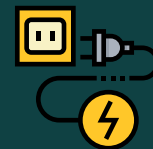


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YOUR MONTHLY CONNECTION



May 2026



Southern Iowa Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

OUR MISSION:

PROVIDING SAFE, RELIABLE ELECTRICITY

OFFICE:

22458 HIGHWAY 2, PO BOX 70
BLOOMFIELD, IA 52537

OFFICE HOURS: MON. - FRI. 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

OFFICE: 641-664-2277 / 800-607-2027

WEBSITE: WWW.SIE.COOP

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF TROUBLE:

*CHECK FOR BLOWN FUSES OR TRIPPED BREAKERS AT THE METER POLE.

*CHECK WITH NEIGHBORS AND ASK IF THEIR ELECTRICITY IS OFF AND IF THEY HAVE REPORTED THE OUTAGE. IF NOT, CALL SIEC AND REPORT THE PROBLEM 24 HOURS A DAY AT **641-664-2277 OR 800-607-2027.**

SERVICE CHARGES:

- BILL COLLECTION \$ 50.00
- DISCONNECT \$ 50.00
- POSTING \$ 50.00
- RETURNED CHECK \$ 30.00
- RECONNECT \$ 75.00
- TRIP CHARGE \$ 50.00
- METER TAMPERING \$150.00

MANAGEMENT:

GREG PROCTOR, CEO/GM

ROSS HUNTER, COO/SYSTEMS ANALYST

LINDSAY SMITH, OFFICE/ACCOUNTING MGR

KELLY MOORE, HR MGR

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

DARRELL DOWNING, PRESIDENT

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DOUG JARR

Meet SIEC's 2026 Youth Tour Winner



Mason Ellington will represent SIEC on the 2026 Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C. Mason is a senior at Iowa Connections Academy, and the son of Michael and Alaina Ellington of Birmingham. He will join approximately 1,800 students from cooperatives around the country for the national Youth Tour in Washington, D.C., this June. On the weeklong tour, students learn about electric cooperatives, American history, U.S. government, and walk away with a greater understanding of their role as American citizens. Mason will get to participate in National Youth Day, visit with his elected legislators, and explore the sights around the nation's capital. Giving back to the community and investing in the next generation of leaders is part of every electric cooperative's mission.

TAKE CARE WHEN BURNING DITCHES

It's that time of year when people start burning off weeds and grass in ditches. While this can help clean things up, it can also cause problems if fires are allowed to burn near SIEC poles, anchors, guy wires, or underground cabinets. Burning too close to SIEC's property can cause significant damage, create safety hazards, and lead to electric service problems. Anyone involved may be invoiced for damage they cause to SIEC's

property. To avoid any damage, electric service problems, or danger to yourself and others, please be careful where you burn.



Property taxes are used to help fund important things such as education and city and county government. You might not be aware of it, but SIEC pays property taxes. In fact, SIEC receives a tax bill for poles, wires, transformers and other equipment on the line, plus another tax bill for the office and warehouse. SIEC and our power provider, Northeast Power, pay taxes in the four counties that we serve. Below is a breakdown of the property taxes SIEC will pay in 2026:

- Appanoose County \$ 5,970.00
- Van Buren County \$ 18,807.00
- Davis County \$112,020.00
- Wapello County \$ 17,293.00



Our office will be closed Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day

NOMINATING BY PETITION

Any group of 15 or more members may nominate someone for director by submitting a written petition with their signatures. Petitions must be received by July 6, 2026. More details about the 2026 Annual Meeting will be included in your August newsletter.

Director ballots--including candidate bios and photos--will be mailed in a separate mailing in August.



We are pleased to announce details for the 6th annual SHINE THE LIGHT contest, which celebrates our cooperative commitment to community. This statewide contest, sponsored by Touchstone Energy Cooperatives of Iowa, will accept nominations for local volunteers online during the month of June. Three winners will be awarded with a \$3,000 donation to their local charity or community organization. The winners will be announced in September.

Member-consumers, employees, and retired employees of Iowa's electric cooperatives are eligible to nominate local volunteers. If you receive electricity from SIEC, you are a cooperative member-consumer and invited to nominate someone who is making a positive impact in the community. The volunteer being nominated DOES NOT need to be a cooperative member-consumer. Minors may be nominated with consent from their parents or legal guardians.

Go to www.IowaShineTheLight.com from June 1-30, 2026, to review the contest rules and make a nomination.

SUMMER IS COMING PREPARE YOUR HOME NOW

Don't Let Summer Heat Up Your Utility Bill

-  Seal cracks around the house with weather stripping or caulk to keep warm air out.
-  Change the air filter on your cooling unit.
-  Wash your outdoor AC unit and have your HVAC unit inspected.
-  Clear the air vents throughout your house.
-  Install a programmable thermostat. Leave it on a higher temperature when you are away, and set it to cool the house half an hour before you return home.
-  Update your insulation to keep cool air in your home and warm air out.

Learn more at: 

CAN WE CONTACT YOU?

Please make sure your contact information with our office is up to date. From time to time, we need to reach our members, and outdated information can make that difficult. Keeping your address, phone number(s), and email current also helps ensure you receive important communications, including capital credit refunds, even if you've moved off our lines. If you've recently changed or need to update your phone number, mailing address, or email, please contact our office at 800-607-2027/641-664-2277.

