



## Thompson Square to headline 2017 Member Appreciation Night

Northeastern REMC is very excited to welcome Thompson Square to perform in concert for members during this year's Member Appreciation Night and Annual Meeting on Saturday, August 26.

The duo of Keifer and Shawna Thompson are a force to be reckoned with in the modern day Country music landscape. International Country music stars, Thompson Square has topped the radio charts across the United States, Canada and Australia with their #1 hits "Are You Gonna Kiss Me or Not," "If I Didn't Have You" and "Everything I Shouldn't Be Thinking About," respectively.

This married couple has been honored as both the Academy of Country Music (ACM) and Country Music Association's (CMA) "Vocal Duo of the Year." They actually received that honor twice by the ACM! In all, Thompson Square has scored three #1 hits, five Top 15 hits, seven mainstream industry awards, over 30

award nominations and have appeared in major media including The Tonight Show, Jimmy Kimmel Live, Conan and CBS This Morning to Elle, Glamour, The Huffington Post, People Magazine, Rolling Stone, USA Today, USA Weekend and many more.

Be sure to follow Northeastern's Facebook page for Thompson Square videos and performance updates. Your Member Appreciation Night/Annual Meeting reservation cards will be included in our annual report, mailed in late July. Reserved seats will be assigned to you as completed cards are received in our office.



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## ***Parents take note:* Fun changes made to children's program**

As Northeastern's Member Appreciation Night and Annual Meeting approaches, parents need to be aware of changes made to this year's children's program. In place of the children's program of years past, the children's program will now become part of our exhibit area in the Coliseum's Expo Center. This new family-friendly area will offer face painting, caricatures, Louie the Lightning Bug, safety presentations, and gifts for children four years old or older accompanied by their parents.

The children's area will close at the start of the 7 p.m. meeting at which time we will ask that parents and children be seated to enjoy the meeting.

When submitting your reservation for the evening, you will be asked to provide the total number attending from your immediate family since all children will require their own seating. Reservation cards will be mailed in late July.

## **Resignation creates fourth spot in upcoming board election**

Due to the recent resignation of District 7 director Kevin Jordan, four directors will be elected during this year's Member Appreciation Night and Annual Meeting.

Members residing within District 7 were mailed a notice and candidate solicitation form last month. The nominating committee will review the qualifications of all respondents and announce the candidate(s) selected to run for the District 7 position along with those chosen in Districts 1, 8 and 9. Members attending our August 26 meeting will have the opportunity to vote for candidates in all four districts.

Photographs and profiles of all board candidates will be featured in the July/August Light Post.



## **Proudly sponsoring Honor Flight NE IN**

The above photograph honors the participants of HFNEI Flight #23, April 26, 2017.

For more information on the Honor Flight program, trip schedules, veteran applications or to make a donation to help fund a veteran, visit [www.hfnei.org](http://www.hfnei.org)



# Members learn how to teach an old house new tricks



Technology is not scary or very expensive. But it really can make your life a whole lot easier and safer.

That was the message conveyed to approximately 70 Northeastern REMC members during our Power Hour meeting May 16. Special thanks to Curt Shelburne of Audio Video Systems for sharing information on the latest trends in "smart home" technology, including programmable lighting, security, visual and audio systems and in-home surveillance. Members were told how simple and cost effective technology has become

in recent years. "You can put in a simple system to turn on a couple lights, or you can control everything in your house. And it's all done using one controller or your cell phone," he shared.

Power Hour was hosted by Sweetwater, one of NREMC's valued business members. Members enjoyed a tour of their headquarters on U.S. 30 following the meeting. Sweetwater joins NREMC in thanking everyone who attended.

## Seeing a 919 area code? Please pick-up the phone



**If you see an incoming phone call from area code 919 it might just be us.**

**Northeastern REMC has secured the services of Touchstone Energy Services to make member satisfaction survey phone calls on our behalf. Those phone calls are being made from the Raleigh, North Carolina, area. So if you notice a call from area code 919 we would sincerely appreciate it if you were to accept the call and let the caller know how we have been performing as your energy provider. Your responses are all reviewed by management and shared with employees. They help shape our goals and projects, and provide us with ideas on how to better serve you, our valued members.**

# Your bill just got a makeover!

Next time you look at your monthly bill from Northeastern REMC you might notice a few subtle changes. We've added bright colors to highlight important messages and line items. And there's a new personal usage graph showing your monthly kilowatt-hour use for the current and most recent 12 months. More "white space" creates a less cluttered look and expanded explanations appear on the back side of the bill.

**Account Number:** 100  
**Statement Date:** 05/03/2017  
**Due Date:** 05/28/2017

**Billing Summary**

Balance From Last Billing	95.48
Late Charge	2.89
No Payment Received	0.00
Unpaid Balance	98.37
Current Charges	102.24
<b>Amount Due By 05/28/2017</b>	<b>\$200.61</b>
<b>Amount Due After 05/28/2017</b>	<b>\$203.69</b>

**Service Details**  
 Service Address: 1122 Boogie Woogie Ave  
 Rate: 011 Active

**kWh Used**

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# Whitko High School students dominate state art contest

Whitko High School art students continued a long-standing tradition by winning multiple awards in the Indiana Electric Cooperatives' annual Cooperative Calendar of Student Art contest. Winning entries will be displayed throughout the 2018 calendar. Northeastern REMC is proud to be the most represented REMC in the upcoming calendar.

Two Whitko students were among the 12 selected to be featured as monthly artwork. Artwork by 10th grader Sidney Overmeyer and 12th grader Maddy Foutz will appear at the top of the page on the month corresponding to their year in school. Each student receives a \$200 award for producing their winning entry. Honorable mention was awarded to 9th grader Ella Danner and junior Kyle Herr. Both students receive a \$50 prize for their entries and will have their art featured in the calendar as well.

Awards of Merit were awarded to 29 Whitko students. An Award of Merit means the work of these students were successful in making it through the first round of judging, representing the top 25 in their age divisions.

Nearly 2,729 pieces of art from all over Indiana were entered in this year's competition. With one exception, Whitko High School has had at least one top winner every year since 2001. Congratulations to Whitko art teacher Daniel Malicki for inspiring his students to express their creativity and imagination through art.

The 2018 calendar will be available for free this Fall at the REMC's office and select locations throughout the county. Giveaway will be announced in a future Light Post and on Facebook.



Last fall Northeastern REMC employees took on a very special project and helped rejuvenate the community ballpark in Larwill. New lights were installed, a lot of painting was done, trees were trimmed, fences fixed and playground equipment was replaced. We were all so proud to give back to our community and to the families and players who spend so much time together there. And as a surprise to us, the field was renamed Northeastern REMC Field.

The lights were recently on for the first time for a game. The following are two very special comments we received that night. We are so happy that the park will continue to be enjoyed for many more years!

***"Our first game under the lights at Northeastern REMC Field in Larwill! Huge shout out to Northeastern REMC for taking our little ballpark on as their project. Thank you to our coaches and community members for donations of equipment and man hours to make this happen. Our boys are so proud of their home field!"***

***"As a papaw to two of the boys who call this their home field, I say thank you to REMC for going the extra mile to install the new poles and lights for their ballpark! Blessings to each and every one of you who contributed to this endeavor!"***



## Changes to annual meeting



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## Art contest winners announced



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# LIGHTPOST

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