



What's Happening

November 5
Daylight Saving
Time Ends

November 7
Election Day

November 11
Veterans Day



November 23

REC Offices
Closed Nov. 23-24

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CLASS OF 2024



REC Scholarships Available To High School Seniors

Rock Energy Cooperative (REC) again is offering scholarships of \$1,000 to graduating high school seniors who enroll at an accredited school.

Students whose parents or guardians are active members of REC are eligible.

Our scholarship committee will judge applicants based on general merit, cooperation, leadership abilities, financial need, and class ranking.

Since 1989, Rock Energy has awarded more than \$167,000 in financial aid to deserving students.

The on-line application is available at www.rock.coop. Just go to the Community & Youth tab and click on Scholarships. Or, you can just click on the QR code (at right). *The deadline for submitting applications is Jan. 10, 2024.* Applications must be completed on-line at www.rock.coop.

If you have any questions, please contact Jonas Berberich at 866-752-4550, or jonasb@rock.coop.

APPLY TODAY!

- 15 Scholarships Available
- \$1,000 Per Scholarship
- For High School Seniors (Rock Energy Members only)

Scan the QR code for 2024
Rock Energy Scholarship
Information.



Unclaimed Money Held For Former Members

Utilizing unclaimed capital credits, Rock Energy Cooperative holds unclaimed capital credit funds for some former members. A list of those who have unclaimed money can be viewed on our web site at www.rock.coop/unclaimed.

The money will be forfeited and paid to the Wisconsin Electric Cooperatives' Federated Youth Foundation for educational purposes unless claimed by **Dec. 31, 2023**.

You may send claims to Rock Energy's headquarters at P.O. Box 1758, Janesville, WI 53547, or call 866-752-4550.

Programs Available For Energy Assistance

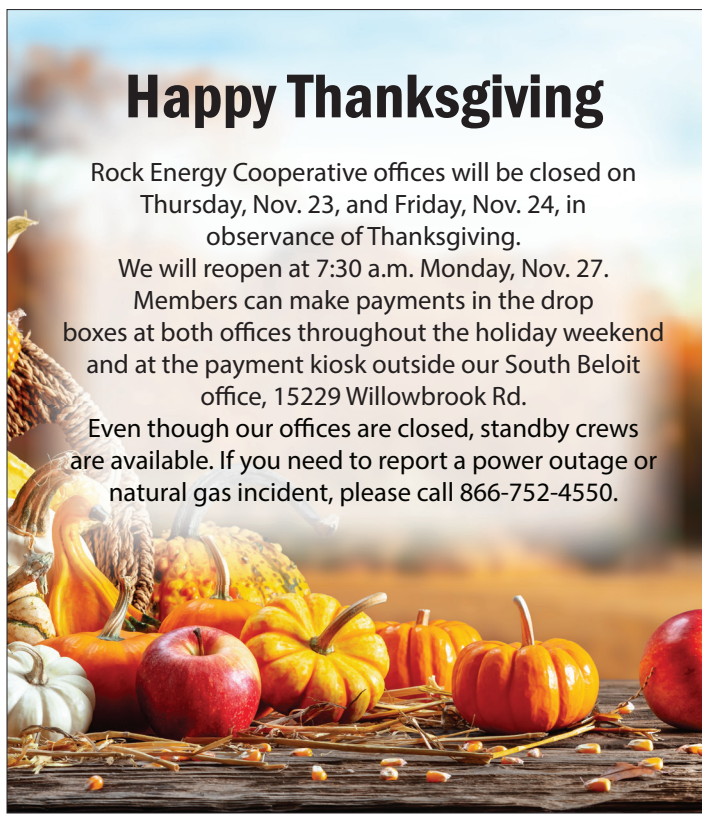
Assistance programs for families that need help with their energy bills are now open in both Wisconsin and Illinois.

Home Energy Assistance Programs offer one-time payments that can be applied directly to an energy bill. The benefit amount depends on household size, income, and energy costs.

Weatherization programs also are offered to help improve energy efficiency to lower future bills.

Details about the programs, including eligibility guidelines, are printed in the November issues of *Wisconsin Energy Cooperative News* and *Illinois Country Living* magazines. The information is also posted at www.rock.coop. Just go to the Member Services tab and scroll down to Assistance Programs.

To learn what office covers your area, Wisconsin members can call 866-432-8947, or go to www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov. For Illinois members, the contact information is 877-411-9276 or www.illinoisliheap.com.



Happy Thanksgiving

Rock Energy Cooperative offices will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23, and Friday, Nov. 24, in observance of Thanksgiving.

We will reopen at 7:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 27.

Members can make payments in the drop boxes at both offices throughout the holiday weekend and at the payment kiosk outside our South Beloit office, 15229 Willowbrook Rd.

Even though our offices are closed, standby crews are available. If you need to report a power outage or natural gas incident, please call 866-752-4550.

HOLIDAY

GIFT GUIDE

Give the gift of safety!

Portable Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter
Designed for locations where there is not a permanent GFCI installed, these devices detect an abnormal flow of electricity and shut off the power, preventing shock or electrocution.

Outdoor Remote Control Outlet Switch
Leaving outdoor lighting on overnight can be costly and pose a potential hazard. An alternative to smart lights, this remote control switch allows you to turn outdoor lights or other gadgets on or off remotely.

Tamper Resistant Outlets (TROs)
Great for families with small children, TROs are wall receptacles that have shutters that stay closed unless a plug with two prongs is inserted into the outlet. The National Electrical Code requires TROs in new homes and apartments.

Heavy Duty Extension Cord
Power devices safely. Too often the tools or equipment necessary for larger projects are powered by extension cords that are inadequate for the environment or heavier electrical load.

DIRECTOR NOMINATIONS OPEN

The Rock Energy Cooperative Nominating Committee will be selecting candidates to run for board of director positions that will be on the ballot at the Rock Energy Cooperative Annual Meeting, to be held April 8, 2024 at the Eclipse Center in Beloit, WI.

Active members who are interested in running for a position on the REC Board of Directors must permanently reside in one of the areas up for election and meet all other qualifications. For more information, please contact the co-op at 866-752-4550 or send an e-mail to questions@rock.coop by **November 30, 2023**.

Districts Up For Election Are:

- **DISTRICT 1:** Dunkirk, Albion, Porter, and Fulton in Wisconsin
- **DISTRICT 3:** Johnstown, Bradford, and Darien in Wisconsin
- **DISTRICT 5:** Turtle, Clinton, and Sharon in Wisconsin / Roscoe, Manchester, Leroy, Chemung, Alden, and Hebron in Illinois