# ROCK ENERGY NEWS

FOR ROCK ENERGY COOPERATIVE MEMBERS



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## **Rock Energy Night at the Ballpark** Saturday, June 22

Co-sponsored by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

Beloit Snappers vs. Quad Cities River Bandits at 6:30 p.m.

Gates open at 5:30, and the first 30 kids win a special gift. (Must be accompanied by adult member.)

Come early for player autographs before the first pitch.

Stay late for spectacular fireworks after the game.

#### **Inexpensive game tickets!**

Tickets are \$2 each (\$7.50 value) and are good for any 2019 regular season game. They must be purchased in advance at either REC office:

- 2815 Kennedy Road, Janesville
- 15229 Willowbrook Road, South Beloit



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#### **Incredible food prices!**

- Hot dog, chips, and soda \$2
- Pizza and soda \$2

Show your Co-op Connections Card on June 22 to buy food vouchers. If you don't have a card, stop at our office to get yours free!

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### **Be Alert and Stay Safe in Work Zones**

It might be a van with flashing lights parked in the street, a bucket truck with cones around it as a tree is trimmed, or maybe several trucks and trailers with barricades and lanes closed as a crew replaces a pole.

Whatever the case, sometimes energy companies must put trucks and personnel in roadways to make repairs or install new equipment to keep power on at your home and business.

These workers already must deal with the hazards of high voltage, and they increase their risk when establishing a work zone in the roadway. No matter how big the work zone, it requires drivers to pay attention to avoid a crash.

With distracted driving accidents on the rise, some energy companies say that their highest worker risk now is a distracted driver.

The National Work Zone Safety Information Clearing House has developed a list of tips to help drivers stay safe in work zones:

- Never use a cell phone or text while driving.
- Stay alert. Expect the unexpected.
  - · Slow down.
  - Don't tailgate.
  - Pay attention to the signs.
  - · Obey the flaggers.
  - Be patient and stay calm.
- Know the rules for driving in work zones.



Warning signs, orange cones, and flashing lights all indicate a work zone on the road ahead.

Keeping a safe distance between your vehicle and the workers and equipment, driving the posted work zone speed limit, and using your four-way flashers when stopping or traveling slowly can help reduce accidents in work zones.

For more safety information, visit SafeElectricity.org.

#### Visit Website Before Going Solar

If you're thinking about installing a solar generation system on your property, make sure to learn all the facts before signing a contract.

Go to www.rock.coop/content/distributed-generation to get started.

You will find a list of frequently asked questions, guidelines for technical requirements, our interconnection agreement, and details about our Small Distributed Generation Rate. This information can be provided to potential vendors so they are aware of the cooperative's technical requirements.

If you have any questions after reviewing the information, please call us at 866-752-4550 or email questions@rock.coop.

#### Have a Safe, Happy Independence Day!

Rock Energy Cooperative offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen at



7:30 a.m. Friday, July 5. Members can make payments in the drop boxes at both offices during the holiday.

Even though our offices are closed, standby crews are always available 24 hours a day. If you need to report a power outage, please call 866-752-4550.



Look for LED products and fixtures for outdoor use, such as pathway, step and porch lights. Many include features like automatic daylight shut-off and motion sensors. You can also find solarpowered lighting for outdoor spaces.

Source: energy.gov



Know what's **below. Call** before you dig.

Save the Date!

Member Appreciation Day
Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, Sept. 14



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