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Save energy and save money this winter.

You can help control your power bill by using energy more efficiently. Here are a few tips to save on energy costs around the house this winter.

- Set your thermostat at 68 degrees or lower during the day, and even cooler at night.
- Dress warmly; this will allow you to lower your thermostat and still be comfortable.
- Close fireplace dampers after a fire is out.
- Close garage doors to keep out cold wind.
- Open drapes and blinds on sunny days to let in the sun's warmth.
- Replace old caulk and weather stripping around windows and doors.
- Use ceiling fans in reverse mode to push hot air from the ceiling to the occupied areas of the room.
- Seal around wiring and plumbing penetrations to stop air leaks.
- Install a storm door to create a pocket of insulated air between the door and storm door, helping to reduce heat loss.
- Have your heating system professionally serviced annually to keep it running at top efficiency.
- Wrap your electric water heater with an insulating blanket to keep in the heat.
- Insulate attics, crawl spaces and unheated basements to keep out the cold.

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POWER RECIPE | Applesauce Spice Cake

2½ cups flour	½ teaspoon baking powder
2 cups sugar	1½ cups unsweetened applesauce
1½ teaspoons baking soda	½ cup water
1½ teaspoons salt	1 stick margarine
¾ teaspoon ground cinnamon	2 eggs
½ teaspoon ground cloves	1 cup raisins
½ teaspoon ground allspice	½ cup walnuts, chopped

In a large mixing bowl, combine all ingredients. Beat on low speed for 30 seconds, scraping bowl constantly. Then beat on high speed for 3 minutes, scraping bowl occasionally. Pour into greased and floured 13" X 9" pan. Bake at 350° for 60-65 minutes. Cool before serving.

Recipe by Eve Faulk of Montgomery.

SAFETY TIP | Have a safe holiday season. To keep you and your home safe, use UL-approved lighting and turn off lighted decorations when away. Don't overload wall outlets or extension cords. Outdoors, use only lights designed for outdoor use and keep electric connections above ground and out of areas where water may collect. Be sure to install decorations away from power poles.

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