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CWEC LINEMEN COMPLETE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

Nate Singer and Josh Wick, linemen at Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative, recently graduated from a four-year Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Electrical Lineworker Apprenticeship program offered through Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in Green Bay.

The program consisted of more than 7,360 hours of on the job training, and 640 hours spent in paid-related instruction. With the completion of the program, Singer and Wick have now achieved the status of journey electric lineworker.

They were recognized at a graduation ceremony at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells, where they received their graduate certificate.



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**New phone number
for our Pay by Phone
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**The new number is:
1-855-963-3774**

CWEC 86TH ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR APRIL 18

Join Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative on Thursday, April 18, 2024, for our 86th Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held at Iola-Scandinavia High School.

Registration begins at 5:15 p.m. Refreshments will be served until the start of the meeting at 6 p.m.

President & CEO Lila Shower will keynote the meeting's business session, which begins at 6 p.m. During the business session, members will have the opportunity to hear how their co-op is faring financially, learn details about various services offered by their member-owned power supplier, and receive updates on state and federal regulatory issues of importance to electric co-ops. An election of two board positions will be held.



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OPERATION ROUND UP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Scholarships will be available to college, vocational, and technical school bound students through the Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC) Operation Round Up program. Both traditional and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply.

To be eligible, either the student or parents must have their primary residence located on CWEC lines and participate in Operation Round Up. Applications are available from high school guidance counselors and online at



The deadline for submitting completed applications is **Monday, April 1, 2024.**

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APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR ELECTRIC UTILITY WORKER SCHOLARSHIP

To encourage students to consider a career at an electric utility, and to create an incentive for trained electric utility workers to seek employment with electric cooperatives or other utilities, Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWECC) has established a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. The scholarship is intended to assist a student pursuing a technical college education in an electric program that lends itself to employment in the electric utility industry.

Traditional and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply.



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SHAPING OUR ENERGY FUTURE THROUGH INNOVATION

The energy industry is undergoing significant change driven by technology and the transition to more sustainable forms of energy. Innovation is essential in addressing these challenges and ensuring a continuous, reliable and affordable power supply.



Electric co-ops are no strangers to adapting to the needs of the local communities we serve. Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWECC) has always leaned into change as we explore new ways to meet your energy needs.

Advanced Technologies

Investing in smarter technologies can enhance the monitoring and control of electricity flow so we can respond swiftly to changing needs. Smart electric meters remotely collect data on how electricity is being used. This helps in promptly prioritizing and dispatching crews during an outage, reducing restoration time during weather-related disruptions. Even before adverse weather is here, advanced analytics from our systems, combined with data on weather patterns and other information, allows us to be proactive in taking preventative measures to shore up our system.

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NEED HELP PAYING YOUR ENERGY BILLS?

As spring approaches, the date in which utility companies can start disconnecting customers and members for non-payment of their monthly bill, is also approaching. The end of the winter disconnection rules is April 15.

If any Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWECC) members are having difficulty paying their monthly electricity bill, please contact our office at 715-677-2211 to setup payment arrangements.

There may also be financial assistance available to some members to help them pay their utility bills.



CWECC's Commitment to Community Program is designed to help households with their energy costs, including electric bills. For many Wisconsin households, energy costs place a severe and continuing stress on the family budget. To better serve our members, CWECC is part of the Wisconsin Home Energy Plus (HE+) program.

This program is funded through public benefits and federal dollars to help eligible low-income households pay for home energy assistance and weatherization. Members may be eligible if they meet the HE+ program guidelines. Members should contact their local agency to determine eligibility.

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DID YOU GET A CALL FROM CWECC?

With the discontinuance of the load management program for water heaters, we are in the process of contacting members of Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative who were part of the program. The purpose of the contact is to schedule an appointment to remove the load management receivers from their water heaters. If you receive a message from CWECC regarding the removal of a load management receiver, please return the message so we can get your appointment scheduled. Only members who have load management receivers will be contacted. If you have any questions, please call 715-677-2213.



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