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# News & Views

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#### AROUND TOWN

## Calendar of Events

JULY 20 - 23

### Voting for Board of Directors

Hendricks Power Cooperative,  
86 N County Road 500 E, Avon  
For the safety of our community, we  
will be offering a drive-thru voting  
service at our office location. See  
available times and dates below:

Mon, 7/20: 9 am - 4 pm  
Tues, 7/21: 9 am - 6 pm  
Wed, 7/22: 9 am - 6 pm  
Thurs, 7/23: 9 am - 3 pm

All members will receive a \$10 bill  
credit, per household, for their vote,  
along with an entry to win one of five  
(5) \$500 bill credits. Election results  
will be announced at the annual meet-  
ing on Thursday, July 23.

JULY 23

### Annual Meeting

Hendricks Power Expo Hall,  
Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds  
The business meeting will be open  
to members with social distancing  
measures in place. Agenda to include  
cooperative updates, board of direc-  
tors election results, and the five (5)  
\$500 bill credit winners.

**The meeting will be streamed and  
recorded on our Facebook and You-  
Tube pages.**

**Facebook:**  
[www.facebook.com/HendricksPower](https://www.facebook.com/HendricksPower)

**YouTube:** <https://bit.ly/2BD1I74>

**Please refer to  
[www.hendrickspower.com](http://www.hendrickspower.com) for  
details.**



ANNUAL MEETING 2020

## Annual Meeting & Election Updates

**Changes to this year's election & how you can win a \$500 bill credit**

To ensure the safety of our members and employees, we have made many adjustments to our upcoming Annual Meeting and director elections this summer. In order to best accommodate our members, we will now be offering four days of voting, in a drive-thru fashion, located at our Hendricks Power parking lot. A \$10 energy credit will be given to all those who participate, and voters will also be entered to win one of five (5) \$500 energy credits. In addition, our Annual Meeting will be streamed and recorded to be accessible on-line.

### Voting

Drive-thru voting will be available on Monday, July 20th - Thursday, July 23rd. For specific times, please refer to the Calendar of Events on the left. Upon arrival, members will be greeted and asked to provide their Annual Meeting invitation card, which was delivered by mail. Staff will scan the election registration barcode found within the invitation. Members will then be provided a tablet and stylus pen to cast their vote.

All members are encouraged to vote for candidates in district areas 4, 5, and 6. Please see page 4 for more information regarding those seeking office. As a courtesy, please review this information and have your selection ready when you arrive to vote.

### 4-H Exhibit Showcase Participants

For members attending the private 4-H Exhibit Showcase, we will offer voting Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 3 pm in the sponsor pavilion tent at the Hendricks Co. Fairgrounds. Please note, voting is NOT open to the public and is offered ONLY for members participating in 4-H.

### Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will take place at the Hendricks Power Expo Hall at the Hendricks Co. 4-H Fairgrounds, Thursday, July 23rd, at 3:30 pm. Agenda includes cooperative updates, board of directors election results, and the announcement of five \$500 bill credit winners. Winners need not be present to win and will be contacted via phone. The meeting will be streamed and recorded on our Facebook and YouTube pages. Please find the urls in the calendar to the left.

Please refer to our website for additional information, board of director candidate bios, and updates.



# Hendricks Power Spreads Summer Fun to Youth

Amid youth program cancellations, HP distributes “Camp in a Box” activities



Steve Hite, Energy Services Supervisor, and Dana Cochran, Director of Marketing, distributing “Camp in a Box” packages

Each year, Hendricks Power provides seventh graders the opportunity to attend Touchstone Energy Camp at Camp Tecumseh in Brookston, Ind. During the three-day camp, students participate in a variety of activities, including horseback riding, archery, zip lining, and the chance to meet other students from across the state.

Unfortunately, the camp was canceled this year due to safety concerns. In an effort to bring the camp experience to our nine campers, Hendricks Power employees created and distributed “Camp in a Box” gift packages. Packages included a variety of summer activities, including an educational electric circuit board, beach towel, water balloons, sidewalk chalk, s’mores kit, and two person tent.



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Eli Harless,  
North Putnam Middle School



Aidan Keith,  
Plainfield Middle School



Rylan Knouse,  
Brownsburg East Middle School



Robbie Vickers,  
Danville Middle School

Would you, or a middle school student you know, like to win a “Camp in a Box” package? Now through August 15th, submit a video telling us your favorite thing about summer. Plus, we’ll share your video on Facebook!

Send your submissions to:  
[hpc@hendrickspower.com](mailto:hpc@hendrickspower.com)  
Or tag us on Facebook!

 [www.facebook.com/HendricksPower](https://www.facebook.com/HendricksPower)

For full details, please visit our  
website at [www.hendrickspower.com](http://www.hendrickspower.com).

## LOBBY & DRIVE-THRU OPENINGS

### Lobby & Drive-Thru Re-Opening

In accordance with Governor Holcomb’s plan to re-open the state, our lobby will be re-opening July 6th, 2020. Social distancing practices will be in place for the safety of our members.

As a reminder, you can also access our drive-thru service Monday-Friday, 7:30 am – 4:30 pm. Don’t forget, our electronic kiosk is also open 24/7 for your convenience.



# Meet your 2020 BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES!



## HAL TRUAX Incumbent, Area 4

Hal Truax is the incumbent director seeking re-election in Area Four. He is a lifetime resident of Middle Township and a graduate of Pittsboro High School. Truax has completed the Purdue University agriculture short course, the Lincoln Technical Institute automotive diesel course and Indiana Agriculture Leadership Program. He has also completed

all the electric cooperative director certification programs. Truax owns and operates a no-till cover crop diversified farm with his son Ethan. He has been a member since 1984, serving on the board of directors for over 28 years. He also represents Hendricks Power on the Wabash Valley Power Association board of directors. He was a charter member and past director of Indiana Sustainable Agriculture and past supervisor of Hendricks County Soil and Water Conservation district. He was on the steering committee for Leadership Hendricks County and has served as president of Hendricks County Farm Bureau. He is currently on the Youth Council of Hendricks County Extension and is a member of Bartlett Chapel United Methodist Church, where he serves as treasurer and on the mission committee. Hal and his wife Susan are 4-H leaders in Middle township, for 30 years. They have three children and 2 grandchildren.



## MARSHALL HURST Incumbent, Area 5

Marshall Hurst is the incumbent director seeking re-election in Area Five. A native of the Belle Union area, Hurst graduated from South Putnam High School and then moved to Hendricks County in 1977. He has been a member of the co-op for over 33 years, serving on the board of directors since 1998. Hurst is involved in the agricultural community and grows corn, soybeans and wheat. He was named Hendricks County Soil and Water Conservation Farmer of the Year in 1995. Hurst has two children and four grandchildren. He and his family are members of the Coatesville Christian Church.

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## KEITH COOPER Incumbent, Area 6

Keith Cooper graduated from Ben Davis High School and earned his Bachelor of Science in Agronomy from Purdue University. Cooper farms approximately 2,000 acres of land raising corn, soybeans and wheat. He also raises Black Angus cattle. Cooper has been a member of the cooperative since 1998 and was elected to the Board

of Directors in 2005. Cooper also served on the Hendricks County Fair Board from 1992 until 2003. He and his wife, Tammy, live west of Danville, near Amo. They have two children and two grand-children.



## NATHAN MENDENHALL Area 4, Candidate

Nate Mendenhall is a lifelong resident of Hendricks County. He is the son of Jay and Karen Mendenhall and has three sisters. He resides in the Lizton area with his wife Katrina, and kids Peyton and Reece. Nate is a 1996 graduate of Danville. Mendenhall works full time for the Indianapolis Colts as a corporate aircraft mechanic, as well as

taking over the everyday operations on his family farm. He enjoys boating and camping with his family, and helping his kids with their 4-H projects. He enjoys meeting new people and learning new things. He currently serves on the Union Township Advisory Board as treasurer, and the advisory board for Vincennes Aviation Technology Center. Mendenhall’s family are regular attendees and members at Your Venture Church in Lizton where Nate had the privilege and honor to baptize his son Reece. He loves his family, his church, his career, new challenges and has a passion for excellence and attention to detail. He’s excited to learn the daily workings of the power cooperative and to further serve his community!



## DAVID THOMAS Area 5, Candidate

David Thomas is a lifelong resident of Hendricks County and a 1980 graduate of Cascade High School. He and his wife Debbie currently reside in the New Winchester Area and have been Hendricks Power members for over 35 years. David recently retired from the Kroger Co. after 42 years of service in which he began as a part-time

bagger at the Store in Plainfield. During his career he served in various roles including clerk, store management, District Management, and Division Retail Operations Manager which encompassed 140 stores in Indiana and surrounding states. During his career David was twice awarded the Kroger President’s Award which is awarded annually to an associate who best models the Company’s Core Values of Integrity, Honesty, Diversity, Inclusion, Safety, and Respect. David’s involvement in the community include Hendricks County 4-H, Hendricks County Community Foundation, and Sheltering Wings. David also serves as an Elder at the Jamestown Church of Christ. David looks forward to further serving his community and the members of Hendricks Power Cooperative.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
SEEING YOU JULY 23!**

Be sure to check your mail for your  
invitation and voter registration!  
Full candidate bios are available  
on our website  
[www.hendrickspower.com](http://www.hendrickspower.com)