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Christmas Wish Celebrates 26 years

The holiday season is finally here. Some call it the most wonderful season of all. That's because we associate it with family traditions and gathering with friends and loved ones. It's a time of giving and spreading joy.

Giving back reminds us of the many good things we have right here in our community and why it's so important to spread the good as far as we can, especially to the most vulnerable in our local area. It's also a reminder of how wonderful our community is and what a big impact we can have when we work together.

The Christmas Wish Program is celebrating 26 years of granting wishes to those in need during the holiday season. Taylor Electric Cooperative, WKEB 99.3 FM—



WIGM 1490 AM, Touchstone Energy, and other area cooperatives are once again brightening the holidays for many in our community. Whether the need is financial, emotional, or physical, spreading holiday cheer and putting a smile on the faces of the families in our community has always been our mission.

The 26th annual Christmas Wish Program is brought to you by area Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, including Dairyland Power Cooperative, Taylor Electric Cooperative, Clark Electric Cooperative, Price Electric Cooperative, and Jump River Electric Cooperative. Also sponsoring are the Taylor County Association of Cooperatives, People's Choice Credit Union, Co-op Transport, River Country Co-op, Ag Country Farm Credit, Taylor Credit Union, The Medford Cooperative, Lakewood Credit Union, United Mutual Insurance, WIGM 1490 AM and WKEB 99.3 FM Radio, RCU, and Medford County Market. WISH REQUESTS Wish requests for area residents may be directed to WIGM/WKEB Radio; P.O. Box 59, Medford, WI 54451; phone, (715) 748-2566; fax, (715) 748-2752; or via the radio station's website, www.k99wigm.com. Please include your name, address, and phone number as well as the name, address, and phone number of the individual you are making a wish for and the wish you would like granted. Requests are being taken now until December 16, 2022.



HEY KIDS!!

Don't forget to enter our Christmas coloring contest for a chance to win a prize. Coloring pages can be found in the December WEC News or stop by the office to pick one up. All entries are due by December 16, 2022.

Cooperative employees/directors families not eligible to win.

What do all those lights mean?

Load management is a method of controlling peak times when the demand for electricity is at its highest. The program is designed to keep prices low during times of high usage. The photo to the right is a picture of the front of a radio receiver which is the device used to control water heaters and electric heat. Many of you have probably seen these in your home but didn't necessarily know what the lights meant. There are multiple styles of radio receivers so keep in mind even though yours may not look like the one pictured here, the lights in the upper left corner are the same in all styles.

- The prop green light indicates your device is active.
- The R4 green light indicates a control period is going to occur for larger customers.
- The R1 red light indicates your water heater is currently being controlled and to use hot water minimally.
- The R3 red light indicates storage heat units and EV chargers are being controlled.
- The R2 amber light is electric heat and A/C units.

Control times can happen in the early morning and early evening hours especially on the days when the weather conditions are most extreme. Normal control periods are 4-6 hours except for storage heat where the daily control times are longer.

Board Report - Oct. 2022

- Approved September disbursements totaling \$355,614. 13 new member applications, and September 2022 construction in the amount of \$89,288.
- Reviewed financial results for September with \$377,726 Operating Margins and \$710,616 Total Margins year to date.
- There were 13 outages in September, with an average YTD outage time per meter of 0.5818 hours.
- Four applications for discounted early retirement of capital credits to estates were approved with total capital credits of \$9,528 to be paid out at the net present value of \$4,107.
- 33 delinquent accounts were processed for collection following the October 20th due date. The total amount owing on these accounts is \$15,270.
- Other topics covered included upcoming rate changes, increased expenses, power costs, a review of the Power Cost Adjustment policy, director policies, and DPC updates.



