



Special points of interest:

- CWEC Office Closed – Friday, April 18, 2014 and Monday, May 26, 2014
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- MainStreet Messenger First Alert Systems for more details call 715-677-2211 or 1-800-377-2932
- Visit us at www.cwecoop.com

You are invited to Your Cooperative's 76th Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 5, 2014

Rosholt High School

346 Randolph Street West, Rosholt, WI

Registration begins at 9:00am • socialize over coffee and rolls

- Various informational displays
- Food Pantry Collection
Bring three or more non-perishable food items and receive a FREE CFL bulb (limit 5 per family)
- Business Meeting at 10am
- Willie & Company, ventriloquist entertainment for all ages, will provide the entertainment
- Games for the kids
- Lunch will be served after the entertainment
- Attendance gifts
- Numerous door prizes, including a grand prize big screen TV. Winners need to be present.

Help Fill Our Local Food Pantry Shelves

CWEC will be kicking off their food pantry drive at the Annual Meeting on Saturday, April 5, 2014. Bring three or more non-perishable food items, that are not expired, and you will receive a FREE compact fluorescent light (CFL bulb). (limit of five bulbs per family)

Your generous donation helps fill the shelves of food pantries in our service area.

If you cannot make it to the Annual Meeting, we will be collecting food pantry donations at our office, located at 10401 Lystul Road, Rosholt, WI throughout the year, and you will still receive the free CFL bulb.

For more information call 715-677-2211.



Energy Conservation Just Became More Affordable

One of, if not the biggest obstacles families encounter when considering an energy conservation upgrade is the cost. Even though an upgrade makes good sense, it needs to be paid for and with money being tight that can cause a problem. We believe in some cases we have a solution to solve that problem.

Your cooperative is not for profit. As a member of Central Wisconsin Electric Co-op you share in any excess margins (revenues – expenses) the Co-op has in a particular year. The surplus margins are allocated to members of the cooperative. This means that each member that contributed to the surplus gets capital credits placed in a holding account until returned. That way, the Co-op can use the funds for leveraging loans to finance new lines and equipment, offset unexpected expenses and for general capital improvements to the

cooperative. Then, depending on the financial position of the Co-op, the board of directors approves returning a portion back to the members.

To assist you in making your energy conservation upgrade more affordable, we are pleased to offer a Capital Credits for Conservation Program. This program allows you to “cash in” a discounted portion of your accumulated Capital Credits for qualified conservation upgrades including insulation, windows, heat pumps, and solar or heat pump water heaters. There is no cost share, so depending on the cost of your project and the amount of Capital Credit funds you have available, your out of pocket outlay may be very minimal and in some cases zero.

Funds for this program are capped and are on a first come, first serve basis. For more information please contact Mark Forseth at the co-op.

Scholarships Available

Once again, scholarships will be available to college, vocational, and technical school bound students through the CWEC Operation Roundup program. Both traditional and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply. To be eligible, either the student or parents must have their primary residence located on CWEC lines and participate in Operation Roundup. Applications are available from your high school guidance counselor, online at www.cwecoop.com (Services Section) or by contacting Mark Forseth at 715-677-2211 or by email at mark.forseth@cwecoop.com.

The deadline for returning completed applications is **Tuesday, April 1, 2014**. Please mail your completed scholarship application to the address below, or drop it off in person at the CWEC office in Rosholt. Scholarship winners will be notified by mailed shortly after April 1.

CWEC
Attn: Scholarship Program
PO Box 100
Rosholt, WI 54473



Scholarship winners must maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average during their first quarter or semester of college or vocational-technical school and be a full-time student with at least 12 credits. Payment will be made upon completion of the first quarter or semester of college, vocational, or technical school. The recipient will need to provide the cooperative with a copy of his/her grades and proof of enrollment for second semester.

Electric Line

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Wisconsin Energy Assistance Programs For 2013-2014

You or someone you know may be eligible for help with home heating and electric bills. The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. Operating with federal and state funding, the program provides assistance to approximately 225,000 Wisconsin households annually.

Most types of fuel are eligible to receive assistance. Whether you use wood, propane, natural gas, electricity, or fuel oil to heat your home, energy assistance is available if you qualify.

Heating Assistance

WHEAP assistance is a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15). The funding pays a portion of the heating costs, but the payment is not intended to cover the entire cost of heating a residence. The amount of the energy assistance benefit varies depending on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and energy costs. In most cases the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to the household energy supplier.

Electric Assistance

Electric (non-heating) assistance is an annual benefit payment. The funding pays a portion of the household's electrical (non-heating) costs, but the payment is not intended to cover the entire cost of the non-heating costs.

The amount of the non-heating assistance benefit varies depending on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and non-heating costs. To apply for electric (non-heating) assistance please contact Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative.

How to Apply

Your household may be eligible for Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) services or CWEC electric assistance based on a number of factors. However, if the gross income for your household is less than the amount shown on the following chart, you might be eligible to receive assistance.

For more information on the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and how to apply, please call 1-866-HEATWIS (432-8947), or visit the "Where to Apply" tab on www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov to find your local energy assistance agency.

INCOME GUIDELINES FOR THE 2013-2014 WHEAP HEATING SEASON

60 PERCENT OF STATE MEDIAN INCOME GUIDELINES

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTH	ANNUAL INCOME
1	2,058.00	6,173.00	24,692.00
2	2,691.00	8,073.00	32,290.00
3	3,324.00	9,972.00	39,887.00
4	3,957.00	11,871.00	47,485.00
5	4,590.00	13,771.00	55,083.00
6	5,223.00	15,670.00	62,680.00
7	5,342.00	16,026.00	64,105.00
8	5,461.00	16,382.00	65,529.00