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EnLIGHTening NEWS

Serving Stanton County and parts of Madison, Wayne, Cuming, and Colfax counties

Energizing Nebraska About EVs

Nebraska's Public Power Utilites are partnering to educate customers about electric vehicles with the Public-Powered Chevy Bolt



How does an electric vehicle work?

How often do you replace the batteries?

How long does it take to charge an EV?

For more details on electric vehicles, come see us at the fair on August 3 & 4 or check out www.publicpowered.com

Come see us at the Stanton County Fair!

-  See this Car!
-  Get some answers about EV's
-  Get a RIDE IN THE CAR
-  See electric highline demonstrations
-  Learn about energy efficiency

EnergyWiseSM Efficiency Tip:

Summer Energy Tips
Saving energy from the inside out.

- Insulate your attic and walls, and seal cracks and openings to prevent warm air from leaking in
- Keep curtains closed on the south, east and west sides of the house during the day
- Use fans to keep air circulating
- Perform a do-it-yourself home energy audit. Online and paper versions are available at EnergyRight.com/residential.
- Change air filters monthly
- Caulk and weatherstrip around windows and doors
- Keep your outside air unit clean and clear of debris or weeds
- Turn up your cooling system's thermostat to 78° F or even higher
- Run your washer and dryer only when full
- Set the refrigerator temperature at 36° to 39° F and freezer at 0° to 5° F
- Run your dishwasher only when full
- Use the microwave when possible – it cooks faster and doesn't create as much heat as a stove burner

Look for additional tips from your local power company and TVA at EnergyRight.com

energyright solutions

Safety First!



Crew members from SCPPD recently participated in a high voltage demonstration training. The Stanton County Fire & Rescue, Pilger Fire & Rescue, Stanton County Sheriff's deputies, & Stanton County Emergency Management volunteers watched as SCPPD linemen show potential dangers with the equipment needed to serve our community with electricity.



In an emergency situation where power lines are involved, there is increased danger for not only the victim of the accident, but also the volunteers and deputies who arrive to help. SCPPD wants everyone to stay safe!

For more information on electrical safety, contact the SCPPD office.



Youth Tour 2018

Each year the NREA hosts the Tour providing rural high school students, representing their public power districts and electric cooperatives, the opportunity to see the sites of our Nation's Capital first-hand. While on the Tour, students visited Gettysburg Battlefield, Mount Vernon, Arlington National Cemetery, the National Cathedral and numerous historical sites and monuments around Washington, D.C. Participating students also met with members of the Nebraska Congressional delegation and came together with 1,800 other rural high school students from across America for the annual National Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Day where they learned about political engagement, leadership, and the pressing issues facing the electric industry today.



Congratulations to Elenora Andrade-Goeken for being chosen as the Stanton County Public Power District's 2018 delegate!

Lund Recognized for Training

Anthony J Lund, an employee with Stanton County Public Power District, has successfully completed one of the world's most comprehensive training programs for power line personnel. The Merchant Job Training and Safety Program is administered to line personnel in 40 states throughout the United States. Anthony J Lund and the support staff with Stanton County Public Power District can be proud of their accomplishment. Each utility has an acting Training Coordinator assisting their Trainees by administering "closed book" testing. The coordinators manage their own people throughout the training process from rules set by the MJTS and the state-wide association.

Stanton County PPD lineman initially spend two years at Northeast Community College, or another accredited Lineman Program, where they receive an associates degree before beginning their career with SCPPD. Then over the next 4 years it is mandatory to complete the MJTS Program.

SCPPD offers scholarships to attend the NECC Line Program, plus guarantee employment for their summer internship during the summer between their freshman and sophomore year. For information on the scholarship contact your guidance counselor, NECC or the SCPPD office for more information.

Congratulations to Anthony, who can look forward to a very rewarding life long occupation!

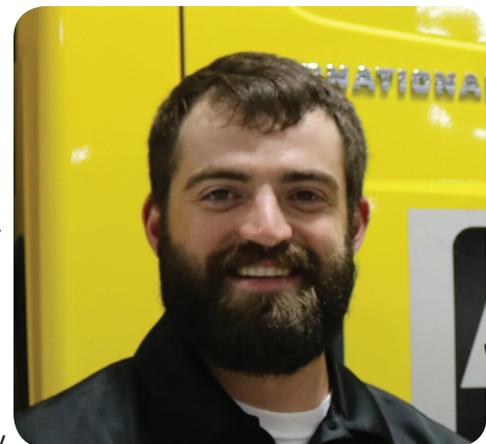
Dates to Keep in Mind

August 1 - 5: Stanton County Fair

National Immunization Awareness Month

Children's Eye Health & Safety Month

Schools are back in session!
Watch for children walking to and from school



Safety: It's Not Just a Green Metal Box

Perhaps you've seen - or have - green metal boxes in neighborhood yards. But do you know what these boxes are for? These "boxes" contain pad mount transformers, and they step down high voltage electricity to a lower voltage needed for the underground wires supplying power to the lights and appliances in homes. They perform just like the gray, round transformers you've seen on power poles connected to overhead power lines.

In most cases, these boxes pose no danger, but they must be recognized and respected for the electrical equipment they contain. A box knocked askew by equipment, or tampered with and missing a lock, can become a serious danger to anyone, especially children who often use them as platforms.

Parents should explain to children that these boxes are potentially dangerous, and not to be played on or around. Parents also need to make sure that their utility has properly locked the box. A pad mount transformer that isn't properly secured can be a serious hazard.

Safe Electricity also has these tips for landscaping around pad mount transformers:

- Keep shrubs and structures 10 feet away from doors and 4 feet away from the other sides of the transformer.
- Consider the mature height so as not to obstruct the transformer when fully grown.
- Make sure plant roots will not grow to interfere with wires and buried cables.

Remember, these boxes provide electricity to your home. Keeping the area around the transformer in your yard or your neighbor's yard unobstructed, can speed up restoration during outages and routine maintenance checks.

For more information on staying safe around pad mount transformers, visit SafeElectricity.org.



Information about SCPPD

When you have an emergency, SCPPD people are standing by!

In the case of an outage:

- 1- Check your fuses and/or breakers to be sure they are working properly.
- 2 - If you have a double-throw switch, make sure it is in the correct position.
- 3 - Notice your neighbors; do they have power?

Checking these few things before you call SCPPD can help us determine the severity of the outage and therefore expedite the restoration.

Please be sure to give the name that is listed on the billing account and physical address of the outage when calling into the office.

Questions about your bill?

Please call SCPPD, 402-439-2228, during office hours, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., in regards to billing questions. When calling the office concerning billing problems, it will save time if you have your meter serial number or customer account number. All account payments should be mailed to:

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807 Douglas Street, P.O. Box 319
Stanton, NE 68779-0319

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Call 1-877-439-2228.

Before 8 a.m. or after 4:30 p.m.

Call 1-877-439-2300.

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