Protecting affordable, reliable electricity

Last call to tell EPA — 'use common sense in rulemaking'



Glenn W. Miller President/CEO

IF IT ONLY TOOK two minutes, would you be willing to help keep your electricity service as reliable and affordable as possible?

That's it — just two minutes, and you can tell the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that its newly proposed rule is poised to undermine that notion, at a time when many Americans can least afford it.

Electric cooperatives like Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative, Inc., believe in maintaining a balanced, reasonable approach to generating electricity, using all of the resources available — from coal to natural gas to wind and hydropower. To us, "balanced" means a national energy policy that ensures affordable, reliable and environmentally responsible electricity for all Americans.

So Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative is asking its members to visit www.action.coop and file a comment with the EPA, urging the agency to do just that. Be assured that your information is protected and will never be sold.

The EPA's proposed regulations threaten to end the use of coal at new power plants. Across the U.S., coal is responsible for about 40 percent of all electricity generated. **For Ohio's elec**-

tric cooperatives, coal generates more than <u>90 percent</u> of the electricity used.

The electricity that powers your home is some of the cleanest generated by coal in the country, thanks to more than \$1 billion in recent investments by Buckeye Power, Holmes-Wayne Electric's generation facility.

That's why we're asking for your help in putting good old-fashioned common sense into the rules the EPA is creating. We care about clean air and water — but we also care about keeping bills affordable for members like you. We're simply asking for rules that make sense.

Would you please visit www.action.coop by March 10 and share your opinion with the EPA? The groundwork we lay now sets the stage for June, when the EPA is expected to release its rules for power plants already in operation. What happens now will ultimately affect electricity generation for decades to come.

Electric cooperatives serve more than 42 million people across the country. By joining together, co-op members can make a difference in the future of affordable, reliable, environmentally responsible electricity.

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The power of human connections®

Congratulations!

Holmes-Wayne Electric recognizes the following employees and board trustees who recently celebrated a milestone in their careers with the cooperative. Their service is greatly appreciated.





Bill Grassbaugh **Board of Trustees** 10 Years



Vicki Bilek Member Services Supervisor **Executive Assistant** 10 Years



Sue Holcomb Member Services Representative 10 Years



Brent Schrock Right-of-Way Supervisor 25 Years



Rick Fox Utility Specialist 40 Years



Randy Sprang Board of Trustees Chairman 10 Years



Ken Bower **Board of Trustees** 30 Years

2014 HWEC trustee election guidelines

THE 2014 MEETING of the Nominating Committee, appointed by the board of trustees, was held at the Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative office in Millersburg on Monday, Jan. 27, 2014. A special thanks to the appointed members for their willingness to work on the Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee selected 10 members in order of qualification for each of the three districts (districts 4, 5 and 6) for the 2014 trustee elections. Current Chairman of the Board Randy Sprang will con-

tact the list of potential candidates.

Any member from district 4, 5 or 6 may nominate a trustee candidate for the trustee election in writing by March 13, 2014. The candidate must live within the election district and all nominations must include 15 signatures of members in the election dis-

All nominations will be posted at the cooperative office, according to the Holmes-Wayne Electric Code of Regulations.

District 1 - Tim Hershberger

District 2 - Trevor Ogi

District 3 - John Abele

District 4 - Ken Baker

District 5 - Bruce Shaw

District 6 - Stanley Berry

District 7 - Rick Witucki

District 8 - Gene Varns District 9 - Gail Miller

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HWEC members giving back to the community

THE FOLLOWING PAGE is a summary of the 2013 Operation Round Up® distribution. Operation Round Up began at Holmes-Wayne Electric Cooperative in January 2006. In the past eight years, the Operation Round Up Foundation has distributed \$384,060.19 to individuals, families and organiza-

tions within our community.

You are making a difference in our neighborhoods!

Thank you to those members who have chosen to have their monthly electric bills rounded up to the nearest dollar. The monthly donation is placed into the Operation Round Up Foundation. Applicants for assistance must be members of the local community, and all applications are reviewed by a five-member board.

Five-Member Board

Don Buren Lisa Grassbaugh Dan Mathie Glenn Miller Harold Neuenschwander

Operation Round Up Annual Distribution

2013 - \$63,099.06 2012 - \$51,343.99 2011 - \$63,289.09 2010 - \$59,670.87 2009 - \$38,794.38 2008 - \$38,279.61

2007 - \$37,596.26

2006 - \$31,986.93

If you would like to learn more about the program or how to participate in Operation Round Up, please call the office toll-free at 866-674-1055.

2013 Operation Round Up Summary

Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Killbuck	\$500.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$810.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing following house fire - Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing following house fire - Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Glenmont	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$860.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$540.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$200.00
Assist family with furniture and clothing following house fire - Brinkhaven	\$355.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Benton	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Benton	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Benton	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing following house fire - Holmesville	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing following house fire - Wooster	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$1,266.94
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Shreve	\$2,000.00
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation - Holmes County	\$200.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$250.00
Assist a family from abusive home with transportation for work - Wooster	\$1,500.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$622.06
Assist a family with beds for children - Loudonville	\$1,730.79
Special Olympics - Wooster	\$250.00
Holmes County Youth Mission - Love Out Loud	\$2,500.00
Summer Youth Program/After School Program - Wooster	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Mt. Hope	\$1,000.00

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2013 Operation Round Up Summary (Continued from p. 21)

Assist a family with medical needs - Killbuck	\$2,795.88
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$250.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$250.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Dundee	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Assist a family with furniture and clothing, black mold house - Dundee	\$500.00
Farmers & Hunters Feeding the Hungry - processing donated deer for food pantries	\$2,000.00
Assist with tornado siren for Village of West Salem	\$2,000.00
Assist an individual with transportation for medical treatments - West Salem	\$250.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$335.72
Assist a family with furniture following house fire - Brinkhaven	\$591.50
Holmes County Home and Senior Center - processing of donated fair animals	\$2,352.35
Holmes County Home and Senior Center - processing of donated fair animals	\$227.68
Glenmont Food Pantry	\$500.00
Assist an individual with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$250.00
Project Linus	\$1,000.00
Wayne County Agencies - processing of donated fair animals	\$2,026.15
Wayne County Agencies - processing of donated fair animals	\$320.00
Camp Ohio - 4-H camp - cabin improvements	\$200.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$578.00
Assist a family with transportation for medical treatments - Shreve	\$500.00
Ashland Christian Health Center	\$469.99
Assist an individual with transportation for medical treatments - Millersburg	\$250.00
Assist a family with beds for children - Millersburg	\$867.00
Share-a-Christmas - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
West Salem Outreach & Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Light House Love Center - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army - Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Town & Country Fire & Rescue Association - West Salem Toy Drive	\$1,000.00
Christian Children's Home - Wooster	\$1,000.00
Meals and More - West Salem	\$1,000.00
Meals on Wheels - Holmes County Senior Center	\$1,000.00
Every Woman's House - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Every Woman's House - Wayne County	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross - Wayne County	\$1,000.00
American Red Cross - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Hospice - Holmes County	\$1,000.00
Hospice - Wayne County	\$1,000.00
Viola Startzman Health Clinic - Wooster	\$1,000.00
Church of God - Food Pantry - Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Meals Together - Wooster	\$500.00
Love Center - Free Health Clinic - Millersburg	\$1,000.00
Glenmont Food Pantry	\$500.00
Total	\$63,099.06