



Daviess-Martin County

REMC

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OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday – Friday

STREET ADDRESS

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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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Tuesday, July 26, 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."

Savings Tip

SAVE ENERGY WHEN USING LARGE APPLIANCES

Only run full loads in the dishwasher, and thoroughly scrape food from dishes before loading.

Dry towels and heavier cottons separate from lighter-weight clothing, and clean the lint screen after every use. Wash clothing in cold water to save energy used to heat water.

— U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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co-op news

STAY FRESH

Five tips for better indoor air quality



We spend a lot of time indoors. In fact, the Environmental Protection Agency estimates the average person spends 90%

of their life indoors. (I don't know about you, but I suddenly have the urge to go for a long walk!)

Additionally, our homes are becoming more energy efficient — they're better insulated and sealed with less ventilation — which is great for our energy bills but not so much for our indoor air quality.

The thought of breathing in pollutants can be scary, but the truth is, indoor air pollution is common and simply unavoidable. The good news is there are ways you can easily improve the air quality of your home.

HERE ARE FIVE TIPS TO HELP YOU BREATHE A LITTLE EASIER.

Change your air filter often.

Clogged, dirty filters reduce the amount of airflow and the HVAC system's efficiency. When a filter becomes too clogged, the excess dirt and dust are sent through your air ducts, adding unnecessary allergens and other unwanted

particles into your living space.

During the cooling season (summer months), the Department of Energy recommends replacing your air filter every month or two. This is one of the easiest ways to promote better indoor air quality and energy efficiency.

Regularly vacuum carpet and rugs — especially if you have furry friends.

The cleaner the home, the healthier the home. Vacuuming carpet and area rugs once a week can greatly reduce the accumulation of pet dander and dust inside your home. Frequently clean other areas that collect dust, like drapes, bedding and cluttered areas.

Use vents to remove cooking fumes.

Those exhaust fans aren't just for when you burn the bacon. Fans help remove fumes emitted while cooking and eliminate unwanted moisture and odors. They may be a bit noisy, but these handy tools can help you improve indoor air quality while you're preparing that culinary masterpiece (or even a grilled cheese sandwich!).

Get a handle on humidity.

Summer months typically bring more humidity than we'd like, especially if you live in a high-humidity climate zone. Moisture in

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the air can carry bacteria and other unwanted particles that you eventually breathe in. Dehumidifiers work to remove that moisture from the air, reducing the amount of bacteria, mold and other allergens in your home.

Incorporate air-purifying plants into your living space. There are several varieties of indoor plants that can help detoxify your home from dust and germs found in a variety of home products, furniture and other materials. A few low-maintenance, air-purifying plants to consider are snake plants, aloe vera plants and pothos plants (also known as Devil's Ivy). These vibrant, lush plants are eye-catching and beneficial for any home. Remember to review care conditions and think about placement for any new plants you add to your home.

Taking simple steps to purify indoor air can improve health and overall quality of life. With a little effort, you can improve the indoor air quality of your home and breathe a bit easier.

JANE BAHLER-HURT
General Manager

Welcome new employees TO DAVIESS-MARTIN COUNTY REMC



CAREY WADE

Carey Wade joined the DMREMC team in February as the senior billing and member services representative. For the last 10 years, she has worked at JC REMC in Johnson County as a customer service representative.

Wade has two kids, both in college. Now that she and her husband are empty nesters they have decided to relocate to southern Indiana. She is a huge animal lover and likes to spend time outdoors in the country.



GRANT HORTON

Grant Horton also joined DMREMC in February as a groundman. He says a big part of why he wants to be a lineman is the lifestyle. He has spent time around linemen and knew it was what he wanted to do career wise.

In his free time, Horton is a big hunter. He said he hunts in all seasons.



JEFF MCCRARY

Jeff McCrary began working at DMREMC in March as the meter technician. Previously, he worked at WIN Energy in Vincennes for over 17 years.

McCrary and his wife, Mindy, have one daughter, Lauren, who is currently a sophomore in college. In their free time, they enjoy camping and spending time outdoors.

FRAUD ALERT

Daviess-Martin County REMC will NEVER contact you over the phone asking for payment. Other co-ops have reported members receiving phone calls from someone posing as the power company and demanding payment to avoid disconnection. In order to initiate a payment transaction, you must call us and use the automated system.



Save money with a residential rebate

DEADLINE IS DEC. 15. APPLY AT DMREMC.COM.

5 WAYS TO SAVE

With our Residential Rebate Program, you can't afford NOT to purchase new equipment. Call us for more details!



Heat Pump or Hybrid Water Heater



Geothermal Heat Pump



Air Source or Dual Fuel Heat Pumps



Mini-Split Heat Pump



HVAC Tune-Up

A convenient way to pay

Daviess-Martin County REMC offers an automated, secure phone system specifically for taking payments, any time of the day. **This system is the only way the co-op will accept payment by phone**, in order to keep our members' information secure and prevent credit card fraud.

Members can call 1-888-222-0624 and pay with their debit or credit card. Daviess-Martin County REMC accepts VISA, Mastercard and Discover.

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN \$50!

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.

MAY WINNER:
MARY BAUER FROM SHOALS

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

1. Daviess-Martin County REMC will _____ call you over the phone asking for payment.
2. Apply for a residential rebate before Dec. _____.
3. Clogged, dirty filters _____ the amount of airflow and the HVAC system's efficiency.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

ACCOUNT NO.:

PHONE NO.:

Help!

MY LIGHTS ARE FLICKERING

Do you have lights that flicker? If you do, you know how annoying this can be. Here are some common reasons why this happens.

Before you begin any work, be safe with electric components and wiring. Switch off power at your circuit breaker panel and test your work area for energized wires using a voltage tester. If you are not comfortable working around electric components, hire a licensed electrician.

COMMON CAUSES OF LIGHT FLICKER:

WALL SWITCH FAILURE

If your wall switch feels spongy and does not quickly snap on and off, this can cause light flicker.

Solution: Replace the switch.

LED LIGHTS

Many LED bulbs are not compatible with older dimmer switches. Flickering can also come from the bulb itself as it might not be compatible with a dimmer.

Solution: Upgrade your dimmer switch and/or try a bulb that is compatible with dimmers.

THE SOCKET IS CORRODED

You can identify this is the cause if you tap the area around the bulb causing it to flicker.

Solution: Replace the socket.

VOLTAGE FLUCTUATIONS

Some LED bulbs might flicker when a device that uses a lot of voltage turns on and off such as a HVAC unit. While this can be due to the sensitivity of the bulb itself, it could also be a symptom of a larger issue with your electrical system.

Solution: To determine if the flicker is a symptom of a larger issue, consult a licensed electrician to review your homes electric system.

WHY DO LIGHTS FLICKER?



Wall Switch Failure



LED Lights/Dimmers



Corroded Socket



Voltage Fluctuations