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Tuesday, Nov. 23, 7 p.m., Daviess-Martin County REMC office

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Save energy and stay comfortable by caulking and weatherstripping areas that typically need sealing. Start by sealing around windows and doors. Seal plumbing, ducting, and areas where electrical wiring comes through walls, floors and ceilings for additional energy savings.

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# co-op news It's a matter of (co-op!) principles PART TWO



For me, this is a time of year for reflection, and topping my list of things I'm grateful for is our wonderful community. I know I speak for all Daviess-Martin County REMC employees when I say that we

are thankful to be in such an incredible place. We are fortunate to live in the same community where we work, which makes our ties to this community that much stronger.

You may recall that last month, my column touched on the first three cooperative principles, so this month, I'd like to tell you about the remaining four principles. The cooperative principles are essential to the co-op business model and benefit all members of the co-op.

#### **AUTONOMY AND INDEPENDENCE**

The fourth principal, Autonomy and Independence, means that the co-op operates in an autonomous way that is solely directed and guided by its members, reflecting the values and needs of our local community. This means the co-op is not being influenced by leaders or shareholders several states away. Instead, the co-op is led by the local members it serves.

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

The fifth principle, Education and Training, focuses on enhancing the knowledge of co-op employees and board members, which enables them to contribute to the development of the

By investing in continuous learning for our employees and board members, our co-op is making a commitment not just to individual professional and personal growth, but to the future of the co-op and the high quality of service our members expect and deserve. It's a winwin situation.

We also strive to inform our members (that's you!) and the public about the

mission and operations of the co-op. In fact, that's why you receive this magazine every month: so we can share the latest co-op news and updates, as well as energy efficiency and safety tips.

#### COOPERATION **AMONG COOPERATIVES**

Cooperation among cooperatives is the sixth principle and fosters the way that co-ops work together to address bigger challenges. While this principle applies to all types of cooperatives, it is especially relevant in the energy industry. In our case, we put this principle in action after major storms and disasters that cause widespread power outages. When this happens, we call on nearby coops to come to our aid and assist with restoration efforts - and we of course extend the same help to them when they need us. I can't think of a better example of cooperation among cooperatives.

In addition, because we are part of the national electric co-op network, we can connect and collaborate with other electric co-ops to tackle industry-related challenges, like cybersecurity and an everchanging energy landscape.

#### **CONCERN FOR COMMUNITY**

The seventh principle, Concern for Community, is essential to who we are as cooperatives. We serve our community not only by being an essential service, but by helping to power our local economy. Whether through economic development, volunteerism or donations to local causes, we invest in this community because it's our home too.

I think you'll find that most cooperatives bring good people together to make good things happen in the community. We hope you feel that way about us, your local electric co-op.

On behalf of everyone at Daviess-Martin County REMC, we're thankful for your membership, and we hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

## JANE BAHLER-HURT

General Manager

# OPERATION ROUND UP Third quarter grants awarded



LOOGOOTEE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH received a \$1,500 grant to assist the Martin County Christmas Toy Store. The Martin County Toy Store has become a valuable asset to the families of Martin County during the Christmas season. The event takes place on the second Saturday of December and provides gifts for approximately 75 - 100 children.

Pictured: Curt Johnson, co-chairperson, and Jackie McGlin, REMC communications specialist.



LAWRENCE COUNTY CANCER PATIENT SERVICES received a \$1,000 grant to pay for a storage unit. The organization assists any cancer patient who resides in Lawrence County, regardless of age, gender, or type of cancer.

Pictured: Brenda McKain, secretary, and Jackie McGlin.



DAVIESS COUNTY PICKLEBALL, INC. received a \$1,000 grant to assist in building new pickleball courts at a public park for all Daviess County residents to use. The items for the project are for maintenance and upkeep of the courts. The non-profit group promotes multiple opportunities for exercise and wellness to the young and young at heart.

Pictured: Shari Gray and Jackie McGlin.



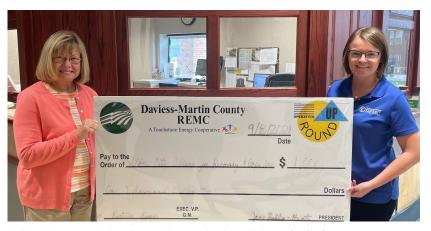
RAGLESVILLE MEN'S CLUB received a \$1,000 grant to help pay for a furnace replacement at Evans Memorial Park building in Raglesville. The objective of the organization is to bring fellowship and provide service to the Raglesville community.

Pictured: Gary Stuckey, president, and Jackie McGlin.



**EBENEZER CAMPGROUND, INC.** received a \$3,000 grant for concrete and labor for handicap parking in front of the facility. The camp was established to serve God through providing a safe facility for summer youth camps, with a special focus on underprivileged youth and a vision to provide a camp for special needs children.

Pictured: Don Graber, director, with grandsons and Jackie McGlin.



**STONE CITY ALLIANCE FOR RECOVERY & HOPE, INC.** received a \$1,000 grant for required renovations to the Men's Warming Shelter in Bedford. The mission of the organization is to provide food, shelter, clothing and case management services during the winter season for homeless men in Bedford, along with surrounding Lawrence County communities.

Pictured: Linda Smith, treasurer, and Jackie McGlin.



**DAVIESS COUNTY PARTNERSHIP, INC.** received a \$1,500 grant to assist in the Jubilee Christmas assistance program for families in Daviess County who have children ages birth through 15 and have an income of less than 200% of the poverty level. Families will choose gifts to be put under their Christmas trees. The organization is to connect Daviess County people to resources that meet their needs.

Pictured: Theresa Showalter, REMC employee and ORU board member; Sherry Davis, executive director; and David Lennen, board member.

# 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.

**SEPTEMBER WINNER:** Alvin and Carolyn Yoder of Montgomery

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

1.	Daviess-Martin County REMC awarded
	Operation Round Up grants in the third quarter.
2.	The REMC donated
	to staff members
	at Daviess Community Hospital.
3.	The cooperative principles are
	essential to the
	business model.
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### co-op news

# SERVING THE

Daviess-Martin County REMC exercised the seventh co-op principle, concern for community, to celebrate National Co-op Month in October. Indiana Electric Cooperative Community Day is an opportunity for Indiana's electric cooperatives to make a positive impact within its communities.

This year, Daviess-Martin County REMC employees volunteered to deliver meals in Loogootee for the Martin County Meals on Wheels program. The co-op also donated on-the-go snack items for staff to the Daviess Community Hospital. We appreciate all that our community partners do to serve our neighbors, day in and day out.

For Community Day, Daviess-Martin County REMC delivered meals with the Martin County Meals on Wheels program (right) and donated snacks to **Daviess Community** Hospital staff (below).







#### **VETERANS OF DAVIESS-MARTIN COUNTY REMC**



Dwain Jolliff, REMC groundman Marines 2009 - 2013



Terry Chapman, board director Air Force 1967 - 1971



August Bauer, board president National Guard 1963 - 1969



# HAVE A **BLESSED** THANKSGIVING!

**OUR OFFICE** WILL BE **CLOSED** NOV. 25-26.