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Calendar of Events

JULY 23

Annual Meeting & Member **Appreciation Event**

Hendricks County Fairgrounds Hendricks Power hopes that you'll join us at our 2020 Annual Meeting. Here are some of the things you can expect:

- > Board of Directors Elections Have your voice heard and vote for board members in areas 4,5, and 6. Must be 18 to vote, one vote per household.
- > Bill Credit Drawing We'll be awarding five \$100 bill credits to members who vote for the Board of Directors.
- > Business Meeting Join us for cooperative updates and board election results. We will also be streaming the meeting online. Details on meeting stream to be announced.

To ensure the safety of our members, we will be implementing social distancing. Be sure to check your mail for your invitation as well as the latest updates on our website and social media.

Did you know? Our Annual Meeting requires 2% participation from our membership. Thank you for helping us to achieve our quorum.



Annual Meeting 2020

Vote for your Board of Directors during the Hendricks County 4-H Fair

To say that life has looked a little different over the past couple of months would be quite the understatement. The impact of COVID-19 has changed our daily lives in many respects and will be felt for quite some time. Hendricks Power Cooperative has also faced its challenges, as our foundation is built upon our community, our friends, and our neighbors. We have taken many steps to ensure the safety of our employees and members and have implemented many additional practices to help those in need.

As summer approaches, we want to remind you of our upcoming Annual Meeting, held during the Hendricks County 4-H Fair. As a member-owner of our cooperative, you have a voice. Through our democratic process, you have the right to vote for your board of directors at our Annual Meeting Our directors make decisions on your behalf, so we ask that you stay engaged and cast your vote

While we are eager to visit with our members during the 4-H Fair, please know the safety of our community is our number one consideration. While we will adhere to social distancing practices at our event, we are also reviewing other accommodations for the safety of our members. Be on the lookout for more communication regarding our annual meeting procedures in the next few weeks.

As you vote, feel free to bring your questions regarding billing options, energy efficiency, electrical safety, or any other concerns. We hope that you feel at ease as we welcome your comments and conversation. Our staff and line crew are also very humbled at this time, as many of you often share your thanks and appreciation for the work done behind the scenes in order to keep your power on.



Although these times may be trying, our mission remains: "Hendricks Power Cooperative exists to provide energy and other services to our members and community." We stand true to our core and remain committed to serving our members. We look forward to your participation and safely seeing you this summer.



Dana Cochran Director of Member Engagement ENDEAVOR FIBER INTERNET

Getting Connected: Endeavor Fiber Update

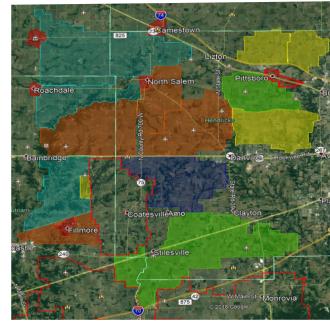
Construction continues, bringing high-speed internet to new territories

In the year since its inception, HP Connect, a joint venture of Endeavor Communications and Hendricks Power, has placed more than 160 miles of fiber in Hendricks County and has connected 920 customers. Crews are averaging 80 new installs each month.

Take a look at the map on the right to see when you can expect to be con-

- · Yellow Tilden and Pittsboro construction is complete. Heritage Lake is currently under construction.
- · Green Maplewood and Hazelwood are currently under construction and are expected to be completed by the end of June. Endeavor representatives are currently visiting homes to inform residents and offer service.
- · Orange Northwest Danville construction is expected to begin in July of 2020. North Salem Town, Fillmore Town, and New Maysville South construction is expected to be completed in 2021.
- · Blue Fillmore North, New Maysville North, and North Salem area construction will be completed by 2022.

At the completion of the four year project, more than 5,000 homes will have access to high-speed internet throughout Hendricks County. If you are in an area that is ready for service or in our future builds, you can sign up at join.weendeavor.com.



COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY SCHOLARS

2020 Commitment to Community Scholarship Recipients

Each year, Hendricks Power Cooperative is proud to support and offer opportunities for local youth, including our annual scholarships for local high school students. Commitment to Community is a cooperative principle and we believe that supporting education and leadership development programs for our youth can make a lasting impact. This year's winners were selected based on community involvement, academic excellence. personal achievements, and an essay submission.

This year's essay prompt was to describe, in their own words, which Cooperative Principle is most important and why.

Check out our website and social media to see which Cooperative Principle each of our winners chose.







Grace Engel



OMeet 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.



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 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.



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 agricul-

tural 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.

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.

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