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Calendar of Events

AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 5

Dodge Power Brokers Nationals

Lucas Oil Raceway Park
U.S. Nationals - The largest NHRA drag race in the world! Come experience the fastest accelerating vehicles on the planet as they reach speeds over 320 MPH in less than 4 seconds! Learn More: www.raceirp.com

SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

Fair on the Square

Downtown Danville
Sat: 9 am-6 pm Sun: 10 am-4 pm
Danville Tri Kappa's Fair on the Square is an annual community event that draws large numbers of visitors — from Danville and surrounding towns — to the streets surrounding the Hendricks County Courthouse. Learn More: danvilletrikappa.org

SEPTEMBER 25

Misty Eyes Bow Wow Bash

Williams Park, Brownsburg
12 pm - 5 pm
The Bow Wow Bash is an outdoor family event with vendors, food, entertainment, Specks Dog Contests, rescue groups with over 100 animals up for adoption, the Bow Wow Splash, an incredible silent auction, and the exciting Hendricks Power Ball Drop! Learn More: bowwowbash.net



RENEWABLE ENERGY

Hendricks Power Announces Solar Array in Tilden

Hendricks Power Cooperative and Solential Energy announced the development of a 7 MW AC solar array in Hendricks County. The C&B Graham Solar Energy Project, named for the local family providing 60 acres of land for the project, is the largest solar array developed by Hendricks Power and the largest for a rural electric membership cooperative (REMC) in Indiana.

Hendricks Power selected Carmel, Indiana-based Solential Energy as its solar development partner based on its reputation for successfully partnering with REMCs on solar projects across the Midwest. Marking another major milestone, this is Solential's largest utility-scale solar installation in its 13-year history. Some 19,225 solar PV panels will be installed on the rural site in Tilden. Site work is underway. The array will be commissioned and generate solar power by mid-2023.

Hendricks Power CEO Greg Ternet said, "We are committed to sustainability and reducing our environmental footprint through this clean and pollution-free energy source. While our power supplier continues to increase its renewable portfolio, we are proud to take on this solar initiative independently. Adding a renewable resource to our system, at a cost comparable to our wholesale power supplier, shows that we are environmentally and cost conscientious. We are also proud to work in tandem with our local partners and look forward to expanding upon this platform to allow member-owner participation."

Hendricks County businessman and farmer Andy Lynch has been a member of Hendricks Power's board of directors since 1998 and serves as the board's president. "This announcement will be well received by the 35,000 residential, commercial, and industrial members across our county who are experiencing the stress of rising energy prices. Many have expressed interest in renewable energy and will welcome the fact that our county will soon generate clean solar to power local homes, farms, and businesses. Ultimately, our priority is keeping energy affordable and sustainable," he says.

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STORM PREPAREDNESS



POWER OUTAGE FOOD SAFETY

KEEP FOOD SAFE DURING AND AFTER A POWER OUTAGE

Refrigerated and frozen foods may not be safe to eat after a power outage. Use these tips to minimize food loss and reduce risk of illness.



Refrigerated food will last **4 HOURS** in an outage. After 4 hours, place refrigerated food into a cooler with ice.



Frozen food will last **24 HOURS** in a half-full freezer and **48 HOURS** in a full freezer.



Keep your refrigerator and freezer doors **CLOSED** as much as possible during an outage.



Throw out **ANY** food with any unusual colors, odor, or texture.

**WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT:
EGGS, DAIRY, POULTRY, MEAT**

ELECTRICAL SAFETY



BE SAFE AROUND ELECTRICITY WHEN MOVING FARM EQUIPMENT

WITH THE ARRIVAL OF HARVEST TIME, INDIANA'S FARMERS ARE SHIFTING INTO HIGH GEAR AS THEY MOVE INTO THEIR FIELDS TO BRING IN THEIR 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 30 feet from all power lines and power poles.

Check clearances each time you enter or exit a field. It's possible changes were made since the last time you accessed the field and the clearances could have changed.

Never try to raise power lines to allow passage of tall equipment. Even non-metallic objects such as wood poles or branches can conduct electricity.

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

When considering the height of equipment, **don't forget about the radio antennas and GPS receivers that may reach another couple feet above the roof.**



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Our faucets and appliances use a lot of hot water. You can lower your water heating costs by using less hot water in your home. Water heating accounts for a large portion of home energy bills.

To save energy (and money!) used for water heating, repair any leaky faucets, install low-flow fixtures and insulate accessible hot water lines. When it's time to purchase a new washing machine or dishwasher, look for models that are ENERGY STAR®-certified.

Source: www.energy.gov

