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YOUR *natural gas newsletter from Jo-Carroll Energy*

LIMITED TIME  
OFFER!  
**\$100**  
natural gas grill  
incentive  
(see other side for details)



## *Summer sizzles with natural gas!*

There's nothing quite like a meal prepared on the grill to help keep you cool this summer. Whether you're grilling up your specialty burger or trying out a new recipe from your favorite cookbook, you can't beat outdoor grilling for flavor, convenience and efficiency!

Check out these advantages of natural gas grilling:

- It's economical, costing only pennies to prepare an entire meal.
- Cooking outside keeps your kitchen cool and keeps air conditioning costs down.
- It's easy to use. Your grill heats up quickly, and you'll never run out of fuel or need to relight coals.
- Temperatures are controlled easily. You can adjust the flame with precision, and when you turn it off, it's off.
- Clean up is a breeze. While many gas grills have porcelain-coated grates that make clean-up quick and easy, others feature self-cleaning.
- You can't beat the convenience. With a natural gas grill you'll never have to buy charcoal, lighter fluid or propane. It's there when you need it - safe, affordable and reliable.



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Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.

## Be safe... a fun barbecue is a safe barbecue

**Common sense and a little planning can help keep your summer cookout safe.**

- Read the owner's manual.
- Barbecue grills are designed for outdoor use only.
- Use your grill in a well-ventilated area.
- Keep the grill stable.
- Use long-handled utensils.
- Wear safe clothing.
- Keep the fire under control.
- Never leave a grill unattended.
- Never attempt to move a hot grill.



## PROJECT UPDATES

Our crews are busy with several projects this summer to enhance the safety and reliability of your cooperative natural gas system.

Following are some of the projects we're working on with our contractor, J&R Underground.

In Thomson, 3,000 feet of 1" steel main will be replaced with 2" plastic main.

Phase Two of a project in Erie, will see replacement of 5,000 feet of 1" steel main with 2" plastic main. The pipe will be trenched as opposed to bored.

In Fulton, service replacements will be ongoing.



## THROUGH LABOR DAY 2013

Jo-Carroll Energy natural gas members can switch their outdoor grill's fuel source to natural gas or purchase a new natural gas grill between Memorial Day and Labor Day, and we'll give you a \$100 bill credit.



Having a natural gas grill is like having an outdoor kitchen! It's easy to convert your barbecue or add a new natural gas grill... and never run out of fuel again!

**Complete information at [www.jocarroll.com](http://www.jocarroll.com)**

***Remember to check our other incentives for natural gas members!***

- ✓ Install a new natural gas furnace or boiler and receive a \$125 incentive. Switch to natural gas from propane, fuel oil or electricity provided by another utility to be eligible for an additional incentive of \$125. (AFUE must be greater than or equal to 95 percent.)
- ✓ Purchase one of the following and receive a \$50 incentive
  - Natural gas water heater (energy factor greater than .67)
  - Natural gas stove
  - Natural gas dryer
- ✓ Fuel Switching - Receive a \$25 rebate (per appliance) for switching your water heater, stove or dryer from propane fuel oil or electricity provided by another utility.

## DID YOU KNOW

 the average household spends \$400 to \$600 per year on water heating?

According to Energy Star, water heating accounts for 14 percent of energy usage and is the second largest energy expenditure behind heating and cooling.

You can take a few simple steps to cut your water heating costs:

- Set your water heater thermostat to 120 F or lower.
- If you have an older water heater, improve its performance by wrapping it with an insulating jacket to prevent heat loss.
- To help keep hot water from cooling off before it gets to the tap, insulate the hot water piping.
- Don't forget to turn down your natural gas water heater when going away on vacation.

## Staying safe!

Nothing is more important to Jo-Carroll Energy than the safety of our members and the communities we serve. Because natural gas is odorless, an odor that smells like rotten eggs is added to our natural gas to help detect even the smallest leaks should they occur.

### What to do if you smell gas:

- **LEAVE** the area immediately.
- **CALL** Jo-Carroll Energy at [800.927.5254](tel:800.927.5254) from a neighboring home or business.
- **NEVER** turn switches on or off or use a flashlight or phone in the presence of the gas smell; an electric spark could cause an explosion.