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7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday – Friday

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SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS

To report an outage or emergency, call 812-295-4200 or 800-762-7362 day or night.

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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, June 22, 7 p.m.,

Davies-Martin County REMC office

BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

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.”



REPLACE AIR FILTERS

A dirty filter causes your air conditioner to work harder than necessary. Remember to change your air filter every month (or every two months) to prevent dust buildup, which can lead to even bigger problems.

— U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



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WE'RE READY FOR STORM SEASON.

Are you?



Now that summer is in full swing, like many of you, I welcome more opportunities to be outdoors and enjoy the warmer weather. Summertime brings many of my

favorite activities like cooking out with family and friends, afternoons on the water and simply slowing down a bit to enjoy life.

But summer months also make conditions right for dangerous storms. These potential weather events can cause destruction to our electrical system, but I want you to know that Davies-Martin County REMC crews are ready and standing by to respond should power outages occur in our area.

When major storms knock out power, our line crews take all necessary precautions before they get to work on any downed lines. I would encourage you to also practice safety and preparedness to protect your family during major storms and outages.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends the items below as a starting point for storm and disaster preparedness, but you can visit www.ready.gov for additional resources.

- Stock your pantry with a three-day supply of non-perishable food, such as canned goods, energy bars, peanut butter, powdered milk, instant coffee, water and other essentials (i.e., diapers and toiletries).
• Confirm that you have adequate sanitation and hygiene supplies including towelettes, soap and hand sanitizer.
• Ensure your first aid kit is stocked with pain relievers, bandages and other medical essentials, and make sure your prescriptions are current.
• Set aside basic household items you will need, including flashlights, batteries, a manual can opener and

portable, battery-powered radio or TV.

- Organize emergency supplies so they are easily accessible in one location.

In the event of a prolonged power outage, turn off major appliances, TVs, computers and other sensitive electronics. This will help avert damage from a power surge, and will also help prevent overloading the circuits during power restoration. That said, do leave one light on so you will know when power is restored. If you plan to use a small generator, make sure it's rated to handle the amount of power you will need, and always review the manufacturer's instructions to operate it safely.

Listen to local news or a NOAA Weather Radio for storm and emergency information, and check Davies-Martin County REMC's Facebook for power restoration updates.

After the storm, avoid downed power lines and walking through flooded areas where power lines could be submerged. Allow ample room for utility crews to safely perform their jobs, including on your property.

Advance planning for severe storms or other emergencies can reduce stress and anxiety caused by the weather event and can lessen the impact of the storm's effects. Sign up for NOAA emergency alerts and warnings, and follow our Facebook page to stay abreast of power restoration efforts and other important co-op news and information.

I hope we don't experience severe storms this summer, but we can never predict Mother Nature's plans. At Davies-Martin County REMC, we recommend that you act today because there is power in planning. From our co-op family to yours, we hope you have a safe and wonderful summer.

JANE BAHLER-HURT
General Manager



Educating young students on storm safety

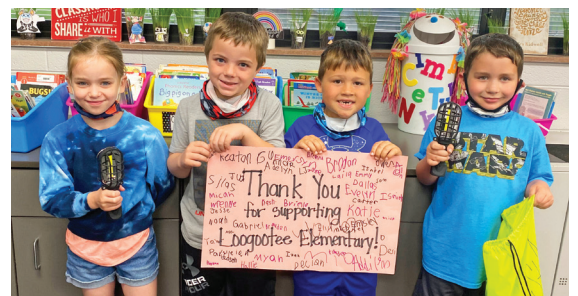
With storm season upon us, the Loogootee preschool and kindergarten classes conducted a storm safety project through project-based learning.

Project-based learning encourages students to create real world products that answer or address questions that interest them. The Loogootee preschool and kindergarten classes began exploring the storm safety topic last year, concentrating on how to prepare for outages and how to be safe during an outage. Students worked together to generate ideas for the project, math was tied into weather patterns, and more lessons were observed.

The final product resulted in emergency storm kits. The kits were composed of a ready-to-go bag with water, snacks, a flashlight, toys (or something that provides comfort) and more. Davies-Martin County REMC was proud to donate flashlights for their project and to speak with them more about when the lights go out.

Safety is our number one priority, which means that our linemen cannot restore power as fast as many would prefer. In some cases, water levels have to go down or trees need to be removed in order to work safely and efficiently.

Ultimately, the students learned about storm safety and preparation, and met two linemen — Alan Sims and Jordan Clark — who work to restore the power to our members, old and young.



Davies-Martin County REMC donated flashlights for storm kits and taught young students about storm safety.

WELCOMING NEW EMPLOYEES TO DAVISS-MARTIN COUNTY REMC

FARAN LOCKENOUR

Faran Lockenour started at DMREMC in February as the operations specialist.

He holds a bachelor's degree in business from Indiana Wesleyan University and an Apprenticeship Lineman Certificate from NJATC-HEATS. Indiana is home to Lockenour; he grew up in Linton and has lived in Bloomfield for the last 11 years.

Lockenour previously worked at Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) as a project manager-tactical planner where he worked on construction projects at the Naval Surface Warfare Center - Crane Division. He also has previous experience with an REMC within the engineering department working on mapping designs (GIS), tracking data, and integrating database information.

Lockenour believes in the cooperative model where those who receive service from us are members, not customers.

In his down time, Lockenour is a softball assistant coach, enjoys playing golf, hunting, camping, and traveling.

JACKIE MCGLIN

Jackie McGlin began with DM-REMC in March as the communications specialist. A graduate from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls in agriculture



marketing and communications with a minor in equine studies, this Wisconsin native came with co-op experience. Prior to starting with the REMC, she completed a six-month marketing internship with an energy co-op, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services, in Ellsworth, Wisconsin. McGlin realized the hidden gemstone that cooperatives are and wanted to continue her career within the co-op family.

Having been an active 4-H member for 13 years, she is excited to get involved in the local county's 4-H and youth programs. In her free time, you will find McGlin at the horse barn with her two horses. She also enjoys whitetail and turkey hunting, hiking and discovering new places to eat.

BRANDY WASHLER

Brandy Washler joined DMREMC in March, as the director of finance and accounting.

She graduated from the University of Southern Indiana with her MBA in December 2020. Washler also holds a bachelor's degree in business and economics from Indiana University and has worked in accounting, finance and HR roles for over 14 years.

The Indiana Hoosier native is originally from Connersville and relocated in February to Bedford with her husband and 13-year-old son. Washler enjoys boating on the lake, DIY home projects, and spending time with her family and three dogs.



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.

APRIL WINNER: Lost River Township VFD

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

1. Check Daviess-Martin County REMC's _____ for power restoration updates.
2. Daviess-Martin County REMC donated _____ for storm kits.
3. Always call _____ before you dig.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ACCOUNT NO.: _____

PHONE NO.: _____



**Always call 811
before you dig!**

One free, easy call
gets your utility lines
marked **AND** helps
protect you from
injury and expense.

Call 811 before you begin
your next outdoor project.



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**

Mark your calendar for the county fair!

DAVIESS COUNTY FAIR:

June 22 – 26

MARTIN COUNTY FAIR:

July 9 – 13

LAWRENCE COUNTY FAIR:

July 10 – 17

DAVIESS COUNTY 4-H SHOW:

July 13 – 23



**MOST DADS
LIGHT UP YOUR LIFE**

But...

**A RARE FEW
LIGHT UP
THE WORLD**



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY FROM DAVIESS-MARTIN COUNTY REMC!