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Southern Iowa
Electric Cooperative
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

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Deer me! What's eating your landscape?

SIEC busy with
school safety
demonstrations

GFCIs are your
protection from
electrocution

New methods of
energy storage may
challenge batteries

Visit our website at www.sie.coop

Did You Know?

Room air purifiers – sometimes referred to as room air cleaners – are portable, electric appliances that remove fine dust and pollen particles from indoor air. A standard room air purifier, operating continuously, uses about 550 kilowatts of electricity per year. That's more than the energy used by some new refrigerators!

So, be sure to look for an Energy Star® certified room air purifier that's 40 percent more energy efficient than a standard model. You'll save around 225 kilowatt-hours and \$30 on utility bills every year, which could add up to a \$230 savings during the appliance's lifetime!



Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Our mission is to serve our members and community by safely providing reliable and environmentally responsible power and other services efficiently and at a competitive price to benefit members and improve the quality of life in the areas that we serve.

Office: 22458 Highway 2, P.O. Box 70,
Bloomfield, IA 52537-0070

Phone: 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027

Phone Payments: 800-927-5341

Report Outages: 800-607-2027

Call Before You Dig – Iowa One Call: 800-292-8989

Website: www.sie.coop

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays

Management

Greg Proctor, CEO/General Manager

Jo Altheide, CFO/Key Accounts Manager

Lori McAllister, CCO/Chief Communications Officer

Lindsay Smith, Office Manager

Ross Hunter, Systems Analyst

Board of Directors

Darrell Downing, President

Travis Harris

Paul Wells, Vice President

Beth Sullivan

Joy Evans, Secretary

Earl Trachsel

Dave Yahnke, Treasurer

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Fred Zeitler

What to Do in Case of Trouble

- ▶ Check for blown fuses or tripped breakers.
- ▶ Check with your neighbors. Ask if their electricity is off and whether they have reported the outage. If not, call Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative, Inc., and report the problem 24 hours a day: 641-664-2277 or 800-607-2027.

Service Charges

ACH (Electronic Payment).....	No Charge
Bill Collection	\$50
Meter Tampering	\$150
Overtime Service Call.....	\$150
Disconnect.....	\$50
Posting.....	\$50
Returned Check	\$30
Reconnect.....	\$75
Trip Charge	\$50

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CO-OP CONNECTIONS CARD

Save with the Co-op Connections Card at

Keep your Co-op Connections Card handy to SAVE money at the participating local businesses listed below!

For more detailed listings, go to www.connections.coop and click on "Co-op Deals" at the top of the page. Enter your ZIP Code and co-op name;

Addie May Fudge & Antiques
10% off in shop (excludes fudge)

AJ's Art & Hearts
10% off \$50 or more

Allen Custom Design Chip Flooring
Get \$100 off min. 500 sq. ft. job

Avon – Melissa Devereaux
15% discount

Bailey's BBQ Barn
Get FREE large bag of kettle corn with \$20 food purchase

Bare Root Natural Essentials – Mona Fowler
Buy 4 products, get 1 bar of soap FREE

Bar Wired
15% off purchase of \$25 or more

Bircher Body Products
Buy 1 bar of soap, get 2nd bar of equal value FREE; buy 2 lotions or butters, get 3rd FREE

Blackboard Printing Company
25-cent color copies – no minimum, no maximum

Bloomfield Communications
\$3 off 1-year Bloomfield Democrat subscription (print)

Bloomfield Greenhouses
10% off 1 shade tree. Discount does not apply to delivery and planting.

Bloomfield Main Street
\$5 off bronze individual or \$50 off bronze business investment

Bloomfield Rent-All
\$5 off any equipment rental over \$25

Bluesongbird
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Brewer Pottery
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

C&K Vinyl Designs
Buy 1 sign, and get 1 personalized sign 25% off

Cakes by Schelyce
\$5 off \$25 purchase

Citizen's Mutual
5% off merchandise

CJ's Restaurant
Buy 2 meals, get a FREE drink (no shakes)

Clearview Animal Hospital
\$5 off Heartworm or Feline Combo Test

Clever Container – Wendi Lemmon, consultant
Buy 1, get 1 of equal or lesser value 25% off

Cobblestone Inn and Suites
10% discount – Bloomfield location only

Country-'Tique
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Courtyard Gallery
5% off Jeanne Dixon Jewelry or jewelry classes

Davencorp Welding & Fabrication, Inc.
\$3 off regular-priced DC Mustang sign

Davidson Construction, LLC
5% off Cambira or Klondike countertop order

Davis County School Support Foundation
Buy 1 personalized brick for Foundation Wall & receive 20% off each additional brick

Davis County Tire
\$5 off any alignment

Dawn's Couture Cakes
Buy 1 dozen cupcakes, get 3 cupcakes FREE on first dozen

Day's Heating & Air Get FREE
Desuperheater with the purchase of any air-source heat pump

Decorating by Brenda
10% discount

Designs by Dawna
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Diamondz Pizza
2 large single-topping pizzas for \$22 – Fri. & Sat.

doTERRA Essential Oils
FREE shipping with any order and host an Introductory to Essential Oils Class and receive a FREE Oil

Double C Cowboy Country
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Elegance by Design
10% discount off any purchase

Elena's Ice Cream Shop
10% off any purchase

Epic Defense
20% off AR-15 targets and stands

Essential Massage and Spa
10% off your first visit

Express Builders – Clayton Eakins
5% off custom woodworking order of \$200 or more

Fence Post to Fence Post
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Fetch Family Chiropractic
\$1 off Biofreeze

Forever Colorful by Cassie
10% discount

Fox River Turnings
5% off any purchase or 10% off purchase of \$100 or more

Froggy Bottom Shop
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Garmon Firearms
5% discount (excludes firearms and optics) + add'l 10% discount to card-carrying military & first responders

Grandma's Spoons & Grandpa's Stuff
10% off purchase over \$25

Green Mountain Grills
2 FREE bags of wood pellets with the purchase of a grill

Hairy Nations Antiques
Discount card for antique buttons

Hastings Meat Processing
Buy 10 lbs. hamburger, get 1 lb. FREE

Hershey's Honey
10% discount on purchase over \$30

Hird's Crafts
5% off any purchase or 10% off purchase of \$75 or more

INa+Pod
15% discount on all single float purchases

Iowa Wind and Solar
\$500 off any solar PV system 5 kilowatts or larger

Iron & Lace
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

J's One Stop
Buy 1 slice of pizza and get FREE 20-oz. fountain drink

Jamberry Nails – Jodie Atkinson
FREE shipping

Jessica Wilcox Strand – Author Rodeo Chicken
children's book for \$10

Joy Westercamp Honey
\$1 off comb honey

Keep Collective – Cecil Reed
FREE shipping

Kim's Designs
10% discount (max \$50 savings)

Look, Buy & Enjoy
Buy 3 books and get the 4th FREE or get 10% off total purchase

Maggie's Avon
10% off purchase

Main Street Donuts
10% discount

Making Memories Flowers and Gifts
10% off \$50 purchase

these local businesses

look under the Local tab. If you don't have access to the Internet, call Lori at 800-607-2027, and she'll be happy to mail you a copy of the latest list. ⚡



Mary Kay Cosmetics – Charity Gooden
10% off any purchase

Massage Works
10% off your first visit

Mechanics Gems by RS
Purchase pendant, get FREE SS chain or neck wire or get 10% off 2 or more pendants

Mikels Inc.
10% off any automotive mechanical service over \$50

Misty's Malt Shop
Purchase full meal, get small ice cream cone FREE

Morgan's Ice Cream Parlor & Candy Confectionery
20% off merchandise

Moulton Locker
Buy 5 months meat locker rental, get 6th month FREE

Mystique Vintage & Unique
15% off purchase of \$25 or more

Naoma's Embroidery
10% off purchase of \$25 or more

Neebz Graphix
\$10 off purchase of \$100 or more (excludes fundraisers)

Nerium International – Michelle Matthews
FREE gift with purchase/Host a party, receive an additional incentive

Norwex – Heather Boas
FREE shipping on orders of \$35 or more

Norwex – LuAnn Beacom
FREE shipping on orders of \$35 or more

Not So Prim and Proper
\$10 off purchase of \$100 or more

Nursery Rags
10% discount

Ottumwa Radio
10% off all prepaid advertising

Pampered Chef – Katie McDonald
10% off all orders

Paparazzi Accessories – Franny Zotz
Buy 4 pieces, get 1 FREE

Perfect Touch Wellness Center
10% off spa packages for 4 or more people

Pickle Creek Herbs
Buy one 8.5-oz. bottle of infused oil or vinegar, and receive a FREE 2-oz. bottle of infused oil or vinegar

Pine Ridge Retreat & Lodging
\$25 off large cabins/\$15 off family cabins, with a 2-night minimum

Plexus – Emily Hill
FREE shipping on first order

Plunder Designs – Tammy Loerzel
FREE earrings up to \$12 value with a \$40 min. purchase

Premier Designs – Marybeth Jackson
Buy one, get one item (most expensive) half off

Pulaski Lumber
15% off any purchase of tools and accessories – cash and carry

Rancho Centinela
\$1 off entrée

Riverbend Pizza and Steakhouse
FREE drink with dinner purchase (no alcohol)

RLD Construction Services
20% discount for first-time client services

Rodan + Fields – Megan Pickens
\$20 off your first order of \$150 or more

Rosey's Barn Quilts & Dixie Belle Paints
Buy 1 can Dixie Belle Paint & get 1 can 30% off

Scentsy – Dana Batterson
FREE shipping with qualified order

Shawn Shirk Cabinetry Design
FREE sink base with purchase of full kitchen

Shoot Me Now Photography
Spend \$75 in prints, receive 1 FREE half-hour session

Signature Homestyles – Priscilla Patterson
FREE shipping

Signature Homestyles – Shanon Claussen
FREE Shipping

Simply Said – Amy Moorman, Designer
10% off purchase \$35 or more

Sinclair Tractor
10% discount on home and workshop products

Slayton Polaris
\$25 off any accessory with the purchase of a new ATV or Ranger

Soap Creek Armory
\$5 off permit to carry classes, gunsmithing services & online firearm transfer fee

Sorority Sewing
10% off purchase of \$50 or more

Subway – Bloomfield
50 cents off any 6-inch sub, \$1 off any foot-long sub, or \$5 off any Party Platter or Party Sub – Bloomfield location only

Sweet Pea Boutique – Floris
15% off purchase of \$50 or more

T and L Market and Deli
\$1 off any large pizza

Tastefully Simple – Regenia Bradley
10% off any purchase

Terra Signal Satellite
New customers get \$50 cash with qualifying offer

The Gingerbread House
Free painted artwork with purchase of new shade or base for antique lamp

The Green Leaf Place Bed and Breakfast
10% off regular room rates

The Junk Parlor
Get \$10 off \$100 purchase

Thirty-One – Michelle Matthews
10% off order of \$35 or more/Host a party and receive an additional incentive

Tom's Tree Service
10% off tree trimming or stump grinding

Trimble-Parker Guest House/Bed and Breakfast
20% off entire house rental

Trophy Ridge Taxidermy
\$5 discount on each order

Troy Elevator
5% off pet foods at Bloomfield, Troy and Blakesburg locations

Tupperware – Tracy Diehl
10% off order

Upholstery and Sew Forth
10% off quilting fabrics

Usborne Books & More – Susan Smith
Place \$100 order and get \$15 in free books

Vintage 412
FREE key fob with purchase

Watkins Products – Betty Sue Bennett, Manager
10% off sales of \$50 or more

Wild Flour Bakery
15% discount

Yoli Better Body System
Free shipping on first order/Host a party, receive a gift

Young Living Essential Oils – Jacki Amstutz
10% discount

Younique Cosmetics by Sara
Purchase mascara, get an eye shadow half off

CO-OP VIPs

Have you said "thanks" to a lineman?

Rain or shine, our linemen work around the clock to do one thing – keep the lights on! April is National Lineman Appreciation Month, so if you see a line worker in the SIEC office or around your area, please take a moment to say thanks. You also can leave a Twitter message at #ThankALineman.. ⚡



SIEC's linemen slowed down just long enough for this photo. Shown are (front row, from left) Cody Pickens, Doug Wintermote, Tim Hamburg, Kevin Bulechek, Mike Gerritson, Laine King, Scott Johnson and Tom Redding; (back row, from left) Zach Fligg, Anthony Ondriska and Brian Roberts.

EDITOR'S CHOICE CONTEST

Win a hybrid transfer pump!

Whether your sump pump is out or you need to transfer water from one spot to



another, the Ryobi Model P750 Hybrid Transfer Pump will get the job done. It runs on AC power or a battery pack. For your chance at winning this \$100 pump, fill out the entry form on the *Living with Energy in Iowa* website at www.livingwithenergyiniowa.com by April 30, 2017. ⚡

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JUST FOR KIDS

SIEC busy with school safety demonstrations

SIEC and Northeast Missouri Electric Power Cooperative recently presented safety demonstrations for 3rd- through 5th-grade students at Cardinal Elementary and 4th- and 5th-grade students at Eddyville Elementary. The students learned about the invention of electricity, the history of rural electrification and electrical safety.

Students also learned valuable life-saving information, so they'll know what to do if there's an accident with downed power lines. For example, if



you're in a vehicle touching downed power lines, always stay in the vehicle until the electric company says it's safe to exit. If you come upon an accident like this, don't run up to the vehicle; instead, stay back until the area is cleared as safe by the utility.

Electricity is deadly. You can't see it, hear it or smell it, so always assume downed lines are energized!

If you have any questions about electric safety, please call SIEC at 641-664-2277 or visit our website at www.sie.coop. ⚡



Safety Tip for Smart Drivers:

NEVER drive over a downed power line.

It could pull down the pole and other equipment, creating additional hazards.

If you see a downed line, **do not get out of your car**. The safest place is inside the vehicle.

Call 911 to notify emergency personnel and the utility of the downed line.



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