



Daviess-Martin County
REMC

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OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday

STREET ADDRESS

12628 E. 75 N, Loogootee, IN 47553

MAILING ADDRESS

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

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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, June 27, 7 p.m.,

Daviess-Martin County REMC office

BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

SmartHub — online bill payment system

Budget billing

Auto bank draft

Drive-thru 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

Your laundry room is a great place to save energy. Wash clothes with cold water and cut one load's energy use by more than half. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up when you can. When drying clothes, separate the heavier cottons so the load will dry faster and more evenly.
— ENERGY.GOV

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co-op news

PREPARING TO BETTER SERVE YOU

Providing reliable power to you is, and will always be, top priority for Daviess-Martin County REMC. These days, power reliability seems to be making news now more than ever.

As the energy industry continues to transition and more segments of the economy are becoming electrified, such as vehicles, machinery and even lawn equipment, additional pressures are being placed on our nation's electric grid.

With the summer storm season upon us, I thought it would be a good time to tell you about the measures we're taking to ensure you continue receiving the reliable power you depend on and deserve.

Let me be the first to say I love trees and what they add to our communities, and I know you do, too. While trees provide shade and add beauty to our area, you may be surprised to learn that overgrown vegetation accounts for about half of all power outages.

That's why we strive to keep the co-op's power lines clear in right-of-way (ROW) areas. A ROW area is the land a co-op uses to construct, maintain, replace or repair underground and overhead power lines. This ROW enables Daviess-Martin County REMC to provide clearance from trees and other obstructions that could hinder distribution power lines. The overall goal of our vegetation management strategy is to provide reliable power to our members while maintaining the beauty of our area.

MODERNIZING VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Generally speaking, healthy trees don't fall on power lines, and clear lines don't cause problems. Proactive trimming and pruning keeps lines clear to improve power reliability. However, traditional vegetation management is costly and time-consuming. It entails on-the-ground, labor-intensive efforts involving dozens of workers assessing vegetation and overseeing the quality and completion of contractor work. Although this approach has worked for decades, advances and improvements in technology have allowed us to reduce our costs and improve efficiency.

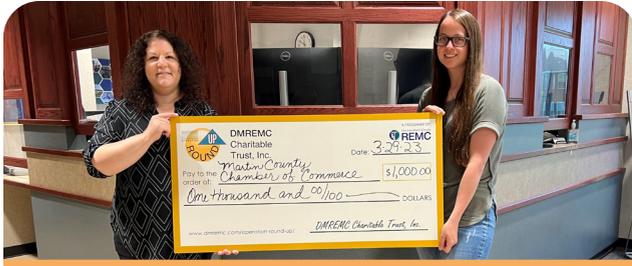
Vegetation management is an essential tool in ensuring power reliability and minimizing the risk of outages. As advancements become more accessible and costs drop, we anticipate using additional technologies such as drones and light detection and ranging (LiDAR), a remote sensing method that uses a pulsed laser to measure variable distances, to ensure a consistent energy supply while managing the environment.

I encourage you to follow Daviess-Martin County REMC on social media so you can learn about the latest co-op updates.



RYAN DANT
Chief Executive Officer

Operation Round Up grant recipients



Martin County Chamber of Commerce

The Martin County Chamber of Commerce received a \$1,000 grant to help cover the cost of the meal for their annual dinner. Martin County Chamber of Commerce promotes and encourages people to shop local and promote local businesses.

Mikki Bradley (above, left) and DMREMC Communications Specialist Becca Hollaway.



Loogootee High School Post Prom

Loogootee High School Post Prom was awarded a \$500 grant to cover the costs of hosting post prom. The event takes place after Loogootee's prom and promotes safe, substance-free activities to high school students.

From left to right, DMREMC Communications Specialist Becca Hollaway, Audrey Whitney and Shelly Lenagher.



Lawrence County Cancer Patient Services

Lawrence County Cancer Patient Services received a \$1,000 grant to purchase peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) line for patients needing infusions.

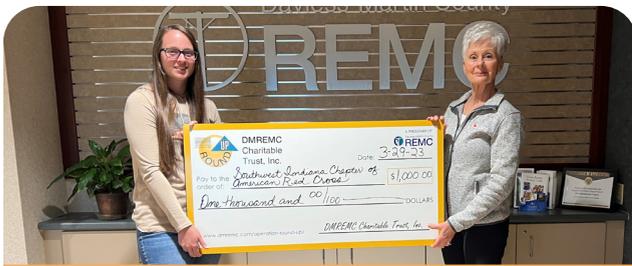
Lawrence County Cancer Patient Services Board Member Brenda McKain (left) and Becca Hollaway of DMREMC.



Cannelburg Volunteer Fire Department

The Cannelburg Volunteer Fire Department received a \$2,000 grant to replace their two large furnace heaters which are nearing 30 years old.

From left to right, Cannelburg volunteer firefighters Brian Graber, Daryl Graber and Justin Yoder with Becca Hollaway of DMREMC.



Southwest Indiana Chapter of the American Red Cross

The Southwest Indiana Chapter of the American Red Cross was awarded a \$1,000 grant as partial funding for one year of their Home Fire Relief program in Daviess and Martin counties. This sum will be used for direct financial assistance, case work and recovery planning for victims of home fires.

Becca Hollaway of DMREMC (left) and Red Cross Regional Philanthropy Officer Beth Baker.



Martin County Cancer Patient Services

Martin County Cancer Patient Services was awarded a \$2,000 grant. As a new organization, the funds will be used for assistance with medical equipment, groceries, gas and more for Martin County residents who have been diagnosed with cancer.

From left, Martin County Cancer Patient Services Treasurer Linda Knight, Becca Hollaway of DMREMC and Martin County Cancer Patient Services President Rheadawn Street.

YOUR CHANCE TO WIN \$50!

In each issue of the magazine, 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:
Jeannie Kruder from Mitchell, IN

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

1. A _____ area is the land a co-op uses to construct, maintain, replace or repair underground and overhead power lines.
2. _____ is an annual form that helps us keep you informed of extended or planned outages.
3. You may be contacted by _____ to complete a 15-20 minute survey.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS:

ACCOUNT NO.: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

The following employees are celebrating anniversaries at DMREMC this month. We thank them for their continued commitment to providing our members with the best service possible.

RYAN DANT
JUNE 19
6 YEARS



JORDAN KAISER
JUNE 27
1 YEAR



2023 4-H & COUNTY FAIR DATES

DAVIESS COUNTY FAIR:
June 27-
July 1

MARTIN COUNTY 4-H FAIR:
July 7 -11

LAWRENCE COUNTY 4-H FAIR:
July 8-15

DAVIESS COUNTY 4-H FAIR:
July 10-21



MEDICAL PRIORITY

Did you know that if you or a member of your household relies on life-sustaining equipment you could be the first on our list to restore when the power goes out?

When we are aware of these situations, we can keep you informed of extended or planned outages. This does not guarantee uninterrupted service but can help us get to you faster or make you aware of planned outages so you can make arrangements. For this reason, we do suggest you

obtain a back-up system, such as batteries or generators.

All you have to do is head to dmremc.com/medical-priority and fill out the form and upload your statement that shows you require medical support. You may also bring your statement by the DMREMC office.

This is an annual form so you will have to do this once a year so we know that you still require medical priority.



TELL US HOW WE'RE DOING!



YOU MAY BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN A SURVEY

In an upcoming survey conducted by Cooperative Insights, some members will be randomly selected to provide feedback about your cooperative.

The survey will:

- Take 15-20 minutes to complete.
- Help your cooperative understand how it is doing.
- Ask about customer satisfaction, your cooperative's strengths, weaknesses and reliability, and opinions on emerging technologies like renewable energy.

If you are contacted, we strongly encourage you to participate and provide honest feedback to help us better understand how we can best provide our members with The Cooperative Difference.

