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Jackson Electric Cooperative's 78th Annual Meeting

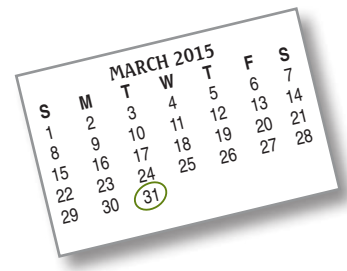
Tuesday, March 31, 2015
Lunda Theatre, Black River Falls, Wis.

Jackson Electric Cooperative's 78th Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2015, at the Lunda Theatre in Black River Falls, Wis. The meeting will begin promptly at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6:15 p.m. Refreshments will be served before the meeting.

Highlights of 2014 operations will be presented, as well as ratification of directors elected at this year's district meetings. For official notice of the meeting and annual meeting rules, please refer to your March *Wisconsin Electric Cooperative News* (WECN) issue.

Your March WECN issue is your annual report. Bring that issue to

the annual meeting and your name will be entered for a chance to win a \$50 energy credit. Cash door prizes will be awarded, as well as a \$10 energy credit to every registered membership in attendance.



We hope to see you at the Annual Meeting!

Directors to be Ratified at Annual Meeting

Jackson Electric Cooperative is divided into nine director districts and one director from each district makes up the Cooperative's Board of Directors. District meetings are held in three of the nine districts each year and one director is elected at each district meeting. The newly elected directors begin their three-year term following ratification at the annual meeting. Directors re-elected and will be ratified are:

District #5

Director Dave Peasley has been active on the board since 2003. He is currently serving as the board's secretary/treasurer. Dave and his wife Tammy live in the Black River Falls area.



District #7

Director Brian Huber has also served on the board since 2003. He is a Melrose area dairy producer who is involved in several agriculture and township committees.



District #4

Director Chris Curran has been on the board since 2009. Chris will begin his third term following the annual meeting. Chris and his wife Mary reside in the Taylor area.



We Want to Know What You Think

To understand the needs of Jackson Electric Cooperative's membership and to help in long-range planning, a random residential member survey will be conducted late April/early May. The cooperative has commissioned the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) Market Research Services to conduct the confidential phone survey. The survey takes about six minutes and we ask that you are candid with your responses.

Those conducting the survey are not telemarketers and are not selling anything. They will identify themselves as being from NRECA on behalf of Jackson Electric Cooperative.

Thanks for your cooperation.



Winter Moratorium Ends April 15

Please contact Jackson Electric Cooperative **BEFORE** April 15 to make payment arrangements for past due electric accounts. All past due accounts need to be reconciled before April 15 in order to avoid any disconnection of your service. Failure to contact us about your past due account could result in service fees along with disconnection of your electric service.

Alert for Budget Billing Plan Participants

Members on the Budget Billing Plan will receive a bill in May, which is considered the "clean-up" month. Your remaining payment on your budget billing plan is due on or before June 1, 2015.

To find out what your remaining balance is, please contact our office.

Attention: Electricians, Plumbers, HVAC Dealers, Roofers, Building Contractors

Jackson Electric Cooperative will be holding a contractor's meeting on **Thursday, April 23** beginning at 7:30 a.m. If you're a plumber, electrician, HVAC dealer, or roofer/building contractor and want to learn more about our programs and incentives, please contact our office to RSVP to this event.

Youth Leadership Congress

July 15-17 • UW-River Falls

Students wanted!

If you will be high school sophomore, junior, or senior in the fall and are interested in attending this leadership conference, please contact Carol at cblaken@jackelec.com by

May 29, 2015. For more information on the conference, go to www.jackelec.com.

Enrollment and transportation costs are covered by Jackson Electric.

JEC Promotes Eric Steien to Line Superintendent

Jackson Electric Cooperative is proud to announce the promotion of Eric Steien from line crew foreman to line superintendent. Steien replaces Kevin Babcock who recently was promoted to general manager/CEO of the co-op.

Steien has been with Jackson Electric Cooperative since 1991. Throughout his 24-year tenure, Steien received education in power distribution, stray voltage investigation, and safety protocol, as well as extensive training in leadership responsibilities. He received his journeyman's card in 2003 and was promoted to line crew foreman in 2008. As line superintendent, Steien will be responsible for organizing and managing operations activities of the co-op's electric system including the development of construction work plans, financial forecasts, and facility construction and maintenance.

He and his wife, Michelle, have three children. Both are very involved in youth activities in the Blair-Taylor communities. He also enjoys working on his hobby farm with his family and hunting.



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Our office will be closed on **Good Friday, April 3.**

Outages can be reported to **855.222.DARK (3275).**



Stop by our booth at the WWIS Home Show

Saturday, April 11

8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Milt Lunda Memorial Ice Arena,
Black River Falls

Learn about air source and geothermal heat pumps, weatherization, and rebates.

Building a House?

If you're planning to build a house and need electric service installed, please contact Scott at Jackson Electric Cooperative to schedule an appointment to discuss your electric service needs. We can also help you with electric heating and cooling options and Energy Star rebates and incentives.



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Your comments and suggestions are welcome.



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