



**Wabash
County REMC**
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

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WABASH, IN 46992**

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**Office hours: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Monday-Friday**

TO REPORT AN OUTAGE

- Check circuit breakers or fuses first.
- If possible, check to see if neighbors are also out.
- To report a power outage during business hours, call our office at 563-2146 or (800) 563-2146. After-hours, call our toll-free number at (866) 336-2492. Give the name under which the service is listed. If possible, give map location and account number from bill.
- Give us your phone number in case we need to call you back. State the problem, such as loss of power, partial power, dimming or flickering lights.
- Please be patient. Our crews will restore service as quickly as possible.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- District 1 — Claude Markstahler, president
1123 E 700 N,
North Manchester (260) 774-8155
- District 2 — Robert Hippensteel
2829 W. State Road 114, No. 2
North Manchester (260) 982-4707
- District 3 — James Keffaber
2402 S 530 W, Wabash (260) 563-5436
- District 4 — Max R. Highley, vice president
2047 E. Baumbauer Road
Wabash (260) 782-2341
- District 5 — D'Ann Stouffer
4152 W 700 S, Wabash (260) 563-8500
- District 6 — Steven Byerly, assistant secretary
2205 E 700 S, Wabash (765) 981-4549
- District 7 — Gene Bowman, secretary
11930 S 700 W, Amboy (765) 395-7546

CREDIT CARD BILL PAYMENT



Wabash County REMC offers our customers the option of paying their electric bills with Visa or MasterCard.

co-opNews Information from your electric cooperative

You're invited!



Top Nashville entertainer featured Randy Kohrs and The Lites

2005 – Nominated Dobro Player of the Year

Join us Monday, March 26,
for the Wabash County REMC
71st annual meeting
Honeywell Theater

Registration: 6-7 p.m.

Meeting begins: 7 p.m.

Look for the official notice in the mail
and be sure to bring it to the annual meeting.

See you there!

Director candidates profiled

District 2

Robert H. Hippensteel

"If re-elected, I shall do my part to provide our members with the best possible electric service at the lowest possible cost, as I have for the past 30 years."

Hippensteel and his wife, Oris, are parents of four grown children. The Hippensteels live in the Timber Ridge addition, west of North Manchester. While Hippensteel is semiretired, he stays active by continuing to farm around 300 acres.

Hippensteel has served on the board of directors of Wabash County REMC for 30 years. He is also serving as the vice president of the Indiana Statewide Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives and is a past director of Wabash Valley Power Association (our power supplier).



Robert H. Hippensteel

District 3

James O. Keffaber

"Low cost and plentiful wholesale power remains one of our greatest challenges for the near future. One of my goals is to encourage our power supplier to seek more ways to produce electric energy from renewable energy sources such as landfill gases and livestock digesters."

Keffaber has farmed for 31 years, producing hogs, corn and soybeans. His wife, Carol, works at Swine Care in Roann. They have two sons and a daughter plus eight grandchildren. He is a member of the Bachelor Creek Church of Christ and has enjoyed teaching Sunday school classes to preschoolers for the past 35 years.

Keffaber has been a member of Wabash County REMC for 35 years and has served on the REMC board of directors for 27 years. Keffaber also serves as a director of Wabash Valley Power Association (our power supplier).



James O. Keffaber

Steven G. Kirtlan

"Wabash County REMC has a long tradition of providing top quality electric service to its members at a fair price. We must continue to operate our cooperative as efficiently as possible. If elected, I will work to continue providing the quality service the members of Wabash County REMC have enjoyed in the past, while continually looking for opportunities to provide new services and even further improve the quality of service whenever possible."

Kirtlan and his wife, Cathy, have four children. Eric attends Tri-State University, Andrea and Chad attend Northfield High and Jared attends Metro North. The Kirtlans live northwest of Wabash, and have been members of Wabash County REMC for the past 12 years.

Kirtlan is the owner of Kirtlan Automotive in Wabash. He attends Bachelor Creek Church of Christ and is member of the Optimist Club, Wabash Chamber of Commerce, Wabash Economic Development Group, Automotive Service Association, and International Automotive Technician Network.



Steven G. Kirtlan

District 4

Max R. Highley

"My goal is to help maintain a great electrical system which strives to deliver power at a fair price."

The Highleys live on a farm south of Lagro. He is active in veal production and drives a school bus for the Metro School District. Highley and his wife, Donna, have two children; Jill is a teacher in Muncie, and Eric lives in Nappanee.

Highley has been a member of Wabash County REMC for 28 years. Currently serving as vice president, he is completing his third three-year term on the board of directors.

Highley belongs to the American Veal Association, Somerset Masonic Lodge and Purdue Alumni Association and is a member of First United Methodist Church in Wabash.



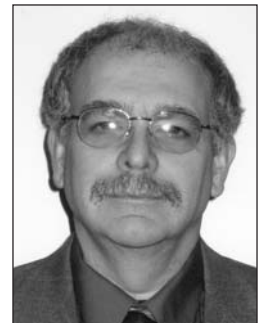
Max R. Highley

Joe A. Cook

"Currently Wabash County REMC is providing goods and services at fair rates to its members. As a member/director, I would look forward to being actively involved with the dedicated employees and management team in meeting the challenges of the cooperative to provide continued high quality services in the future."

Cook and his wife, Libby, live south of Lagro and have two grown children. Cook is employed at MPI/Carver in Wabash as an assembler, building hydraulic presses.

Cook has been an REMC member for the past 31 years. He is a member of the Lagro United Methodist Church, currently serving on the pastor/parish and care committees. Cook retired from the Lagro Volunteer Fire Department after 18 years of service, during which he earned certification for Fire Med 1, and first and second class firefighter.



Joe A. Cook

May we have your
ATTENTION?

4-H organizational meeting
Monday, March 12, 6 p.m.
Touchstone Energy Center

2006 Financial Report

Income and Expenses

Income

Total sales of electric services \$12,251,305

Expenses

Cost of purchased power \$8,078,464

Expenses for operating and maintaining system \$2,529,369

Utility plant depreciation \$ 671,286

Tax expense \$ 171,280

Interest on long-term debt \$ 160,985

Total Expenses \$11,611,384

Margins

Operating Margins (Income minus Expenses) \$ 639,921

Non-Operating Margins \$ 150,615

Total margins (Patronage Capital) \$ 790,536

Balance Sheet

Assets

Total cost of utility plant \$21,966,046

Less depreciation (\$4,186,440)

Net value of utility plant \$17,779,606

Cash and notes receivable \$ 1,017,061

Investment in associated organizations \$ 2,229,719

Accounts receivable and prepayments \$ 779,408

Material and supplies \$ 161,550

Other current and accrued assets \$ 462,059

Total Assets \$22,429,403

Liabilities

Long-term debt \$ 3,398,842

Accounts and notes payable \$ 958,965

Current and accrued liabilities \$ 528,930

Other non-current liabilities \$ 813,340

Accumulated Patronage Capital (Member's Equity) \$16,729,326

Total Liabilities and Capital \$22,429,403

Note: The records of the cooperative are annually audited by London Witte Group, certified public accountants. The routine audit of the 2006 financial figures will be conducted after the annual meeting.

FREE ... FREE ...FREE

Water Heaters

- Wabash County REMC will provide a FREE 50-gallon electric water heater for your home when one or more of the following conditions are met:
 1. Installed in new home construction
 2. Replaces a gas water heater
 3. Replaces an existing water heater that is leaking or non-repairable
 4. Replaces an existing water heater that is over 20 years old, regardless of its working condition
- Note: Installation of a load management switch is required.
- For more details, call the office (563-2146 or 800-563-2146).



CO-OP NOTES

Security light rental

Monthly rental fee	175-watt	\$ 8.25
	400-watt	\$13.00

Includes all electrical use and maintenance.
Extra cost for additional pole or wire required to serve light.

Heating incentives

New or replacement Geothermal heating installation	\$600
New or replacement all-electric heat pump installation	\$600

FREE water heater

For residential applications, a water heater will be furnished at no cost, when certain qualifications are met.

For non-residential applications, water heaters may be purchased @\$250 plus tax.

Water heater rebate

If a water heater is purchased elsewhere or a new home is equipped with a new water heater, a \$100 rebate applies.

Meter base surge arrestor

Monthly Rental Fee \$4.95
Wabash County REMC offers a complete surge protection program. Contact us to arrange an in-home review of your surge protection needs.

Automatic bill payment plan available

When requested, Wabash County REMC can automatically draw money from your bank account to pay your monthly electric bill. Once you have signed up for the plan, you will receive a statement each month with "BANK DRAFT

DO NOT PAY" printed across it. The bank will automatically withdraw funds from your bank account approximately three days prior to the due date. To enroll, please contact our office.

Tired of your slow Internet connection?

Your REMC now offers wireless high-speed Internet service to a major portion of Wabash County.

- Now serving in and several miles around Lagro, Wabash, North Manchester, Roann, Richvalley and Lafontaine areas
- High-speed wireless Internet service available to all homes which can receive a signal.
- No phone line needed!

\$29.95/month and onetime \$99-\$159 installation charge.

**Call Omnicity, Inc.
at (877) 477-SURF**



Come out of the shadows

A security light rental brightens your night by adding safety and security to your home and property for only

\$8.25 per month

This service includes:

- No-cost maintenance
- Free lamp replacement
- No cost for electricity used



**For other lighting options
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