

# Electric Line Newsletter

## We're Thankful for Our Sister Cooperatives

When you think about Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC), you probably associate us with the local community. And you would be right. Our leadership team, board of directors and employees all live and work right here in the community we serve. But you may not realize that CWEC is actually part of a much larger cooperative network that brings additional value, tools and knowledge that benefit you, the members of the co-op.

### Cooperation among cooperatives

When a severe weather event is predicted for our region, we call on our sister co-ops in areas unaffected by the approaching storm. Through this system of mutual aid, we coordinate with other co-ops to bring additional trucks, equipment and manpower to our area. We work together and share resources in order to restore power to our community. And CWEC reciprocates by assisting other electric co-ops when they request help.

A defining characteristic of a cooperative is “cooperation among cooperatives.” This is a way that co-ops work together to meet bigger challenges such as power restoration after a severe weather event.

Another area in which CWEC benefits from cooperation among cooperatives is cybersecurity. Through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) “Rural Cooperative Cybersecurity Capabilities Program” (RC3), we are able to access training, resources and tools to strengthen our efforts to combat cyber threats.

CWEC's ability to tap into the larger electric cooperative network and access tools, products, resources and leading practices from across the nation ultimately makes our co-op and our community stronger.

November is a time of year for reflection and giving thanks. We are grateful for our sister co-ops who enable us to better serve you and our broader community. When electric co-ops collaborate, we strengthen each other and the communities we serve – and that is something in which to be truly thankful. Happy Thanksgiving, everyone.

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### Important Dates:

Stress Awareness Day: Nov. 6

Veterans Day: Nov. 11

Take a Hike Day: Nov. 17

Rural Health Day: Nov. 21

Thanksgiving: Nov. 28

Small Business Saturday:

Nov. 30



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## Calendar Contest Winners Revealed!

The 2019 Member Photo Contest capturing "Life in Rural Wisconsin" is now complete, and the 22 winning photos have been revealed! The selected photos will be featured in the 2020 Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Calendar, which is now available at our office in Rosholt.

Deb McCue, Iola — cover  
Kevin G Limberg, Rosholt — January  
Jeanne Jurkiewicz, Moon Lake Court —  
February  
Sandi Kaminski, Rosholt -March  
Annette Schreiber, Bowler -April  
Patricia Krzmarcik, Kronenwetter -May  
Diana Strassburg, Bowler -June  
Lily Mesyk, Waupaca -July  
Jeanne Opperman, Northland -August  
Mary Ellie, Iola -September  
Deb McCue, Iola -October  
Judy Morey, Ogdensburg -November  
Greg Loescher, Iola -December  
Deb McCue, Iola -January 2021



### Honorable Mention

Kim Berg, Tigerton; Sue Hintz, Tigerton; Suzi R Limberg, Tigerton; Karley Poppe, Tigerton; Tri-sha Paiser, Bowler; Catelin Fischer, Ogdensburg; Irene Haroldson, Iola; Annette Schreiber, Bowler

To view all of the winning photos go to [www.cwecoop.com](http://www.cwecoop.com).

*Happy Thanksgiving Day*

Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative will be closed Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Regular business will resume on Monday, December 2. From everyone here to CWEC, we wish you a safe and enjoyable holiday.