

# Light Notes

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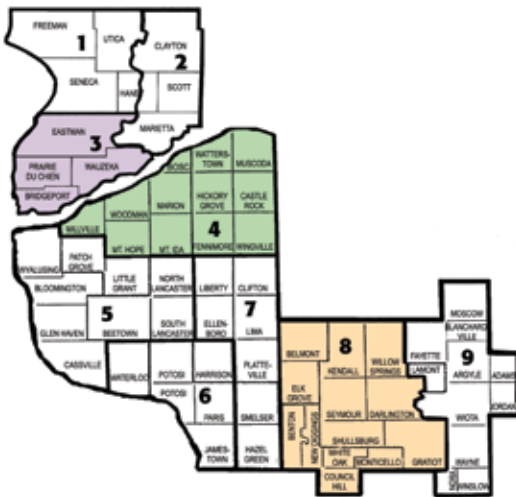
Scenic Rivers Energy Cooperative

Lancaster, Darlington and Gays Mills, Wisconsin

Cardinal in the Cold courtesy of Anna Robbins, Benton

## ELECTION NEWS – SAVE THE DATE

Our 87th Annual Meeting will be held on April 13, 2024. Now is the time for interested members to file paperwork to run for a board seat in Districts 3, 4, or 8. Visit our web-site ([www.sre.coop](http://www.sre.coop)) to get more information and the petition form. Call us at 800-236-2141 with questions. Petitions are due Jan 14, 2024.



## Deck the Halls SAFELY

- Use only lights, cords, animated displays, and decorations **rated for outdoor use**.
- When decorating outside, **look up and around** for power lines. **Never throw lights** or other decorations into trees near power lines.
- Keep ladders, equipment, and yourself **at least ten feet away** from power lines.
- Cords should be plugged into outlets equipped with **Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs)**.

For more **holiday safety tips** visit:



## BE ALERT FOR PEAK ALERTS



Winter is upon us, and with that comes peak alerts for cooperative members. A peak alert is likely to occur on colder days during the winter months. On these days, the demand for electricity is highest, which also brings the need to conserve energy use whenever possible. The level of demand determines a large portion of the cooperative's wholesale energy costs. Reducing or delaying your electrical usage during a peak alert helps lower the wholesale cost of power.

On these colder days, the peak-alert messages will be broadcast on our Facebook and Instagram pages, our website and on many area radio stations. Working together as a cooperative helps all our members save money.



# THE PEOPLE BEHIND YOUR POWER



## Pat Pennekamp

*Lineman*

**Years of Service** - 20 years

**Family** - Hannah

**Hobbies** - Bow Hunting, Golf,  
Making Maple Syrup and  
Cutting Wood

## RIGHT-OF-WAY MAINTENANCE NOTES



Zielie's Tree Service will be finishing up trimming on the Mt Hope Substation south circuit in Grant County and working on the Shullsburg Substation in Lafayette County the month of December.

It is important for SREC to maintain its rights-of-way for the following reasons:

- Accessibility for field crews, vehicles and equipment
- Fire prevention
- Reliable electric service
- Quality service with the reduction of outages and blinks
- Safety for workers and the public
- Meeting state and federal code requirements

On a daily basis, SREC employees and contractors may be working throughout the area, and at times on your property, to operate and maintain the electric system and our rights-of-ways. If you have questions, please contact us at 800-236-2141.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

FROM OUR CO-OP FAMILY TO YOURS,  
WISHING YOU A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON  
AND A JOYOUS NEW YEAR.

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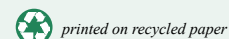
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