

What's Happening

Nov. 11
Veterans Day

Nov. 25
Thanksgiving —
REC offices closed
Nov. 25-26.

**National
Scholarship Month**
**November is
National
Scholarship Month**
— National
Scholarship Month
was established in
1998 in order to build
an awareness of
scholarships and the
benefits that
scholarships provide
individuals who
want to further their
education.

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2022 Rock Energy Scholarship Application Now Open

Rock Energy Cooperative again is offering scholarships of \$1,000 to graduating high school seniors who enroll at an accredited school. Students whose parents or guardians are active members of REC are eligible.

Our scholarship committee will judge applicants based on general merit, cooperation, leadership abilities, financial need, and class ranking.

Since 1989, Rock Energy has awarded more than \$122,000 in financial aid to deserving students. The on-line application is available at www.rock.coop. Just go to the Community & Youth tab and click on Scholarships. **The deadline for submitting applications is Jan. 10, 2022.**

If you have any questions, please contact Jonas Berberich at 866-752-4550, or jonasb@rock.coop.

IEC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In addition, scholarships of \$2,000 will be awarded through the Thomas H. Moore Illinois Electric Cooperatives (IEC) Memorial Scholarship Program. These scholarships are available to high school seniors who are the sons or daughters of an Illinois electric cooperative member receiving service from the co-op. Applications must be completed on-line by Dec. 31, 2021. Go to www.rock.coop and then to the Community & Youth tab and click on Scholarships.



Happy Thanksgiving!

Rock Energy Cooperative offices will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25, and Friday, Nov. 26, in observance of Thanksgiving. We will reopen at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 29.

Members can make payments in the drop boxes at both offices throughout the holiday weekend and at the payment kiosk outside our South Beloit office, 15229 Willowbrook Rd. Even though our offices are closed, standby crews are available. If you need to report a power outage, please call 866-752-4550.

Keep Your Holidays

MERRY & BRIGHT



Don't add stress to your holiday season. Knowing how to properly use and hang lights could prevent injury or fire.



Make sure your home's electrical system can handle the load.



Unplug lights or decorations before changing a bulb or other parts.



Do not use cords or plugs that are damaged, frayed or cracked.



Only use lights certified by a reputable testing lab.



In addition, consider LED lights when replacing old light strands. LEDs use 80 to 90% less energy than incandescent bulbs.

Learn more:  [Safe Electricity.org](https://www.safeelectricity.org)

Nominations Open for Director Positions

At each annual meeting, members have the opportunity to vote for director positions in three of the nine cooperative districts. Each term is three-years. Listed below are the three board districts and associated townships that will be up for election in 2022. The 2022 annual meeting date has yet to be determined.

Active members who are interested in running for a position on the REC Board of Directors must permanently reside in one of the areas up for election and meet all other qualifications.

Candidate submission deadline: **November 30, 2021**

For more information, please contact the co-op at 866-752-4550, or send an email to questions@rock.coop.

DISTRICTS UP FOR ELECTION:

- **District 2:** Lima and Milton townships in Wisconsin.
- **District 4:** Harmony and LaPrairie townships and city of Janesville in Wisconsin.
- **District 9:** Center, Janesville, and Magnolia townships in Wisconsin.

REC Has Unclaimed Money for Former Members

Rock Energy Cooperative holds unclaimed capital credit funds for some former members. A list of those who have unclaimed money can be viewed on our web site at www.rock.coop/unclaimed.

The money will be forfeited and paid to the Wisconsin Electric Cooperatives' Federated Youth Foundation for educational purposes unless claimed by Dec. 31, 2021. You may send claims to Rock Energy Cooperative's headquarters at P.O. Box 1758, Janesville, WI 53547, or call 866-752-4550.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP

SPACE HEATERS

When buying and installing a small space heater, follow these guidelines:

- 1) Only purchase newer model heaters that have all of the current safety features.
- 2) Choose a thermostatically controlled heater.
- 3) Select a heater of the proper size for the room you wish to heat.
- 4) Locate the heater on a level surface away from foot traffic.

