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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 7 p.m.,

Davies-Martin County REMC office

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SmartHub — online bill payment system

Budget billing

Auto bank draft

Drive-through window

Night depository

Credit card payment (VISA,

Discover and MasterCard accepted)

Pay-by-phone: 1-888-222-0624

MISSION STATEMENT

“Our mission is to provide safe, reliable electricity and quality services for our members at a reasonable cost.”



SHOPPING FOR LIGHTBULBS?

Know the difference between lumens and watts. Lumens measure the amount of light produced by the bulb. Watts measure energy consumption.

Energy-saving LEDs come in a variety of colors and brightness levels and last 15-25 times longer than incandescent bulbs.

— U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



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Affordable electricity powers quality of life



Most of us use electricity, either directly or indirectly, at almost all times. Because electricity is so

abundant and available with the simple flip of a switch, it's easy to take it for granted.

According to the Energy Information Agency (EIA), the typical U.S. household now uses more air conditioning, appliances and consumer electronics than ever before. The average home also contains 10 or more internet-connected devices. Considering everything that is powered by electricity, it's no wonder we occasionally might wince at our monthly bill. But keep in mind, it's no longer just the "light bill."

Electricity powers quality of life

Electricity powers our quality of life. From the infrastructure of your home (appliances, water heater and HVAC system) to charging your smartphones, computers, TV and Wi-Fi router, your energy bill covers so much more than lighting.

Today, there is more demand for electricity than ever before. At home, in schools and business,

and in commercial sectors such as transportation, the need for electricity is increasing.

Typically when demand goes up, so too does the price, as is the case with most goods or services, like cable or even your favorite specialty coffee. However, that's not true with electricity. Let's take a look at how the value of electricity compares to other common expenses.

Over the last five years, the cost of rent, medical care, and education have rapidly increased. Considering all the ways we depend on electricity, it is significantly lower than the other essential categories.

So, the next time you're enjoying your favorite podcast, TV series or movie, consider the value of electricity and how it enhances your quality of life.

We care about you, the members we serve, and understand that electricity is more than a commodity — it's a necessity. That's why Davies-Martin County REMC will continue working hard to power your life, reliably and affordably.

JANE BAHLER-HURT
General Manager

co-op news



OPERATION ROUND UP SECOND QUARTER WINNERS

FIRST CHOICE SOLUTIONS

First Choice Solutions of Washington received a \$1,500 grant to help provide its clients with items like convertible car seats, baby cribs and mattresses. FCS offers life-affirming choices which meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of people affected by unplanned pregnancies.

Pictured from left: Denny Smith; Susan Spaulding; Peggy Pinkham; Jackie McGlin, REMC communications specialist.



MARTIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Martin County Historical Society received a \$910 grant to preserve and protect county records by having them hard bound into books. The organization is in the process of getting family histories in notebooks. Its mission is to preserve Martin County history, and it is committed to restoring the old courthouse and its contents to their former glory.

Pictured: Theresa Showalter, REMC employee and ORU board member, and Martha Greene.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1166

Knights of Columbus Council 1166 of Bedford received a \$1,060 grant to install playground equipment for severely handicapped individuals at Englewood School through the Knights of Columbus Annual Tootsie Roll Drive. The drive has raised over \$403,000 for citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Knights of Columbus has four core values – charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism – the most visible being the generous charitable acts within the community.

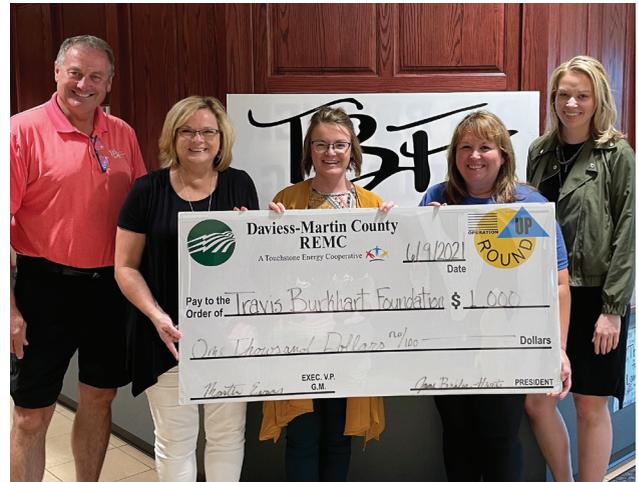
Pictured: Greg Stanley and Jackie McGlin, REMC communications specialist.



REDEEMING GRACE CENTER FOR WOMEN'S MINISTRIES (CWM)

The Center for Women's Ministries received a \$805 grant to purchase training materials that peer counselors can use to help women overcome emotional stressors. The funding will also help pay the building's operational costs. CWM provides a confidential safe place for women in need.

Pictured from left: Barbara Rogge; Renae Keller; Glenda Blake; Martha Schitter; and Jackie McGlin, REMC communications specialist.



TRAVIS BURKHART FOUNDATION

Travis Burkhart Foundation received a \$1,000 grant for sponsorships, personal donations and other activities scheduled by the foundation. The foundation helps families facing crises due to medical emergencies. It is dedicated to bringing positive energy to debilitating events.

Pictured from left: Mike Burkhart; Theresa Showalter, REMC employee and ORU board member; Jackie McGlin, REMC communications specialist; Kim Burkhart; and Jenae Burkhart.

LEARNING STARTS NOW

EDUCATE CHILDREN ON BUS SAFETY BEFORE THEY LEAVE FOR SCHOOL.

Keep these situations in mind when talking to your children about **school bus** and **bus stop safety**.

- Don't play near or around power lines or poles while waiting for the bus.
- Stay away from pad-mount transformers (those big green boxes) or other electrical equipment.
- Plan with your children the different scenarios they could find themselves in.



YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!

In each magazine issue, Daviess-Martin County REMC asks our readers three questions. The answers can be found in the articles of Indiana Connection. Clip the coupon below along the dotted line. Fill it out and return it to our office with your monthly payment before the 20th of the month. (Delinquent members are not eligible.)

Each month, a winner will be drawn from the entries submitted. Make sure you bring or mail in your most recent coupon, as the coupons are dated monthly. Members with automatic payment accounts will be entered in the contest as well. Copies will not be accepted, and coupons are not available at the office! Winners will be notified and their names will be published in the following monthly issue of Indiana Connection.

JUNE WINNER: Earl Terpstra, Washington

For bills dated the 5th of the month and paid by the 20th.

1. LEDs last 15–25 times longer than _____ bulbs.
2. Five organizations received an _____ Round Up grant during the second quarter.
3. The average home contains 10 or more _____ -connected devices.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ACCOUNT NO.: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

SUPPORTING 4-H YOUTH

I pledge my head to clearer thinking, my heart to greater loyalty, my hands to larger service, and my health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world. The 4-H pledge is something I learned at a young age and pledged for 13 years. Ten years later and two states away from my home county 4-H, I still bleed green.

I firmly believe I would not be where I am today without the opportunities and life skill building I gained through 4-H. From speaking and demonstration contests, volunteering in the community, entering animals and projects

into the fair, and more, there were always lessons learned. Some were tougher than others. The tough ones provided life skills too, if not more than the good experiences.

I believe 4-H is a beneficial way for youth to express their talents, develop work ethic, have responsibilities and build confidence that will drive them well into their future and career.

Daviess-Martin County REMC is proud to support more of the community's youth by presenting each grand champion with a cash premium, along with a sticker to be displayed as he/she wishes. Whether they are grand champion for electrical projects, woodworking, champion steer, etc., ALL will be awarded for their hard work. This goes for Daviess, Martin, and Lawrence County 4-H Fair grand champions.

Congratulations to all the 4-H youth for their efforts. For those who were awarded grand champion in their division, please watch your mailbox for your premium from Daviess-Martin County REMC.

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Youth through
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by *Jackie McGlin*
REMC Communications
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