

INTER-COUNTY ENERGY

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From the President/CEO

The power of connection

Understanding the cooperative difference

One of the best parts of my job as CEO of Inter-County Energy is making connections.

During our upcoming annual meeting on July 24 and Member Appreciation Day on July 17, Inter-County Energy will welcome consumer-members to connect with our work, learn more about what makes our cooperative unique and take home a bucket and complimentary lightbulb.

Every year, we enjoy this opportunity to interact with members, from the regulars who have been coming to annual meetings for as long as they can remember to folks who have just moved to our area and are still learning about who we are. Annual meeting is an expression of what makes cooperatives unique—our connection with our members.

Our most important connection is literal. We link your home or business to the electrical grid, powering your lights, heating and cooling, electrical appliances, phone, tablet and more. We prioritize this connection by maintaining rights of way, repairing and upgrading equipment and infrastructure and



responding to outages in all kinds of weather to ensure your connection to electricity remains reliable.

We also connect with you in ways that go beyond electricity. We partner with organizations like United Way, CASA, local chambers of commerce and many more, to support neighbors in need. We visit schools to lead electrical safety demonstrations. We proudly offer student leadership opportunities like youth tour, along with college and vocational training scholarships. We show up for our communities because we care—and because we live here, too.

The cooperative model has always been about improving the quality of life in our communities. Because Inter-County Energy is locally owned by consumer-members just like you, we

are accountable in ways that go beyond a business transaction. I never get tired of telling the co-op story: that we are not-for-profit, member-owned, locally guided and motivated to serve.

Whether it's your first annual meeting or your 50th, I hope you'll make time to drive by with us at one of our two locations: in Lebanon, for our Member Appreciation Day on July 17 or at our main office in Danville for annual meeting on July 24. Thanks for keeping our connection strong.

President/CEO
Jerry Carter



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ENERGY COOPERATIVE

A Touchstone Energy Cooperative

Let the games begin!

Photos by Tim Webb

Special Olympics participation is memorable for athletes and volunteers

Special Olympics Kentucky's State Summer Games return to the campus of Eastern Kentucky University, June 5-7, for another year of memorable competition. Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, including Inter-County Energy, is again sponsoring the event. Electric co-op employees will be a part of the excitement, too.

"Special Olympics is community-driven and predominantly a volunteer organization, so it's a great fit for co-op support, financially and through volunteerism," says April Burgess, member services advisor. "We are always excited to help make the Summer Games a special event."

Organizers expect about 1,200 athletes from across the commonwealth to compete in bocce, rhythmic gymnastics, soccer and track. The contests provide athletes with intellectual disabilities the excitement, joy and personal fulfillment associated with sport training and competition.



The Summer Games are made possible by an army of volunteers, many from our co-op, including some 500 coaches plus event day assistants who handle tasks big and small. Volunteers assist as judges, event timers, game officials, set-up crews, logistical support, award presenters and, the best job of all, official huggers.

A few employees here at Inter-County Energy plan to be among the more than 100 Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives' representatives lending a helping hand this year. Some co-op employees volunteer for the Games year after year, calling the experience inspirational.



OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2026 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Official Business Meeting Agenda Annual Meeting of Members Inter-County Energy Cooperative

Where:

Inter-County Energy's Main Office

When:

Friday, July 24, 2026

Registration time:

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Business meeting time:

4:30 p.m.

Pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of the Cooperative Bylaws, the annual membership meeting of this co-op organizes to take action on the following matters:

1. Call to Order
2. Appointment of Parliamentarian
3. Determination of Quorum
4. Reading of the Official Meeting Notice and Proof of Mailing

5. Reading of the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of Members
6. Report of the Credentials and Elections Committee
7. Election of Board of Directors for the Casey and Marion Districts.
8. Unfinished Business
9. New Business
10. Report of the Officers, Board Members and Committees
11. Adjournment

To protect against electrical hazards—

Know the pool rules

Nothing beats a plunge in a backyard pool on a hot summer day. To ensure you're splish-splashing safely, take the necessary steps to protect against electrical hazards.

Know and follow these pool rules:

- All outdoor receptacles should be protected by ground fault circuit interrupters, covered and dry. Test GFCIs monthly to ensure they are functioning properly.
- All electrical equipment used for the pool, even the cleaning equipment, must be grounded.
- Keep electrical devices and cords at least 10 feet away from water sources.
- Don't handle any device that is connected to a live electrical current while wet or touching wet surfaces. Safer: Use battery-operated appliances.



- Carry long-handled cleaning tools horizontally and stay at least 10 feet away from power lines.
- Never string electric lights above or near swimming pools.
- Label power switches so they can be turned off quickly in an emergency.
- Watch for flickering lights, which may indicate an electrical failure or

loose connection. Don't go into the water until a licensed electrician checks the problem.

- Never go in the water during a thunderstorm.

It can be easy to overlook, but electrical safety is extremely important around water. Remember and abide by the pool rules.

OUR MISSION

Inter-County Energy accomplishes our daily mission by providing energy and services to our members through a culture of Safety, Accountability, Integrity, Innovation and Commitment to Community.

SAFETY MESSAGE

Keep kites, balloons, and drones away from power lines. If one gets caught, do not try to retrieve it; instead, call us.

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Jerry Carter

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A programmable thermostat can make summertime energy savings easy

When you're running your air conditioning, late spring, summer and early fall are the parts of the year when changing your thermostat to mirror your time at home can really help lower your usage.

Constantly adjusting your thermostat's temperature down doesn't cool your home any faster, but it can potentially waste energy and add to your electric bill. But intentional programming of your thermostat while using the air conditioning can lower your overall usage.

The easiest way to do this is to invest in a programmable thermostat that makes scheduled adjustments to help you lower your usage while staying cool and comfortable when it's hot outside.

What's the optimal summertime setting? Some experts say 78 degrees is optimal for energy efficiency. But most folks find that uncomfortably high. Whatever your comfortable setting is, you can save as much as 10% per year on your air conditioning costs by simply turning up your thermostat 7-10 degrees for eight hours each day.

You don't need internet to use a programmable thermostat. You can manually adjust the temperature and create schedules for your heating/cooling system without access to the internet. A Wi-Fi connection is required to use "smart" features like remote access, geofencing and voice control.

When recommended settings are used, a programmable thermostat can save up to 10% annually on cooling and heating costs, reports the Department of Energy.

Inter-County Energy offers a rebate for installing a programmable thermostat. You may be eligible for a \$100 rebate on qualifying, Wi-Fi-enabled devices. Visit www.simplesaver.coop for details.

Happy Father's Day from
Inter-County Energy!

Sunday, June 21