

Taylor Report



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Lineworker Appreciation Day - April 10, 2023

Lineworkers serve on the frontlines of our nation's energy needs. On April 10th, Taylor Electric Cooperative, along with other electric cooperatives across the country, will honor the brave men and women who work hard to keep the lights on.



Taylor Electric linemen: front row, l to r: Tim Habermeyer, Jessie Knoll and Mike Eloranta. Back row, l to r: Justin Fuchs, Geoff Mueller and Colten Cummings.

Line crews work around the clock, sometimes in difficult and dangerous conditions, to keep power flowing to our local communities. Whether they're restoring power after a major storm or maintaining critical infrastructure to our electric system, lineworkers are at the heart of our co-op.

When a storm hits, they set aside their personal priorities because Mother Nature doesn't work around holidays, vacations and birthdays. A service-oriented mentality is one of the many admirable characteristics of an electric lineworker.

Taylor Electric is proud to honor the six lineworkers that maintain almost 900 miles of power lines in our service territory.



Lucky winner of the 40-inch Smart TV, TEC Member Linda Dassow (left) and CEO Kenny Ceagske

Medford Home Show has something for all ages!

Thanks to all of our members that stopped by our booth at the Medford Home and Business Expo held March 24-26, 2023 at the Simec Rec Center. Linda Dassow, Medford was the grand prize winner of a 40-inch Smart TV. Members were given coupons to order free packs from Focus on Energy which contain a variety of energy-saving items. Linemen Tim Habermeyer and Colten Cummings also gave an electrical safety demonstration at the Health and Safety Fair.



From left, front row: Beau Brahmaer, Lincoln Johnas and Jack Henrichs. Back Row: Willow Fuchs and Lineman Colten Cummings

Board Report – February 2023

- Approved January disbursements totaling \$359,251. 6 new member applications, and January 2023 construction in the amount of \$53,591.
- Reviewed financial results for January with \$80,779 Operating Margins and \$82,458 Total Margins year to date.
- There were 11 outages in January, with an average YTD outage time per meter of .0105 hours.
- One application for discounted early retirement of capital credits to an estate was approved with total capital credits of \$523 to be paid out at the net present value of \$165.
- 24 delinquent accounts were processed for collection following the February 20th due date. The total amount owing on these accounts is \$15,587.
- Other topics covered included power cost adjustments, DPC activities, solar policies, two policies, donations to local organizations, and upcoming local and national meetings.

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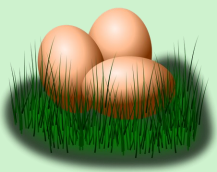
Digging without locating underground utilities could leave neighborhoods in the dark, cause thousands of dollars in damages or cause severe electrical shock.



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Taylor Electric Cooperative's office will be closed on April 7th, for Good Friday. Have a safe and blessed holiday weekend.



SPRING INTO SAFETY

Spring is in the air and that means more than just a change of season for farmers. During the busy planting season, follow these eight safety tips:



TRANSPORT SAFELY

Ensure equipment is compliant with agriculture road and travel safety rules



SHARE SAFETY TIPS

Teach anyone working or doing business on your farm about electrical hazards



ENCOURAGE YOUNG WORKERS

Be sure to match age and ability level with each chore



BE CLEAR

Explain where the "back 80" or Smith field is; not everyone may know how to get there



WRITE IT DOWN

Keep directions (with proper road and farm ground names) at home, in the shop and in cabs



LOOK AROUND

Inspect your space and look for hazards before you start planting



EVALUATE PROCEDURES

Consider new safety precautions you can implement, such as lockout/tagout



MEET AND DISCUSS

Conduct morning safety meetings to brief everyone on the day and talk about potential hazards

Sources: Rural Mutual Insurance Co., farmprogress.com

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