

# NEWS & VIEWS

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## Member Appreciation Event

St. Ansgar Office | 110 Industrial Park Drive  
Monday, August 1<sup>st</sup> | 4pm - 7pm

Please plan to join us for a **Member Appreciation Event on Monday, August 1st, from 4-7pm at the St. Ansgar Office.** We have a fun evening planned with activities for the entire family! Including attendance gifts, drawings, food and fun for all ages. *And if you've ever been curious*

*to know what it's like all the way up in a bucket...now is your chance to take a ride in one!* All Heartland Power Cooperative members are invited to attend and we hope to see you in St. Ansgar on August 1st! *See below for a list of some of the activities available!*



**Bucket Truck Rides:** Bring your kids (or your grandkids) for a fun bucket truck ride experience.

**Lineman 360 Virtual Reality Experience:** Slip on some line gear and VR goggles as you join a lineman in changing out a transformer, *virtually of course!* Kids (and adults too) will love this interactive virtual reality experience!

**Half Pint the Clown:** Stop by for balloon animals and face painting!

**Enjoy a Meal:** Including hamburgers and homemade chips prepared by the Mitchell County Cattleman and a sweet treat from the Mitchell County Dairy Trailer.

**Attendance Gifts & Drawing for Prizes:** Members attending will receive a gift and can sign up to win one of the prizes listed below!

**SOLAR PANEL SUBSCRIPTION, BILL CREDITS & MORE**  
*There will also be a kids drawing for an Apple iPad!*

COOPERATIVE SERVICE INFORMATION, ENERGY DISPLAYS, & MUCH MORE!





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

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Office Hours** 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. M-Th  
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# Local Students Attend National Youth Tour Program



Elizabeth Muller & Maci Juenger, both of St. Ansgar High School, recently participated in the National Youth Tour, sponsored by Heartland Power Cooperative. They spent June 19-24 in Washington, D.C., with 33 other student leaders from across Iowa.

For nearly 60 years, this week-long leadership development program provides high school students opportunities to learn about government, the electric cooperative business model and today's pressing issues in

the energy industry. Students met their elected representatives in the U.S. House and Senate, toured historic sites and ran their very own Snack Cooperative.

If you will be a High School Sophomore or Junior this fall and are interested in learning how you can participate in Heartland Power Cooperative's 2023 Youth Tour program, contact 641.584.2251 or visit our website at www.heartlandpower.com. Search for "Iowa Youth Tour" on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to see the group's recent adventures from 2022.

## Participate in the Summer Shift!

We need your help to shift summer peak period energy use as much as possible on hot summer days to help us hold the line on our rates. Members can help by using less electricity during the summer on weekdays between the hours of 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. We are asking for your help in shifting electricity use outside of this window as much as is reasonable and possible for your household.

Together, when we shift the time of use of any non-essential electricity to avoid these peak hours, we help limit additional charges assessed back to the coop. Our goal is to lower our entire co-op's demand for power during these costly summer peak demand hours to prevent higher energy charges from being passed along to you, our members. It is our goal to provide safe, reliable, and affordable access to all the power your family needs and to help you use it most wisely to help manage our costs today and in the future.

**WHAT CAN YOU DO?** Shifting your family's electricity use to before 11 a.m. and after 7 p.m. on weekdays is the key. Do you have power needs that can be met earlier in the day or later in the evening? Can you wait until after 7 p.m. to recharge cell phones and portable electronics? Can you delay laundry until after 7 p.m., or move some of it the weekends? Perhaps closing your drapes and windows during the day so your air conditioner runs less is a possibility for you? You may decide it is time to try either raising the temperature a couple of degrees on your air conditioning or switching to cycled air conditioning. **Every little bit is helpful and we thank you for your actions toward doing the Summer Shift!**



## MONTHLY CO-OP QUIZ

### \$25 Bill Credit Winner

Kathleen Grunhvd of Lake Mills

### This Month's Question...

What hours should you shift summer energy usage to?

**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.