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New-Mac presents scholarships to area seniors

New-Mac Electric awards \$500 scholarships for eighth year.



The co-op awarded 9 scholarships this year to area high school seniors. Pictured (L-R) New-Mac's Zane Berner awards a scholarship to Neosho's Robin Chew, Ashlea Norman awards Rylie Huston from McDonald County and Diamond's Jacob Atkinson.

This past May, New-Mac Electric was pleased to visit 9 of the 10 high schools throughout the cooperative's service area, awarding \$500 college scholarships to some deserving seniors.

New-Mac Electric's Scholarship Program is now in its eighth year. In order to be eligible for one of the scholarships, the applicant's parent(s) or guardian(s) have to be members of New-Mac Electric Cooperative, and the applicant must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher. The student also must attend one of the following high schools: Carthage, Diamond, East Newton, Joplin, McDonald County, Neosho, Pierce City, Sarcosie, Seneca or Wheaton.

New-Mac Electric and all Co-ops use the Seven Cooperative Principles as guidance. Specif-

ically, the scholarship program utilizes examples of Principle No. 5, "Education, Training and Information," and No. 7, "Concern for Community."

The 2023 scholarship winners were William Wallace (Carthage), Jacob Atkinson (Diamond), Samuel Moore (Joplin), Trixi Moua (East Newton), Rylie Huston (McDonald County), Robin Chew (Neosho), Macy Fenske (Pierce

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Energy Partners is a monthly publication of New-Mac Electric for the purpose of informing members of the programs, services and happenings of and related to the cooperative.



No posting zone

What are the dangers of posting items on utility poles

Yard sale signs, basketball hoops, deer stands, satellite dishes, lights and birdhouses. These are just a few items our line workers find on utility poles. While a utility pole may seem like prime vertical real estate for endless opportunities, attaching items to a utility pole can be life-threatening to our crew and you. For your safety and our line workers' safety, please do not post anything on power poles.

If you see a large object attached to a utility pole, please call 417-451-1515 to report the object to our team. We take your safety seriously.

3 Safety risks for line workers

If you're wondering how dangerous it can be for the crew that helps keep the power on each and every day, here are just a few threats posted items and debris create:

1. The clamped safety boots used by line workers to climb poles are vulnerable to becoming snagged on staples and nails embedded in posts. At a minimum, utility poles are over 30 feet tall, with many clearing 60 feet. If a worker's boot gets snagged in debris on the pole, they are more likely to lose their footing, increasing the likelihood of a major fall.
2. Foreign objects can also tear, cut or puncture our lineworkers' clothing, which is the first line of protection from an electric shock in the event of an accident. Due to the high voltage of utility poles, every inch of protective clothing is essential on the pole. Because of this our

lineworkers will need the larger objects to be removed to ensure their safety, which results in the power being out longer than necessary.

3. Nails, staples and other items can also injure workers despite the safety gear they wear.

Now that we've covered a few ways that posting on utility poles can injure line workers, let's look at the biggest safety hazard to those who decide to post.

Safety risk for those posting on utility poles

Anyone posting items on utility poles risks exposure to thousands of volts of electricity pulsing overhead. You should always stay at least 10 feet away from utility lines. Unauthorized pole attachments are a violation of the National Electrical Safety Code.

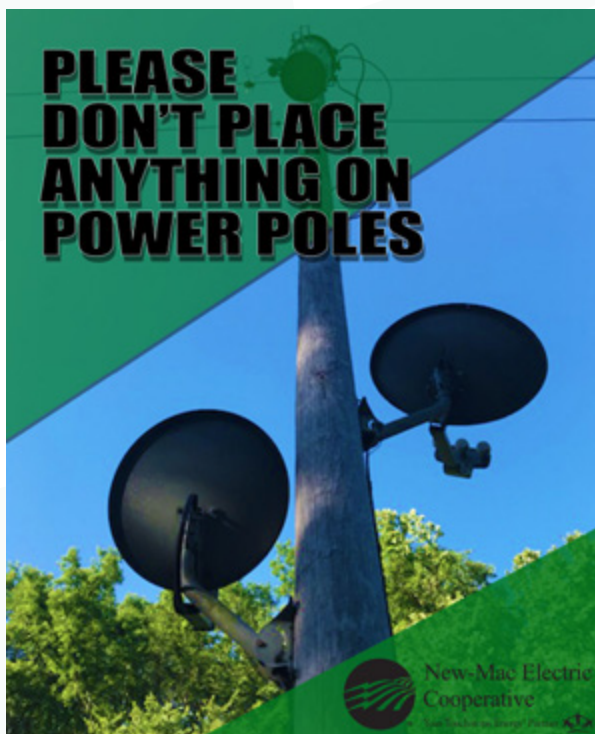
Again, you should never post on utility poles. The risk is never worth it!

How you can help keep everyone safe

Please do your part to help keep New-Mac line workers safe. Do not attach anything on utility poles, and report if you see tree stands, any hunting apparatus or other items that do not belong on utility poles.

It is also critical to avoid tampering with or disrupting the guy wires that surround utility poles. Tell your little ones and other children not to play or swing on them, and maintain your distance when performing yard work. If you see the poles or guy wires are disrupted in some way, please call us immediately. We want to keep you and your family safe from electrical hazards.

To learn more about utility poles, power lines, and other outdoor safety, contact our member service team at 417-451-1515 or visit our website newmac.com.



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Scholarship

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City), Clayton Jackson (Sarcoxie), and Amber Garrison (Seneca). The Cooperative had a scholarship winner from 9 schools in the service area this year.

New-Mac Electric Cooperative hopes that these offering of scholarships helps students as they continue their education after high school.

These scholarships are non-renewable and must be used at an accredited college or university in the fall of 2023.



2023 New-Mac Electric Cooperative Scholarships

School	Recipient
Carthage.....	William Wallace
Diamond.....	Jacob Atkinson
East Newton.....	Trixi Moua
Joplin.....	Samuel Moore
McDonald County.....	Rylie Huston
Neosho.....	Robin Chew
Pierce City.....	Macy Fenske
Sarcoxie.....	Clayton Jackson
Seneca.....	Amber Garrison



Pictured clockwise from the top left: Samuel Moore (Joplin), Trixi Moua (East Newton) and Macy Fenske (Pierce City) accept their 2023 New-Mac Electric scholarship certificates.

Help the co-op during Peak Alerts this summer

Keeping costs down is always a top priority for us at New-Mac Electric. When the temperatures get extreme in the summertime, Peak Alerts are an important tool for us in managing power costs for the cooperative.

A Peak Alert is simply a request to our members to try and help us conserve energy during a set period – usually in the late afternoon.

Even though these announcements occur during the hottest days of summer, it does not mean there is a shortage of power. However, with your help, New-Mac can possibly avoid significant costs that could contribute to rate increases for the membership. By curtailing usage on the days in which electrical demand will be at its highest point, New-Mac is able to avoid extreme peaks which bring about higher costs for power.



Members can assist New-Mac during a Peak Alert by not running more than one major appliance at a time and turning off unnecessary lights, televisions and small appliances. Raising the thermostat a few degrees can also help significantly by reducing the energy use of air-conditioners. Homes with elderly or small children should not adjust their thermostats.

Members will be notified of Peak Alerts through local radio and television stations, as well as our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages – so please follow New-Mac through these social media sites.

Remember, the next time you hear that New-Mac is issuing a Peak Alert, see what you can do to conserve electricity around your home and help keep costs down for everyone.



Unclaimed patronage available for former members of New-Mac Electric

Names listed are former members of New-Mac Electric who have unclaimed past patronage with the Cooperative. You must contact the New-Mac office at 417-451-1515 within 60 days in order to claim your property. Properties listed fall within a defined monetary range. For an extensive listing of all unclaimed patronage, visit our website at newmac.com. More names will be published in upcoming issues of this newsletter.

ADAMS, ELIZABETH
ALDRIDGE, BILL & RUTH
ALLEY, DOUGLAS & MANDY BOND
ANDERSON, O R
BAKER, BRUCE & AMY
BAKER, DAVID E
BARNARD, ROGER & JEANNE
BEILER, ABRAM & KATIE
BENSHOOF, HERBERT
BENSON EST, ROBERT L & LOIS
BERGSTROM, VALERIE
BERRY BROTHERS
BINETTE EST, NATALIE P
BLAND, LESLIE E & TAMMY L
BROBSTON, JONATHON
BROWN, BRAD & HEIDI
BUNN, TIM
BURGER, PHILLIP
CAMPBELL, LEWIS & STEPHEN
CANOY, SEAN P
CARPENTER, PAULA
CARR, ROBERT A
COCHRAN, LESLIE C & BEVERLY
COKER, CONNIE S
COLES, EDWARD W
COLLINS, GARY T
COPHER, JOSHUA L & MELODIE A SNYDER
CUPP, JEAN M
CURRAN EST, BETSY R
DALTON, MICHELLE L
DAUGHERTY, CODY & CANDACE
DEARBORN, DERRICK
DECKER, FRANK

DENISON, JOYCE
DOWLING, NORA
DRAHEIM, L H & LAURABELL
DUNSON, JOSEPH K
EDMONDS, NORMAN & PAULINE
EHRHARDT, CONNIE
ELLIS, ROBERT & BARBARA
EUBANKS EST, ETTA M
FAULKNER, LISA M
FINLEY, JOHN & PAM
GADDIS, ALLEN & TAMI
GANDY, SANDRA K
GARCIA, VICKI
GILMAN, MELVIN W & ALICE B
GIPSON, FRED A
GORMAN, STEVE
GREENFEATHER, CRYSTAL
GREGORY, CAROLYN
HAGEDON, EUGENE & CHERYL
HANNA, ROY R
HARRIS, DANIEL L & DANA K
HARRIS, GARY
HETTINGER, ANGELA
HIGGINBOTHAM, NINA
HILBURN, MIKE & DANA
HINSON, JIM L
HOLLOWAY, JAMES D
HONEYLAKE UNION CHURCH
HOOVER, DONNA K
JAMESON, DEBRA
JARVIS, HARMONY J
JOB, DENNY S
JONES, JEFF & KIM
JONES, WILLIAM C
KELLNER, RAYMOND E
KERNS, BRIAN L
KERR, BRUCE
KIBLING JR, BERNARD & CATHERINE
KLEIN, HUGHBELLE
LANE, MIKE & BRENDA
LARSON, TERRY L
LAW, ROBERT D
LAWSON, PAMELA
LAYNE, JACK MICHAEL & EVELYN J
LOWE, WILBER E
MANN, CHRISTINE
MASSINGILL, SAMUEL & TERESA

MCAULIFF, PATRICK M
MCCOY EST, BETTY
MCGEHEE, RICK
MCKEEHAN, KENNETH RAY & DIANA CAROL
MCMURTREY, N C & STELLA
METSKER, STEPHEN
MIKSELL, CHERYL D
MILLER, JENNIE M
MILLER, TED L
MITCHELL EST, RICHARD D
MITCHELL, JOE & GERTRUDE
MOORE, JERRY & MARY
MORRIS, TOMMY & PATRICIA
MUSTAIN, WILLIE
PARKS, WILLIE & RHONDA
PATTERSON, MARY LOU
POGUE, DREW & ANGELA
POLLARD, MELISSA
POTTER, DARRELL & SHELLY
PRICE, SAMUAL R
PYLE JR, CHARLES & MYRTLE
RAMAGE, EDGAR C
REYNOLDS, JAMES & DONNA
RHODES, RHONDA S
RICHHART, WILLIAM C
RINEHART, CHARLES & SHERI
RIPPEY, A DANIEL & MICHELLE L
ROBBINS, JASON & BILLIE
RUMSEY, JEFFERY L
SCHELL, DOROTHY LEE
SHADE, MICHAEL & CRYSTAL
SHERRILL, SCOTT & JACEY
SMITH, ERNEST & BRENDA L
STOLL, HARRY & CHRYSTAL EISENHART
STRINGER EST, VIVIAN R
STROVERS, DENNIS & CAROL
TALLEY, W FRANK & ESTHER
TURNER, DUSTIN B
VANGRINSVEN, PAUL
VASQUEZ, VIOLET J
WADE, HENRY & WANDA
WILLIS, MICA & PHILLIP
WILSEY, HAROLD & PATSY
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WRIGHT, WALT & THYRA
WYRICK, MIKE
YOTT, DOUGLAS H

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