

# HOT LINES



Midwest Electric, Inc.

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

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News about your community and cooperative

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## Mark your calendar: Oct. 11 & 12

# JOIN US FOR FREE FOOD & UPDATES

### For all members:

#### MEMBER APPRECIATION DAYS OCT. 11-12



We'll be offering free food, giveaways, and energy efficiency advice. Cash prizes are also up for grabs, with four \$50 cash prizes given away each day. (One entry allowed per member each day. You can only win once.)

Lunch on both days will be from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Snacks, donuts, cookies, and more will be served from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Live-line electric safety demonstrations
- Sign up for ACRE Co-op Owners for Political Action® and get four LED bulbs (while supplies last)
- Four \$50 door prize drawings each day
- Meet your co-op employees and CEO

### For members of our political action group:

#### FREE BUFFET BREAKFAST OCT. 11

Join us from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. to hear elected officials address the crowd, take questions, and discuss current industry topics to keep you up to speed about issues that affect your life and electric rates. Past guests have included Congressmen Jim Jordan and Bob Latta.



*You must be a member of ACRE Co-op Owners for Political Action® to attend. If you aren't already a member, you can sign up at the event or do so beforehand by calling us Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 800-962-3830. Your contribution of \$2.08 per month helps us support candidates who fight for reliable and affordable electricity.*

**\*Both events will take place at Midwest Electric's office: 06029 County Road 33 A, east of St. Marys.**

## SEE HOW YOUR POWER IS PRODUCED

RSVP for our day-long  
Cardinal Plant Tour Sept. 15  
to see how \$1.2 billion in  
environmental investments  
make it **one of the cleanest  
power plants in the world!**

Learn more: [midwestrec.com](http://midwestrec.com)

**This could be you touring the Cardinal Power  
Plant in Brilliant, Ohio! RSVP by calling 800-  
962-3830 or email [info@midwestrec.com](mailto:info@midwestrec.com).**

**\*Event limited to first 50 who RSVP.\***







Photos above show recent grant recipients from the Community Connection Fund, including the Lima Symphony Orchestra to fund the Young People's Concert, New Creation for food and supplies for the homeless, and Mercy Unlimited for food store shelving. Grants are allocated quarterly.

# Empowering our Community

**Want to support local organizations and make a difference? Join our CCF board.**

Our Community Connection Fund (CCF) is looking for two trustees from Mercer County and one from Auglaize County to serve on the board. Terms expire this fall for current trustees. If you have a big heart and want to get involved, this is for you!

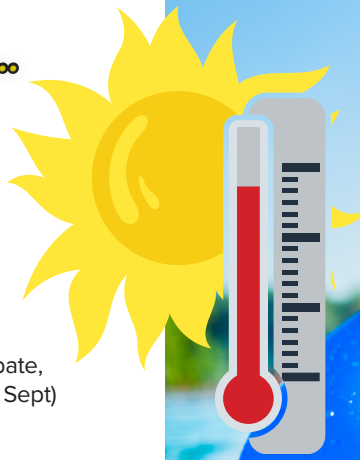
Board members meet quarterly to review donations and applications for assistance, ensuring funding goes to worthy causes who often fall through the cracks locally. You'll be reimbursed for expenses, and no background is necessary. Current trustees say serving gives them "tremendous satisfaction" and teaches them about local needs. If interested, please contact Joel Johns for an application at [jjohns@midwestrec.com](mailto:jjohns@midwestrec.com) or call 800-962-3830.

**Don't let the heat get you down...**

**SAVE** with rebates & audits from your co-op

- Geothermal/air-source heat pump: \$500 rebate
- Electric water heater: \$200 rebate
- ENERGY STAR appliance program: \$50 rebate
- Insulation & air sealing program: \$200 rebate
- Cool Returns installation of switch on AC system: \$50 rebate, plus \$5 credit every summer month (June, July, Aug, and Sept)
- Electric vehicle level 2 charger: \$200 rebate
- Commercial rebate programs: up to a \$5,000 rebate
- Agriculture program: up to a \$1,000 rebate for eligible equipment

Midwest Electric also offers **free home energy audits by phone or in person**. Call 800-962-3830 or visit [midwestrec.com/energy-audits-and-tips-homes](http://midwestrec.com/energy-audits-and-tips-homes) to schedule your appointment and find resources like DIY print-outs, calculators, videos, and more.



## Community Calendar

- ◆ Aug. 31 - Sept. 6 **165th Van Wert County Fair**, fairgrounds, [vanwertcountyfair.com](http://vanwertcountyfair.com)
- ◆ Sept. 4 **Chris Lane & Cam Concert**, Van Wert Co. Fair
- ◆ Sept. 10-12 **Freedom Truck Meet**, Van Wert Co. Fair
- ◆ Sept. 11 **Jean Sheaks Memorial 5K Run & Fun Walk**, St. Marys Eagles, [tailgateforcancer.com](http://tailgateforcancer.com)
- ◆ Sept. 11 **Back to the Future by Lima Area Concert Band**, Lima Civic Center, [limaareaconcertband.org](http://limaareaconcertband.org)
- ◆ Sept. 11 **Rolling Stone Ranch & Rodeo Co**, Allen Co. Fairgrounds, [allencofair.com](http://allencofair.com)
- ◆ Sept. 16 **Starry Nights**, 19 Hawthorne Venue, Lima, [19hawthorne.com](http://19hawthorne.com)
- ◆ Sept. 16-19 **Delphos Canal Days Paint the Town**, [delphoscanaldays.com](http://delphoscanaldays.com)
- ◆ Sept. 17-18 **42nd Annual Rebel Run**, Allen Co. Fairgrounds, Lima
- ◆ Sept. 17-18 **Holy Rosary Festival**, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, St. Marys
- ◆ Sept. 18 **Hobby & Harvest Craft Fair**, Laurel Oakes Park, Elida
- ◆ Sept. 24-25 **New Bremen Pumpkinfest & Artisan Showcase**
- ◆ Sept. 25 **Bluffton Cars & Coffee**, 302 N Main St, Bluffton
- ◆ Sept. 25 **Grand Lake Marathon**, Celina, [grandlakemarathon.com](http://grandlakemarathon.com)
- ◆ Sept. 25 **Poker Run for the Animals**, Quellhorst Farm Venue, Wapakoneta [www.quellhorstfarmvenue.com](http://www.quellhorstfarmvenue.com)