


Norris Electric

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News

Norris Electric Christmas Helpers

Norris Electric had many “Christmas helpers” this year as we prepared cards for active service men/women and veterans. We would like to thank Jasper County Elementary, The Rock Youth Group from New Hope Church (pictured), Boy Scout Troop #156, Students of Effingham Community School and family members of Norris Electric employees for their generosity of their time to decorate our cards.





Outage Information Center:

We work hard year-round to deliver reliable service, but when big storms strike and damage equipment, outages can result. When they do, our entire focus is to safely and quickly restore your service. There are three ways our members can report an outage:

1. **Call 877-783-3221.**
2. **Text your outage.** If you prefer to text rather than call your outage in, members will need to have their cell phone number on file at Norris Electric. Then they will need to complete a short registration process on our website www.norrselectric.com. Once that is complete, members will be able to text their outage in. You will also receive a text when your electric is restored!!

3. **Use our app.** If members have a smart phone, you can download our app and report your outage.

View Outages

Members are able to view Norris Electric's outage map by logging on to our website at www.norrselectric.com. By viewing the map, it will give members an idea of where the outages are and how many members are affected.

Outage Updates

Facebook/Twitter – Be sure to like us on Facebook and Twitter to receive current outage information and updates. (Please do not use social media or email to report an outage because this is **not** monitored 24/7.)

BRIGGS & STRATTON



Home Generator Systems

You cannot control Mother Nature, and now would be a good time for you to purchase a standby generator. Norris Electric offers the Briggs & Stratton Home Generator System line of standby generators. Briggs & Stratton is one of the leading and most well-known names in small engines.

These units are available with transfer switches that automatically start the unit and transfer to standby power in the event of a power outage. When electric service is restored, the transfer switch switches back to utility power and shuts the generator down.

Many homes and small businesses have pumps, fans, computers and other equipment that require them



to have a continuous supply of electric power. With a Briggs & Stratton Home Generator System, you never have to worry about another power outage. With the automatic transfer features, you know your processes and equipment are always operating, even when you are gone.

The Briggs & Stratton product line was chosen for its long history in the small engine business and its commitment to a quality line of products at reasonable prices.

If you are looking for a standby generator, contact Norris Electric at 877-783-8765.



Save the date...

Norris Electric Cooperative will be holding its 80th Annual Meeting of Members on Feb. 10, 2018. You won't want to miss it! Plan to join us for a short meeting, lunch and prizes.

Annual meeting scholarships

Seniors, don't miss the opportunity to win a random drawing scholarship at our Annual Meeting of Members to be held on Feb. 10, 2018 at Newton Community High School. Norris Electric will be presenting two lucky students with a \$500 scholarship each.

All senior students who register at our annual meeting and meet the requirements below are eligible for a \$500 scholarship. You do not need to complete an application for this scholarship, just simply show up for our annual meeting. The winners will be chosen in a random drawing and will be issued a check once enrolled at an institution.

Requirements:

- ▶ Parent(s)/legal guardian must be a member of Norris Electric Cooperative
- ▶ Must be present to win
- ▶ Must be a high school senior
- ▶ Must be enrolling as a full-time student for the fall term

Attention Seniors

There is still time to apply for a Norris Electric Scholarship.

Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to a student who is the son or daughter of a Norris Electric Cooperative member who is currently receiving service from the cooperative at the time the scholarship application is submitted. The following rules apply:

- * The applicant must be a high school senior.
- * Scholarship winners must begin undergraduate studies within a year of being notified they are the recipient of the scholarship.
- * Scholarship winners will be expected to be "full-time" students (at least 12 hours).
- * Scholarships are for one year and are not renewable.
- * Scholarships will be awarded based on grade point average, college entrance test scores, work and volunteer experience, participation in school and community activities, biographical statement, and knowledge of electric cooperatives as demonstrated by a short essay.
- * Deadline for receipt of completed applications and submissions is Feb. 1, 2018.

Please go online at www.norriselectric.com to print off an application.



Add a little light to your night

There's no place like home – and at nightfall, you'll have peace of mind with a night light from your electric cooperative.

Nothing discourages a would-be burglar or trespasser like a brilliant night light. Today's night lights are brighter and more efficient than ever. Since the night light turns itself on at dusk and off at dawn, it's there when you need it, automatically.

A night light is an affordable way to provide safety and protection for your family and possessions.

Norris Electric offers the following night lighting:

- 73-watt LED outdoor light \$7 per month
- 250-watt high pressure sodium directional light \$17 per month
- 400-watt high pressure sodium directional light \$20.50 per month
- 1000-watt metal halide directional light... \$31 per month

This cost covers installation, operation and maintenance of the light. The electricity the light uses is not metered and is included in the monthly fee. The only requirement is the light must be installed on a Norris Electric pole. It's a great deal for our members! Contact our office at 877-783-8765 to sign up, or visit our website at www.norriselectric.com to print a copy of the lighting agreement.

Your Vote Counts

This year, Norris Electric is having a director election, and your vote counts! Voting is one of the most important responsibilities we have as a U.S. citizen and as an electric cooperative member.

Ballots will be mailed the first of January...watch for it in your mail!



Account number changes coming in January

Account numbers will be changing for members with multiple meters in January due to a new billing process coming in the near future. Please note if you pay your account electronically with your bank, you will need to change your account number. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office at 1-877-783-8765.