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## **CONTACT US**

Toll Free: 800-762-7362

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday - Friday

#### STREET ADDRESS

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P.O. Box 430, Loogootee, IN 47553

#### SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS

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

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

August Bauer, President Brandt Schuckman. Vice President Travis Summers, Secretary John Edwards, Treasurer Amy Burris Terry Chapman Josh Dove

#### MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, Feb. 22, 7 p.m., Daviess-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."

## **SEAL AIR LEAKS**

About 30% of a home's heating energy is lost through inefficient windows. Caulk and weatherstrip windows to seal air leaks. When running your home heating system, lock all operable windows to ensure the tightest seal possible.

— U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY



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## **REASONS WE LOVE SERVING YOU**



February may be the shortest month of the year, but it's packed with special observances. Besides Presidents Day, Black History Month and Valentine's Day, there are a host of unofficial "national" days you've

probably never heard of like "National Tater Tot Day" (which is celebrated on Feb. 2 each year). All these observances have something in common: they were created to draw attention to a particular issue or theme.

Valentine's Day may seem like an observance originally created by a greeting card company to boost sales. But over time, it's become a widely celebrated day generating millions of dollars in flower, candy and of course, greeting card sales. But Valentine's Day isn't just for the lovebirds. It's also the perfect time to let our friends, family, co-workers and other special people in our lives know we care about them - with or without a storebought greeting card.

So, in that vein, we've created our list of top five reasons why we love serving you, the members of Daviess-Martin County REMC.



We love serving our members because without you, the co-op wouldn't exist. Our purpose is

to provide you with reliable, responsible and safe electricity. Simply put, Daviess-Martin County REMC exists to serve you. That's why we were formed in 1939 to bring power to our local area when forprofit utilities would not.



You enable us to complete our mission by supporting our efforts to give back. A major part of our

mission is to serve our community and look after the greater good. With your assistance, we're able to help the most vulnerable members of our community through programs such as Operation Round Up.



Members of our co-op also serve on the board of directors. They provide guidance for setting

co-op priorities and helping make big decisions. Because our board members live in the area, they're able to serve as the pulse of the larger community and identify immediate and long-term needs. The broader co-op membership provides helpful input through their vote on director elections and by weighing in on co-op and community issues.



You help us get it right. Daviess-Martin County REMC members keep us in the know. We do

our best to avoid power outages, but Mother Nature can occasionally throw us a curveball; our members are quick to report any power disruptions and are patient as our crews work to safely restore power. We know outages are frustrating, and your support as we work through storms means so much to our employees. Your opinions are critical for the co-op's success, and we thank you for that.



You and other Daviess-Martin County REMC members make up the community we serve -

and for us, it's all about community. Our employees live and work here too and care about our community the same way you do. We're invested and work to help it thrive. That's why Daviess-Martin County REMC donates to local charities, 4-H and schools. It's also why we invest in economic development, and why you'll see our employees volunteering at local schools and other charitable and community endeavors.

As a co-op, our mission is to enhance the quality of life in our community and look after its long-term interests. We love serving our members and our local community, and just like you, want to see it continue to thrive.

## JANE BAHLER-HURT

General Manager



**DIRECTORS** TO BE **ELECTED** 

The directors for the following two districts will be elected as a part of the 2022 annual meeting agenda:

**DISTRICT 1:** Daviess County (Elmore, Madison, Steele and Bogard townships)

**DISTRICT 4:** Daviess County (Harrison and Reeve townships)

Incumbent directors seeking re-election include Joshua Dove from District 1 and Terry Chapman from District 4. Directors will be elected for three-year terms.

Any member who resides in these districts and who is interested in becoming a director-candidate must complete and submit a petition for nomination by Feb. 18. Please contact the REMC office at your earliest convenience if you have any questions regarding the election process or need any information.



## APPLY FOR

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

## CAMP KILOWATT

A fun, powerful and unique camp experience designed for students entering seventh grade in 2022. Horseback riding, canoeing, zip lining, trying out archery, swimming, learning about electrical safety and bucket truck rides.

APPLY: Apply by Feb. 23 at CampKilowatt.org.



## INDIANA YOUTH TOUR

Daviess-Martin County REMC wants to send you on a weeklong, all-inclusive trip of a lifetime to Washington,

**D.C.** Monuments, museums, legislators, friends, history. *Must be a high school junior to apply.* 

APPLY: Apply by Feb. 23 at IndianaYouthTour.org.

## JUNE 16-23

## CALENDAR ART CONTEST

Enter your best artwork and fill the pages of the 2023 Cooperative Calendar of Student Art. Indiana public, private or home school students in kindergarten through 12th grade during the 2021–22 school year are eligible to enter the contest. The deadline for entries is March 18.

LEARN MORE ON PAGE 12.



## HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

WE LOVE POWERING YOUR LIFE.

## 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.

**DECEMBER WINNER:** Larry W. Kemp, Loogootee

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

1. Save the date for Daviess-
Martin County REMC's 2022
annual meeting on Monday,
4.
2. Loogootee
Board received a \$1,000 Operation
Round Up grant.
3. Students should apply by Feb.
for Camp Kilowatt
and Indiana Youth Tour.
NAME:
ADDRESS:
ACCOUNT NO.:
PHONE NO.:

## co-op news

# OPERATION ROUND UP GRANTS HELP FUND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS



**LOOGOOTEE BEAUTIFICATION BOARD** received a \$1,000 grant to aid in the funding of the Spring Spruce Up Project for spring of 2022.



## THE LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL POST PROM AND THE WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL POST PROM

**INC.** both received \$500 grants to help provide a fun, memorable, safe and drugand alcohol-free atmosphere for the teens after prom.

### **BLESSING BOX MINISTRIES**

INC. received a \$1,000 grant. The organization provides food and necessities to anyone in need. What started only as a small take-what-youneed box has grown to include a food pantry and a couple of community outreach projects this past year. The take-what-you-need box, containing non-perishable food and personal hygiene items, is alwaays available to anyone who has a need. Other items, such as fresh produce, eggs and dairy products, are available occasionally when donated.



The small food pantry is available five times a month by appointment. The pantry gives each family enough food for three to four meals. This includes meat and shelf-stable milk, plus a few breakfast and lunch items. Recipients also can choose from several toiletry items and/or baby needs.

In 2020, community outreach projects included a school supply giveaway and a Thanksgiving meal giveaway that served 20 families in need.