



Daviess-Martin County

REMC

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OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m.—4 p.m., Monday—Friday

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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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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, April 25, 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

INCLUDE ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN YOUR LANDSCAPING PLANS

Adding shade trees around your home can reduce surrounding air temperatures as much as 6 degrees. To block heat from the sun, plant deciduous trees around the south side of your home.

— ENERGY.GOV



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Working AROUND THE CLOCK

⚡ TO KEEP THE *power on* ⚡

LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY IS APRIL 10



Day in and day out, a lineworker's job demands a selfless attitude, a helpful heart and a

tremendous amount of courage. No matter the weather, the time of day or the challenges they face, lineworkers stay focused on ensuring that you have the power you need.

Monday, April 10, is Lineworker Appreciation Day, and I encourage you to take a moment to thank the brave men on Daviess-Martin County REMC's crews who risk their lives to keep the lights on for you.

As we celebrate Lineworker Appreciation Day, I thought I should share some interesting facts about electric lineworkers with you:

- Lineworkers are required to climb utility poles ranging anywhere from 30 to 120 feet tall, and the equipment that a lineworker carries while climbing those poles can weigh up to 50 pounds.
- According to the Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for

2021, being a lineworker is one of the top 10 most dangerous jobs in the United States.

- To become a journeyman lineworker, it takes 8,000 hours of on-the-job training and 676 hours of classwork. This takes about four years and averages out to 2,000 on-the-job hours and 144 classwork hours per year. At the end of their apprenticeship, linemen earn an associate degree. All this training is very important, because working with high-voltage equipment requires specialized skills, experience and mental toughness.

Despite the danger and the difficulties, Daviess-Martin County REMC's lineworkers remain committed to powering our community. Lineworkers are among the first people called upon during severe weather events, and they must leave at a moment's notice to help restore power. They won't return to their homes until the job is done.

Across the country, there are over 120,000 electric lineworkers, and here in southern Indiana, Daviess-Martin County REMC has 11 lineworkers who work to keep power flowing every day,

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all year long. To do this, they maintain 1,410 miles of power lines, overhead and underground, across three counties.

The next time you see a lineworker, please thank him or her for the hard work and dedication he or she shows to keep your power on, regardless of the time of day or the weather conditions.

RYAN DANT

Chief Executive Officer



National Work Zone Awareness Week is April 17-21. Be mindful of lineworkers on the job.

- Work zones are not limited to construction zones, they also include utility crews. These crews work along roadsides to build, repair and maintain the highway of electric power lines.
- When motorists see the orange diamond-shaped work zone warning signs and vehicles with flashing amber lights, they should slow down and prepare for the zone ahead.
- Indiana law requires motorists to approach cautiously and change lanes away from the emergency vehicles if they can do so safely. If not, they should reduce their speed to 10 mph under the posted speed limit and proceed with caution.



Spring is the perfect time to start on your yard work. Remember to call 811 anytime you plan on doing digging. Even if it is shallow digging, you never know where utility lines are and that can be a costly mistake.

HVAC rebate

Now is the time to perform your HVAC tune up! It is recommended to service your system twice a year, in the spring before it gets hot and the fall before it gets cold.

As a Daviess-Martin County REMC member, your tune up could qualify for a rebate of up to \$50.

Scan the QR code to learn more.



SCAN ME

**HAPPY
EASTER!**



**The office will be closed
April 7 for Good Friday.**

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.

FEBRUARY WINNER:

Darrell Doane from Mitchell, IN

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

1. It takes about ____ years for linemen to complete their apprenticeship.
2. Kids will be invited to watch a tabletop _____ demo.
3. Indiana law requires motorists to reduce their speed to ____ mph under the posted speed limit if they cannot change lanes when approaching emergency vehicles.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

ACCOUNT NO.:

PHONE NO.:

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CONGRATULATIONS!

The following employee is celebrating an anniversary at DMREMC this month. We thank him for his continued commitment to providing you with the best service possible.

LUKE EMBERTON

APRIL 11
12 YEARS



Alan Sims, left, and Dwain Jolliff after they returned from Kentucky.

CO-OP PRINCIPLE:

Cooperation among cooperatives

On March 3, strong storms ripped across southern Indiana and northern Kentucky, leaving many without power. Salt River Electric in Bardstown, Kentucky, experienced the brunt of it firsthand with just over 20,000 members out of power on the morning of March 4.

With this large of an outage, Salt River Electric called for help — and over 100 lineworkers jumped in to lend a

hand. Two of those workers were our very own Alan Sims and Dwain Jolliff.

The two left Martin County to head for Kentucky on the afternoon of March 6 and were gone for four days assisting in restoration efforts.

Daviess-Martin County REMC is proud of the commitment our linemen show to not only keeping the lights on for our local communities but also the entire cooperative family.

Reminder

JOIN US FOR OUR 2023 ANNUAL MEETING!

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, AT BARR-REEVE HIGH SCHOOL

REGISTRATION TO BEGIN AT 5:30 P.M. WITH THE MEETING STARTING AT 6:30 P.M.

We will have a guest speaker and large item prize drawings, including an Orca cooler, TVs, a Pit Boss grill, and more!

Bring the whole family! We will award the winners of our coloring contest and also draw for two kid's bikes. Kids will be invited to watch a tabletop live line demo, along with crafts hosted by Hoosier Energy.



PIT BOSS
GRILL

ORCA COOLER

