



From the desk of Travis Mathes, Manager of Member Services

Each April we take time to salute the individuals that keep the power flowing safely and efficiently to the member/owners of Lewis County REC. The board of directors, management, lineman, and office staff all work diligently each day to accomplish the mission set for Lewis County REC clear back in 1936 to provide safe, reliable, and affordable energy to meet the needs of our member/owners. This month we will celebrate both Lineman Appreciation Day and Administrative Professionals Day.

Our linemen often find themselves in dangerous and challenging situations, so our lives may be a little bit brighter and safer every day. These brave men repair damaged lines and maintain critical infrastructure for our communities. Without their hard work and commitment to the job, our co-op would not thrive. No matter the time—day or night, weekday or weekend—if the lights go out, so do they. Many times being pulled from family birthday celebrations, holiday dinners, or family outings. Perhaps you have seen them raising their bucket trucks in howling winds and torrential rains, or in freezing, icy conditions. They work around the clock near high-voltage power lines until electricity is restored to every member in the Lewis County REC service territory.

In addition, we salute our administrative professionals who work hand in hand with the linemen to keep the power on. Most times if there is a major power outage these individuals are also in the office keeping track of outages, answering phones, and dispatching crews. These dedicated individuals, like linemen, answer the call to action whenever needed. They make sure we have the inventory of line material needed to deal with not only the day-to-day operation, but the unexpected storms that may call for the quick repairs of line. They work daily with members to answer questions, do billing, dispatch crews, and make sure that everything runs smoothly behind the scenes.

Our employees are committed and critical to the success of Lewis County REC. Every employee at Lewis County REC goes above and beyond the call of duty to take care of our member/owners and make sure that the lights shine bright in Northeast Missouri! They are where the rubber meets the road and we appreciate them very much!



Below is a list of the team that works hard to serve you each day. This team has a combined 391 years of service! Here's hoping each of your households has a healthy, safe and Happy Easter!!

EMPLOYEES:

Kevin Cottrell	38 Years of Service
David Cox	34 Years of Service
Theresa Simmons	33 Years of Service
Greg Sutterfield	28 Years of Service
Jack Crist	26 Years of Service
Adam Schaller	24 Years of Service
Justin Turner	24 Years of Service
Staci Mesmer	22 Years of Service
Travis Mathes	22 Years of Service
Terry O'Brien	21 Years of Service
Jason Daniel	19 Years of Service
Jason Hall	16 Years of Service
Rustyn Carter	14 Years of Service
Brandi Austin	12 Years of Service
Kendall Hawkins	12 Years of Service
Ryan Strubinger	12 Years of Service
Joe Lay	11 Years of Service
Shannon Killday	7 Years of Service
Ryan Waterman	4 Years of Service
Ryan Booher	3 Years of Service
Clayton Hudson	1 Year of Service
John McCutchan	1 Year of Service
Kindy Bergman	1 Year of Service
Shawn Walling	1 year of Service
Dennis Shoup	10 Months

Mark your calendars for Lewis County REC's 84th Annual Meeting

Thursday, August 4, 2022 at Lewis County REC's office, Lewistown, MO. A Hybrid meeting will be offered this year, as well as, a mail in ballot option for registration and voting.



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84th Annual Meeting

Lewis County REC's 84th Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, August 4, 2022 at the Lewis County REC headquarters. A hybrid meeting will be offered this year with a number of ways for our member/owners to participate. Each member/owner will receive a ballot and return envelope in the July edition of the Rural Missouri Magazine. Those member/owners that choose to mail the ballot in will have the opportunity to do so in a prepaid postage envelope prior to July 22nd. There will also be an opportunity to vote absentee in-person at the office from July 27th – August 3rd from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day. A drive-thru option will be offered on August 4th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 pm. at the

Lewis County REC office. Regardless of the method used to register/vote for the meeting, each registered membership will receive a \$20 credit. The Board of Directors is making it easier for you to take part in the business of your cooperative and it is their hope that you will do so. If you would like to attend the in-person business meeting it will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the warehouse at the Lewis County REC office on August 4th. The reports that will be given at the in-person portion of the meeting will also be printed in the July edition of the Rural Missouri Magazine. Mark your calendars and make plans to participate in the 84th Annual Meeting of Lewis County REC.

SAFETY FIRST!

Before you begin any spring projects, be sure you take into consideration the location of overhead and underground power lines. Keep ladders away from overhead lines. Ensure large equipment will clear lines. Always call Missouri One Call before digging.



**Our office will be closed on
Friday, April 15th
in observance of Good Friday.**

Happy Easter!!!!



Energy Efficiency

Tip of the Month

Spring bills are usually the smallest. To keep this trend going into the summer, try these tips:

- Change the direction on your ceiling fan to force air downward
- Use your ceiling fan so you can raise the thermostat
- Change your HVAC filter
- Clean your refrigerator coils
- Close blinds on sunny days

TO REPORT AN OUTAGE

CALL (TOLL FREE) 1-888-454-4485

(LOCAL) 215-4000

24 HOURS A DAY

CALL THE TOLL FREE NUMBER

DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS (7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

FOR ALL OTHER SERVICES

Before calling:

- Check your breakers or fuses
- Check with your neighbors to see if they have power
- When calling please give the following information:

Your name • Meter Number • and/or location number