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Coming Soon to the Redding Area . . . Summer! Tips to Help You Beat the Heat

When the month of May arrives, Redding residents know that the high temperatures are right around the corner. We would like to help you stay cool and comfortable while conserving energy when and where possible.

During the summer months, our community usually experiences peak energy usage between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday (this is when most residential customers arrive home and reset their air-conditioning thermostat to lower settings).

We encourage you to take advantage of the following tips, which will allow you to stay cool and save on your monthly electric bill:

- Set air-conditioner thermostats to 78-80 degrees, which maintains a reasonable level of comfort while conserving energy. Customers with existing medical conditions or customers who are elderly should not alter their normal usage at the detriment of their health.
- Keep your window blinds and drapes closed during hot afternoons and evenings to keep your home cooler.

- Consider installing patio covers, awnings, solar window screens, and trees to shade your home from the sun.
- Turn off unnecessary lights, appliances, televisions, and computers. Remember, if they are plugged in, they are using energy and possibly warming your home/office.
- If you have a swimming pool, check with your pool contractor or pool supply store for the minimum length of time your pumps should run each day.
- If you have ceiling fans installed in your home or business, utilize them in occupied rooms to circulate the air. During the summer you should run your fan in a counter-clockwise direction so it will blow air straight down. Remember to turn fans off when rooms are unoccupied.
- If you plan to upgrade your air-conditioning system or appliances, please contact us about incentives on energy efficient products.

REU is proud to deliver reliable power to your home and/or business. Our customers can face the summer weather with confidence, knowing REU can, and will, keep the power on in Redding. With your cooperation and support we can all practice conservation, stay cool, and lower our energy bills.

For information about energy efficient programs, energy savings, and rebates, visit REU's website at www.reupower.com or call (530) 339-7200.

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From Your Shasta County Library

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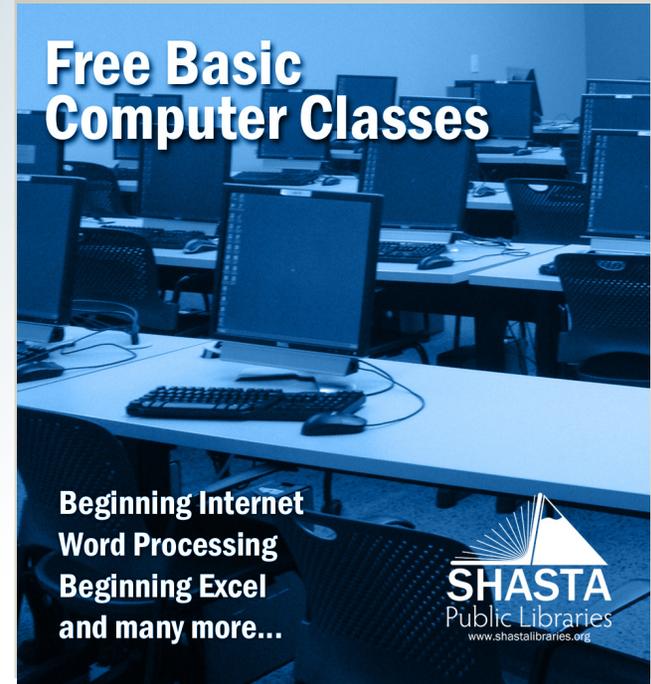
Shasta Public Libraries is dedicated to providing our community with information and encouraging lifelong learning. One way we do this is by offering free computer classes. With topics like "Beginning Computers," "Beginning Internet," and "Word Processing Basics," our classes are perfect for a wide-range of computer users.

Are you a business owner with employees who need to update their computer skills? Maybe a group that needs to learn Excel. Why not consider sending them to the Library for free classes?

Visit our website at www.shastalibraries.org for a schedule of upcoming classes and register online.

For more information visit www.shastalibraries.org.

Free Basic Computer Classes



Beginning Internet
Word Processing
Beginning Excel
and many more...



Protect Yourself From Mosquitoes and the Diseases They Carry



Anything that can hold water for more than a few days can breed mosquitoes. **Drain or dump all containers in and around your home.**

Practice the 4 D's

- ✓ **DRAIN** standing water
- ✓ **DUSK & DAWN** avoid outdoor activities
- ✓ **DRESS** wear long sleeves and pants during dawn and dusk
- ✓ **DEFEND** wear insect repellent

A handful of water can produce hundreds of mosquitoes. Neglected pools can produce more than a million mosquitoes and may affect people as far away as five miles.

Shasta Mosquito & Vector Control District
(530) 365-3768
www.shastamosquito.org



Water Saving Tips

Do not leave sprinklers or hoses unattended. A garden hose can pour out 600 gallons or more in only a few hours. Use a kitchen timer to remind yourself to turn sprinklers off.



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