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## **NEWS & VIEWS**

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AROUND TOWN

## Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER 9 & 10

Fair on the Square Downtown Danville

Sat: 9 am-6 pm Sun: 10 am-4 pm Fair on the Square is an annual community event that hosts more than 100 vendors, food, and live music.

Learn More: danvilletrikappa.org

#### SEPTEMBER 24 **Bow Wow Bash**

Williams Park, Brownsburg

The BOW WOW BASH is a funtastic day of tail waggin' fun for dogs and their humans!

bowwowbash.net

Learn More:

#### SEPTEMBER 30

#### Celebrate Avon

Avon Washington Twp. Library 11 am - 3 pm

All are welcome to join us at the Annual Celebrating Avon Festival at the Avon-Washington Township Public Library! Enjoy the Hendricks Power candy drop at 1 pm.

Learn More: https://tinyurl.com/8c83rhtu

#### OCTOBER 2

#### **Application Deadline - Youth Power & Hope Awards**

Do you know a middle school student making a difference? Tell them to apply for the Youth Power & Hope Awards! Learn more: indianaconnection. org/youthpowerandhope



### **Applications Available for Youth Power & Hope Awards**

Hendricks Power and Indiana's electric cooperatives are accepting applications for awards that recognize the community spirit of Indiana's youth.

The Youth Power and Hope Awards program honors Indiana students in fifth through eighth grades who are leaders in their communities. Applicants are not required to be cooperative members to be considered.

Up to five qualified candidates will be selected to receive \$500 and be featured in the Indiana Connection magazine, among other highlights.

"One of the founding principles of Hendricks Power is a commitment to community," said Heather Thompson, Director of Marketing, Member Engagement & Community Relations at Hendricks Power. "We are proud to be a part of recognizing the community service efforts of our youth."

Past award recipients include students who have initiated a coat drive for the underprivileged, supported patients at Riley Hospital for Children, worked with special needs children, volunteered at a local animal shelter, raised money for the American Cancer Society, and more.

Applicants must submit an online application at indianaconnection.org/youthpowerandhope. When doing so, applicants will be asked to provide examples of and information about their community service activities, share any relevant photos, and list references who may be contacted for additional information. The deadline for entries is Monday, Oct. 2.

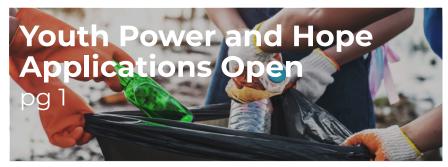
#### Learn more & apply:

indianaconnection.org/youthpowerandhope

#### Application deadline: Monday, October 2nd

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#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**



David Lawrence's car that won the 2023 Hendricks Co.

Demolition Derby



David Lawrence with his prize after he was announced the winner of the Demolition Derby



Gunner Lawrence showcasing his power wheels derby vehicle

## **Employee Spotlight: David Lawrence**

For over two years, David Lawrence has been working as a Mechanic at Hendricks Power. Even during his off-duty hours, he remains a dedicated vehicle enthusiast, with a particular fondness for his Demolition Derby vehicles. His passion for automotive work ignited when he was just 16 years old. Sponsored by Hendricks Power, David was crowned the 2023 Hendricks Co. 4-H Fair Derby winner in July. In an average year, David participates in ten different derby events locally. The automotive zeal seems to be a family affair—his son, Gunner, is also actively engaged in the derby, participating in the power wheels class.

Keep up the good work, David and Gunner!

#### **SOLAR ARRAY UPDATE**



Greg Ternet, CEO of Hendricks Power, at the site of the solar array during construction

### Update on C&B Graham Solar Project

Hendricks Power and Solential Energy are proud to announce that the C&B Graham solar array is completed and now fully operational. The solar array will provide 7 megawatts of clean, renewable electricity to the co-op's more than 35,000 members in western central Indiana. Some 19,225 solar panels were installed on the 60-acre rural site in Tilden. This is the largest cooperative-developed array in the state of Indiana.

"There has been a lot of planning and thought put into this project and we are excited to generate clean solar to power local homes, farms, and businesses. We plan to allow options for member participation in the future," says Greg Ternet, CEO of Hendricks Power.

#### **SMARTHUB**



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WITH THE ARRIVAL OF HARVEST TIME, INDIANA'S FARMERS ARE SHIFTING INTO HIGH GEAR AS THEY MOVE INTO THEIR FIELDS TO BRING IN CROPS.

All that increased activity puts farmers and farm workers at greater risk.

**Always look up and around before moving or raising equipment.** A good rule of thumb is to stay at least 10 feet from all power lines and power poles.

**Watch out for power poles, too.** If you strike one, it may break, dropping a live line on your equipment.

If you're in equipment that touches power lines,

**stay inside and call for help.** If you have to escape, jump clear of the equipment. Keep both feet together and shuffle or hop at least 30 feet away.



**ENERGY EFFICIENCY** 

# Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Did you know fall is the perfect time to schedule a tune-up for your heating system? Home heating accounts for a large portion of winter energy bills, and no matter what kind of system you have, you can save energy and money by regularly maintaining your equipment.

Combining proper equipment maintenance and upgrades with recommended insulation, air sealing and thermostat settings can save about 30% on your energy bills.

Source: Dept. of Energy

