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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 Burriss

Travis Summers

MONTHLY MEETING

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1 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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RELIABILITY REQUIRES *investment*

As your local power provider, Daviess-Martin County REMC’s mission has always been simple: keep the lights on and support the communities we serve. But behind every switch, every warm home and every business that opens its doors is a complex system that requires constant care. Reliable electricity doesn’t happen by accident. It requires ongoing investment in our local grid — through system repairs, maintenance, upgrades and the integration of new technologies that help us operate smarter and more efficiently.

Much of the energy system we rely on today was built decades ago. While it continues to serve us well, age alone means that components must be repaired or replaced to maintain performance and safety. From poles and wires to transformers and substations, every part of the grid has a lifespan. Routine maintenance helps extend that lifespan, but eventually equipment must be updated to meet modern standards. These proactive investments reduce the likelihood of outages, shorten restoration times when disruptions do occur and create a stronger backbone for our growing community.

The demands on the electric grid are also evolving. Homes and

businesses today use more electricity than ever, and that trend will only continue. Electric vehicles, advanced HVAC systems, smart appliances and new commercial facilities add load to the local distribution system. As these technologies take hold, the grid must be able to support increased demand while maintaining the reliability our members expect. Strategic upgrades are essential to ensuring we can meet these needs both today and in the decades ahead.

At the same time, new technologies are reshaping how we operate. Tools such as automated switching devices, smart meters, drones and advanced monitoring systems allow us to detect problems faster and respond more effectively. These technologies can isolate problems, reroute power to minimize outages and provide real-time data that helps us plan and maintain equipment more efficiently.

Implementing innovative technologies into the grid is not just a convenience — it is a necessity for ensuring reliability in an increasingly complex energy landscape.

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While these improvements require thoughtful planning and financial investment, the return is significant. A stronger grid supports economic growth, improves service quality and enhances safety for our crews and community. Most importantly, it ensures that the essential power you rely on is available whenever you need it.

Our commitment to reliability runs deeper than infrastructure alone. It reflects our responsibility to the people and communities we serve. Every upgrade, every repair and every technology we deploy is an investment in your daily life — from the comfort of your home to the success of local businesses and schools.

We know that powering our community means preparing for the future, not just maintaining the present. By investing in our local grid today, we are building the foundation for a brighter, more resilient tomorrow.

RYAN DANT
Chief Executive
Officer



2026 DIRECTOR ELECTIONS AT DMREMC

Elections will be held for the following districts during the virtual annual meeting:

- **DISTRICT 3:** Washington and Veale townships (Daviness County)
- **DISTRICT 6:** Halbert, Lost River, Rutherford and Mitcheltree townships (Martin County)

INCUMBENTS RUNNING FOR RE-ELECTION:

- **DISTRICT 3:** Brandt Schuckman
- **DISTRICT 6:** August Bauer

Interested members must submit their petition of nomination, along with supporting documents, by Monday, Feb. 23. For more information, contact the REMC office.



Time is running out!

Daviness-Martin County REMC is still attempting to locate several former and current members who have unclaimed capital credits. Anyone who was a member in the years 1995-96 may have a capital credit waiting for them to claim.

A list of eligible individuals was published on our website on Dec. 11, 2025. Head to dmremc.com and scroll down to “Unclaimed Capital Credits” and click “View List” to review the list

for names you may know. On our homepage, you will also find the appropriate forms needed to claim your capital credit. If you are an heir to a past member who we still have an unclaimed capital credit for, you will also find the proper forms here.

The deadline to claim these credits is Feb. 9. After this date, the credit amount will be treated as donated cash and no longer be eligible to claim.

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

We wanted to thank the following employees for their time at DMREMC. They are key to providing you with the best service possible.



GRANT HORTON
FEB. 1
4 YEARS



LOGAN WHEELOCK
FEB. 12
2 YEARS



FARAN LOCKENOUR
FEB. 22
5 YEARS

YOUTH PROGRAMS *deadlines*

INDIANA YOUTH TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

JUNE 14-21

Visit dmremc.com/Indiana-youth-tour to apply.

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Feb. 13

COOPERATIVE STUDENT ART CONTEST

Visit dmremc.com/calendar-art-contest to learn more about the contest.

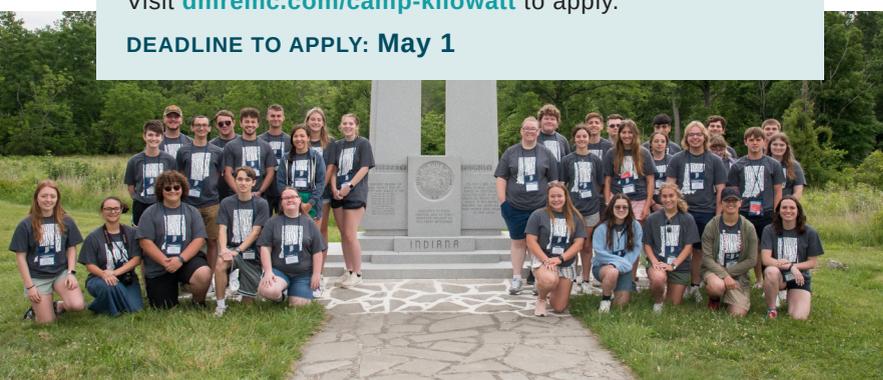
ART SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Feb. 27

CAMP KILOWATT

JULY 26-29

Visit dmremc.com/camp-kilowatt to apply.

DEADLINE TO APPLY: May 1



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.

DECEMBER WINNER:

Robert Stoll

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

1. If a member would like to run for a position on the Board of Directors, they should submit their petition of nomination, and supporting documents by Feb. ____.
2. The deadline to claim capital credits is Feb. ____.
3. Camp Kilowatt will be hosted July _____.

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.



FOURTH QUARTER Operation Round Up

Fourth Quarter grants for Operation Round Up were awarded in December. Thank you to all Daviess-Martin County REMC members who participate in Operation Round Up.

Borrowed Hearts Daviess County, Inc.

The Borrowed Hearts Daviess County was awarded \$2,500 to cover the costs of providing all foster children in the community new pairs of pajamas and other items the children may need.

From left, Secretary Debbie Bickley, Treasurer Susan Spaulding and Becca Cobb

Cougar Outdoors, Inc.

Cougar Outdoors, Inc was awarded \$1,500 to help cover the cost of archery equipment and entry fees when needed for tournaments. The program consists of archery, bass fishing, and trap shooting for North Daviess students.

From left, Crew Graber (front), President J.R. Crew (back), Jessie Bennett, DMREMC Benefits Specialist Kristen Padgett, Board Director Katelyn Steiner and Javen Nevies

Daviess County Family YMCA

The Daviess County Family YMCA was granted \$1,000 to provide

equipment and oxygen training certifications to employees so they are properly trained if a breathing emergency were to occur.

From left, YMCA Aquatic Director Jessika Henning, Kristen Padgett, and YMCA Aquatics Coordinator Tim Fox

Loogootee Lions Softball, Inc.

The Loogootee Lions Softball program received a \$1,000 grant to help cover the costs of installing new batting cages and turf to use for practice and games.

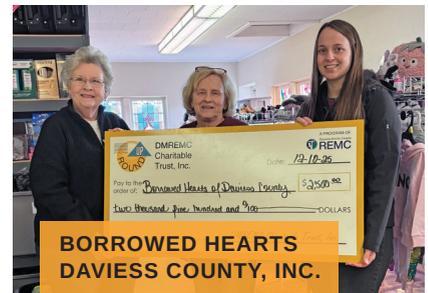
From left, back: Josh Thompson, athletic director, and Josh Franklin, head coach

Front: Kristen Padgett, Chloe Lawson, Kensington Leisure, Chloe Ramsey and Assistant Coach Taylor Wilcher

Shoals Post Prom

Shoals Post Prom received a \$500 grant to help cover the costs of entertainment, prizes, food, and more at the 2026 Post Prom.

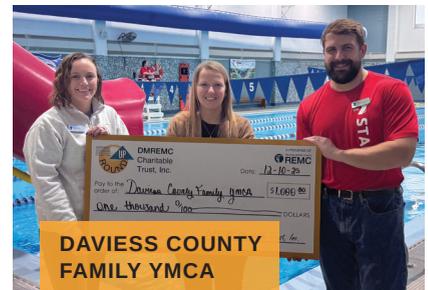
From left, Whitney Andis, Cindi Haulk, DMREMC Communications Specialist Becca Cobb and Leslie Bauer



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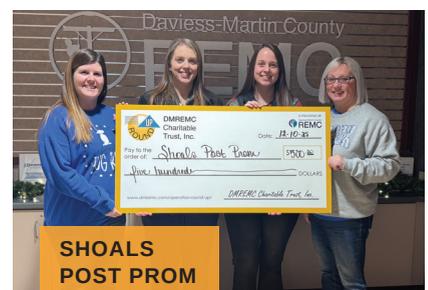
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FAMILY YMCA**



**LOGOOTEELIONS
SOFTBALL, INC.**



**SHOALS
POST PROM**