors. We all loved Steve and will miss him dearly. And for me personally, I will always miss my boss, my mentor, my friend and my second father."

At the adjournment of the business, the drawings for prizes commenced, including the grand prize of an \$800 bill credit and two \$100 bill credits. Other prizes included items such as kitchen countertop appliances, tool sets and outdoor tools. The Nitsche Group, Lower Colorado River Authority, Horton Tree Service and Texas Electric Cooperatives generously donated gift cards, and TEC also donated additional prizes.

The Hard Luck Band, made up of a collection of musicians who come together to play Western swing, performed another session of country music. The evening was filled with gratitude to the board of directors for its strong leadership; to the employees for their hard work and dedication; to the members for their support and solidarity through a particularly trying three years; and to be on this side of the pandemic, where family, friends and neighbors can assemble once again in support of their cooperative and community.

Hamilton County EC appreciates your attendance at the 83rd annual membership meeting. The meeting is always a great opportunity for us to see and meet our members. We hope you had a good time and enjoyed the event. We look forward to seeing you at the next annual meeting August 4, 2023.

# **Community Calendar**

The following community event information was gathered in late August. Please contact event sources directly to confirm event dates and details.

## Comanche

Comanche Market; October 1, November 5; 9 a.m.–1 p.m.; courthouse, 101 W. Central Ave.

Sippin' in the Sunshine, October 1, noon– 5 p.m., courthouse square. Come join us in sippin' wine, snackin' on samples and shoppin' around the town. The event will include wine from different Texas vineyards to sip while shopping as well as vendors, food trucks and live music.

National Night Out, October 8, 4–8 p.m., Comanche City Park, 1200 Comanche Trail.

Citywide Garage Sale, October 15.

Trunk or Treat, October 29, Comanche Square.

Steve Clemons' Deer Hunters' Chili Supper, November 4, Comanche Square.

For more information about Comanche County events, contact the Comanche Chamber of Commerce at (325) 356-3233 or comancheevents@gmail.com.

## **Copperas Cove**

Farmers Market; each Thursday, May– October; 4–7 p.m. The market features locally grown, handmade and handcrafted items.

Fall-O-Ween Festival, October 29, 4–8 p.m., city park, 1206 W. Avenue B. Full night of trick-or-treating, games, food truck, hay maze, petting zoo and much more. Hosted by the Copperas Cove Parks and Recreation Department.

Haunted Trail, October 29, 6–10:30 p.m., South Park, 2602 Dennis Drive. Food, games and a hauntingly good time. Sponsored by The Coolest Air. To purchase tickets, visit copperascove.com/haunted-trail. Tickets will not be sold at the venue.

For information about Copperas Cove events, contact the Copperas Cove Chamber of Commerce at (254) 547-7571, email chamber@ copperascove.com or visit copperascove.com.

## Evant

Evant Market Days; October 15, November 19; 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Evant Square.

Trunk or Treat, October 31, Evant Park.

Feed the Hunters, November 5, 10 a.m.– 2 p.m., Evant Square. Chili with fixings.

For information about Evant events, contact P-Cay Burkhalter at (254) 791-5441 or pcay@ buenavistawildlifesafari.com.

## Gatesville

Chamber Market Days; October 12, November 9; 8 a.m.–1 p.m.; Cotton Belt Depot; 2307 S. Highway 36. Browse vendor offerings including fresh fruits and vegetables, metal decor, honey, salsa, jellies, baked goods, plants, homemade crafts and furniture.

Halloween 5K Fun Run, October 15. Contact Gatesville Fitness Center at (254) 865-4012 for details and to sign up.

Gatesville Country Music Hall of Fame Show; October 21, November 18; 7 p.m., Gatesville City Auditorium; 110 N. Eighth St. Admission is free.

**Boozaar, October 29, 6–8 p.m., courthouse square.** Businesses and organizations provide free treats, fun games and activities for everyone to enjoy.

Gatesville Gun Show, November 5–6, Gatesville Civic Center, 301 Veteran's Memorial Loop.

**Feastmode 5K, November 19.** Contact Gatesville Fitness Center at (254) 865-4012 for details and to sign up.

**Dancing With the Gatesville Stars, November 19.** Benefitting Righteous Roots. Ticket information at righteousroots.org.

For more information about Gatesville events, call the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce at (254) 865-2617, visit gatesvilletx.info or download the Explore Gatesville app.

## Goldthwaite

Mills County Historical Museum, open Monday–Friday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m., 1119 Fisher St. Free admission.

Hunters Appreciation Chili Lunch, November 4, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

For more information about Goldthwaite events, visit goldthwaiteareachamber.com, call the Goldthwaite Area Chamber of Commerce at (325) 648-3619 or email gcc@centex.net.

## Hamilton

**Circle T Arena, 4007 W. Highway 36.** For information on upcoming events, visit

circletarena.net/calendar or call (254) 386-3559.

Trick or Treat Around the Square, October 28, 3:30–5 p.m., historic downtown square.

National Night Out, October 4, 6–8 p.m., Hamilton County Courthouse. If it rains, the event will be moved to Jayson Harris Pavilion. Hosted locally by the Hamilton Police Department, this nationwide event promotes local police and community partnerships. For more information, contact Tiffany Bryant at (243) 386-3810 or hpd@htxpd.com.

# Christmas on the Square, December 1, 5:30–8 p.m., historic downtown square.

For more information about Hamilton events, visit Hamilton Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center at hamiltontexaschamberof commerce.com or on Facebook, call (254) 386-3216, or email hamiltonchambertx@ gmail.com.

## Hico

Choctoberfest, October 1.

National Night Out, October 4, 5–7 p.m., Hico City Park.

Hico Art and Wine Festival, October 15, 9 a.m., downtown. Includes a wine walk, local artisan vendors and much more. Proceeds raised go to the Hico Independent School District arts department.

Holiday Open House, November 12, 10 a.m. Join us as we celebrate the beginning of the holiday season. Participating businesses will have treats, door prizes and special discounts all day!

For information about Hico events, visit hicotxchamber.com or facebook.com/ hicochamberofcommerce, call (254) 434-1249, or email chamberhicotx@gmail.com or bluestarhico@gmail.com.

## Kempner

For information about Kempner events, call Kempner City Hall at (512) 932-2180.

## Lampasas

Lampasas Trade Days; October 1–2, November 5–6; 9 a.m.–4 p.m.; 2646 E. Highway 190. Merchandise includes antiques, collectibles, quilts, crafts, folk and fine art, new home furnishings, shabby chic furniture, new clothing, jewelry, candles, handbags, electronics, iron works, outdoor decor, plants, tools, and food concessions. For more information, contact Barbara Postel at (512) 734-1294.

Fall Fest, October 8, 9 a.m.–3 p.m., courthouse square. Hosted by the Courtyard Square Association.

event that includes dinner, music, dancing and an auction to raise funds for the purchase and upkeep of the unique pieces of art found throughout the community of Lampasas. Sculptures purchased and leased by the Lampasas Association for the Arts can be viewed throughout the community, with the largest collection being in the Hanna Springs Sculpture Garden in Campbell Park. Funds raised at the ball also go to support a fine arts scholarship presented to a graduating senior and to put on events throughout the year. Hosted by LAFTA. Reverse Raffle, October 22, 5:30-9 p.m., Lampasas County Show Barn, 283 N. Highway 183. Steak dinner, games, and live and

Boots & Blazers Ball, October 15, 5:30-

501 E. North Ave. A fun-filled fundraising

9:30 p.m., Hanna Springs Sculpture Garden,

way 183. Steak dinner, games, and live and silent auctions. Tickets for two, \$100. Funds raised will be donated to Lometa Independent School District. Hosted by Lampasas County Livestock Association. For more information, call (512) 734-0614.

The Selena Experience by Los Chicos del 512, October 23, doors open 4 p.m., show at 6 p.m., Putters & Gutters Fun Center, 2341 S. Highway 281. Tickets \$25 in advance or \$28 day of. Purchase tickets at outhousetickets.com or Putters & Gutters.

Pig Roast/Wine Club Pick-Up Party, October 29, 2–8 p.m., dinner at 4 p.m., Texas Legato Winery, 2935 FM 1478. Live music. RSVP by October 19 at (512) 556-9600 or infotexaslegatowinery.net. Cost is \$42.50 for the meal.

Squared Silly, October 29, 5–7:30 p.m., downtown courtyard square. Activities include a hayride, costume contest, bounce houses, a not-so-scary haunted house and many more family-friendly games. Hosted by Vision Lampasas. For more information, email info@visionlampasas.org.

Roaring '20s & Dirty '30s Halloween Party, October 29, 8 p.m.-midnight, Lampasas VFW Post 8539, 481 N. Highway 183. Live music by Greg Showman and the Back Creek Band. Costume contest and 50/50 drawing. Tickets \$10 at the door. Hosted by the Lampasas VFW Post 8539. Hunters Welcome, November 4, 9:30 a.m.– 3 p.m., H-E-B parking lot, 705 S. Key Ave. Barbecue lunch will be available for \$10. The first 250 people to stop by get a goody bag. To preorder lunches or to coordinate delivery, call (512) 556-5172 or email lampasaschamber@sbcglobal.net. Free delivery for five or more lunches is available within the area.

#### Lampasas Veterans Day 5K Run/Walk,

November 5, 7–10 a.m., Lampasas County Courthouse, Third Street between Pecan and Live Streets. For more information, contact lampasasrunclub@gmail.com.

For more information about Lampasas County events, contact the Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce at (512) 556-5172 or lampasasinfo@sbcglobal.net, or visit lampasaschamber.org.

#### Lometa

For information about Lometa events, contact the city of Lometa at (512) 752-3331.

#### Pearl

Pearl Bluegrass; October 1, November 5; doors open at 7 a.m.; Pearl Community Center; 6301 FM 183. Stage show starts at 1 p.m. Acoustic bands (no electric instruments) and musicians are invited. No fee to play on the stage or watch the stage shows. For information on how to sign up for the stage show, contact Ronald Medart at (254) 865-6013. Kitchen open 11 a.m.–5 p.m. RV parking with full hookups available on a first-come, first-park basis; 30 amps are \$20 and 50 amps are \$25.

Pearl Book Cottage; October 1, November 5; 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Junk-in-your-trunk and farmers market around the outside of the book cottage. Vendor booth \$5. Books and resale items will be available inside the building. For information, call Kay Pruett at (254) 865-5864.

Pearl Flea Market; October 14–15, 8 a.m.– 5 p.m., Pearl Community Center; 6301 FM 183. Spaces on the grounds are first come, first park for a fee of \$5. To rent space inside the community center, contact Rhonda Dickey at (254) 595-1096.

Hamilton County Electric Cooperative welcomes your local event submissions. If you have any events that you would like listed in the Community Calendar, please contact Donna Harris. Information must be submitted two months in advance for the magazine. The calendar will be published monthly, and it will contain events scheduled in the month of publication and the following month. HCEC reserves the right to edit and exclude events bedone on space available and other considerations. We do not certify the accuracy or reliability of any information posted in any listing in this Community Calendar. Please contact the event source directly to confirm event details. Email donna.harris@ hamiltonelectric.coop, write to HCEC at PO. Box 753, Hamilton, TX 76531, or call 1-800-595-3401.

## Pidcoke

For more information about Pidcoke United Methodist Church events, visit pidcoke-umc.org.

#### San Saba

For more information about San Saba events, contact the San Saba Visitor Center at (325) 372-5200 or the chamber at (325) 372-5141 or visit sansabachamber.org.

#### Star

Star Volunteer Fire Department Annual Fish Fry, November 12, 5:30 p.m., Star Volunteer Fire Department, Highway 84. Everyone is invited, and donations are appreciated.

