

Applications being sought for Operation RoundUp funding

Several local organizations have received needed financial support thanks to the generosity of Northeastern REMC members who have rounded up their monthly electric bill to the nearest dollar in the co-op's Operation RoundUp program.

The goal of Operation RoundUp is to accumulate and distribute these donations to families, groups and organizations that are in financial need within our immediate area. Funds will be provided to meet the needs of applicants which aren't being met through other sources. Funding for political contributions and payment of utility bills will not be considered. Applications for funds are reviewed and distribution decisions are made by the Northeastern REMC Community Trust board of directors. This board is made up of

volunteers from throughout our service area.

Organizations wishing to be considered for Operation RoundUp assistance must submit an application and provide financial documentation. To meet the next deadline, all materials must be submitted by Friday, December 30, 2016. Applications are available at nremc.com.

If you would like to help your neighbors in need by rounding up your electric bill to the nearest dollar each month or if you have questions about this charitable program, please call our Member Services Department or visit our website at nremc.com. Signing up is very easy and is greatly appreciated by so many in our community!



And the winners were...



Congratulations to Robert and Darlene Kurtz (center)...the winners of two front row seats for the Scotty McCreery concert and backstage access to meet him after the show. We sincerely thank all members who have signed up for Operation RoundUp. The few cents you round up your electric bill with every month really do add up quickly to help local organizations in need right here in our immediate area. So far 66 groups have received funding from our ORU participants! Pictured with the Kurtz's are Bill Overdeer and Jill Western, ORU board trustees. Scotty McCreery joins the Kurtz's after his concert, below.



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INDIANA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

Do you know a student who wants to get more engaged in state government and learn more about makes Indiana tick? Make sure he/she knows about Indiana Electric Cooperative Page Day! Visit indianaec.org/?p=287 to learn more.

A NIGHT OF FUN FAMILY MEMORIES –



2016 Annual Meeting & Member Appreciation Night



Saturday, September 10, 2016



We look forward to seeing you again next year!

Three members elected to serve on NREMC board of directors

Two incumbents and one new director were elected to serve on Northeastern's board of directors at the cooperative's September 10 Annual Meeting and Member Appreciation Night.

Donald Dafforn, District 5, and Joe Kruyer, District 6, were reelected by members present to serve another term on the board. Dafforn has been a director for 30 years. Kruyer has served on the board for three years.

Northeastern's new director is Kevin Jordan, representing District 7. Jordan is the Vice President of Schrader Real Estate and Auction in Columbia City. Jordan fills the position previously held by 18 year board member Ted Hurley.



Dafforn



Kruyer



Jordan

Board officers named for 2016-17

In its first scheduled board meeting following the co-op's 2016 Annual Meeting and Member Appreciation Night, board members elected officers for the coming year. Elected were:

Board Chair – Doug Schrader

Vice Chair – Jane Scott Treasurer – Tom Western

Secretary – Marjorie Kennedy Babbitt



Electric cooperatives host student art contest, recognizing artistic talents of Hoosier youth

Indiana's electric cooperatives and their statewide magazine, Electric Consumer, invite Indiana K-12 students to enter the Cooperative Calendar of Student Art Contest.

A first-place artist will be selected for each grade, K-12, and will receive \$200. The artwork of each grade level winner will illustrate the cover and the 12 months of the calendar. Up to nine additional artists will earn honorable mention awards and receive \$50. These works will appear in a special section of the calendar.



Artwork will be judged on artistic merit, originality, creativity, and its suitability for a wall calendar. Indiana public, private, or home-schooled students in kindergarten through 12th grade during the 2016-2017 school year are eligible.

"We are proud to be a part of recognizing and showcasing the artistic talents of our youth," said Devra Garcia, Northeastern REMC's Communications Specialist, who coordinates the local competition each year. "We are especially excited that five of the biggest winners in the 2017 calendar are from our service area."

The 2018 wall calendar will be available at the offices of participating Indiana electric cooperatives in early autumn 2017.

A complete set of rules, instructions, required entry forms and additional contest information are available visiting ElectricConsumer.org/?p=5327. The entry deadline is March 24, 2017.

Why is my bill so high?

What can I do to eliminate these cold drafts?

Do I have enough insulation?

WHY ARE ONLY CERTAIN ROOMS STAYING WARM DURING THE WINTER?

Where am I losing heat?

My house is only a few years old - why am I using so much electricity?

All these questions, and any others you can think of, can be answered with a free in-home energy consultation by our energy advisor. We will help get you the answers that will save you money immediately!

We are not selling you anything and it won't take long at all. We will only offer suggestions on simple improvements you can make at your convenience.

Call us today to learn more and to schedule your visit before it gets too cold outside. We want you to be comfortable in your home this winter!

244-6111 or 625-3700, x 403

SPOTLIGHT

Offices closed...

Northeastern REMC will be closed Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, to observe the Thanksgiving holiday. Now and always, we hope you realize how very thankful we are for your support during the year. Phones will be answered for outages and emergencies only. You can access your account 24/7 on nremc.com or by using our SmartHub app.

Enjoy our videos!

NREMC now has a Video Library on our website! Find out all about GREEN SOLAR WATTS community solar program, free ENERGY CONSULTATIONS, member TESTIMONIALS and energy saving TIPS... all at nremc.com.

Discounts available to you

Are you using your Co-op Connections discount card? You can save \$\$ at over 250 local businesses! If you need a free card, just call us or go to nremc.com.

We sell propane!

If you use propane for home heating check-out the propane/Crossroads Energy page at nremc.com for our low guaranteed pricing.



Fall is in the air...

**and there's no better place
to spend an evening than
down on the farm!**

**Join us Wednesday,
October 26**

**POWER HOUR
6:30 pm**

- ❖ **Learn tips to stay comfortable in your home this winter and save money while doing it.**
- ❖ **Get free professional advice from local experts we support on topics including insulation and heat pump options for home comfort.**

Joseph Decuis

Come experience the beauty of Joseph Decuis Farm and enjoy their Chef's Signature Desserts, warm apple cider and a blazing fire!

- ❖ **6755 E. 900 S., Columbia City, IN**
- ❖ **Limited to the first 50 reservations - two adults per household maximum allowed. First-time "Power Hour" attendees given priority.**

RESERVATIONS must be made by calling Energy Advisor Jeanne Hasty - 625-3700/244-6111, ext. 403, no later than Monday, October 24.

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Join us for
POWER HOUR
at

Joseph Decuis Farm

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Questions? E-mail memberservices@nremc.com

Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

260-244-6111 (Columbia City) or 260-625-3700 (Fort Wayne).

Line Locating: Please call 811 at least 2 full business days prior to digging.