

# NEWS & VIEWS

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION FOR MEMBERS  
OF HENDRICKS POWER COOPERATIVE

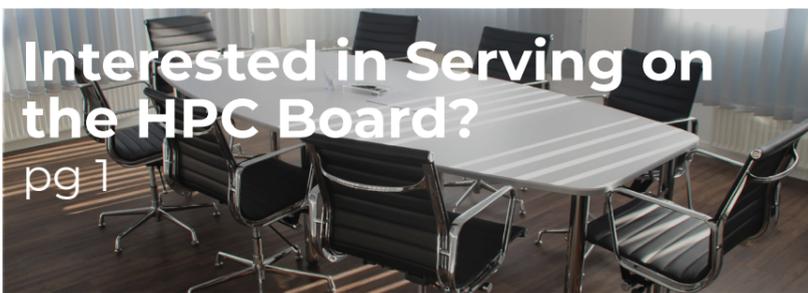
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**HENDRICKS  
POWER**  
Cooperative

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### AROUND TOWN

## Calendar of Events

MARCH 1

#### Youth Program Deadlines

Applications due for Camp  
Kilowatt and Youth Tour.

Learn more:

[www.hendrickspower.com](http://www.hendrickspower.com)

MARCH 4

#### Scholarship Deadline

Applications due for the  
Commitment to Community  
Scholarships.

Learn more:

[www.hendrickspower.com](http://www.hendrickspower.com)

MARCH 19 & 20

#### Indiana Guitar Show

Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds

Sat: 11 am - 6 pm,

Sun: 11 am - 4 pm

Musicians from all over central  
Indiana come together to buy, sell  
& trade with national dealers once  
a year. Tickets are \$15.

Learn More:

[www.facebook.com/theindianaguitarshow](http://www.facebook.com/theindianaguitarshow)

MARCH 28

#### Legislative Breakfast

Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds

7-8 am

Mark your calendars for our 2022  
Legislative Breakfasts. At 7:00 am,  
a complimentary breakfast will be  
served, followed by an opportunity  
to speak with your representatives  
from the Indiana Statehouse.

RSVP to [janna.bolen@infarmbu-reau.com](mailto:janna.bolen@infarmbu-reau.com) or at (317) 745-4463 by  
the Thursday before the event.



ANNUAL MEETING

## Interested in Serving on the Hendricks Power Board?

Areas 1, 2, and 3 up for election in 2022

As a cooperative, Hendricks Power is guided by its Board of Directors, which is made up of member-owners like you! Board members are elected by other members in a democratic vote. This year, geographic areas 1, 2, and 3 are up for election.

Due to recent growth, our geographic areas have been updated to better represent and serve our members. The current areas up for election include Guilford, Center, and Lincoln townships in Hendricks County. If you are a Hendricks Power member and reside in these areas, you're eligible to run!

Board Members serve three-year terms and attend monthly board meetings to discuss and decide on current cooperative affairs. They affect important decisions about rates, renewable energy, financial plans, and overall co-op strategy.

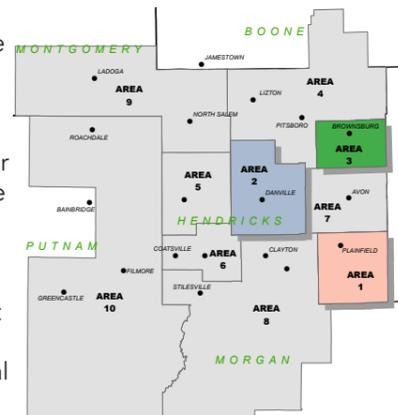
#### How do I run?

If you are interested in representing your geographic area in our Board of Directors election, you will need to submit a petition. If you'd like to learn more about application materials and requirements, please visit [www.hendrickspower.com/about-us](http://www.hendrickspower.com/about-us). To receive an informational packet with application materials, contact Dana Cochran at [dcochran@hendrickspower.com](mailto:dcochran@hendrickspower.com) or by phone at (317) 718-7641.

**Petition Deadline: May 20, 2022**

#### When is the election?

Voting will take place on the SmartHub app during July and at our annual meeting on July 21, 2022. All members, regardless of service area, will be eligible to vote. Election results will be announced at the business portion of the annual meeting on July 21, 2022.



**POWER MOVES**

Energy-Smart Solutions from Your Local Electric Cooperative



**SHIFT INTO MORE GREEN**

When everybody's using electricity during peak times, costs can go up. But with a Wi-Fi thermostat and a little help from our **PowerShift Wi-Fi Thermostat Program**, we make tiny temperature adjustments that save everyone money when electricity is most expensive. Get **\$50 just for signing up**—and another **\$25** for each year you stay enrolled.

Enroll today here:



**DIYers:**

**HOW SAFE IS YOUR WORKSHOP?**

Make these tips standard practice in your workshop:



Inspect tools for damage before using them



Inspect cords and plugs for signs of wear



Ensure cords are not a tripping hazard



Use the right tool for the job



Use heavy-duty properly-rated extension cords



Use a clamp to secure whatever you're working on



Make sure your area is well-lit



Wear the proper clothing and protection for the task



Keep floors and areas as clean and dry as possible

Stay safe while working on home updates and projects!

**Easy Spring Home Maintenance**

As we see sun peak through winter clouds, many of us are ready to begin our spring cleaning routines! Those cold winter days and long nights have been hard not only on you and your family, but on your home as well. Spring is the perfect time to tackle some maintenance and repair projects that will prepare your house for warm weather. By doing so, you'll make your home more comfortable and save on summer energy bills.

**INSIDE**

**Maintain your HVAC.** Your heating system has been running all winter. If you haven't been changing your filters regularly, start now. A cooling system free of dust and dirt runs more efficiently, saving you money.

**Examine exterior doors and windows.** Make sure they're properly caulked and sealed. This can reduce your summer cooling costs and make your home more comfortable.

**Check for basement water leaks.** Inspect walls and floor for cracks that may cause water to leak through. Fix cracks with a hydraulic cement product and, if necessary, apply sealant to walls and floor.

**Seal attic air leaks.** Pull back insulation to find cut outs from any ceiling fans or recessed light fixtures seal gaps with caulk or expandable foam.

Your home is ready to handle warm weather! Now just sit back and enjoy extra comfort and the lower energy bills! Don't forget; you can always contact us for a free energy audit at [www.hendrickspower.com/energy-advisor](http://www.hendrickspower.com/energy-advisor).

**OUTSIDE**

**Take a look at your roof.** Check for any areas where winter weather may have caused sagging or cracks. If your roof is 10 years old or more, have a professional check the flashing and the chimney.

**Get in the gutters.** Check for loose gutters and downspouts that might let water accumulate around your house during heavy spring rains.

**Trim trees and bushes away from your house.** This will help to discourage the growth of mold and mildew, as well as prolong the life of your siding and roof. Rake up leaves from last fall that have accumulated around your house and in window wells.

**Check the grading around your house.** If there is a downward slope around your foundation, it may allow rainwater to build up and leak into your basement.

**Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month**

When was your cooling system last serviced? Most manufacturers recommend an annual tune-up for your home's cooling system. March is a great time to schedule this service so you can beat the summer rush when the pros are busiest.

Source: [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)

