

Newsletter

A monthly publication for the members of Heartland Power Cooperative | February 2025



APPLY FOR YOUTH TOUR

Applications Due March 3, 2025



Who can apply?

- Current sophomores or juniors
- Parent(s) or Guardian(s) are HPC Members

Learn more at heartlandpower.com/youthtour



In June, high school students from across Iowa will travel to Washington, D.C. to join more than 1,900 students from around the nation in the 2025 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour!

Heartland Power Cooperative will be sponsoring two students from our service territory to participate in this once-in-a-lifetime experience from June 15-21, 2025.

Students will participate in leadership training, engage in conversations with elected oficials, make friends, and tour many of the historical sites in Washington, D.C.

Pictured are HPC's 2024 Youth Tour Representatives: Scarlett Byrnes & Abbey Muller

Board of Director Nominations

Members of the Nominating Committee of Heartland Power Cooperative met on January 8, 2025 to select director candidates from Districts 3, 4 and 6.

Board of Director Nominee for Heartland Power District No. 3 is Don Knudtson.

Board of Director Nominee for Heartland Power District No. 4 is Michael Cole.

Board of Director Nominee for Heartland Power District No. 6 is Vince Morische.

The Nominating Report is posted in the office in Thompson and St. Ansgar. Thank you to the Nominating Committee members Dave Voight, Bob Wetherell, Al Witt, Jason Hackbart, and Brent Bielland for serving the cooperative.

The Annual Business Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 27th in Thompson. As always, members are welcome to attend the annual meeting, however we want to remind you that we will only be holding the business portion of the meeting. There will not be a meal or gifts handed out at the Annual Meeting.

Heartland Power Annual Meeting

Thursday, March 27 | 1:00 PM **HPC Thompson Office**

Watch for more details in the Annual Report.

The Annual Report will be mailed out in mid-March with a review of the past year of the Cooperative, meeting information, and additional details.



Providing members with safe, reliable, affordable electricity and enhancing the quality of life for members and their local communities.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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MONTHLY QUIZ

\$25 BILL CREDIT WINNER

Wayne & Gina McClintock of Charles City

THIS MONTH'S QUESTION

What is Iowa's electric cooperatives' top legislative priority this session?

QUIZ GUIDELINES

Each member who sends in the correct answer by the 20th of the month will be entered in a drawing for a \$25 bill credit. Mail or email quiz answers to energy@heartlandpower.com.

HPC Meets With Legislators

Electric cooperatives advocate for affordable and reliable power as Iowa's 2025 Legislative Session begins.



Heartland Power Cooperative directors and staff pause discussion for a photo with Senator Dennis Guth, Senator Doug Campbell, and Representative Henry Stone.

Des Moines, Iowa | January 14, 2025

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Nearly 170 senior staff and directors from Iowa electric cooperatives, including Heartland Power Cooperative, traveled to downtown Des Moines on January 14 to attend our annual reception at the start of the 91st General Assembly of the Iowa Legislature. At the event, co-op advocates were able to discuss concerns and priorities face to face with their state legislators. The Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives hosted the reception in conjunction with the Iowa Biotechnology Association, the Iowa Communications Alliance, the Iowa Institute for Cooperatives and FUELIowa.

Representatives from Iowa's locally owned electric cooperatives covered several important issues that could impact the affordability and reliability of electricity for the members and communities we serve.

Our top legislative priority this session is protecting the state's defined electric service territories. In Iowa, your location determines which electric utility will serve your home, farm or business. For almost 50 years, these defined electric service areas have provided certainty to electric cooperatives as we work to maintain affordable rates, foster a resilient electric grid and invest in economic development throughout rural Iowa. We strongly oppose any efforts to change or amend the service territory law and you can learn more about this issue at www.ProtectRurallowa.com.

In the coming months, Iowa's 91st General Assembly will be addressing a multitude of issues, including energy-related matters that are central to Iowa's rural economy. Beginning with the Welcome Back Legislative Reception, Iowa electric cooperatives will again be important advocates for a balanced approach in addressing energy issues as we work to power lives and empower communities. We'll have another opportunity to advocate for our members and communities at our annual Rural Electric Cooperative (REC) Day on the Hill event on March 19. Learn more about our advocacy efforts at www.IAruralpower.org.