



Daviess-Martin County
REMC

dmremc.com

CONTACT US

Toll Free: 800-762-7362

OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Monday–Friday

STREET ADDRESS

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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.

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MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, Sept. 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: 1-888-222-0624

MISSION STATEMENT

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



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Modern farming often relies on data and equipment with GPS and auto-guidance systems. However, even with these modern conveniences, farm workers must remain vigilant. That’s because farming is considered one of the most dangerous jobs in the United States.

Massive machinery is indispensable to farming, but the same impressive size, height, and extensions make them particularly vulnerable to contacting power lines. That’s why staying alert, focused, and knowledgeable about potential hazards and safety procedures is crucial.

During a busy harvest season, the familiar sights around the farm can easily fade into the background, and farm workers can overlook the power lines overhead. However, failing to notice them can lead to deadly accidents.

360 AWARENESS

Awareness of your surroundings, around, above, and below, and planning safe equipment routes can significantly reduce the risk of accidents. Even with GPS and auto-steering, it’s imperative that farm workers keep a close eye on the equipment’s location and are ready to take action if necessary.

Exposed underground powerlines, defective wiring in farm buildings, and extension cords are also hazards. Grain bins can pose a potential danger as well. The National Electrical Safety Code requires power lines to be at least 18 feet above the highest point on any grain bin with which portable augers or other portable filling equipment are used. If you plan to install new grain bins or are concerned about power lines’ proximity to existing grain bins, contact Daviess-Martin County REMC.

SMART HARVEST SAFETY TIPS

To ensure a safer harvest season, **SafeElectricity.org** recommends the following tips to avoid electrical accidents on the farm:

- **Exercise caution near power lines.** Be careful when raising augers or the bed of grain trucks around power lines.
- **Use spotters when operating large machinery near power lines.** Ensure the spotters do not touch the machinery while it is moving near power lines.

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- **Lower equipment extensions, portable augers, or elevators before moving or transporting equipment.** Do not raise equipment, such as ladders, poles, or rods, into power lines. Remember that non-metallic materials like lumber, tree limbs, ropes, and hay can conduct electricity, especially when damp, dusty, or dirty.
- **Never attempt to raise or move power lines to clear a path.** Doing so could result in electric shock or death.
- **Avoid using metal poles inside bins.** Don't use metal poles to break up bridged grain inside or around bins.
- **Hire qualified electricians.** Ensure that qualified electricians handle work on drying equipment and other farm electrical systems.

While rare, the only reason to exit equipment that has come into contact with overhead lines is if the equipment is on fire. However, if it happens, jump off the equipment with your feet together and without touching the machinery and the ground at the same time. Then, still keeping your feet together, hop to safety as you leave the area.

RYAN DANT
Chief Executive
Officer



Mark your calendar

Join us at the Daviess-Martin County REMC office on Wednesday, Oct. 16, to help us celebrate 85 years of service at Member Appreciation Day!

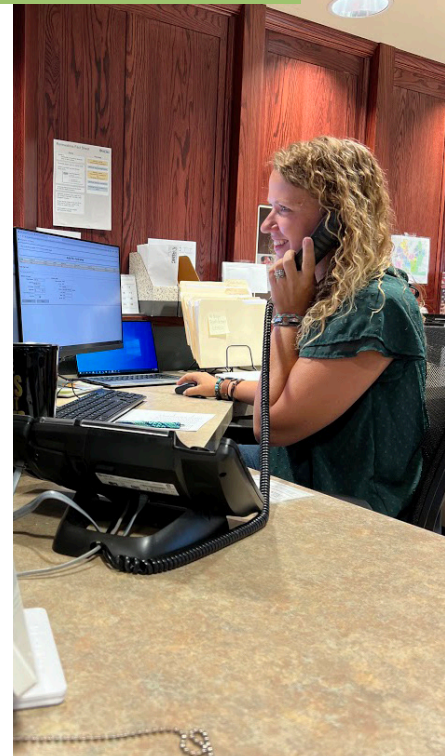


Membership updates

In the following months, we will update our membership cards to improve our communication with our members. To do so, we would like to make sure we have the correct contact information on file.

For your convenience, you will receive a Membership Application in the mail with your membership name and number. Please review the application, make any needed corrections, sign the bottom, and return it to us. Even if no corrections are needed, sign the bottom and send it back to us. We have included an envelope with prepaid postage for you to use to send the application back to us.

Each month, we will draw from those members who have returned their membership form for a \$50 bill credit.



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.

JUNE WINNER:

Nelson Knepp from Washington

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

1. The National Electrical Safety Code requires power lines to be at least ___ feet above the highest point on any grain bin with which portable augers or other portable filling equipment are used.
2. The Membership Application should be _____ and returned even if I have no corrections to my information.
3. The member survey helps us develop plans to provide _____ and efficient electric service.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ACCOUNT NO.: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

I would like to round my monthly bill up to the next whole dollar for Operation Round Up.

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARY

Jesse Swartzentruber is celebrating his first anniversary with Daviess-Martin County REMC. Thank you, Jessie, for your commitment to the members of Daviess-Martin County REMC.



JESSE SWARTZENTRUBER

SEPT. 18
1 YEAR

Welcome, Caleb!

Daviess-Martin County REMC would like to welcome Caleb Miller to the Daviess-Martin County REMC team as an apprentice lineman.



NEW TOLL-FREE NUMBER

Starting in November, our toll-free number will change to 855-951-3760. More information about this change and how to proceed will be made available in the coming month's magazine.



Power up your SAVINGS!

Make the most of 2024 electric rebates from DMREMC

Jump into a new year and take advantage of Daviess-Martin County REMC's 2024 electric rebates. Enjoy savings on electric outdoor equipment, water heaters, an upgrade for your HVAC unit or just some TLC for your HVAC system.



Visit dmremc.com/residential-rebates today learn how you can apply and save!

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Your electric cooperative listens.

Help us provide reliable service.

As a residential member-consumer, the better we understand you, the better we can serve you. That's why Daviess-Martin County REMC occasionally surveys our members to identify emerging trends in power usage.

With the help of SMARInsights, an independent research firm, we are conducting an online survey to identify the types of heating and cooling systems, electronic devices and appliances you use. This will help us develop plans to provide reliable and efficient electric service throughout our communities.

Participants in the survey will be entered for a **chance to win one of five \$100 Amazon e-gift cards.**



Scan this QR code with your smartphone or visit the link below to participate in the survey!

smarinsights.study/2024DMREMC

Please have your account number available before starting the survey.



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