



Let the Sun Shine In For a Warm New Year!

Beaches Energy Services wishes each of you a bright and happy 2013! As we start the new year, we would like to celebrate some of those who do important work in our community that sometimes goes unnoticed: the **Beaches Community Champions** among us! This month, nominate a champion you know on our website at www.beachesenergy.com/champions. Check this issue of *Tidings* for ways to save on your energy bill and information on the rebates that are available for our customers.



Tidings Tips: New Year's Resolutions to Save You Money

By resolving to be more energy efficient, you are helping our environment while saving money. It's a quick and easy thing to do. Why not add to your list of New Year's resolutions for 2013 by adopting some new energy efficient habits? Here are ten great ways to save energy all year long:

- 1. Take advantage of Beaches Energy's rebates.
- 2. Set your thermostats at energy saving settings (winter 68 degrees).
- 3. Cook with a toaster or microwave instead of the oven whenever possible.
- 4. Don't pre-rinse dishes before putting them in the dishwasher.
- 5. Use cold water to wash your clothes.
- 6. Clean the lint filter in your dryer after every load.
- 7. Unplug electronics when not in use.
- 8. Turn off ceiling fans when you leave the room.
- 9. Replace or clean your air-conditioning filter once a month. 10. Set your water heater temperature between 120-130 degrees.

Let The Sun Help to Heat Your Home

Save energy and help to keep your home warm during these cold winter months by allowing heat from the sun to increase and maintain higher temperatures in your house. Keep these ideas in mind just when you're thinking about cranking up the thermostat.



Let sun shine in south facing windows. Open drapes on the south side of your home during winter days and close them at night. Sun angles are low in winter, allowing substantial solar heating through all southern windows.

E-Billing Saves Paper, Time and Resources

Save time, energy and resources by opting to receive your energy bill online. Go paperless at http://www.beachesenergy.com/my_account/ and apply for E-bill notifications.

Electric price for 1,000 kilowatt-hours		
	December	January
Base charge, residential	\$4.50	\$4.50
KWH base charge	\$75.57	\$75.57
Power cost adjustment	\$44.84	\$44.84
Total	\$124.91	\$124.91



Nominate a Beaches Community Champion Today!

Nominations will continue until Valentine's Day for eligible volunteers from our community whose important work goes unnoticed. We are asking for your nominations for individuals or groups of less than ten, in our community, who volunteer their time and talent. Nominate someone today on our website at www.beachesenergy.com/champions/. We will begin recognizing our Champions next month with the first Beaches Community Champion!

Continue Saving with ENERGY STAR® Appliances

ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances incorporate advanced technologies and use 10 to 50 percent less energy than standard appliances. From refrigerators to clothes washers, ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances save energy, save money, and help emissions of



greenhouse gases and air pollutants at the source. The benefits of ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances include lower utility bills, improved quality and durability and enhanced performance. And don't forget we are offering rebates on some ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances so check the chart below or call customer service at 904-247-6241 for more information.

Do a Little . . . Save a Lot with Rebates!

Beaches Energy Services offers a rebate program for selected energy efficient home improvements. Through rebates dollar credits applied directly to your bill—Beaches Energy Services helps you improve the energy efficiency of your home



through the purchase and installation of energy-saving equipment and other improvements. Beaches Energy Services offers a total of up to \$1,825 in energy-saving rebates for making these residential energy-efficient improvements. Rebate forms must be completed and submitted to Beaches Energy Services along with proof of purchase invoices and required documentation within 60 days of installation.

Qualified Products or Improvements	Maximum Rebate Amount
A/C Heat Pump SEER 14	\$100
A/C Heat Pump SEER 15 or higher	\$300
Programmable Thermostat	\$25
Heat Pump Water Heater	\$500
Insulation Upgrade	\$300
Window Film / Solar Screen	\$100
Solar Water Heater	\$500