

Light Notes

Scenic Rivers Energy Cooperative

SEPTEMBER 2026

"Sunset Over Rye" courtesy of Pete Moris, a member in Mt. Hope, WI.

MEMBER PHOTO CONTEST

Candid Moments

Grab your camera or smartphone, snap a picture of what "Candid Moments" means to you, and share it with us. We want to see the moments that make each day a little brighter!

PHOTO CONTEST CRITERIA:

- Taken in the SREC service area
- Horizontal (landscape) orientation
- May be in color or black and white
- High resolution (at least 300 dpi)
- Must own rights to photos



All ages and skill levels are encouraged to enter.

Winning photos will be featured in SREC publications including our newsletter and magazine.

For more details, visit sre.coop/photo-contest.

CO-OP GIVEAWAY MONTH RETURNS THIS OCTOBER!

We'll be giving away bill credits all month long, and you could be one of the lucky winners! Watch for all the details in our October magazine.



DORM ROOM

ELECTRICAL SAFETY:

TIPS FOR A SAFE SEMESTER



Be smart and stay safe. Share these tips with your campus-bound students.

⚡ DON'T OVERLOAD OUTLETS

Too much power draw = fire risk.

💡 **Tip:** Plug dorm room fridge directly into wall outlet.

⚡ UNPLUG WHEN NOT IN USE

Even when off, devices can still draw power or overheat.

💡 **Tip:** Unplug fans, chargers and appliances when you're out.

⚡ DECORATE SAFELY

Don't use nails or tacks to secure cords or light strands.

💡 **Tip:** Use plastic hooks to hang string lights.

⚡ NEVER CHARGE A PHONE UNDER PILLOWS OR BEDDING

It could overheat or catch fire.

💡 **Tip:** Create a dedicated charging station in your room.

⚡ NEVER USE DAMAGED CORDS

Frayed or cracked cords can spark a fire.

💡 **Tip:** If a cord looks worn, replace it — don't tape it!

⚡ KEEP CORDS COOL & CLEAR

Don't run cords under rugs, beds or doorways.

💡 **Tip:** Keep cords visible to avoid overheating.

⚡ REPORT ELECTRICAL ISSUES FAST

Flickering lights? Warm outlets?

💡 **Tip:** Tell campus maintenance ASAP; don't wait.

Learn more:

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THE PEOPLE BEHIND YOUR POWER



Jonah Linder
Apprentice Lineworker

Joined our Team - August, 2026

Family - Brad & Jenni (Parents);
Josh, Jacob, Joey (brothers)

Hobbies - Fishing, running,
lifting, grilling, and Hiking

RIGHT-OF-WAY MAINTENANCE NOTES



Zielie's Tree Service will be trimming the Gays Mills Substation, south circuit, in Crawford County during the month of September.

Zielie's Tree Service and Scenic Rivers Energy employees will be spraying the Gays Mill Substation, west circuit, in Crawford county, and the Mt. Hope Substation in Grant County in September.

Badgerland Utility Solutions will continue underground inspections in the Platteville and Harrison Substations during the month of September and October.

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-way.

If you have questions, please contact us at 800-236-2141.

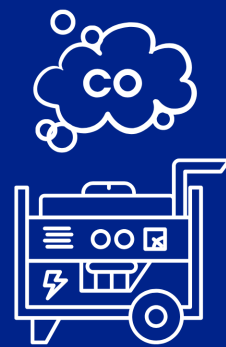


Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

September kicks off the fall shoulder season, when cooler mornings and milder evenings often mean you can give your heating/cooling system a break. Open windows, use ceiling fans and enjoy the fresh air whenever temperatures allow. It's also the perfect time to schedule annual HVAC maintenance before colder weather arrives. Because demand is typically lower during the fall, heating and cooling professionals often have greater availability, making it easier to book an appointment. Regular maintenance can improve your system's efficiency, help prevent unexpected breakdowns and keep your home comfortable all year long.

Safety Tip

Place your generator outside in a clean, dry area, and at least 20 feet from windows, doors, garages, porches and vents. Direct exhaust away from the home to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.



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Light Notes is a monthly newsletter for members of SREC. Please contact us with questions or comments at 206 County Road K, Lancaster, WI 53813, via email at srec@srec.net, via phone at (608) 723-2121 or (800) 236-2141.



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