

NEWS & VIEWS

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AROUND TOWN

Calendar of Events

APRIL 14
National Lineworker Appreciation Day
We appreciate our dedicated lineworkers! Thank you!

APRIL 18
Good Friday Holiday
Our office will be closed in observance.

APRIL 21-25
Work Zone Awareness Week
Slow down and stay focused when in work zones!

APRIL 26
Gardening for All Ages
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds 9am-4pm
There will be free seeds and trees, gardening presentations, gardening-related vendor booths, children's activities, and more.
Learn More:
www.hendricksgardeners.com

APRIL 28
Legislative Breakfasts
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds 7:00 am
Enjoy a complimentary breakfast at 7:00am, followed by an opportunity to speak with your representatives from the Statehouse.
RSVP by the Thursday before to janna.bolen@infarmbureau.com.

MAY 3
Dancing with the Hendricks County Stars
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds 6-9pm
Enjoy a night of dancing to support the Hendricks Co. Historical Museum.
Learn More:
www.hendrickscountymuseum.org

JULY 17
Annual Meeting & Member Appreciation
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds 11am-7pm
Save the date & stay tuned for additional details!

LINeworker APPRECIATION DAY



In the quiet hours before dawn breaks, while many of us are still in our beds, lineworkers begin their day, often in flame-resistant clothing, safety goggles, rubber gloves, and thick, heavy boots.

Lineworkers epitomize dedication to service. Lineworker Appreciation Day, on April 14, is an important moment to reflect on their essential role in our daily lives.



Amid towering utility poles and power lines, lineworkers exhibit a strength far beyond the physical. Whether battling inclement weather, troubleshooting technical problems, or navigating treacherous heights, lineworkers demonstrate resilience and a quiet determination to keep our lights on, our homes comfortable, and our communities connected.



Hendricks Power crews travel across our service territory, building, maintaining, and repairing parts of our local system. Their extraordinary skills ensure our homes remain connected to the grid, businesses stay operational, and emergency services remain accessible—a lifeline that connects us all.



In moments of crisis, when the lights go out and we find ourselves in the dark, lineworkers emerge as beacons of hope. Their swift response restores normalcy, offering reassurance in times of uncertainty. Whether repairing storm-ravaged power lines or ensuring continuity during emergencies, their unwavering commitment illuminates life when we need it most.



Hendricks Power lineworkers also answer the call beyond our community. When widespread outages occur and additional support is needed, our crews travel to other co-ops, near or far. Cooperation among cooperatives is one of our seven guiding principles, and no one embodies this core commitment more than lineworkers.

The next time you flip a switch, please take a moment to remember those who make it possible—lineworkers who are wired for service and illuminate our lives.



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MEET BRENT SHAY
Hendricks Power Board Member & Area 1 Director

Where do you live?

My wife Terri and I live in Guilford Township of Plainfield, which is Area 1.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

I recently retired and look forward to spending more time hunting and golfing with my son. I also enjoy gardening and taking on projects around the house. Above all, I cherish spending quality time with our kids and grandkids.

Tell us briefly about your background and what led you to join the board.

We have been Hendricks Power Cooperative members for over 40 years. A friend approached me about running for a board position, believing that my business skills and desire to serve the community would be an asset. I have always had a passion for giving back, and I saw this as a great opportunity to be a voice for

our members. I am currently in my third year on the board of directors and plan to run for a second term in July. I have learned so much during my first term, and I'm eager to continue serving our members and contributing to the success of the cooperative.

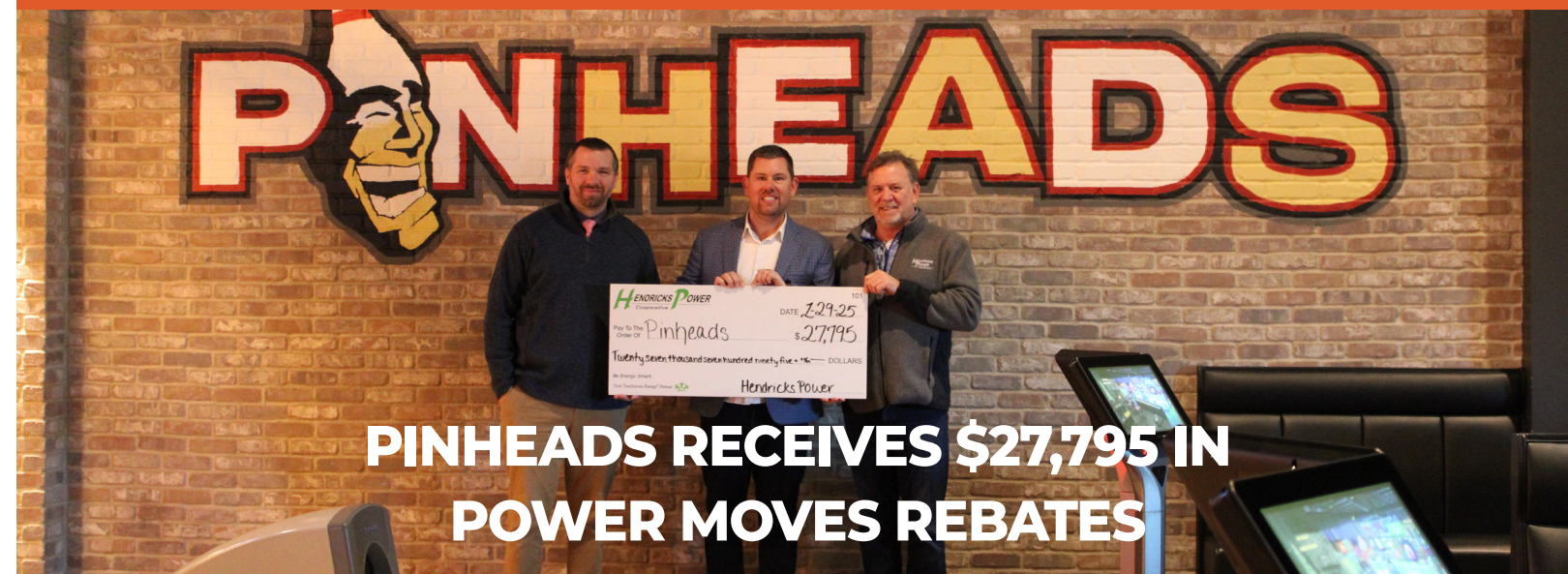
Which Cooperative Principle most strongly resonates with you?

All seven Cooperative Principles guide us in ways that set us apart from other electric utilities, always putting the needs of our members first. The principle that resonates most with me is *Education, Training, and Information*. Since joining the board three years ago, I have come to deeply appreciate how we continuously work to educate ourselves and our members. This ensures that we all have the knowledge necessary to make informed decisions for our members and our cooperative's future.

What is your biggest contribution to the board?

My biggest contribution to the board has been offering a unique perspective, combining leadership and business knowledge gained from my years in wholesale distribution with a family-owned company that grew into a Fortune 100 organization. Growing up in a small rural farming community has helped me better understand the needs of both rural and suburban areas, allowing me to serve all members more effectively.

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PINHEADS RECEIVES \$27,795 IN POWER MOVES REBATES

Pinheads Bowling Alley and Alley's Alehouse is celebrating the successful renovation of the former Brownsburg Bowl, which has been transformed into a premier destination for upscale family entertainment. As part of the renovation process, Pinheads received \$27,795 in rebates from Power Moves for energy-efficient updates to lighting and refrigeration, reinforcing its commitment to sustainability and modern amenities.

Recognizing Brownsburg as the perfect location for expansion, Pinheads stepped in when the previous owner of Brownsburg Bowl retired, seeing the opportunity to provide an elevated family experience. The updated facility now boasts a 30-lane bowling alley, a state-of-the-art arcade, a full-service restaurant and bar (Alley's Alehouse), private event space, and an exclusive 21+ reservations-only speakeasy restaurant upstairs.

Since opening, Pinheads has received an overwhelmingly positive response from the Brownsburg community, exceeding initial business expectations. The company also took great pride in retaining the previous staff during renovations, providing continuity for employees and a familiar experience for longtime customers.

"We knew we wanted to be in Brownsburg. It's a great community, and it's growing," said Kevin Walter, Pinheads CEO, who worked in bowling centers since he was fifteen and conceived the concept for Pinheads and Alley's Alehouse in 2004. "It's got one of the best school districts in Indiana. This was an obvious location for us to go."

Renovations were initially thought to qualify for a retrofit lighting rebate, but once the Hendricks Power team realized the large scope of the upgrades, renovations quickly became classified as new construction.

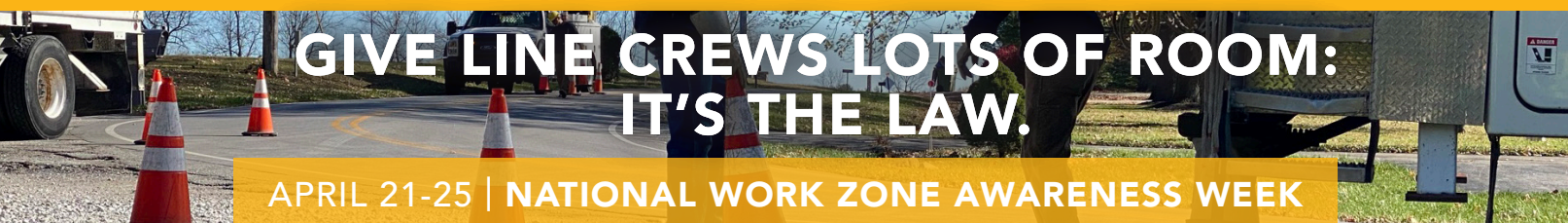
"It's a completely new life for the facility," said Hendricks Power Energy Advisor Steve Hite, who collaborated with the Pinheads team on the project. "It's pretty exciting to see this space coming to life and having an owner willing to make such an investment in the community."

"They [Hendricks Power and Power Moves] were so responsive in how they answered our questions," Walter said. "They were all over it. It's impressive."

In addition to the Brownsburg location, Pinheads operates a thriving entertainment venue in Fishers, continuing its mission to provide high-quality bowling, dining, and social experiences to families and groups.

Interested in learning about what rebates your business renovation or new construction may qualify for? Contact Steve Hite
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317-718-7633

WORK ZONE AWARENESS



APRIL 21-25 | NATIONAL WORK ZONE AWARENESS WEEK

National Work Zone Awareness Week is April 21-25. This week, motorists are reminded to be careful around those whose jobs put them along the roadways. Hendricks Power reminds motorists that work zones also include utility crews. Sometimes, crews can be around the next corner or just over the hill—day or night.

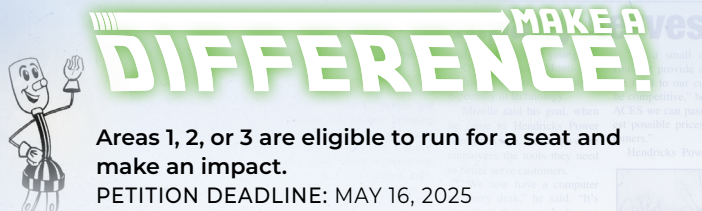
"While routine line work is usually done during daylight hours, emergencies happen at any time," said Kris Harmless, Line Superintendent at Hendricks Power. "We want to remind motorists our crews can be working at all hours and to be careful when they see warning signs and flaggers." When motorists see the orange diamond-shaped work zone warning signs and vehicles with flashing amber lights, they should slow down and prepare for the zone ahead.

Indiana law requires motorists to approach cautiously and change lanes away from emergency vehicles if they can do so safely. If not, they should reduce their speed to 10 mph under the posted speed limit and proceed with caution. Motorists should not stop in the roadway; this may cause a rear-end collision with other vehicles. Violating the law can result in a fine and a suspended license. Steeper penalties, including jail time, are enforced for infractions within work zones.

Though move-over laws are only for emergency vehicles, drivers should always be courteous to those parked on the shoulder. Give them room to safely repair their vehicles and help prevent tragedies.

"Working on energized power lines at all hours and in all kinds of weather is dangerous enough for lineworkers," added Harmless. "We ask everyone to do their part and be cautious in work zones."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Areas 1, 2, or 3 are eligible to run for a seat and make an impact.
PETITION DEADLINE: MAY 16, 2025

Serve on the Board of Directors for Hendricks Power in Areas 1, 2, or 3. Directors serve three-year terms; they govern and direct Cooperative affairs. Help represent our community and be a voice for our members!



FULL REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS:
hendrickspower.com/election | (317) 718-7642

RESIDENTIAL REBATES

DON'T LEAVE MONEY ON THE TABLE!

There are tons of ways to upgrade your home's efficiency and get rebates! Hendricks Power offers incentives from Power Moves for all kinds of projects that will save you money in the long run. Power Moves rebate programs target equipment in your home that consumes the most energy, like heating, cooling, and water heating systems.

Getting started is easy – just apply for the rebates at hendrickspower.com/energy-advisor.

If you have any questions, we're here to help! Give us a call Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm.



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