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MAY YOUR HOLIDAYS BE MERRY AND BRIGHT

As December kicks off, it's hard to believe we will soon gather with family and friends to celebrate the holiday season. This festive time of year brings joy and warmth, but as the weather gets cooler and we spend more time indoors, the holidays can also bring increased energy use and a higher risk of electrical and fire hazards.

As your local electric cooperative, our team at Miami-Cass REMC cares about your well-being. This month, I'd like to share a few practical tips to help you stay safe and efficient during the holiday season.

'TIS THE SEASON FOR SAVINGS

Spending more time indoors with a few more guests can really impact home energy use. By taking a few small steps to save energy during the holiday season, you can lower your bills.

I like to remind my family members to mind the thermostat. Since heating and cooling make up the majority of home energy consumption, the thermostat is one of the best places for savings. Lower it a few degrees, especially when family or friends stop by. Good company brings additional warmth to your home.

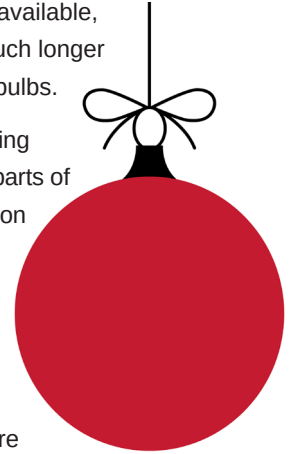
Your family can also save energy by decorating with LED holiday lights. LEDs are the most energy-efficient

lighting options available, and they last much longer than traditional bulbs.

There's no denying one of the best parts of the holiday season is the food — not just the meals but the time we spend together in the kitchen. There are many ways to save in the heart of your home, but one of the best approaches is to cook with smaller countertop appliances, such as air fryers, slow cookers, and toaster ovens. These handy appliances consume a fraction of the energy used to heat the oven, creating the perfect recipe for mealtime and energy savings.

I hope you will implement some of these energy-saving and safety tips into your holiday plans. For additional advice, visit mcremc.coop. We're here to help you with safety and savings year-round.

From your friends at Miami-Cass REMC, we hope your holiday season is merry and bright.



ROB SCHWARTZ
CEO



INDIANA
ELECTRIC
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PAGE DAY

**SPEND A DAY AT
THE STATEHOUSE**
WITH STUDENTS FROM
AROUND THE STATE

APPLY BY JAN. 7
IECPageDay.org

REQUIREMENTS: You must be available **Jan. 28** and have reliable transportation to and from the Indiana Statehouse that day. The program is open to high school students. Please confirm with school administrators, but Page Day is considered an excused absence in most instances.



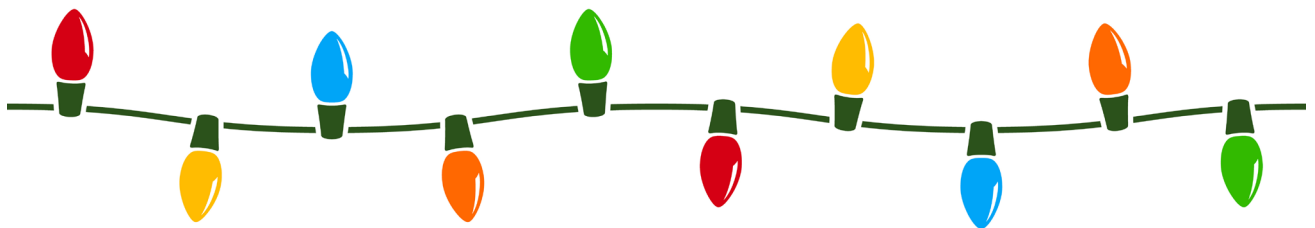
See the legislators in action.



Tour the Statehouse.



Pass your own legislation during a mock bill activity.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

In honor of the holidays, our office will be closed Dec. 24 and 25, as well as Jan. 1. Outages can still be reported by calling our 24/7 outage line.

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

1. Counted seven board members attending. Attorney J. Michael Deweese also attended.
2. Jim Savage presented the WVPA monthly report.
3. Todd Smith presented the IEC monthly report.
4. J. Michael Deweese presented the monthly legal report.
5. Rob Schwartz presented the monthly CEO report.
6. Minutes from the previous board meeting were approved.
7. September monthly operating, member services, human resources, and safety reports were reviewed and approved.
8. September monthly financial reports were reviewed and approved.
9. Set next board meeting for Monday, Dec. 2, at 8 a.m. at the REMC headquarters.



CAMP KILOWATT

APPLY FOR YOUTH PROGRAMS

CAMP KILOWATT

JUNE
4-7

Camp Kilowatt is a fun, powerful, and unique camp experience designed for students entering seventh grade in 2025. Activities include horseback riding, zip lining, archery, swimming, and learning about electrical safety.

APPLY: Apply by March 3 at CampKilowatt.org.

INDIANA YOUTH TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

JUNE
15-22

Miami-Cass REMC is sponsoring a week-long, all-inclusive trip to Washington, D.C., for students entering their senior year of high school. The trip includes visits to historic monuments and museums, meetings on Capitol Hill with Indiana's congressional delegation, and the opportunity to make lifelong friends.

APPLY: Apply by March 3 at IndianaYouthTour.org.



PREPARING FOR WINTER STORMS

THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, DANGEROUS CONDITIONS COULD CONFINE FAMILIES TO THEIR HOMES FOR DAYS AT A TIME. IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO BEGIN PLANNING AND PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR THE WINTER MONTHS.

Indiana winters include everything from heavy snows, to freezing rain, to ice storms – sometimes all in one day. All of those forms of winter weather can create electrical hazards.

To better prepare for a power outage, your electric co-op recommends members keep a storm preparedness kit fully stocked. The basic supplies in this kit should include:

- Bottled water
- Non-perishable food
- Emergency blankets
- First aid kit/medicine
- Flashlight
- Battery-operated or hand-crank radio
- Extra batteries
- Toiletries

Now that your family is prepared for a prolonged outage, what should you do if the lights do go out?


- Keep warm air in and cool air out by not opening doors to unused rooms. Do not open doors to the outside unless necessary.
- Keep refrigerator and freezer doors closed. Eat perishable food first.
- Turn off and unplug all unnecessary electronics or appliances. This helps prevent equipment damage.

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