HOT LINES



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News about your community and cooperative

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IMPORTANT MEMBER INFO

2020 VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, June 6 | Starts at 9:15 am
Watch online on midwestrec.com, Facebook, or YouTube



Annual Meeting

- · Co-op update and news
- CASH prizes
- · Special Q&A session addressing questions for CEO Matt Berry

To be entered to win a prize, you must submit a question or topic of interest. What have you always wanted to know about your electric cooperative or the industry? Now is your time to ask us!

To submit your question, call our office or email info@midwestrec.com. Please include your name and address. Due to time constraints, we may not be able to answer all questions during the meeting. Questions not addressed will be answered directly.

Watch the meeting on our website (midwestrec.com), Facebook page (facebook.com/MidwestElectric), or YouTube channel (youtube.com/MidwestElectric).



DID YOU VOTE YET?

A ballot was mailed to you in mid-May for the annual director elections. Results will be announced during the virtual annual meeting on June 6 at 9:15 a.m.

Your ballot must be received by our voting firm by June 3. Do not include payments; do not send to our St. Marys office. You can also vote online at midwestrec.com.



All residential rebates include a \$100 add-on bonus through June 15 to help our members recover from COVID-19. Call for a full list of rebates or visit midwestrec.com/rebates. Rules apply; pre-approval is required.



Midwest Electric is giving away prizes for

NATIONAL FAMILY MONTH



Watch our Facebook page to enter to win! Facebook.com/MidwestElectric

June is National Family Month — a time to prioritize family and quality time spent with those you love. That's why we're giving away family prizes each week of the month on our Facebook page! Our prizes could range from canoe rental vouchers to a movie or game night with pizza.

Each week on Facebook, all you have to do is like and share our Family Month post to be entered to win that prize.

You must be a Midwest Electric member to be eligible to win. Prizes are subject to change. Winners will be announced weekly.









INTERESTED IN SOLAR? ASK NOW – AVOID SURPRISES LATER!

Solar panels are a major home investment. Our energy advisors can provide some valuable advice throughout the process so there are no surprises down the road.

1. Be clear about your goals

Are you are making this investment to reduce your electric bill or for environmental benefits? Research both potential outcomes and seek clarity from your contractor.

2. Choose the right contractor

A good contractor will take time to understand your goals and if your home or property makes sense for solar. From the beginning, they will involve your electric cooperative to discuss the best solution.

3. Understand the process and details of connecting to the grid

A positive contractor-homeowner -energy advisor partnership will be transparent so there are no surprises down the road. Key considerations are interconnection application process/fees, our policies, and electric cooperative make-ready costs.

4. Make your home energy efficient

Members looking to save money with solar often find energy efficiency investments provide a better payback and better resale value for your home. Consider insulation and air sealing and replacing old, inefficient appliances in any energy solution.

5. Read the contract fully

Read the fine print to avoid misunderstandings about financing, transfer of ownership, maintenance responsibility, companies that have access to your data, etc.

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To learn more, call 800-962-3830 or visit www.ohiosolar101.com/Midwest.



SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

All it takes is your spare change

Are you signed up for our Community Connection Fund donation program? Each month, participating customers' electric bills are rounded up to the next highest dollar, and the extra pennies are deposited in the fund. A Fund Board of Trustees reviews grant applications from charitable groups and worthy individuals throughout west central Ohio.

Since October 1998, the fund has donated more than \$40,000 a year to worthy causes, including food pantries, library projects, senior citizen groups, fire departments and more. Your participation is voluntary; you may opt-out at any time.

If you know of a worthy cause, call us or visit midwestrec.com for an application.