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OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday
Closed Saturday, Sunday and major holidays

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Manager of Marketing and Customer Relations:
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Manager of Energy Services:
Darla Truelove

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District 1 Jack Knust
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District 4 David L. Stone
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District 6 Ronald E. Thompson
District 7 Treasurer Bill Watkins
District 8 Jack Benham

SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS

To report service interruptions, call:
812-384-4446 or 800-489-7362
(day or night)

Please have your location number ready when reporting outages.

Routine questions answered during regular business hours.

OUR MISSION...

"To provide our members with electricity and quality, efficient services, while maintaining a financially healthy and rate competitive position in the industry through teamwork, mutual respect and an on-going commitment to our members."

NOTE:

UDWI REMC will be closed on Sept. 5 for Labor Day.

CEO'S COMMENTS

Celebrating the success of UDWI's scholarship program

In 2001, the UDWI Scholarship Program was created. Since its formation a decade ago, the program has distributed scholarships to around 90 local students.

When the REMC directors adopted the program, they envisioned long-term support of education with the hope that one day these bright, successful young people would look to our area and even to the cooperative itself for employment. The REMC now employs two former UDWI scholarship recipients.

It has been our honor to continue our scholarship program as a means of helping our local young people achieve their educational goals. This program is a direct extension of two of the seven cooperative principles by which UDWI REMC operates.

First, cooperatives are committed to providing education and training for their members, elected representatives, managers and employees so that they can contribute effectively to the development of their cooperatives.

Secondly, cooperatives actively demonstrate concern for community. While the REMC's primary focus is providing electricity to its members, we also work for the sustainable development of our communities. It is our desire



Brian Sparks
UDWI REMC CEO

to help make the communities we serve strong and viable places in which our young people can live and grow.

On July 25, the 2011 UDWI scholarship recipients and their families were invited to the REMC for an evening of fun, fellowship and to celebrate the students' successes. Turn to page 8GG for more information about our fun evening.

UDWI also supports education through other youth programs:
1. Give Us an "A:" Students receive a U.S. savings bond if their names are drawn when they send in a copy of their report cards containing at least one "A."

2. Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.: Young people completing their junior year of high school travel with other Indiana delegates to Washington, D.C., where they learn about cooperatives, visit congressional representatives and meet other youth from around the country.

3. Touchstone Energy Camp: Local young people learn about cooperatives and electricity and embark on new adventures at Camp Tecumseh near Brookston, Ind.

If you have questions about any of these programs, please call our office. We would be happy to talk with you.

UDWI REMC supports local events



UDWI REMC director Jack Knust, right, mans the co-op's fair booth. Visitors at the Greene County and Clay City fairs could pick up CFLs and other giveaways from the REMC as well as receive information and have questions answered by co-op directors and employees.



REMC employee Jack Norris drove a truck at both the Linton Freedom Festival and Clay City parades. Participating in the local parades gives the REMC a chance to connect with the communities we serve.

Annual reception honors local scholars

UDWI REMC supports its communities by promoting the education of our local students. One of the ways the cooperative promotes education is through the UDWI REMC Scholarship Program. A five hundred dollar scholarship is

awarded annually in each of the director districts to selected applicants.

This year's recipients were recently honored at a reception.

For more information about the scholarship program, please call the REMC office at 812-384-4446 or 800-489-7362.



District 1 director Jack Knust with scholarship winner Miranda Ingram.



Scholarship winner Keith Milhoan poses with Board President and District 2 director James Weimer.



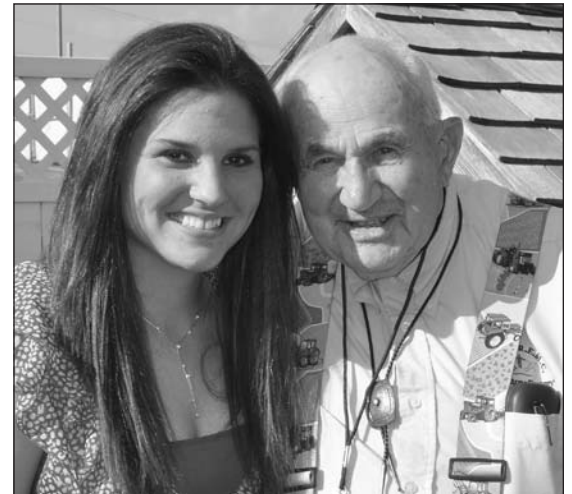
Christina Flick, mother of scholarship winner Joshua Flick, accepted his award from District 3 director James Jackson.



Morgan Smiley, scholarship winner from District 4, with director David Stone.



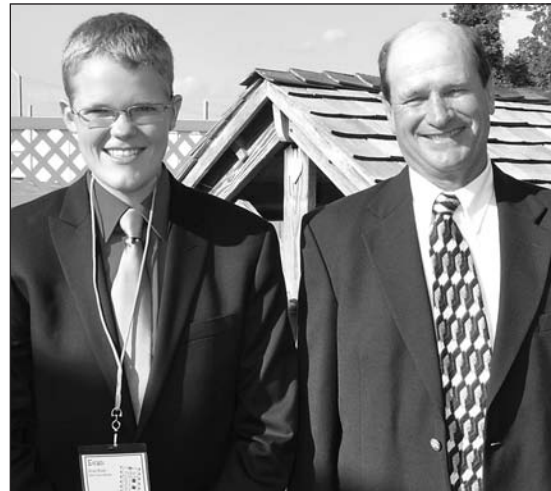
Board President James Weimer congratulates District 7 scholarship recipient Melissa Machado.



District 8 scholarship winner Ariel Fuller poses with director Jack Benham.



Scholarship winners gather for a group photo.



Roger Davis Memorial Scholarship winner Evan Rush with District 5 director Roger Shake.



District 6 director Ron Thompson congratulates Roger Davis Memorial Scholarship winner Jacqueline Moore.

NOTE: There were no scholarship winners this year from District 5 and District 6.

Congratulations to each of our UDWI Scholarship winners! May you have a bright future!

REMC supports academy's groundbreaking ceremony

On Wednesday, July 27, UDWI REMC CEO Brian Sparks and Board President James Weimer were in attendance at the groundbreaking ceremony for the West Gate Academy Conference and Training Center, along with other representatives from UDWI REMC.

The ceremony was the result of the collaboration of numerous organizations dedicated to the center becoming a reality. The center will serve as an integral part of the West Gate Technical Park, the first multi-county technology park.

As a board member of the Greene County Economic Development Corporation, UDWI CEO Brian Sparks has been involved with the Tech Park since its early days.

"The Tech Park offers so much to the people of our community. We are fortunate to be a part of history being made here. Now we can have a training center that will serve as a magnet for our local, skilled workforce, as well as workers from long distances. It is an exciting development, one of which we can all be proud," said Sparks.



July 'Give us an 'A'' winners announced

\$100 bond
Del Carter
 Bloomfield Junior-Senior High School

\$50 recipients
Sean Sindors
 Clay City Junior-Senior High School

Brandon Young
 Patricksburg Elementary

Lia Ragle
 Lyons Elementary

Keith Milhoan
 Eastern Greene High School

See picture at left: Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels, center, along with UDWI REMC CEO Brian Sparks, far right, and Board President James Weimer attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the West Gate Academy Conference and Training Center on Aug. 24.

Get schooled on being safe on campus

College students have settled into dorms and apartments with study lamps, laptops, TVs, stereos, grooming and other electrical devices. In addition to their academic studies, college students should be educated on safe appliance use and precautions against electrical hazards on campus.

The National Fire Protection Association estimates that nearly 1,600 fires occur in campus housing each year. Overloaded circuits are the second leading cause of these campus fires. The limited number of electrical outlets in student rooms tempt many to use multiple extension cords and power strips, which can cause cords to overheat, creating a shock and fire hazard. Student residences crammed with books, papers and bedding can allow the smallest spark to quickly become a blaze.

Safety steps to prevent and reduce the risk of electrical fires and accidents in student housing include:

- Purchase and use only UL-rated electrical appliances and power cords.
- Do not overload extension cords, power strips or outlets.
- Never use extension cords on a continuous basis. They are meant to be only temporary solutions.
- Use power strips with an over-current

protector that will shut off power automatically if there is too much current being drawn.

- Never tack or nail an electrical cord to any surface or run cords across traffic paths, under rugs or furniture.
- Use light bulbs with the correct wattage for lamps. If no indication is on the product, do not use a bulb with more than 60 watts.
- Keep all electrical appliances and cords safely away from bedding, curtains and other flammable material.
- Make sure outlets around sinks are GFCI-equipped before use.
- Unplug small household appliances when not in use and all electronics when away for extended periods.

Older wiring in student housing and apartments may not be able to handle the increased electrical demand of today's college student. If use of an appliance frequently causes power to trip off, or if its power cord or the outlet feels hot, the appliance should be disconnected immediately and the condition reported to the landlord or campus housing staff.

A fire escape plan is essential for every student.



Does your college-age student know how to prevent electrical accidents while on campus?

It is important that apartment and dorm residents know evacuation procedures and emergency exit locations in the event of a fire. Emphasize to students that smoke detectors should never be disabled, nor should fire alarms ever be ignored or taken casually as a drill. If a fire alarm sounds, residents should calmly and quickly follow practiced procedures and immediately exit the building. Apartment and dorm doors should be closed behind to prevent fire spread.

CO-OP NOTES

Rate schedule

Schedule "R" – residential service

Rate Schedule (as of April 1)

Consumer charge.....\$32 per month

June, July, Aug.\$0.12 per kWh

Dec., Jan., Feb.\$0.11 per kWh

March, April, May, Sept., Oct., Nov.

.....\$0.08769 per kWh

The above rates are subject to a Purchased Power Cost Adjustment Tracking Factor, in accordance with the order of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, approved Dec. 17, 1976, in Cause No. 34614, and fuel adjustment clause.

Budget billing

Our BUDGET BILLING PLAN allows you to budget your payments over the course of the year to improve your financial planning. With our BUDGET BILLING PLAN, you know each month exactly how much your electric bill is going to be.

The monthly billing amount is determined by averaging the kilowatt-hours used for the previous 12 months, and the payment is figured using the current rates. The member agrees to pay the budgeted amount each month for 11 months. However, actual use is recorded on each month's billing statement to allow the member to track his or her use throughout the year. In the 12th month, the member either pays the difference in what was actually used, or receives a refund if there is an overpayment.

The BUDGET BILLING PLAN is offered to members who have had electric service with the co-op for at least one year.

Applications for BUDGET BILLING are available throughout the year; however, members can only join the program from April 1 through Sept. 15. June is the first billing month of the program, with May being the 12th, or settlement, month.

For more information about UDWI's BUDGET BILLING PLAN call 384-4446 or 800-489-7362.

Payment options:



We accept Mastercard, Visa, Discover, and American Express credit and debit cards for payment.

Pay your electric bill online with just the click of the mouse. 1. Go to www.udwiremc.com 2. Click a) Log in or b) create a new account **Be sure to provide a valid e-mail address 3. Go to the Pay Your Bill option. (The amount of your bill will be displayed). 4. You will be asked to provide your credit card information—including expiration date. 5. Click on the Submit button. 6. You will receive an e-mail confirmation (to the address you provided) once your payment is processed.

If you are interested in paying your electric bill online, please call 812-384-4446 or 800-489-7362 to verify your password before logging on.



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A WORD OF THANKS

Dear REMC,

Thank you for accepting me to Touchstone Energy Camp. It was the best time of my life. I learned a lot. I made friends and I liked the counselors. Everything was great!

Sincerely,
Thomas Robbins

WORK ANNIVERSARIES



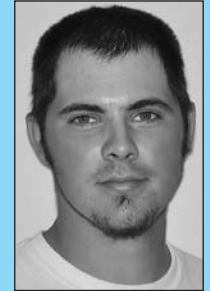
Diane Campbell
Sept. 6
17 years



Dennis Cullison
Sept. 9
1 year



Ross Egenolf
Sept. 21
2 years



Kolby Hutton
Sept. 8
1 year



Kim New
Sept. 8
3 years



Jack Norris
Sept. 17
31 years



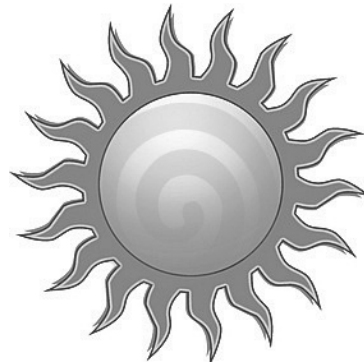
Darla Truelove
Sept. 8
2 years



Tyler Singleton
Sept. 7
1 year

Have you received outstanding service from an employee at UDWI REMC? If so, let us know. Your comment could determine our next *Employee of the Month*. Send a note to: UDWI REMC, c/o CEO Brian L. Sparks, P.O. Box 427, Bloomfield, IN 47424 or via e-mail at remc@udwiremc.com.

Use less energy and SAVE!



Heat from sunlight coming through windows and hitting the roof can increase air conditioner use significantly.

Use shade trees and shrubs in landscaping design to reduce cooling costs. They block heat in the summer, but let it through in the winter with deciduous trees, which will lose their leaves in the winter.