



Daviess-Martin County
REMC

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SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Brandt Schuckman, *President*

Joshua Dove, *Vice President*

John Edwards, *Secretary*

Terry Chapman, *Treasurer*

August Bauer

Amy Burris

Travis Summers

MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, June 24, 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: 855-951-3760

MISSION STATEMENT

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



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OFFSET THE ELECTRICAL IMPACT OF EXTREME SUMMER TEMPERATURES

co-op news

When outdoor temperatures soar, our electricity use increases. That's because our air conditioners run longer and more often to counteract sweltering outdoor temperatures. Factor in that we all tend to use electricity at the same times — in the morning and early evenings — and that equals a lot of strain on our electric grid.

At Daviess-Martin County REMC, we work closely with Hoosier Energy, our local generation and transmission (G&T) cooperative, in resource and infrastructure planning to ensure you have the power you need whenever you flip a switch. However, the electric grid is much larger than your local co-op and G&T.

In summer months, when even more electricity is being used simultaneously across the country, it is possible for electricity demand to exceed supply, especially if a prolonged heat wave occurs. If this happens, which is rare, the grid operator for our region of the country may call on consumers to actively reduce their energy use or initiate rolling power outages to relieve pressure on the grid. Daviess-Martin County REMC will always keep you informed about situations like this.

We work proactively with our G&T to create a resilient portion of the grid and ensure electric reliability

in extreme weather, including regular system maintenance, grid modernization efforts, and disaster response planning, but it takes everyone to keep the grid reliable.

Here are a few things you can do to relieve pressure on the grid during times of extreme summer heat:

HELP YOUR COOLING SYSTEM

Select the most comfortable thermostat setting and turn it up several degrees whenever possible. Your cooling system must run longer to compensate for the difference between the thermostat and outdoor temperatures. Seal air leaks around windows and exterior doors with caulk and weatherstripping. Air leaks and drafts force your cooling system to work harder than necessary.

REMEMBER OFF-PEAK HOURS

Run major appliances such as dishwashers, ovens, and dryers during off-peak hours when the demand for electricity is lower. Start the dishwasher before you go to bed.

CONSIDER CEILING FANS

Use ceiling fans to make yourself feel a few degrees cooler. Remember, ceiling fans cool people, not rooms, so turn them off in unoccupied rooms. During summer months, set ceiling fan blades to rotate counterclockwise, which pushes cool air down for a wind chill effect.

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BLOCK OUT SUNLIGHT

Close blinds, curtains, and shades during the hottest part of the day to block unwanted heat gain from sunlight. Consider blackout curtains with thermal backing or reflective lining to block heat and light.

GIVE YOUR OVEN A BREAK

Cook meals using smaller appliances, such as slow cookers, air fryers, and toaster ovens. Studies have shown that air fryers use about half as much electricity as a full-sized oven. Air fryers are smaller and use focused heat, which results in faster cooking times, less heat output, and lower energy use.

As we face the challenges of soaring summer temperatures, understanding the impact on energy demand is crucial for maintaining a reliable power supply. By adopting energy conservation practices during periods of extreme heat, you can save money on your electric bills and contribute to the resilience of the grid, keeping our local community cool and connected.

RYAN DANT
Chief Executive
Officer



MEDICAL PRIORITY FORMS



Every year, we remind our members that we offer medical priority to households with members who rely on life-sustaining equipment.

Please let us know if you rely on life-sustaining equipment such as respirators or dialysis. In certain situations, such as planned outages, we can notify you ahead of time about the outage so you can make needed arrangements.

Despite our best efforts, an interruption in electric service may be caused by any number of events, such as accidents, storms, etc. Therefore, our members who rely on life-sustaining equipment should obtain emergency back-up systems, such as batteries or generators.

Visit dmremc.com/medical-priority to submit your information. You will need a doctor's or home health care provider's statement.

Please note, this is an annual form. You will have to fill it out again next year to make sure that you still need medical priority.

See you at the fair!



Daviess County Fair
JUNE 15-21

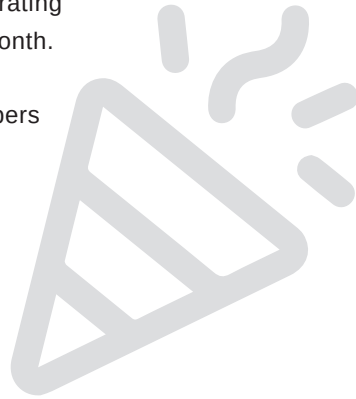
**Lawrence County
4-H Fair**
JULY 5-12

**Daviess County
4-H Fair**
JULY 7-18

**Martin County
4-H Fair**
JULY 10-15

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

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



NATHAN KELLAMS
JUNE 5
2 YEARS



RYAN DANT
JUNE 19
8 YEARS



JORDAN KAISER
JUNE 27
3 YEARS



**The Daviess-Martin County REMC
office will be closed Friday, July 4.
Happy Independence Day!**

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. Copies will not be accepted, and coupons are not available at the office! Winners will be notified and their names will be published in a subsequent issue of Indiana Connection.

FEBRUARY WINNER:

Judy Tolbert of Shoals

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

1. Ceiling fans cool _____, not rooms.
2. The 2025 Annual Meeting was recorded _____ and streamed through the Daviess-Martin County REMC Facebook page.
3. We offer _____ to households who have a member who relies on life-sustaining equipment.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS:

ACCOUNT NO.: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

- ☐ I would like to round my monthly bill up to the next whole dollar for Operation Round Up.
- ☐ I am already signed up for Operation Round Up.



2025 ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

Daviess-Martin County REMC's Annual Meeting was held virtually on April 22, 2025, at the Daviess-Martin County REMC office.

The meeting was recorded live and streamed at 5 p.m. on the Daviess-Martin County REMC Facebook page. Later, the recording was added to YouTube and [dmremc.com](https://www.dmremc.com) for future viewing.

All members who submitted a mail-in or electronic ballot for the 2025 Director Election received a \$10 electric bill credit. In addition, voting members were entered into bill credit drawings held on April 7, 14, and 21.

A video provided by Hoosier Energy, "Shaping Our Energy Future," was played before the meeting.

Chairperson Brandt Schuckman called on Director Josh Dove to give the invocation. Director August Bauer then led the National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance.

Schuckman called the meeting to order. Director John Edwards gave the secretary's report. Current directors and director candidates were introduced. CEO Ryan Dant reported on the past year's cooperative happenings.

Corporate Attorney Chris Goffinet gave the legal report and explained the process for director nominations. He reported that no new nominations were received by petition for those districts where terms were expiring. He stated incumbents for those districts, Josh Dove, District 1 (Elmore, Madison, Steele and Bogard Townships in Daviess County) and Terry Chapman, District 4 (Harrison and Reeve Townships

in Daviess County), in a timely fashion filed a written notice at the office of the corporation stating their intention to seek a seat on the board of directors. Goffinet verified the election results provided by Survey & Ballot Systems, which managed the election process. Goffinet stated that Dove and Chapman would serve three-year terms for Districts 1 and 4, respectively.



FRONT, LEFT TO RIGHT: August Bauer, Amy Burris, and John Edwards

BACK, LEFT TO RIGHT: Terry Chapman, Travis Summers, Josh Dove, and Brandt Schuckman