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ENERGY-SAVING *Tip*

Cooler weather is here! With proper equipment maintenance and upgrades like additional insulation and air sealing, you can save about 30% on your energy bill. — ENERGY.GOV

Community focused



When you think of October, pumpkins, Halloween and beautiful fall foliage naturally come to mind. But October is notable for another reason – it's National Co-op Month.

This is the time of year when cooperatives across the country, including Noble REMC, celebrate who we are and more importantly, the members we serve and the community we belong to.

Cooperatives are different than other types of businesses. When the market declines to offer a product or service, or does so at a very high price, co-ops often intervene to fill the need.

Similar to how Noble REMC was built by members who came together to bring electricity to our community, cooperatives are conveners for the common good.

Your electric co-op exists to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy to you, the members of the co-op. Equally important is our mission to enrich the lives of the members we serve.

As a co-op, we are well-suited to meet the needs of the community because we are a part of it. Noble REMC's leadership team and employees live in the local area. Our board of directors, who helps set long-term priorities for the co-op, lives locally on co-op lines. These board members have been elected to the position by neighbors like you.

We know our members (that's you!) have

a valuable perspective. That's why we are continually seeking your input. Whether through community events, our social media channels or the annual meeting, we want to hear from you.

Our close connection to the community ensures we get a first-hand perspective on local priorities, thereby enabling us to make more informed decisions on long-term investments, such as our Co-op Solar program and equipment and technology upgrades.

Another feature that sets our co-op apart from a traditional utility is one of our core principles: Concern for Community.

Ultimately, the larger community benefits from programs, such as Operation Round Up, EnviroWatts and youth scholarships and trips, because of you and your neighbors. You empower the co-op through your membership and through your participation and support of these programs.

We hope you will think of Noble REMC as more than your energy provider, but instead as a local business that supports this community and powers economic development and quality of life for area residents.

We will continue to learn from our members about their priorities so that we can better serve you – because your electric co-op was built by the community, for the community.

RON RAYPOLE
President/CEO

YOUR ELECTRIC CO-OP WAS BUILT BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY



Noble REMC CEO Ron Raypole, Journeyman Lineman Mike McCray and Manager of Engineering and Construction Doug Dickmeyer paint columns at Augusta Hills Learning, Recreation and Community Center's clubhouse.



Serving our community

A usually quiet and remote property west of Albion was buzzing with activity recently when Noble REMC employees grabbed their paint brushes, gloves and bucket trucks to help bring a community center to life.

Noble REMC celebrated National Co-op Month early in order to help renovate the newly established Augusta Hills Learning, Recreation and Community Center as part of its annual Cooperative Community Day outreach.

The community center recently gained momentum in its aim to open as early as this fall, and Noble REMC saw an opportunity to help boost the organization and reach its goal by volunteering labor to install new ceiling tiles, hanging doors, trimming trees and repainting the clubhouse and barn, inside and out.

The work that was done throughout the day will help the center begin offering all-ages activities, including recreational opportunities, special interest classes and community events, to improve residents' quality of life.

National Co-op Month is celebrated annually in October, but the electric cooperative didn't want to wait to help when the opportunity presented itself.



Field Technician Brad Wentworth, left, and Staking Technician Zane Gray work together to install new ceiling tiles.

"We always have our eyes on the community and how we can help our neighbors and friends," Noble REMC CEO Ron Raypole said. "This all-ages community center is a huge step in providing more opportunities for interaction and activity for the residents in the community we call home. We jumped at the chance to help."



Administrative Assistant Elena Vargas paints the inside of the community center's barn.

While Noble REMC focused on giving back to the surrounding community and its residents, the impact of Community Day will be felt far and wide as electric cooperatives across Indiana celebrate Indiana's Electric Cooperative's Community Day throughout the rest of the year.

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Your life is already hectic. You have to get the kids to school on time, rock that presentation at work and then make sure your home is in some sort of state of clean.

The last thing you need to worry about is paying your electric bill on time.

That's why Noble REMC provides a way to take the hassle out of paying your bill. It's called the Automatic Payment Plan. Each month, we automatically withdraw your bill amount from your savings account, checking account or your choice of debit/credit card.

Your bank account, Mastercard or Visa will be drafted no more than five

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If you're already signed up for our SmartHub app (which you totally should be!), simply go online at nobleremc.smarthub.coop and look for "Auto Pay" beneath the "Billing & Payments" tab to fill out the information needed.

You can also apply outside of our online platforms. Simply complete the form attached and return it to the REMC, and we'll set you up for automatic payments.

It's simple, it's easy and it helps you rest a little easier.

Give yourself a pat on the back,



Noble REMC provides a way to take the hassle out of paying your bill. It's called the Automatic Payment Plan.



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'TAP'-PING INTO ENERGY EFFICIENCY

We know talking about home renovations and energy efficiency can be a little dry, so we're making sure you have something to drink.

Mark your calendars and join us for "Tapping Into Energy Efficiency," an energy efficiency seminar with a twist. (Pun intended.)

The event will be held at Sylvan Cellars Event Center at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 6. Buy a drink, enjoy some snacks and sit down with energy advisors from Noble REMC, LaGrange County REMC and Steuben County REMC to hear how you can better construct or renovate your home with energy efficiency in mind.

It's not as hard as you think, and the energy advisors will explain how.

Tear out the below reminder and place it on your fridge or near your calendar.

'TAPPING' INTO ENERGY EFFICIENCY

When: 7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 6

Where: Sylvan Cellars Event Center, 2725 E. Northport Road, Wolcottville

About: Join community members and contractors to hear how to construct or renovate homes with energy efficiency in mind, while also enjoying a drink from the Sylvan Cellars bar. Other refreshments will also be provided.

Sponsored by: Noble REMC, LaGrange County REMC and Steuben County REMC

Pumpkins and apples and mazes, oh my!

Our community is lucky to have so many opportunities to celebrate fall. From pumpkin patches to apple orchards to hay mazes, we have it all right here in our backyard.

To warm up with some cider and good friends, here are some of our favorite spots to enjoy the season:

Roberts Farms
2085 W. 900 N., Wawaka

This 25-acre farm experience lets visitors try their hand at corn and hay mazes, pet farm animals, play in a three-tower playground, pick pumpkins and enjoy some farm food and games.

Fashion Farm
1680 Lincolnway West, Ligonier

A community staple, Pumpkin Fan-



tasyland includes more than 100 displays of characters made from pumpkins, gourds and squash, as well as provides hay rides, corn mazes and pumpkin-flavored everything!

The Amazing Maze
5398 N. 500 E., Kendallville

This pumpkin patch features corn mazes, including one that's haunted; wagon rides; a corn pit; a picnic area; and a snacks and refreshment stand.