

Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, Inc.



Glenn W. Miller
President/CEO

Supporting our youngest members

At Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, we talk a lot about the services we provide to you, our members — home energy audits, convenient billing options and events like our annual meeting, energy savings days and other community activities. We also try to provide many value-added benefits for our younger audience: the youth.

It's important that we support our youngest members, not only to enrich their lives, but also to instill in them the importance of cooperative membership and community

leadership. After all, these youngsters will one day become community and possibly co-op leaders.

For high school seniors, we offer college scholarships. You will see on the following pages further information regarding our 2012 scholarship program. This year Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative is again investing \$12,000 in scholarships for our local youth with opportunities to win an additional scholarship through our statewide association, the Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (OREC). OREC will distribute a total of \$24,800 in scholarships across the state of Ohio to cooperative youth.

We also feel it is important to support career days and teaching youth the “real life” issues of energy and the challenges of the industry.

Our organization has additionally worked with middle-school-age children to educate them on the delicate balance between generating energy at an economical price and protecting our environment.

And for children of all ages, we

provide safety demonstrations. Every year, several Holmes-Wayne Electric employees have gone to local schools, community organizations and activities to teach kids about electrical safety.

We also support local youth sports teams. Many of our employees volunteer their time to coach or work in concessions.

Educating the youth is a passionate commitment we have as a cooperative. Outreach with youth and improving the quality of life in the communities we serve is just one more way Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative looks out for you.

Congratulations to the following members who each won a drawing for a \$100 bill credit at our Energy Savings Days this fall.

*Glenn Schworm,
Millersburg*

*Angela Ingraham,
West Salem*

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Electric gift certificates

With the holidays quickly approaching, we start to put our gift list together. Sometimes, finding the perfect gift is almost impossible. Sizes, tastes, even needs differ with every person. But almost everyone has an electric bill. So, what better gift to give someone you care about than a gift of electricity?

A gift certificate for the purchase of electric to a Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative member might just be an ideal present for your parents, grandparents, children or someone in need. It makes a great birthday or holiday gift or a way to assist someone going through a tough time.

If you're looking for a useful present for someone you know who is a member of Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, here is all you need to do.

Clip the form below, fill it out and mail it with your check to Holmes-Wayne Electric. You can also call the office with the below information and pay over the phone via check, credit or debit card. Holmes-Wayne Electric will send the gift certificate card to the gift recipient.



Holmes-Wayne Electric Gift Card Form

You may submit the below form with a check to the cooperative office or contact the office toll-free at 866-674-1055 and pay by phone via check, debit or credit card.

Payee name: _____

Payee address: _____

City/ZIP: _____

Payee phone number: _____

Gift amount: \$ _____

Signature: _____

Gift recipient name: _____

Gift recipient address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Holmes-Wayne will credit the gift recipient's electric account with the amount listed above. The gift recipient will receive a gift card receipt explaining the credit that has been placed on the account and the payee's name.

Please submit form with check to or via phone payment:

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HWEC ***TRUSTEE ELECTION***

The board of trustees at Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative appointed a nominating committee to select nominees for trustees from their respective districts at its November meeting. The committee consists of six or more members, with at least one member who resides from each district for which a trustee is to be elected.

The nominating committee will meet in January at the cooperative's office to select nominees for trustees from the districts up for election. The districts for which members will be voting for new trustees in June are District 1, District 3 and District 7. The committee selects from the cooperative membership and lists 10 qualified nominees for each trustee position. A

minimum of two names shall be on a ballot to be voted upon for each district.

After selection, nominees are contacted by the HWEC board chairman in the order listed for verification and willingness to become candidates for trustee.

If you are interested in running for trustee or participating in a future nominating committee, please contact Robyn Tate at the cooperative's office at 866-674-1055.



Holmes-Wayne Electric ***Announcements***

Non-Discrimination Statement

Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, Inc., 6060 St. Rte. 83, Millersburg, OH 44654 is the recipient of federal financial assistance from the Rural

Utilities Service, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap shall be excluded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities.

The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance effort is the president/CEO of Holmes-Wayne Electric. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regulations listed above from and/or file a written complaint with this organization or the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250; or the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Washington, D.C. 20250. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.

Closed Christmas and New Year's Day

A friendly reminder HWEC offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 23, Monday, Dec. 26, and Monday, Jan. 2, to celebrate the Christmas and New Year's holidays with our families. As always, our after-hours call center is available for outage reporting, payment and meter reading processing. You can call toll-free at 866-674-1055. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the board of trustees and staff at Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative.

High School Seniors

*Are your parents members
of an electric cooperative?*

You could win a college,
vocational or technical
school scholarship of

\$5,400*



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cooperative for details on
how you can enter

**Seven scholarships for both the boys' and
girls' division will be awarded statewide
and amounts include local Holmes-Wayne
first-place awards*

Second place:.....	\$4,500
Third place:	\$4,200
Fourth place:	\$4,100
Fifth place:	\$4,000
Sixth place:	\$3,900
Seventh place:	\$3,800

1. Applicants must be a son, daughter or legal ward of an Ohio rural electric distribution cooperative member living on the lines and receiving service at the time of the statewide competition.
2. All applications must be submitted (typed) on forms obtainable from local high school guidance office, or at our website, www.hwecoop.com.
3. All applications must be postmarked or submitted to the office of Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative by January 31.
4. Applicants must have all basic credits for college or proper vocational or technical school* entrance. They must have a current career average of "B+" (3.5 on a 4-point scale) or better and must be accepted, then enrolled (when they receive the award), in the accredited college or proper vocational or technical school of their choice.
5. Any applicant who has received a full-tuition scholarship to the school of his/her choice is not eligible for a scholarship from OREC.
6. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by OREC.
7. Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative local 1st place winner in both the boys' and girls' division will be eligible to participate in the statewide competition.
8. Local winners will include both girls and boys division of \$2,500 first place, \$2,000 second place and \$1,500 third place.

*Proper vocational or technical schools must educate beyond high school and credits earned must be transferable to a state-accredited college.