

Oakdale Electric Cooperative 2017 ANNUAL MEETING



MY CO-OP

Saturday, April 1
Tomah High School
 9 a.m. Registration
 10 a.m. Meeting

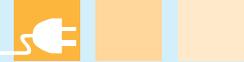


**Oakdale Electric
Cooperative**

Your Touchstone Energy® Partner 

- Director elections for Districts 1 and 7
- Annual reports
- Bill credit drawings
- Door prizes
- Kentucky Fried Chicken lunch served following the business meeting

*Watch for your annual report
booklet in March*



Incentives for 2017

Members have earned thousands of dollars in energy efficiency incentives through Oakdale Electric Cooperative and Focus on Energy. This year should be no different.

We want to help you control your energy costs by helping you make your home as energy efficient as possible. So, check out these incentives available to you in 2017. For more information, check out our website at info@oakdalerec.com or call us at 608-372-4131 or 800-241-2468.

Incentives available directly through Oakdale Electric Cooperative:

- Energy Star Appliances
- Appliance Recycling
- Geothermal Heat Pumps
- Air-Source Heat Pumps and Central Air Conditioners
- Smart Thermostats
- Lighting
- Home Performance (Existing Homes)
- Touchstone Energy Home Program (New Homes)
- Water Heaters
- Commercial & Industrial
- Agricultural
- And more

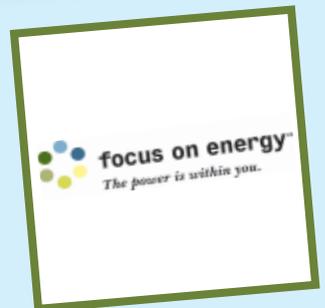
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Through our partnership with the Focus on Energy Program you also have access to many of the incentives they offer!

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home Performance (Existing Homes) • New Homes • Heating & Cooling • Renewable Energy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar Electric • Geothermal Heat Pumps | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting Program • Commercial & Industrial • Appliance Recycling • Smart Thermostats • Simple Energy Efficiency • Agricultural • And more |
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For more information go to www.focusonenergy.com or call them at 1-800-762-7077. There is also a link to the FOCUS website at www.oakdalerec.com



Receipts must be submitted within three months of installation or purchase date.

Don't forget to check for any Federal Tax Credits that may be available.

Information can be found at www.energystar.gov.



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OAKDALE ELECTRIC LINEMEN OBTAIN JOURNEYMAN LINEMAN CERTIFICATION

Ethan Benson and Tom Liddane recently obtained their journeyman lineman certification. They completed the state of Wisconsin's rigorous four-year Electric Line Worker Apprenticeship program, which consisted of 8,000 hours of on-the-job training and 640 hours of classroom-based learning at Chippewa Valley Technical College. Ethan and Tom passed their final comprehensive exams this past August, which they both declared was a great weight to have lifted off their shoulders.

"We are both very proud of this accomplishment, and look forward to long careers at Oakdale Electric Cooperative, and will continue providing our members exceptional electric service," stated Tom.

Ethan has been employed with Oakdale Electric Cooperative since November 2012. He grew up in Hustler and graduated from New Lisbon High School. This past year, Ethan has planted roots back into his hometown, where he now resides with his girlfriend, Danielle, and their two beloved Labrador retrievers.

Tom began working for the co-op in April 2011. He lives in rural Tomah with his wife, Gabriella, and in his free time, helps operate the family farm.

Oakdale Electric Cooperative congratulates Ethan and Tom on their success, and contributes it to their hard work, dedication, and willingness to always go the extra mile. We are so proud of you both!

Pictured at left: Ethan Benson (left) and Tom Liddane

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

If you're planning to continue your education at a college or university next fall, we may be able to help you! Check out our website, www.oakdalerec.com, for updated information about our scholarship program.



YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONGRESS

Calling all high school juniors!

Check with your high school guidance counselor for information about this summer's Youth Leadership Congress, to be held July 26–28 on the UW–River Falls campus. You won't want to miss out on this rewarding and fun opportunity!

2017 MEMBER PHOTO CONTEST

"Life in Rural Wisconsin"

Oakdale Electric Cooperative is holding our annual photo contest for members' photos to be featured in our 2018 calendar. Winning photos may be used in future newsletters or cooperative publications.

Photo Contest Criteria:

- Photos must be taken within the Oakdale Electric Cooperative service area.
- Photos should capture life in rural Wisconsin (seasons, wildlife, landscape, people, etc.).
- Photos must have a horizontal (landscape) orientation.
- Photos can be in color or black and white.
- **Only high-resolution photos can be used. Photos must be at least 300 dpi.**

Photo Contest Rules and Details:

- Contest will run from February 1, 2017 until August 25, 2017; however, submitted photos can be taken outside of this date range.
- Three (3) photos per member will be accepted.
- All Oakdale Electric Cooperative members 18 years old and over are eligible to submit photos.
- An Oakdale Electric Cooperative member under the age of 18 years old is eligible to participate, but must submit a parent/guardian form with entry.
- **A completed entry form must accompany each photo.**
- Member must own rights to photo.
- OEC employees will determine the winning photos.

Photo Contest Entry Options:

- **Upload** using the Photo Contest Entry Form, found on www.oakdalerec.com, under the News & Community page
- **Mail** to P.O. Box 40, Oakdale, WI, 54649. (photo(s) must be 8"x10" in size, and 300 dpi)
- **Drop off** at Oakdale Electric Cooperative Office --489 N. Oakwood St., Tomah. (photo(s) must be 8"x10" in size, and 300 dpi)

Bruce Ardel, General Manager

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Toll-free Online Bill Payment 866-392-4307

Diggers Hotline: For underground cable locates and power line clearance information, call 800-242-8511.