

energy update



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SAVE THE DATE!!

Second Annual

Member Appreciation Picnic

Thursday, June 29

3:30-6:30 PM

Postville Fairgrounds



Come for a meal,
enter to win prizes,
enjoy kid activities,
and meet members of the
Co-op staff.



Operation Round Up®

SMALL CHANGE saves lives! By rounding your electric bill up to the nearest dollar, you can make a big difference. ACEC members who want to participate in giving back to their community through Operation Round Up® can sign up by going to acrec.com,

click on the "Community" page link and then select "Operation Round Up." The sign-up form is on the website. Funds from Operation Round Up® support local organizations such as libraries, fire departments and community projects.



SMALL CHANGE
THAT CHANGES LIVES



— OPERATION ROUND UP —

KEEP KIDS SAFE AROUND

Trees and Power Lines

When kids take a break from gaming or other devices, they may head outdoors to play. If they will be climbing trees, scope out the area first to ensure that the treetops do not have power lines running through them.

Not realizing power lines are energized, children may reach up to grab a line or accidentally come too close to it when they are playing or sitting high up in a tree.



Even if the power lines are not touching the tree, contact could happen once weight is added to the branch.

In addition, teach kids to fly kites, drones and remote control planes or toys in open areas free from power lines.

If a toy or other object lands in a substation, please call your electric utility to retrieve the item. Never approach the fence or try to enter the area.

Take time to teach children and teens how to respect and identify potential electrical hazards.

Learn more at [SafeElectricity.org](https://www.SafeElectricity.org)



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

The location of your thermostat can impact your HVAC system's ability to maintain an ideal indoor temperature. For maximum accuracy, thermostats should be placed in the center of the home, away from air vents, plumbing pipes and exterior doors. Avoid placing items like lamps and televisions near your thermostat, which can cause the HVAC to run longer than necessary. Avoid installing thermostats in rooms that tend to feel warmer or colder than the rest of the home. Do not place furniture in front of the thermostat, which can block air flow and result in inaccurate readings.



IDEAL THERMOSTAT PLACEMENT

- ✓ In the center of the home, away from the warmest or coldest room
- ✓ Away from heat-generating appliances and electronics
- ✓ Away from air vents, plumbing pipes and exterior doors

Weekend Warrior Efficiency Project

Install a rain barrel to save 1,300 gallons of water during peak summer months.

