

HOT LINES

June 2025

News about your community and cooperative



Midwest Electric, Inc.

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

NEW SUMMER HOURS: Monday through Thursday 6:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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IMPORTANT MEMBER INFO

CELEBRATE NATIONAL

Family Month



To strengthen local families and promote quality time spent together, we're giving away gift certificates to:



Winners will be selected each week of June on our Facebook page: @MidwestElectric.

TIPS TO BEAT THE SUMMER PEAK

When we all work together to lower energy use during peak hours, we can lock in lower electricity rates, so everyone saves. Here are a few simple ways to save.

- 1 Raise the thermostat a few degrees.
- 2 Use ceiling fans (in occupied rooms) to feel cooler.
- 3 Avoid using major appliances.
- 4 Close drapes and blinds to block heat from the sun.
- 5 Turn off and unplug non-essential electronics and lights.



Keep an eye on our Facebook page to win a \$25 bill credit!



TIPS FOR AVOIDING SOLAR SCAMS

As the popularity of rooftop solar panels increases, so do solar scams. Here are a few tips to consider before you install a solar system for your home.



- Talk to your electric co-op first. We can offer guidance and recommendations.
- Get at least three quotes from solar companies, and thoroughly read their reviews.
- Avoid companies that use high-pressure tactics.
- Don't believe unrealistic promises.
- Only sign clear, easy-to-understand contracts.

Community Calendar

- ◆ June 6 **Barracuda: Heart Tribute**, Fountain Park, Van Wert, www.vanwertlive.com
- ◆ June 7 **DRC Summer Paint & Sip Wood Sign Workshop**, Delphos Recreation Center
www.allevvents.in/delphos/200028039792816
- ◆ June 7 **5th Annual Public Car Show**, Lima Auto Mall, www.vcca.org
- ◆ June 10 **Greater Grand Lake Beekeepers**, St Marys Library,
www.facebook.com/GreaterGrandLakeBeekeepers
- ◆ June 12-15 **Fort Recovery Harvest Jubilee**, fortrecoveryjubilee.com
- ◆ June 13-14 **Freedom Truck Meet**, Van Wert County Fairgrounds, vanwertcountyfair.com
- ◆ June 13-14 **Rockford Community Days**, Shane's Park, Rockford
- ◆ June 14 **Zuma Days 5K**, Franklin Township Fire House, Montezuma,
mercerhealth5kchallenge.com/races/zuma-days
- ◆ June 20 **The Legendary Trainhoppers**, Fountain Park, Van Wert,
www.vanwertlive.com/events/all
- ◆ June 21 **Summerfest Craft Show & Fireworks**, Spencerville High School,
spencervilleoh.com/summerfest.html
- ◆ June 21-22 **Governor's Cup Regatta**, Grand Lake St. Marys State Park Campground,
governorscupregatta.com
- ◆ June 21-22, 26-29 **Newsies, Grand Opera House**, St Marys, crescentplayers.org
- ◆ June 22 **Hearth and Home Cruise In**, Van Wert Freedom Cruise
- ◆ June 27-28 **Lima Half Mile**, Allen County Fairgrounds, Lima, www.limahalf-mile.com
- ◆ June 27-29 **Maria Stein Country Fest & 5K**, Maria Stein, facebook.com/mscountryfest
- ◆ June 28 **Once Upon a Time: Move Music Family Concert**, Pangle Pavillion, Lima,
www.limasymphony.com

**WE'LL PAY
YOU TO
HELP KEEP
RATES LOW!**

Join our Cool Returns program and get a **\$100** bill credit, plus **\$5** each month from June through September!

Midwest Electric is offering free installation of a Cool Returns switch on your central air conditioning unit. This device briefly cycles your compressor during peak demand times — helping lower electric costs — and most members don't even notice a change in comfort.

It's free to participate, and you'll be helping the co-op save \$600,000 a year in wholesale power costs, which helps keep everyone's rates stable.

To learn more or sign up



call 800-962-3830

Or scan the
QR code



2025 ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, June 5

St. Marys Memorial High School
2250 State Route 66, St. Marys

Must be present to win.

\$2,000

in total cash prizes

PLUS

\$1,000

scholarship drawing

Dinner buffet at 5:30 p.m.
Meeting at 6:45 p.m.



**Community
Connection
Fund**

Looking for funding for your not-for-profit group?

Fill out an application request and submit your group or organization's request. Applications and more information are available online at www.midwestrec.com/community-connection-fund.