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Educating members

“Going green” is a catch phrase that everyone is hearing these days. Whether in legislatures, advertising or Hollywood, this seems to be a current point of focus. Without question, Americans need to take a long, hard look at our energy consumption, and consider how to best provide for increased demand in the future. I recommend to our members that they take time to educate themselves on the subject, by obtaining accurate information from reliable sources. During the past year, I have seen many instances of individuals communicating incorrect or misleading information in an effort to join in on this current topic of conversation.

President's Report

By
Glenn Miller



The future of energy production and consumption is of obvious interest to Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative and its members. Hopefully, you have been reading the information provided through this publication during the last few months. If not, I strongly encourage you to take the time to learn more about the topics of “green energy,” energy production, consumption and conservation. This month you can read about the future of coal as a fuel for energy production, construction updates relating to the Cardinal Power Plant and the efforts to reduce carbon emissions. Also, review energy efficiency recommendations. Other articles of interest to be published in the upcoming year will discuss such subjects as: cost impact on consumers, your carbon footprint, growing capacity shortages, wind and solar as renewable resources and the politics of climate change policies.

Our goal with this and other upcoming communications is to help educate our members on the various angles and views on “green energy.” As you will realize, there is no magic answer to this puzzling issue, and as we have communicated in the past, we feel that a combination of reducing consumption through efficiencies, limiting carbon emissions and investing in smart green energy options, will lead to a solution that may limit the economic and environmental impacts.

Your Cooperative, along with the other 24 rural Cooperatives serving Ohio, have invested in researching three primary forms of green energy for Ohio — wind, solar and landfill methane gas. You can view real-time data from these pilot programs at the Web site of our generation supplier at www.buckeyepower.com. These options are being explored to determine if any of these green resources can consistently provide energy to meet the needs of our members at a reasonable cost.

We understand that Holmes-Wayne Electric has a responsibility to assist in the education of its members on the options available to the industry and to consumers. We hope that the members also will take an active role in this process and review the information that we will be providing in the future by way of this publication, pamphlets that will be distributed with your bill, and information available on our Web site.


2007 Operation Round Up Summary

The Operation Round Up Foundation's board members would like to thank the 11,000-plus members who generously participated in the Operation Round Up program in 2007. Those contributing have chosen to have their bill automatically rounded up to the next whole dollar. Your pennies, nickels and dimes are helping to raise thousands of dollars.

In 2006, we raised more than \$68,000 and in 2007 more than \$63,000. On the following page, you may view how the funds were distributed to individuals, families and organizations in our community in 2007. The remaining funds are in an interest-bearing account to be used for future requests and/or major disasters.

The mission of HWEC Operation Round Up program is to provide funding for charitable and benevolent purposes for individuals, families and organizations in our community. These funds are not meant to be a replacement of current local organizations and programs, but are to help those who may have slipped through the cracks or assist those in dire circumstances. This program is not intended to assist with past-due bills. Every dollar coming into the Operation Round Up program goes directly to help people in the Cooperative's area. There is no overhead cost because the Holmes-Wayne Electric Foundation board members are volunteers who willingly give of their time and energy to this worthy cause.

As always, if you have any questions regarding the program, please feel free to contact the Cooperative office at 866-674-1055 for additional information or updates. Fund request forms can be obtained at the Millersburg office or on-line at www.hwecoop.com.



HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Are your parents members of an electric Cooperative?


You could win a college, vocational or technical school scholarship of **\$2,500***


Contact your electric Cooperative for details on how you can enter

*First place for each division, boys' and girls'

Second place:	\$1,750
Third place:	\$1,500
Fourth place:	\$1,400
Fifth place:	\$1,300
Sixth place:	\$1,200

Here are the rules for the Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives, Inc. scholarship competition:



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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 on request from your participating local electric Cooperative office or at buckeyepower.com.
 3. All applications must be submitted to the office of that Cooperative by the deadline date.
 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" (3.0 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. Each electric Cooperative is eligible to nominate two candidates (one in each division) to participate in the statewide competition.
- For information contact:**
- Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, Inc.
or your local high school guidance office
for more details on the local and statewide
scholarships. 866-674-1055**
- **Proper vocational or technical schools must educate beyond high school and credits earned must be transferable to a state-accredited college.

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Assist fire victims with furniture — Wooster	\$750.00
Assist fire victims with clothing — Wooster	\$1,000.00
Medical assistance for cancer patient — Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Medical assistance for single-parent home — Killbuck	\$198.12
Assist repairing vehicle for transportation for medical appointments — Millersburg	\$852.02
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Wooster	\$275.35
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Wooster	\$800.00
Big Prairie — Lakeville Community Park playground equipment	\$1,000.00
Medical assistance for disabled couple — Millersburg	\$300.54
Assist with emergency prescription — Winesburg	\$149.62
Assist with medical cost until Social Security process is complete — Wooster	\$200.00
Assist with emergency prescription — Nashville	\$28.53
Assist single parent with purchase of refrigerator — Millersburg	\$534.95
Assist with playground equipment at Lakeville Elementary School	\$1,000.00
Assist with furniture for single parent — Millersburg	\$288.93
Assist with emergency car insurance — Lakeville	\$167.88
Assist with emergency prescription — Holmesville	\$34.89
Assist parents to attend son's Military graduation — Nashville	\$345.00
Assist with children's clothing for school — Killbuck	\$200.00
Assist with purchase of crib to keep infant at home — Loudonville	\$241.97
Assist fire victims with furniture — West Salem	\$1,000.00
Assist with groceries for family of cancer patient — Wooster	\$500.00
Assist elderly couple with life flight expenses — Burbank	\$2,249.23
Assist with children's clothing for school — Millersburg	\$300.00
Assist with furniture — Millersburg	\$615.00
Assist with travel expenses for serviceman for family funeral — Winesburg	\$2,200.00
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Wooster	\$500.00
Assist flood victims with flooring and furniture — Glenmont	\$1,668.05
Assist family with furniture from fire — Wooster	\$750.00
Assist with breathing machine for child — Millersburg	\$500.00
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Millersburg	\$750.00
Assist family with moving for child's medical needs — Millersburg	\$200.00
Salvation Army — Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army — Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Hospice — Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Hospice — Wayne County	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross — Holmes County	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross — Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Mt. Eaton	\$580.00
Christian Children's Home — Wooster	\$1,000.00
West Salem Outreach & Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Viola Startzman Free Clinic construction project — Wooster	\$855.00
Assist flood victims with flooring — Glenmont	\$1,530.95
Assist victim from Every Woman's House — Shreve	\$680.00
Assist fire victims with furniture — Apple Creek	\$1,000.00
Assist single parent in financial need with emergency home repairs — Millersburg	\$1,110.26
Assist fire victims with furniture — Millersburg	\$1,715.00
Assist fire victims with furniture — Wooster	\$1,000.00
Total	\$37,071.29

Winter's winds may bring about Peak Alerts

When the thermometer dips down extra low, Holmes-Wayne Electric may issue a Peak Alert.

The Alert doesn't mean the Co-op is in danger of running out of electricity, it means the extra demand for power could lead to a new record for use, or peak.

The electricity generated at the Cooperative-owned Cardinal Generating Station is delivered to your Co-op across lines owned by investor-owned utilities in the state. The costs associated with transmitting the power to our substations are based on the current peak, and if the peak increases, so do the costs.

If it's an especially cold and windy morning or afternoon, listen for Peak Alerts from your Cooperative. If you hear an Alert, set the thermostat down a few degrees and delay the use of your larger appliances such as ovens and dryers.

Holmes-Wayne Electric appreciates your help in keeping everyone's costs under control.

Listen for Peak Alerts on these stations:

95.3 - WKLM - Millersburg

101.3 - WNCO - Ashland

104.5 - WQKT - Wooster



Conservation Corner

Estimating appliance and home electronic energy use

If you're trying to decide whether to invest in a more energy-efficient appliance or you'd like to determine your electricity loads, you may want to estimate appliance energy consumption.

You can use this formula to estimate an appliance's energy use:

Wattage X Hours used per day X Days used per year ÷ 1000 = Kilowatt-hour (KWH) consumption per year

For example:

Personal computer (120 Watts) and monitor (150 Watts):

(120 Watts + 150 Watts) X 4 hours per day x 365 days per year ÷ 1,000 = 394 KWH/year

Then, calculate the annual cost to run an appliance by multiplying the KWH per year by your Co-op's rate per KWH consumed.

394 KWH X \$0.07695 (HWEC residential rate for first 2,000 KWH) = \$430.32 per year

You usually can find the wattage of most appliances stamped on the bottom or back of the appliance, or on its nameplate. The wattage listed is the maximum power drawn by the appliance. Since many appliances have a range of settings (hairdryers), the actual amount of power consumed

depends on the setting used at any one time.

Here are some examples of the range of nameplate wattages for various household appliances:

Clothes washer = 350–500 Watts

Clothes dryer = 1,800–5,000 Watts

Dishwasher = 1,200–2,400 Watts (heat drying feature increases energy use)

Hair dryer = 1,200–1,875 Watts

Microwave oven = 750–1,100 Watts

Personal computer

- CPU — awake / asleep = 120 / 30 or less

- Monitor — awake / asleep = 150 / 30 or less

- Laptop = 50 Watts

Refrigerator (frost-free, 16 cubic feet) = 725

Watts

Televisions

- 27" = 113 Watts

- 36" = 133 Watts

- 53"-61" Projection = 170 Watts

- Flat screen = 120 Watts

Water heater (40 gallon) = 4,500–5,500 Watts

Source: U.S. Department of Energy — Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy