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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

Nov. 3 5:30 p.m. EST
Dec. 2 5:30 p.m. EST

The first 30 minutes of each meeting are devoted to hearing any comments or concerns from REMC members. The agenda of the meeting is available for review by contacting the REMC office four days before a regularly scheduled meeting. Members who want to voice comments regarding any item on the agenda or any other utility matter are encouraged to attend this meeting.

CLARK COUNTY REMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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HOW DOES THE WEATHER AFFECT MY ELECTRIC BILL?

To portray an accurate picture of how the temperature relates to our comfort level, the National Weather Service uses "degree days" to define the margin between the actual temperature and a baseline of 65, which would be considered comfortable with no heating or cooling devices needed.

DEGREE DAYS FOR SEPTEMBER:

2013	2014	Normal (base of 65)
243	221	225

This comparison shows that September 2014 had 22 fewer degree days than September 2013 and 4 fewer degree days than the National Weather Service defined as "normal" weather conditions.

POWER COST ADJUSTMENT

The PCA represents an additional charge per kWh for power purchased from Hoosier Energy not included in the base retail rates of Clark County REMC. The amount will change monthly.

The power cost adjustment is printed on your monthly bill. The PCA effective for November billing cycles is \$.004119/kWh or \$.412 per 1,000 kWhs.

Let's all give thanks for what we have – family, friends and fellowship



DAVID A. VINCE

WHERE HAS THIS year gone? I can't remember time flying by this fast before. I really want to stop and take a few moments to show my gratitude for my loving family and for our family here at the REMC.

This group of dedicated professionals has accomplished so much this year, and I am fortunate to work with them. They were instrumental in putting together our 75th anniversary bash, and they continue to amaze me every day with their level of commitment and care for our members.

I hope you were able to join us for our 75th anniversary celebration on Oct. 4.

The weather was a bit cool, but the rain stayed away for us. The classic car show was phenomenal, and make sure to look inside this issue for photos of the winners in the three categories, as well as shots of a variety of other activities. The time and attention to detail that these car buffs put into their vehicles is just amazing!

All the kiddos and parents seemed to enjoy the pumpkin decorating area we had set up near the shelter house, and I saw some very clever creations. A special thank you to the 4-H group that helped us serve brats and hot dogs and to the art teacher from Henryville who so patiently painted special designs on all of the little faces (and some big faces). Everyone enjoyed the vendors who brought produce and baked goodies, too! It was a proud day for Clark County REMC. Thanks to all.

Give a little and help a lot

Unfortunately, there are families struggling financially in our community who could really use a helping hand this holiday season. We appreciate the fact that our members are always ready to donate to those in need, whether it's food, clothing or school supplies. Please bring in six canned food items for our drive, and in

exchange you will receive one set of 12 CFLs or a set of 75th anniversary commemorative coasters. The first delivery of items went to Hope Southern Indiana for its food pantry and for an after-school Snack Attack program. We'll be distributing items throughout our communities.

Another way to help those less fortunate is with our glove, mitten and scarf tree. This has been a tradition with the REMC for years, and we are always touched by the hundreds of items we have received to warm the hands and hearts of adults and children in our service area. Please donate these basic necessities for the winter if you can. We'll be accepting items through Friday, Dec. 12.

Thanks to our veterans

Please join your REMC in thanking all of our veterans for their military service on Tuesday, Nov. 11. We want to take time to honor the men and women who have made so many sacrifices and outstanding contributions to protect our nation for generations.

Happy Thanksgiving

Let me wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and happy holiday. When it comes right down to it, your family and your health are the most important things in life. The number of material things you own doesn't make a bit of difference in the long run. Ever since my heart bypass surgery, I've tried to simplify my life. Thanks to my beautiful wife and three children, I've learned to slow down and appreciate the little things. I try not to take anything for granted and be mindful of the wonderful things I have.

Our offices will be closed on Nov. 27 and Nov. 28 so that our employees and directors can spend time with loved ones. Happy Thanksgiving!

DAVID A. VINCE is general manager of Clark County REMC.



Hundreds of members enjoyed the festivities at our 75th anniversary event



REMC General Manager David Vince, right, selected Tom Obermeyer's 1931 Model A as the best classic car.



Kids at the event chose Larry Olinick's 1939 Plymouth Coupe as the winner.



Bob Grangier's 1958 Chevy Impala won with adult voters.

Your REMC has been a part of this community for 75 years, and we celebrated the anniversary with members on Oct. 4! In spite of the cool, breezy weather we had a large crowd on hand at the REMC headquarters to check out the wide variety of classic cars at the Cruise-In car show. Our general manager, David Vince, voted for his favorite car, and members and kids also had the chance to weigh in on the best car. Hundreds of kids enjoyed the chance to get creative with pumpkin decorating and REMC linemen put on an entertaining and informative safety demonstration. Thanks to everyone who participated. We look forward to serving you for many more years!



Kids and parents had a great time selecting and decorating pumpkins.



A perfect example of the bounty of farm fresh vegetables available that day.

Exchange six canned food items for CFLs or commemorative coasters

Clark County REMC members can pick up their free 23 watt compact fluorescent light bulbs or 75th anniversary coasters at the REMC office during the months of October, November and December in exchange for six canned food items. If that's not possible, we understand and will still provide the free CFLs or coasters. The canned food items will be distributed to area food pantries.

Please understand that each member will receive one set of 12 CFLs or one coaster set regardless of the number of accounts with the REMC.



Commemorative set of stone coasters



Set of 12 CFLs

Offer good while supplies last.



Warm Hands, Warm Hearts

The tradition continues this year with the glove/mitten/scarf tree! Thanks to you and our employees and directors, hundreds of pairs of gloves, as well as scarves and socks, have been donated to agencies working with families in need in our service area. Please make a contribution this year to warm the hands and heart of a child or adult who doesn't have the means to buy the basics for this winter.

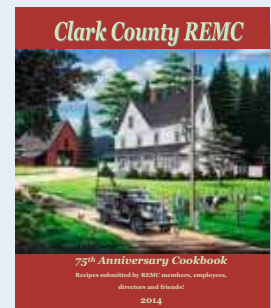
We are accepting donations now through Friday, Dec. 12.

Thank you for making the season a little warmer for those in need!

75th anniversary cookbook available now for holiday gift!

The 75th anniversary cookbook is now available for purchase in the REMC office.

This edition features a fantastic selection of recipes submitted by REMC members, employees and directors.



Please stop by and pick up a copy or two – one for yourself and one for a gift! Cookbooks are \$10 each.

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New director nomination procedure

BECAUSE OF THE difficulty in recruiting candidates, the cost of committee meetings, and the ease by which interested persons can be nominated by petition, Section 4.06 of the co-op bylaws has been amended to eliminate the requirement to annually convene a Committee on Nominations. Beginning with the 2015 election, any eligible person who wishes to run for the board of directors (including an incumbent director) must be nominated by way of a written petition signed by a minimum of 15 members. We wish to thank all of our members who have served us well on past nominating committees.

In order to prevent against candidates being nominated by people who are not on the co-op's electric lines, the petition may only be signed by members. This means only persons whose names appear on the account are eligible to sign a nominating petition, with two exceptions: (1) In cases of joint memberships where

the name of one spouse appears on the account, either spouse can sign. If both spouses sign, their names count as one signature only. (2) In cases where an organization is a member (business, corporation, association, church, etc.) only one authorized person from the organization can sign and there has to be proof that the person signing is authorized by the organization to sign.

The new bylaw specifies that the petition must include the name and district number of the member being nominated on each page. The members signing the petition must affix their signatures in ink and must provide their printed name, their address, and their telephone number. A sample petition form is available upon request. A copy of the new Bylaw is available upon request.

Any member interested in running for the Board is encouraged to contact David A. Vince or Cindy Hockensmith at 812-246-3316 for more information.

Petition to Nominate	
Clark County REMC Board of Directors	
<small>Pursuant to Article IV, Section 4.06 of the Clark County REMC Bylaws, a minimum of fifteen (15) members of the Cooperative may nominate director candidates by petition. Each such petition must be turned into the Cooperative Headquarters during regular business hours at least 90 days before the annual meeting. The Cooperative must verify the authenticity and validity of each signature before the nomination is valid. Only members may sign the petition. <u>It is recommended that petitions should bear more than 15 signatures in case all signatures secured cannot be verified.</u></small>	
On authority of the Bylaw provision set forth above, each of the undersigned REMC members do hereby nominate the person whose name, address and district are listed below to be a candidate for Director of the Clark County REMC.	
MEMBER Being Nominated: _____	
Nominated Member's Address: _____	
Nominated in District # _____	
Signature _____	Printed Name _____
Full Address _____	
Full Address _____	Phone Number _____
Signature _____	Printed Name _____
Full Address _____	
Full Address _____	Phone Number _____
Signature _____	Printed Name _____
Full Address _____	
Full Address _____	Phone Number _____

How renters can fight the winter chill

ACCORDING TO THE U.S. Census Bureau, 33 percent of Americans lease their homes. Unfortunately, many lease agreements forbid major alterations to rental properties. But don't worry, renters! Consider using these low-cost, energy-efficient tips to improve the efficiency of your home this winter.



shower? If so, it's likely that your water heater is set too high – which is a waste of energy. Older models of water tanks are often not insulated, which can be easily remedied by covering them with an insulating jacket.

Bright ideas

Lighting is one of the easiest places to start saving energy, and savings are not strictly limited to winter months. Try replacing a few of your most frequently used light bulbs with ENERGY STAR-qualified lights, and save more than \$65 a year in energy costs. ENERGY STAR-qualified compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) use 75 percent less energy and last several times longer than incandescent light bulbs, saving money on energy bills and replacement costs. Practicing energy-efficient habits is another great way to reduce energy use. Always turn off your lights when leaving a room.

Hot savings

Heating the home typically makes up about 48 percent of your utility bill. Set your thermostat as low as is comfortable in the winter – **Energy.gov** recommends 68 degrees Fahrenheit to boost energy efficiency.

During the winter months, take advantage of heat from sunlight. Open draperies and shades during the day to allow natural light to heat your home. Remember to close them in the evenings as the temperature drops and windowpanes become chilly.

Does your home have window air conditioning units? This winter, remember to insulate the units from the outside with a tight-fitting cover, available at your local home improvement center or hardware store. This keeps heated air from escaping outside. If desired, you can remove the window unit during winter months to prevent energy loss.

Another way to save on heating is to make sure your water heater is set at the lowest comfortable setting. Have you experienced scalding hot water when taking a

Other ways to save

Leasing an older home or apartment? Odds are you have single-pane windows and old or missing caulk. Don't let the winter chill seep indoors! Apply caulk around window frames, sashes and door panels to combat air leaks. Also, be mindful when using electronics at home. Unplug devices when not in use, and use smart power strips to save on energy use. To learn more ways to be energy efficient around the home, visit **theremc.com** or **energy.gov**.

As a Clark County REMC member, YOU get the credit...

WHEN YOU SIGNED up to receive electric service from Clark County REMC, you became a member of an electric cooperative. One of the many special features of an electric co-op is that any revenue left over at the end of the year, after operating costs are paid, is returned to our members in the form of capital credits. These credits are allocated annually and then refunded depending on the financial health of your REMC. The amount of each allocation and retirement is based on how much electricity individual members used during that period.

This year, our board of directors will refund approximately \$375,000 to those who were members of the REMC in 1989 through 1990. Refund checks are anticipated to be mailed in December 2014.



Warm up your house with an REMC electric fireplace

Electric fireplaces from the REMC provide a realistic, soothing fire effect, and you can have one any place you have an electrical outlet.

For more information, visit our website at **www.theremc.com** and click on the "Products for Sale" tab.