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## **Preparation Matters. Are you Ready?**

September marks the start of National Preparedness Month across the country. Knowing how to prepare for natural disasters, power outages, and a variety of other risks and emergencies can make a real difference and potentially save your life. Just as important as knowing how to prepare is knowing what to do during and immediately after an emergency.

One of the best ways to stay one step ahead of storms, power outages, and other emergencies is to plan ahead with an emergency preparedness kit. Assembling and maintaining an emergency kit before a disaster strikes is one of the easiest steps someone can take to reduce many of the risks associated with severe weather. In addition to having an emergency kit, it is also important to know what kind of disasters are most likely to occur where • you live and add or remove items accordingly.

The exact contents of your emergency kit may vary according to the dangers and weather most relevant to your region, but Ready.gov recommends that every emergency kit contain these basic items:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA weather radio with tone alert and extra batteries for
- Flashlight and extra batteries



- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener for food
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger Whether you are facing a power outage from a

storm or any other emergency situation, being prepared can help keep you and your family safe. For more safety tips, visit SafeElectricity.org.



#### October is Co-op Month and we're kicking it off with breakfast!

Join us for a yummy breakfast on Tuesday, October 3rd from 6:30 AM—9:30 AM at the Centennial Community Center in Stetsonville. Grab your neighbor and come to see us! Pick up your Packer calendar, register to win a bill credit, test your knowledge about electricity and win a prize!!



Have the kids decorate a pumpkin and bring it along to be entered in our contest. Best decorated pumpkin in these age groups win a prize: Age groups are: 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12.

Help us kick off October Co-op Month!!

# SUMMER CAMPERS AT HUEY'S LEARN ABOUT ELECTRICAL SAFETY

On Wednesday, August 23rd, Taylor Electric visited Huey's Hideaway Children's Museum to give an electrical presentation for children attending summer camp. The demonstration included Linemen Geoff Mueller, Mike Eloranta, and Jessie Knoll, alongside

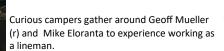
CEO Kenny Ceaglske. The main focus was to show the youngsters the hazards associated with electricity. A hotline demo showcased the dangers of coming into contact with a live electric line. Additionally, the kids had the chance to try on their safety equipment and gain

Dangers of coming into contact 'sparked' interest in the youngsters.



(I to r) Linemen Jessie Knoll, Mike Eloranta and Geoff Mueller along with CEO Kenny Ceaglske answer questions from the kids about electricity.







Lineman Jessie Knoll lets a young boy try on his safety gear.

## Board Report – July 2023

- Approved June disbursements totaling \$376,797. 17 new member applications, and June 2023 construction in the amount of \$117,753.
- Reviewed financial results for June with \$227,335 Operating Margins and \$231,207 Total Margins year to date.
- There were 11 outages in June, with an average YTD outage time per meter of .3981 hours.
- Three applications for discounted early retirement of capital credits to states were approved with total capital credits of \$5,372 to be paid out at the net present value of \$2,243.
- 20 delinquent accounts were processed for collection

#### 2023 Incentives

Just a reminder that you must apply for incentives within 3 months of purchase date. All appliance incentives require a receipt and yellow Energy Star sticker. Thank you!

#### Capital Credits—New this Year!

For all active accounts, capital credit refunds that are \$100.00 or less will be applied to your electric bill. For refunds over that amount, a check will be sent. For all inactive accounts, a capital credit check will be mailed to the last known address on file.

- following the July 20th due date. The total amount owing on these accounts is \$13,678.
- The board authorized the retirement of \$310,625 in capital credits.
- Other topics covered included the completion of the Stetsonville Sub rebuild, DPC activities, and donations to local organizations.

