

SAFETY MESSAGE

Children often don't understand the danger of electricity and electrical equipment. In their innocent and imaginative minds, what can be potentially dangerous may go unnoticed or even appear enticing and fun.

- Point out overhead power lines and other electrical equipment, and explain what they are.
- Remind them never to climb utility poles, towers, or trees near power lines.
- Never attempt to retrieve a ball or toy from a substation. If their belongings go into a substation, always call the electric utility first.



Adams-Columbia Electric Cooperative • January 2024

Briefing of the Board Meeting

October 24, 2023

Board Action Items:

- Approved policies
- Approved large power rates
- Federated Youth Foundation application for membership
- Reinstatement of the Rules Committee
- Approved September board vouchers

View the full meeting summary on our website: www.acecwi.com/news-information/meeting-mins



CUT YOUR ENERGY COSTS

January 10 is Cut Your Energy Costs Day, and we're here to provide you with a few tips to get the job done.

The best way to lower your winter energy bills is to lower your thermostat. Here are a few ideas to save energy and stay cozy!

Set your thermostat to 68 degrees or lower in colder months

Add warmth with window coverings

Add an extra layer of warm clothing (and a lap dog)

We have a list of energy-saving tips for our members to put into action all throughout your home. Visit our website at www.acecwi.com/energy-saving-tips to learn about ways you can save.

Don't forget to take advantage of incentives available through Focus On Energy too!



FOIL-BAKED SALMON

PREP TIME - 10 MINS | COOK TIME - 25 MINS

INGREDIENTS

- 1 salmon filet (about 2 lbs)
- 2 Tbsp butter, melted
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tsp grated lemon zest
- 1 Tbsp minced fresh parsley
- 3/4 tsp salt
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- 6 lemon slices

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a 15"x10"x1" baking pan with heavy-duty foil, grease lightly. Place salmon skin side down on foil. Combine butter, garlic and lemon zest; drizzle over salmon. Sprinkle with parsley, salt, and pepper. Top with lemon. Fold foil around salmon; seal tightly.
2. Bake for 20 minutes. Open foil carefully, allowing steam to escape. Broil 3-6" from the heat until the fish flakes easily with a fork, about 3-5 minutes.



Recipe from Helen Rawson of Portage, WI

ANNUAL MEETING

Save the date



7:30 - 10:00 a.m.



Saturday, May 11, 2024



Adams-Friendship High School

Interested in running for a board seat?

Districts 1 and 2 are up for election in 2024. If you live in one of these districts full time, you have the opportunity to represent your neighbors and fellow co-op members on our board of directors.



Visit www.acecwi.com/nomination-by-petition to review the director qualifications and for more details on the nomination by petition process. If your township is listed below and you are interested in running for a board seat, contact Stacey McManus at (800) 831-8629.

District 1

- Plainfield
- Leola
- Saratoga
- Grand Rapids
- Grant
- Rome

District 2

- Buena Vista
- Pine Grove
- Almond
- Belmont
- Deerfield
- Wautoma
- Mount Morris
- Springwater
- Dayton
- Oasis
- Rose
- Richford
- Dakota
- Marion

Deadline to submit nomination by petition and advisory resolutions:
February 10, 2024

Advisory Resolutions

Do you have an idea for the co-op to consider? Submit an advisory resolution!

Submit an advisory resolution by February 10 to be considered by the Rules Committee. Visit www.acecwi.com/about-advisory-resolutions to learn more about the process and how to get started submitting a resolution.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY 18 & 19

Meet our new General Manager, Jon Congdon. He will be hosting discussion days from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at our Wautoma office on the 18th and our Pardeeville office on the 19th.

FEBRUARY 1

Upcoming deadline for our STEM Grant. Spread the word about this grant opportunity to educators you know.

FEBRUARY 1

Our Time-of-Day rate changes. Visit our website for more rate details.

FEBRUARY 10

Be sure to submit paperwork for advisory resolutions and nomination by petition by this date for our Annual Meeting.

FEBRUARY 23

Submit applications for our scholarship programs.



From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you for your generosity this holiday season by supporting our Toys for Tots program. Toys and monetary donations made an incredible impact on local families in our service territory. Without your help, we couldn't coordinate a program at this level.



Adams County
Angel Tree
448 children



Waushara County
Holiday Project
706 children



Boys and Girls Club
of Berlin
317 children



Marquette County
Giving Tree
290 children



Green Lake County
Angel Tree
257 children



Sauk County
Children's Giving Tree
641 children



Children's Wisconsin
of Baraboo
66 children



Christmas Project of
Pardeeville
64 children



Columbia County
Health & Human
Services
109 children



Gertrude Christian
Children's Fund of
Randolph
24 children



NICC Foundation
of Columbus
216 children

Over 9,700 toys,
books, and
stocking stuffers
were donated to
over 3,000
children in six
counties.

Thank you for your donations

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM NOW OPEN

We're accepting applications for our Educational and Jon Steinhaus Lineworker Scholarships until Friday, February 23. We've made the application process easy and convenient with one application form, available on our website. The application is available online, or in PDF format if you prefer to print it out.

Be sure to review the scholarship page you are interested in to make sure you meet the eligibility requirements prior to applying. **It is the student's responsibility to have all of the required information and documents when submitting a scholarship application.**

New this
year, one
application
form!



The deadline to apply for a scholarship is
Friday, February 23, 2024



STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS TO APPLY:

- Review our scholarship webpages to determine which scholarship you'd like to apply for.
- Print out reference forms and send them to three people who you'd like to give you a reference. Have them return the reference forms to you. Be sure to have them return forms back to you in a timely manner so you can include them with your application by the deadline.
- Have a copy of your most current transcript (unofficial is acceptable) and a photo of yourself to include with your application.
- Complete the scholarship application with the required documents and information by Friday, February 23, 2024.

If you have any questions, contact Stacey McManus at (800) 831-8629, or email smcmanus@acecwi.com. Visit www.acecwi.com/co-op-programs/scholarships, or scan the QR code to learn more about both scholarships available and to apply.



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NEW YEAR. NEW SMARTHUB LOOK.

The new layout for the desktop version of SmartHub went live January 2. If you need assistance in navigating the new layout, give us a call at (800) 831-8629 and one of our customer service representatives can walk you through the site.

