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Connecting our community

We are gearing up for our 2019 Annual Meeting, and as we make preparations, I wanted to give some insight behind this year's annual meeting theme, "Connecting our Community."

Over 80 years ago, the farmers of Orange and surrounding counties came together to help connect the rural areas to the surrounding community by setting poles, stringing lines and putting infrastructure in place for electric service. This group of individuals would go on to form Orange County REMC, and annually elect members of the community to sit on the board to make decisions that are both in the best interest of the community and the co-op.

Now, it seems history is repeating itself, as Orange County REMC is leading the charge to connect the community to the world by installing equipment to bring affordable, reliable, high-speed internet service to the previously underserved rural community.

CONNECTING our COMMUNITY
2019 ORANGE COUNTY REMC
Annual Meeting

I encourage you to attend the 2019 Annual Meeting, June 7, at the Paoli Jr./Sr. High School. Doors open for registration at 4:30 p.m. Members can enjoy a catered meal from 4:30-6:30 p.m., and we'll also have a high-energy children's program. The business meeting starts at 7 p.m., and we'll use some of that time to update you on the exciting progress we're making by "Connecting our Community" through high-speed internet and a few other new changes and upgrades.

We look forward to seeing you there!

MATTHEW C. DEATON
General Manager/CEO

Kirby Staley

Orange County REMC members will again be treated to the music of Kirby Stailey at the 2019 Annual Meeting. Staily has been featured in live performances and interviews on numerous radio and TV stations. He has played at events alongside the president of the United States, the governor of Indiana, Eric Church, and Hawk Nelson to name a few.

He performs at nearly 100 live events per year throughout Indiana including fairs, festivals, churches, revivals, youth camps, benefits and various private events. More information about Kirby Staily's music is available at www.kirbystaily.com.

FEATURED ANNUAL MEETING ENTERTAINMENT

Rate schedule

How to compute your monthly electric bill:

Use this information to figure your bill for electric use in April, May and June.

Rate Schedule for Standard Service

Standard Service Consumer Charge..... $26
Standard Service Energy Charge.... $0.1124
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker .. $0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax..... 7%

Example for 1,200 kWh
Standard Service Consumer Charge.....$26
1,200 kWh @ $0.1124.....$134.88
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker
1,200 kWh @ $0.0032734.....$3.93
Total.....$164.81
Indiana sales tax.....$11.54
Total bill.....$176.34

Rate Schedule for Time-of-Use Service

Time-of-Use Consumer Charge..... $30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak $0.1671
(On-Peak: 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday–Friday, EST)
Energy Charge Off-Peak..... $0.0691
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker . $0.0032734
Total bill x Indiana sales tax, 7%

Example for 300 kWh (On-Peak) and 900 kWh (Off-Peak)
Time-of-Use Consumer Charge.....$30.90
Energy Charge On-Peak
300 kWh @ $0.1671.....$50.13
Energy Charge Off-Peak
900 kWh@ $0.0691.....$62.19
Wholesale Power Cost Tracker
1,200 kWh @ $0.0032734.....$3.93
Total.....$147.15
Indiana sales tax.....$10.30
Total bill.....$157.45

Rate Schedule for Security Lighting

Security Lighting: 100 W HPS $9.82
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Meet your 2019 di

Randy Roberts has served on the board of directors for 30 years, representing District 2, which includes REMC service territory in Washington and Crawford counties.

Roberts lives north of Campbellsburg and is a lifetime resident of Washington County. He and his wife, Sharon, have three children; Adrienne (Corey Baker), Paige (Justin Holsapple) and Landon (Lauren Roberts); and four grandchildren: Hayden, Charlee and Leni Holsapple, and Hudson Roberts.

Roberts attended Purdue University where he studied general agriculture and animal husbandry. He is part-owner in a fifth-generation farming enterprise with his brother, Rick, and son, Landon. The business includes a commercial cow/calf herd, along with freezer beef, hay, corn and soybean operations.

As a director, he earned his Credentialed Cooperative Directors Certificate through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. He is a member of the Washington County, Indiana, and National Cattlemen's Associations; Washington County Extension Board; Springville Feeder Auction Board; and Turtle Creek Cattle Alliance; and maintains ownership in Heartland Premium Aged Beef. Other community involvement includes the Brown Township Advisory Board, Cavetown Cemetery Board and Sugar Creek Christian Church. Roberts takes pleasure in Purdue sports, spending time with his family, attending cattle sales, traveling and outdoor activities.

Rodney Hager has served as Orange County REMC director representing District 4 which includes Orangeville and Northwest townships since 2001. Now serving as board president, Hager earned certification as a Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) in his first term as a director and qualified for a Board Leadership Certificate (BLC) from National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) in his second term. Throughout his term as director, Hager has completed additional director education.

In 2002, Orange County REMC board of directors selected Hager as our representative to Indiana Electric Cooperatives (IEC). The statewide association provides legislative and administration services to 39 Indiana cooperatives. In 2007, he was elected to the executive committee of the statewide association representing District 7 consisting of Southeastern Indiana REMC, Clark County REMC, Harrison County REMC, Jackson County REMC, as well as Orange County REMC. While serving on the executive community of Indiana Electric Cooperatives, he served as president in 2010 and 2011.

Hager is a lifelong resident of Orange County and the Orangeville area. He graduated from Orleans High School in 1964 and has three children. He retired from General Motors after 33 years of service and now devotes his time to farming, raising beef and having an excavation business.

Hager has served as Orangeville Township trustee for 12 years. He is a member of the Bethel Church and is a 45-year member of the Orleans Masonic Lodge. Hager is a member of the Orange County Cattlemen's and the Indiana Beef Cattle Associations. He served as regional director and on the executive committee for the Indiana Beef Cattle Association, serving as president and past president in 2006 and 2007. He is also proud to have been nominated for and received the 2009 Master Farmer award presented by the Indiana Prairie Farmer magazine and Purdue University.

rector candidates

George Key has served as Orange County REMC director representing District 7 for the past nine years. He served as secretary in the past and currently is vice president of the board.

Key earned his certification as a Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) in his first term in office, and is currently working toward his Board Leadership Certification (BLC) from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

Key is a lifelong resident of Orange County (residing in Southeast Township). He has been a member of the cooperative since 1982, and is a graduate of Paoli Jr.-Sr. High School.

Key and wife, Charlotte, a retired teacher, have two sons. John, married to wife Ashley, is employed with Wright Brothers in Corydon where he is a mechanic and Gold level Stihl technician. Ashley is employed at Baptist Health-Floyd as an RN. Aaron is married to Karson. Aaron is employed at Paoli Jr./Sr. High School where he teaches geometry and algebra II, drives a school bus and assists with the varsity boys' basketball team. Karson is employed with Electricom in the human resource department and has coached the Paoli Junior High girls' basketball team the past two years.

Key, ordained in 2005, has pastored Little Mission Church since August 2004. He has been a contracted school bus driver for Paoli Schools for 34 years. He, and his wife, mother and sons, and daughters-in-law run the family farm raising beef cattle, alfalfa hay, wheat, corn and soybeans. In his spare time, he enjoys hunting and fishing, and playing with his mini donkeys and fainting goats. Each spring, he anticipates the return of his purple martin colony, hosting an average of 175 plus pairs of birds each year.

Key has served three terms (nine years) on the Farm Service Agency (FSA) committee. He currently serves on the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation board and on the Orange County Cattlemen's Association committee. In addition, he has been the Republican precinct committeeman for Southeast Township for several years.

Since no petitions were filed for other candidates to run for election, these incumbents will be officially seated at the Annual Meeting.

Key, always interested in helping others, sees serving on the REMC board of directors as an opportunity to help and serve not only members in District 7, but all members across the REMC service territory.

In his past nine years serving as a director, Key has seen positive things moving the cooperative forward for an even greater tomorrow and future. He has played an active role in helping to select a new general manager (CEO) to lead the cooperative. He has also appointed a member of his district to serve on the Operation Round Up committee and is very proud of the help that Operation Round Up is giving to the community and to the cooperative members. Key is proud of being part of the planning and commitment to the Orange County Fiber project. He sees excitement among REMC members in anticipation of the arrival of fiber to their homes and business and the impact it will have in our community.

Key, who has a willingness to learn, has felt it is an honor and great learning experience to have served as director of district 7 and will continue to become as educated and as knowledgeable as possible in serving the REMC. Key counts it a blessing to have been able to work with the board of directors, general manager/CEO, staff and all the linemen who keep our lights on. He said he hopes to have the opportunity to continue as director for District 7.

Dates to remember:

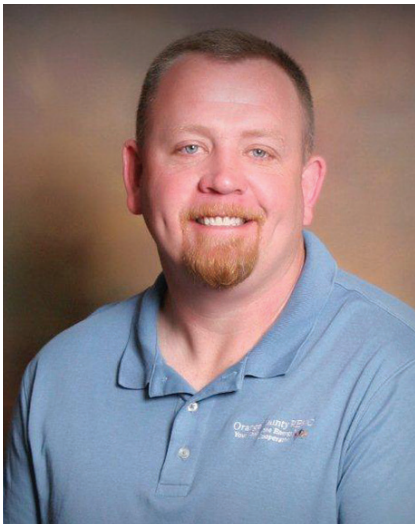
The Orange County REMC office will be closed **May 27** as our employees spend Memorial Day with their families.

The office will also close at noon on **June 7** as our employees prepare for the 2019 Annual Meeting.

Have an outdoor project scheduled for this spring? Don't forget to

CALL 811

REMC names new operations manager



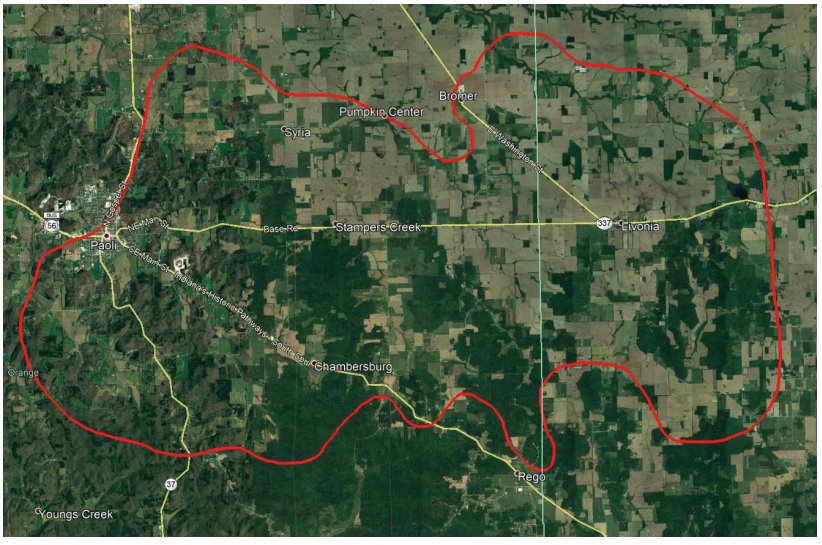
BILLY CHASTAIN

Orange County REMC recently promoted Billy Chastain to the position of operations manager, after serving several years as a staking engineer for the co-op.

REMC General Manager/CEO Matt Deaton shared his thoughts about the decision to use Chastain to fill the vacancy.

"Over the years, I have witnessed Billy continuing to make strides in technical competency as well as leadership. He has demonstrated that he is capable of being successful as operations manager. I know he will oversee the electric operations in a manner fair and mindful of all of our members. I am excited to have Billy as a member of the senior staff and look forward to working with him to execute the strategy and vision of the cooperative."

Pole testing this month



Contracted crews will be testing poles in the area served by the Mahan Substation in May. The area affected is outlined in red in the image above. Please expect extra service vehicles along roadsides in this area and drive safely.

Larry Pinnick retires

Orange County REMC Materials Manager Larry Pinnick has retired after 19 years of service. While at the co-op, he previously held the position of staking engineer and played the role of ambassador to the community each year at the REMC's annual meeting.

Pinnick noted that he will miss working with REMC members, whether on the phone or in person answering their questions.

He also appreciated working with our team of employees throughout the years. "The employees are truly wonderful people who work for a wonderful company. I want to wish them all a wonderful career with the REMC," Pinnick said.

LARRY PINNICK

Orange County REMC General Manager/CEO Matt Deaton had high praise for Pinnick.

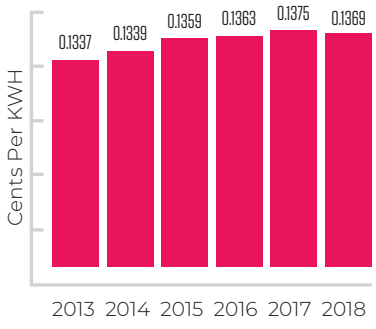
"I congratulate Larry and wish him the best as he transitions into retired life," Deaton said. "Larry has enjoyed a very successful career with the co-op and has helped implement several improvements. Larry will certainly be missed, as he is the guy that can, and will, do anything to benefit the members."

Review of 2018 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF OPERATION		2018	2017
Revenue	**Operating Revenue**	**16,185,270**	**14,866,613**
Operating Expenses	Purchased Power	9,878,194	8,950,335
	Operations Expense	2,436,321	2,457,937
	Maintenance Expense	1,410,933	1,430,365
	Depreciation Expense	1,317,394	1,261,185
	Taxes	225,307	206,956
	Interest Expense	513,087	501,700
	Other Deductions	332	392
	Total Operating Expenses	**15,781,568**	**14,808,870**
	Operating Margins	**403,702**	**57,743**
Other Income & Deductions	Interest Income	14,742	21,899
	Miscellaneous	-46,270	-10,388
	Capital Credits	356,114	424,502
	Net Margins	**728,288**	**493,756**

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET			
Assets	Utility Plant	41,383,503	39,948,134
	Work in Progress	221,937	237,154
	Accumulated Depreciation	-11,052,112	-10,035,412
	Net Plant	**30,553,328**	**30,149,876**
	Investments/Other Assets	6,882,625	6,710,777
	Total Current Assets	5,954,365	2,474,682
	Deferred Charges	304,012	355,918
	Total Assets	**43,694,330**	**39,691,253**
Equities & Liabilities	Equities	19,327,728	18,583,230
	Long Term Debt	18,249,050	18,356,365
	Current Liabilities	6,117,552	2,751,658
	Non-current Liabilities	0	0
	Deferred Credits	0	0
	Total Equity & Liabilities	43,694,330	39,691,253

GENERAL STATISTICS	2018	2017
KWH Purchased	125,413,805	114,180,326
KWH Sold & Used	117,024,092	106,916,365
Line Loss	6.69%	6.36%
Average # of Consumers	7,893	7,867
Miles of Line	1,114	1,108
Average Consumers per Mile	7.09	7.10



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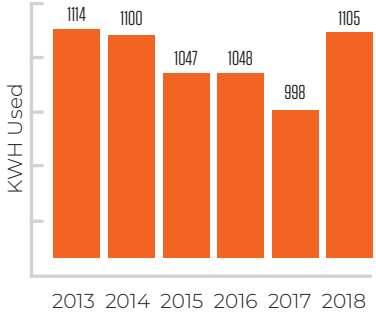

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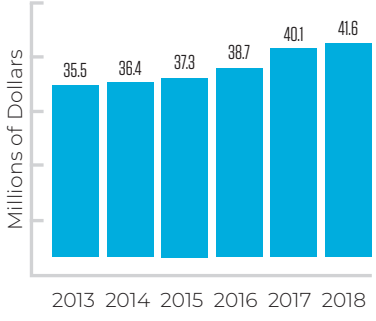

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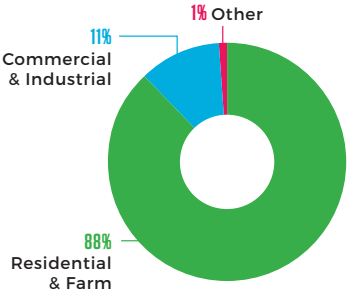

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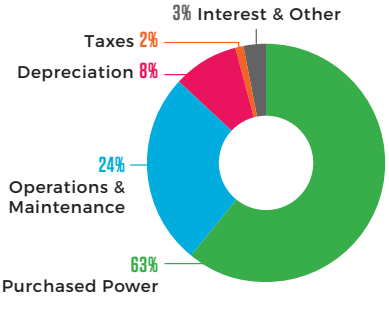

WHERE YOUR DOLLAR WENT

2019 Annual Meeting