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What's Happening

August 11 **National Safe Digging Day**



August is Back-to-School Safety Month

August is designated as Back-to-School Safety Month as a reminder to motorists to be extra careful at all times, especially as schools start up again in late August and early September.

September 2 Labor Day

REC Offices Closed

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Call 8-1-1 Before You Dig

Careless digging poses a threat to people, pipelines and underground facilities. Always call 8-1-1 BEFORE you start digging, that way you will know what's underground and where it is. August 11 (8/11) is National Safe Digging Day, so Rock Energy would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the following steps that will help you complete your digging project as safely as possible:

facilities. as shown below. Diggers Hotline Wait three business days (WI) or JULIE (IL) or make an on-line request for affected utility operators to respond to your request. On average, up to eight three business days before VELION FLAG: GOS OII, Steam, Petroleum (work begins. Diggers Hotline utility operators are Cables or JULIE will transmit RED FLAG: Electric Power Lines notified for each information to affected LAS' ELECTIC CURCE ENCODES utility operators. request. Ч BLUE FLAG: Water, WHITE FLAG: Irrigation and Proposed 3 Respect the **Slurry Lines** Excavation markings. The marks provided by the Confirm that affected utility operators are your guide for the duration of all affected utility your project. If you are unable to maintain operators have responded to your request PINK FLAG: Temporary Survey Martings IV, Alarmor the marks during your project, please by comparing the marks to contact Diggers Hotline (WI) ORANGE FLAG: Communications Cuble the list of utilities that LAN: Communications, Capies or Conduit were notified. or JULIE (IL) to ask for a relocate. Scan the QR code below to 5 watch REC's "Call 8-1-1" video. Dig carefully. If you can't avoid digging near the marks (within 18 inches on all sides), consider moving your project to another part of your yard. If you must dig near the marks, no mechanized equipment can be GREEN FLAG: Sowers and Drain Lines used within 18 inches of the marks; only hand digging For More Information: is allowed.

NATIONWIDE: www.call811.com or call 8-1-1 IN ILLINOIS "JULIE": www.illinois1call.com or 800-892-0123 IN WISCONSIN "DIGGERS HOTLINE": www.diggershotline.com or 800-242-8511



Rock Energy Cooperative recently presented a Community Safety Grant to Lakeside Fire-Rescue in Edgerton, WI. The grant funds are being used for new ambulance restraint devices designed for people between 4 – 99 pounds. Pictured above (from left to right): Todd Thompson (Rock Energy Board Member), Jeremy Parker, (Division Chief), Tailla Hoard (Paramedic/Firefighter), Sage (on stretcher), Cindy Kirby (EMS Captain), Barb Miller (Rock Energy Board Member/Vice-Chair), Cory Feggestad (LT./EMT), and Drew Mortimer (LT./EMT).

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WHY DOES YOUR POWER **PROVIDER TRIM TREES?**

Trees can grow into or crowd power lines, poles or other utility equipment and cause service issues. Overgrown trees can:

Cause outages.

- Create fire hazards.
- Break off and land on power lines.
- Cause lights to flicker during high winds.
- Get weighed down with ice and cause issues.

• Power companies trim trees to better serve you.

Proper pruning techniques are used to preserve tree health, although sometimes a tree must be removed if there are:

Fast-growing trees directly under power lines.

es that are leaning

Trees that are declining, cracked or split.

structed power lines make it r and safer for utility crews to repair or service lines.

If you have any questions about why Rock Energy might need to work on your property, contact us at 866-752-4550.

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REC OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

Rock Energy offices will be closed and Rock Energy personnel will be out on Monday, Sept. 2, in observance of Labor Day. Offices will be back open on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Members can make payments in the drop boxes at both offices on Labor Day and at the payment kiosk outside our South Beloit office, 15229 Willowbrook Road. Even though our offices are closed, standby crews are available. If you need to report a power outage or a natural gas incident, please call 866-752-4550.