

# INTER-COUNTY ENERGY

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## Decorate safely

Homeowners have started decorating their homes for Christmas earlier and earlier—often before Thanksgiving.

If you're ready to start hanging lights, take safety precautions. Nearly three people per hour are treated in hospital emergency rooms for decorating-related injuries during every holiday season, according to the National Safety Council.

Here are five ways to keep yourself safe if you have decorating duty this season:

1. Inspect last year's lights before using them again this holiday season. Discard any with frayed or exposed wires, loose connections or broken sockets.
2. Decorate the tree with kids in mind. Place breakable ornaments and those with metal hooks near the top of the tree, where little ones can't reach them.
3. Likewise, some holiday plants, including some varieties of poinsettias, can be harmful to children and pets. Keep them out of your home—or at least out of reach. And keep the number for the Poison Control Center handy: (800) 222-1222.
4. Use sturdy ladders when decorating outdoors. Indoors, climb step ladders instead of onto chairs, which aren't designed to support someone in the standing position.
5. Don't hide extension cords under rugs or furniture. They can overheat and catch on fire. And when you take the tree down, unplug extension cords. They're not designed for permanent use.



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## Office Closing

*Inter-County Energy will be closed November 24 and 25 in observance of Thanksgiving.*

*Please use our mobile app or contact our 24-hour outage line in case of an emergency or outage at (866)-224-2235.*

*We hope you have a Happy Thanksgiving!*



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# Levelized Billing

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Find out more at [www.intercountyenergy.net](http://www.intercountyenergy.net).  
(859) 236-4561 or 1-888-266-7322







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## *Daylight savings reminder!*

*Do not forget to fall back on November 6. Set your clocks back one hour.*

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## Attitude of gratitude

Whether you scroll through a calendar app on your smartphone or keep track of important dates on a wall calendar, certain days grab our attention as we begin each month.

Perhaps it's the birthday of a grandchild, the due date of an expectant mother, a wedding anniversary or the deadline for a big project at work. It could be a medical appointment or vacation. For parents of school-age children, it might be practices, games, performances or meetings with teachers.

Each date carries its own weight as we determine how to allocate our most precious resource, time.

As we turn the page to November and realize the year is about to draw to a close, we are fortunate that our forefathers saw fit to set aside one day to simply give thanks to God for our many blessings.

When President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed Thursday, November 26, 1863, as the first national day of thanksgiving during the height of the Civil War, Americans had been celebrating a thanksgiving on their own since the Pilgrims in 1621.

President Franklin Roosevelt's attempt to move up the holiday to the third Thursday in November was controversial.

So since 1941, the fourth Thursday of November has been designated as Thanksgiving Day in the United States of America. Imagine that. A federal holiday that recognizes the importance of being grateful.

As a member-owned electric cooperative dedicated to improving the quality of life in the communities we serve, Inter-County Energy treasures this day to give thanks and share fellowship,



food and fun with loved ones. We take a special pride knowing that our electric service is powering the ovens roasting turkeys and the televisions filled with parades and football.

Led by and belonging to the people we serve, Inter-County Energy is grateful for our consumer-members, our board and our staff. As a cooperative, we strive to carry this attitude of gratitude throughout the year, yet are thankful that no matter what calendar we use, it carves out a specific day for Thanksgiving.

We know that each family and individual marks this day uniquely, and that some people may be alone or face other challenges that prevent the full enjoyment of the holiday. Whatever your situation, please know that Inter-County Energy appreciates you, your support throughout the year and the opportunity your membership provides us to serve you.

Our offices will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 24 and 25, but our crews are always ready to respond to any issues that may arise. Thanks to them and to everyone working on this holiday.

We wish you a happy and safe Thanksgiving, one filled with an attitude of gratitude.

### OUR MISSION

The mission of Inter-County Energy Cooperative is to provide long-term valued electrical energy and services to our members through a culture of safety, accountability, innovation, integrity and commitment to community.

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