



Connections

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Get Ready to Heat Your Home... With Electric!

The cool winter months are quickly approaching and now is the time to invest in one of the several electric heating options available to you.

Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) – looks similar to a central air conditioner, but an air source heat pump heats and cools your home with the outside air. They are 250% to 375% energy efficient and rebates are available from Jackson Electric Cooperative on qualified units.



Several electric heating options are available to save you money and keep you warm!

Geothermal Heat Pump (GSHP) – heats and cools your home with the stored energy from the ground. GSHPs are 300% to 475% energy efficient and rebates are available from Jackson Electric Cooperative on qualified units. A tax credit is also available through 2016 on qualified units.

Plenum Heater – unit is installed into the plenum of your existing fossil fuel furnace so that you have a choice to heat with electric or fossil fuel. Units are 100% energy efficient.

Electric Boiler – be comfortable with this radiant in-floor heating system. Electric boilers are 100% energy efficient and can be added to your existing fossil fuel boiler system.

All of the above electric heating systems may qualify for Jackson Electric Cooperative's dual fuel rate, which will save you money during the heating season. Check out the electric heating displays at Jackson Electric Cooperative or call Steve Meyer at the office to find out how you can save money with electric heat!



A geothermal heat pump is an energy efficient investment for any home or shop.

Protect Your Property With Enviro-Watch

Leaving your home for an extended period can sometimes cause unnecessary anxiety. You worry about the water pipes freezing in your unoccupied home or cabin during the winter months. You visualize the power outage that could occur during

a storm, leaving your freezer full of spoiled meat. All of us have troubling thoughts regarding our home when we leave it for a lengthy period.

Enviro-Watch, available from Jackson Electric, watches your home or cabin while you're away and takes the worry out of leaving your home.

Enviro-Watch is an easy-to-install plug-in monitor and will automatically call the Cooperative Response Center (CRC), a 24-hour professional monitoring and

operator center, if the electricity goes off or if the temperature in your home or cabin drops below 40-degrees. The CRC operator will immediately call one of your listed contacts to correct the situation for you. A listed contact can be any individual you trust, such as a neighbor, family member, or close friend.

The Enviro-Watch device sells for \$175. Monitoring is \$72 per year – a small cost to protect your investment. Contact Steve Meyer at Jackson Electric for more information on this service.



Enviro-Watch operates on a 9-volt battery and measures 3-3/4" wide, 6-1/4" long, and 1-1/2" deep, which allows for easy placement on a kitchen counter or wall. Enviro-Watch requires a 120-volt outlet and an operational phone LAN line.

Members Enjoy Pancake Breakfast

In celebration of Jackson Electric's 75th anniversary, 654 people were served pancakes and sausages on the morning of August 18 at the Jackson Electric Cooperative's Headquarters. Those in attendance had an opportunity to view the latest in electric car technology, heat pumps, boiler systems, heat pump and standard electric water heaters, and so much more.

Thank you to everyone who celebrated our 75th anniversary with us. A special thank you to the Mindoro Lions Club for preparing and serving the pancakes and sausages.

Winner of the tabletop electric grill was Jan Klein of Neillsville.

Winner of the rechargeable spotlight was Marvin Tranberg of Melrose.



Curious about electric cars? Area dealers showed off their electric cars to those who were interested. Some even had the opportunity to test drive an electric car.



Even the youngest of cowboys wrangled up some pancakes and sausages at the breakfast.



Members enjoy a chance to catch-up at the breakfast.

JEC Supports Youth at Fair

Jackson Electric Cooperative supported area youth by making a few purchases at the Jackson County Fair's Livestock and Dairy Basket Auction held August 4.

Jackson Electric purchased an outdoorsmen themed dairy basket from Vanessa Ponterio of Melrose. Shown with Vanessa is director Dave Peasley. Vanessa's parents are Frank and Kim.



Jackson Electric purchased a market hog shown and sold by Nolan Bucek of Hixton. Nolan's parents are Rob and Heidi. Shown with Nolan are Jackson Electric's directors, left to right, Chris Curran and Brian Huber.



Hannah Olson's market hog was too exhausted to take a photo following the auction. Purchasing her hog were directors, left to right, Brian Huber and Chris Curran. Hannah is the daughter of Mark and Kelly from Hixton.



Jackson Electric purchased Nigel Guttenberg's meat market goose at the auction. Brian Huber and Chris Curran stand with Nigel and his goose. Nigel's parents are Jamie and Leslie of Taylor.

- Reminder -

Frost Charges

If you plan to have Jackson Electric install new electric service on your property after November 1, an additional charge will be applied if the conventional method of electric service installation is not feasible due to frost.

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