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Summer Office Hours Through September 30

HEA's Sterling and Holyoke offices are open Monday–Thursday | 7 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

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THE POWER OF PREPARATION

BY DENNIS HERMAN GENERAL MANAGER

ith severe weather events occurring now more than ever, it makes sense to be prepared. During a prolonged power outage or other emergency, this means having enough food, water and supplies to last at least a few days.

In honor of National Preparedness Month in September, I want to remind members of our community about the power of preparation. You don't have to go overboard, but there are several practical steps you can take to keep you and your family safe.

Even at a modest level, preparation can help reduce stress and anxiety while lessening the impact of an emergency. We recommend starting with the basics.

Here are general guidelines recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency:

- Assemble a grab-and-go disaster kit. Include items like nonperishable food, water (one gallon per person, per day), diapers, batteries, flashlights, prescription medications, a first-aid kit, battery-powered radio and phone chargers.
- Develop a plan for communicating with family and friends (via text, social media, third party, etc.).
- Have extra cash available; during a power outage, electronic card readers and cash machines may not work.
- Store important documents such as birth certificates and property deeds in a safe place away from home (for example, a bank safe deposit box).
- Keep neighbors and coworkers informed of your emergency plans.
- Fill your car with gas.
- Organize your supplies so they are together in an easily accessible location that family members know about.

YOUR CO-OP NEWS



DENNIS HERMAN

CARING FOR VULNERABLE FAMILY MEMBERS

If you have older family members or those with special needs, make sure they have enough medication and supplies for a few days. If they don't live with you, arrange for a neighbor to check in on them. If a severe weather event is expected, consider having your relative stay with you, if feasible; otherwise, call them daily.

If you have an infant or young child, have ample formula, diapers, medication and other supplies on hand to sustain an outage lasting several days or more.

KEEPING FOUR-LEGGED FAMILY MEMBERS SAFE

For families with pets, having a plan in place in the event of a prolonged outage or an emergency will help reduce worry and stress, especially if you need to make a decision during an emergency.

- Bring pets indoors at the first sign of a storm or other emergency. Pets can become disoriented and frightened in severe weather and may wander off during an emergency.
- Microchip your pet and ensure that the contact information is up to date.
- Store pet medical records on a USB drive or in an easy-to-remember location.
- Create an emergency kit for pets (include shelf-safe food, bottled water, medications and other supplies).

Here at Highline Electric Association, we care about your safety. Planning for an emergency today can give you more confidence to deal with severe weather and potential outages in the future.



March 28, 2023 HEA Annual Meeting Phillips County Fairgrounds



Congratulations to the HEA employees who observe a September employment anniversary:

Elon Nelson, 46 years Darrin Manuello, 31 years Steve Deaver, 18 years

October is National Co-op Month

Watch your October *CCL* magazine for information about HEA's Co-op Month Celebration.



When a power outage occurs, unplug everything in your home. Turn off breakers or remove fuses. Leave one lighting circuit on so you know when the electricity comes back on.



HEA OFFICES CLOSED September 5 for Labor Day

PESTICIDE SAFETY

Please protect our employees

ur employees face serious health risks when they unknowingly enter a field that was sprayed with any chemical. Just as you would not subject your family or employees to risk, we do not want to subject our employees to risk. Please consider the following:

- If you used any chemicals on a field, please notify Highline.

 You may call the office or you can place a flag at the entrance
 to the field. Please note the day when it is safe to enter the field and what chemical was used.
- Notification signs or flags are available free of charge at any Highline office.
- If calling during in an outage, please notify Highline if the field was sprayed.
- The initial and long-term effects of absorbing chemicals in the body are extremely hazardous to one's health. Please don't subject our employees to these dangers.



HAY IS FOR HORSES



Use it With Care Near Power Lines

Using hay on the ranch or farm is like using water and feed — it is essential. However, be careful near overhead power lines. Here are some safety tips to keep in mind:

- Be aware of overhead power lines when moving bales of hay.
- Do not store hay bales underneath power lines.
- Bales could get close to or contact a power line, pole or guy wire.





In Addition:

- Tarps that cover hay can come loose in heavy winds.
- The tarp can then whip in the wind.
- The unruly tarp could contact a power line and cause an outage.

Learn more:

Safe Electricity.org®

Unclaimed Capital Credits
The following is a list of Highline Electric Association consumer-members who have an unclaimed capital credit. If you find your name on this list, please contact Highline Electric during business hours at 970-854-2236.

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