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AROUND TOWN

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER 2
Indiana Electric Cooperatives Page Day – *Applications Open*
High school students can spend a day at the Indiana Statehouse on Tue, Jan 26.
Apply & learn more: IECPageDay.org

NOVEMBER 11
Veterans Day
Remembering and honoring our veterans. Thank you for your service!

NOVEMBER 20–DECEMBER 27
Winterland Light Show
Ellis Park, Danville
Sun–Thu, 6–9 pm; Fri & Sat, 6–10 pm
Celebrate the holidays with the Winterland Light Show. Find Santaland days and pricing online. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas.
Learn more: tinyurl.com/u7fhxj2e

NOVEMBER 26 & 27
Thanksgiving Holiday
Thankful for the community we're proud to serve. Our office will be closed in observance.

NOVEMBER 28
Avon Tree Lighting
Avon Town Hall Park
4–6 pm
The Avon Tree Lighting event features live entertainment and music on the Town Hall steps, plus a visit from Santa, reindeer, carriage rides, hot chocolate, and more!

DECEMBER 4
Holiday Fest
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds
9 am–3 pm
Enjoy craft booths, a cookie walk, entertainment, and lunch at this annual holiday-season kickoff.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Now through Dec. 28, Hendricks Power is collecting donations to help our neighbors in need. Members are encouraged to donate new items, such as food, personal hygiene products, and baby or toddler supplies, from the list below.

Donate two or more items and receive a FREE box of 100 LED mini lights! Donations can be dropped off at the Hendricks Power office at 86 N County Road 500 E, Avon, during office hours, Monday–Friday, 7:30 am–4:30 pm. All collected items will be delivered to Family Promise and Care Net to support local families and individuals in need, including those experiencing housing insecurity and those needing pregnancy and parenting support.



Items Needed:

- **Shampoo/Conditioner**
- **Soap/Body Wash**
- **Toothpaste/Toothbrushes**
- **Feminine Hygiene Products**
- **Deodorant**
- **Pasta Sauce with Meat**
- **Canned Chicken/Tuna**
- **Breakfast Foods**
- **Mac & Cheese**
- **Soup**
- **Rice**
- **Pasta**
- **Peanut Butter**
- **Jelly**
- **Snacks**
- **Baby Wipes**
- **Pull-ups:** sizes 3T–4T & 4T–5T
- **Diapers:** sizes 4,5 & 6
- **Socks:** sizes 12M, 18M, 24M & 2T

Donations Benefit FamilyPromise CARENET



CO-OP COMMUNITY DAY
Hendricks Power Employees Make an Impact

Hendricks Power employees geared up for their annual Co-op Community Day, a day dedicated to giving back, serving local nonprofits, and making a positive impact in the community.

This year, nearly 40 employees spent Friday, October 9, volunteering at the Hendricks Regional Health YMCA in Avon, working together on projects to improve the facility and its outdoor spaces.

Volunteers tackled several hands-on projects throughout the day, including painting a shed, constructing new raised garden beds and clearing existing ones, upgrading the outdoor volleyball court, and restoring community benches.

This day gives Hendricks Power employees a chance to step away from their everyday responsibilities, work alongside teammates, and use their time and talents to support organizations in the communities they serve.

"Co-op Community Day is a great opportunity for Hendricks Power employees to come together, give back, and make a meaningful difference in our local community," said Emily Thomas, Marketing Communications Manager at Hendricks Power.

Co-op Community Day is part of an annual statewide initiative that allows Indiana electric cooperative employees to support local service projects. The program reflects the cooperative's long-standing commitment to community involvement and its mission to make a positive impact beyond providing reliable electric service.

Know an organization that could benefit from a future service day? Get in touch with Emily Thomas at ethomas@hendrickspower.com or (317) 718-7606 for more information.







HPC Shares Energy Efficiency Tips with Hendricks County Senior Services

Hendricks Power employees visited Hendricks County Senior Services on September 11 to present on home energy efficiency, host bingo, and provide cookies from Creation Cookies for seniors. The session included information on changing HVAC filters, winterizing homes, space heater safety, and preparing for the colder months.

Andrew Wray, Energy Advisor at Hendricks Power, added, "The goal is to help seniors learn ways to save energy, stay safe, and better understand how their daily usage affects their bills."

"We love partnering with Hendricks County Senior Services," said Emily Thomas, Manager of Marketing Communications at Hendricks Power. "With colder months coming, we want to offer strategies and tools to help seniors manage their usage, regardless of their energy provider."

Hendricks County COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE

Need a hand finding help?
The Hendricks County Community Resource Guide helps people find local organizations and programs for their specific needs.

FREE LOCAL EASY TO USE

Learn More
hendrickshealthpartnership.org/resources

Housing Programs	Financial Assistance	Veterans Support
Child Care/ Services	Addiction Recovery	and More!

Save Energy
Thanksgiving Day



Thanksgiving is a heartwarming holiday when family and friends reunite to feast and give thanks. However, cooking and extra guests can increase your home's energy use each year.

Here are some energy-saving tips that can help lower energy bills following the Thanksgiving celebration:

Have a Timeline
Schedule your bake times to avoid leaving your oven on unnecessarily. Plan accordingly; preheating your oven takes only 5–8 minutes. When possible, cook multiple dishes at the same time; many recipes can accommodate a 25-degree temperature difference. Resist the urge to open your oven door until your dish is finished!

Put a Lid on It
When you're cooking on the stovetop, cover pots and pans with lids when possible. Keeping the heat contained can help food cook more efficiently. Also, make sure you're using the right-sized burner for each pan. A small pan on a large burner can waste heat around the sides.

Allow Leftovers to Cool
After your feast, let leftovers cool on the counter for no more than two hours before refrigerating. This gives your refrigerator and freezer a chance to cool food efficiently without working harder than necessary.

Use Smaller Appliances
If the oven is full and you have additional dishes to warm or cook, use smaller appliances, like a slow cooker, air fryer, toaster oven, or pressure cooker. These helpful tools use less than half as much electricity as the oven.

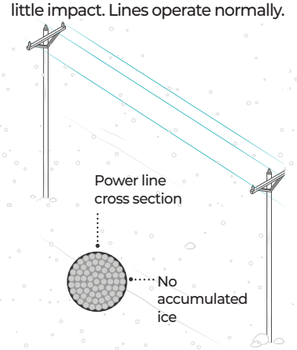
Use Your Dishwasher
Don't stress that mound of dishes! An ENERGY STAR-certified dishwasher uses less than half as much hot water as hand washing. Enjoy using your dishwasher when possible. Many offer a wash cycle shorter than 60 minutes!

Adjust Your Thermostat
If you expect a large group of family and friends, turn down the thermostat a few degrees! Extra guests and cooking heat can add up fast and make your home uncomfortably warm for everyone.

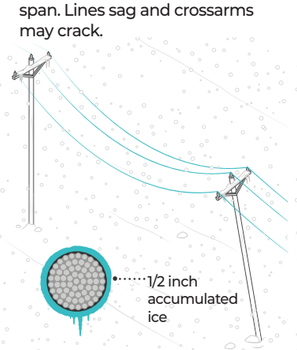
What Are Galloping Lines?

When ice accumulates on power lines, it forms a teardrop shape. If strong winds are present, the ice builds up on only one side of the power line, taking on the shape of an airplane wing and causing the line to lift. This is known as "galloping," which can potentially damage the lines, cause power outages, and even break poles.

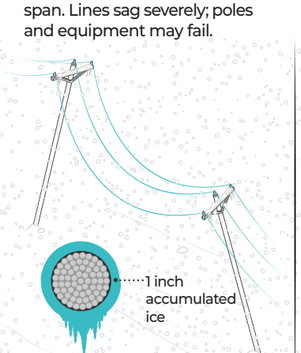
No ice - Light snow or sleet causes little impact. Lines operate normally.



½ inch - Adds 140 lbs. per 150-ft. span. Lines sag and crossarms may crack.



1 inch - Adds 370 lbs. per 150-ft. span. Lines sag severely; poles and equipment may fail.



2 inches - Adds 1,100 lbs. per 150-ft. span. Heavy loading can cause widespread pole and line failures.

