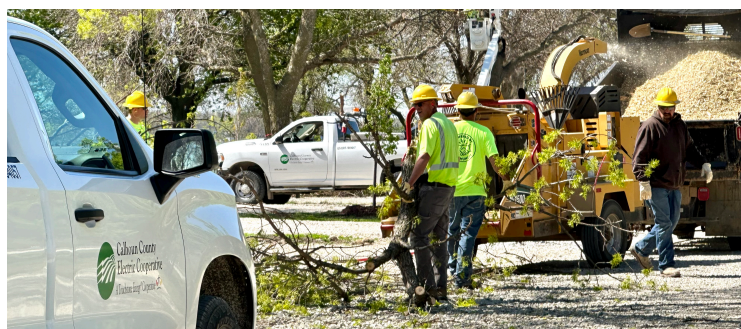


Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Service Day 2025 - Powered by Community

Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association employees teamed up with the Calhoun County Conservation on May 5, 2025 to help clean up Featherstone Park at Twin Lakes. Together we cut down three dead trees, trimmed fifteen trees, planted six new trees, mulched thirty trees, picked up a lot of sticks, and hung a sign on one of the cabins.

Conservation Director, Curtis Vanderheiden, and the rest of the Calhoun County Conservation employees put a lot of hard work and pride into keeping our county parks well maintained for everyone to enjoy. Having the opportunity to share our equipment and ability with them was a great way to show our appreciation for all that they do. Calhoun County Conservation employees shared they are incredibly appreciative of the help.

At Calhoun County Electric Cooperative we are always excited to show our ongoing commitment to the communities we serve. Opportunities like this remind us of how amazing the power of community truly is. We are grateful to be a part of such awesome communities!



STEP UP AND LEAD: BECOME A DIRECTOR FOR YOUR COOPERATIVE

Have you ever considered shaping the future of your electric cooperative? Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association (CCECA) is looking for engaged, forward-thinking members to run for a seat on the board of directors. As a member-owned organization, our strength lies in the leadership within our community, and that could be you.

Why serve on the board?

Being a director is more than a title. It's an opportunity to represent your fellow members, influence key decisions, and contribute to CCECA's success and sustainability. Board members play a crucial role in setting policies, determining rates and guiding the services we all rely on. Serving on the board also offers valuable leadership experience and a front-row seat to the evolving energy industry.

What does a director do?

CCECA board members attend monthly meetings, review financials, and work closely with cooperative management to ensure reliable, affordable and responsible electric service. Directors should be prepared to devote approximately 25-30 days per year to cooperative-related business, including training and industry events, to stay current with regulatory and technological changes.

Who can run?

To be eligible, candidates must:

- ✓ Be an active CCECA member in good standing
- ✓ Reside in the district they wish to represent

- ✓ Meet the qualifications outlined in the cooperative's bylaws
- ✓ Not be employed by or financially involved with a competing business
- ✓ Not have close relatives employed by the cooperative, as defined by board policy

We welcome members from all backgrounds – whether you're a business owner, farmer, teacher or community volunteer – your perspective matters.

Election details

Director elections will be held at CCECA's annual meeting. This year, two board seats are up for election, one each from the following districts:

District 4: Darcy Maulsby

District 6: Joe Parker

Ready to make a difference?

If you want to run for a seat, now is the time to act. Contact Menley Cates at 712-297-7112 or mcates@calhounrec.coop to learn more about the nomination process and connect with your district's nominating committee representative.

Your cooperative.
Your voice.
Your opportunity to lead.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE SELECTED

The Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association (CCECA) board of directors appointed the following member-owners to the nominating committee during the regular May 22, 2025 board meeting. The committee nominates members to serve on CCECA's board of directors.

District 4	Doug Klocke
District 4	Cory Ridgely
District 4	Nicholas Burley
District 6	Neal Finley
District 6	Brent Bergquist
District 6	Robert Lee

The nominating committee will meet in June to nominate members of the cooperative for the office of director. Directors whose three-year terms will expire are:

District 4	Darcy Maulsby
District 6	Joe Parker

The cooperative's annual meeting will be held directly after our member appreciation event.



Calhoun County Electric Cooperative

\$500 Scholarship Winners

Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association is pleased to announce the winners of the 2025 CCECA Scholarships. We would like to congratulate those who were selected this year. Each of the three recipients will receive a \$500 scholarship after the completion of their first semester of college.

Our scholarship program supports two of our cooperative principles: Education, Training and Information, and Concern for Community. As part of the scholarship application, students were asked to explain how CCECA makes an impact on the local community.



Nadia Lightner is the daughter of Zac and Darci Lightner. Nadia is a senior at South Central Calhoun. She plans to attend Central College.



Breanne Patterson is the daughter of Mike and Stephanie Patterson. Bre is a senior at South Central Calhoun. She plans to attend South Dakota State University.



Kaitlyn O'Neill is the daughter of Ryan and Amber O'Neill. Kaitlyn is a senior at South Central Calhoun. She plans to attend Iowa State University.

CCECA thanks members for giving high remarks

Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association completed its bi-annual member-wide customer satisfaction survey, where over 3,800 members were asked to participate. The member responses were sent to the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI®), a company that measures customer satisfaction across multiple industries throughout the entire United States.

For 2025, CCECA received an ACSI score of 86, on a 100-point scale. CCECA's score is higher when compared to publicly measured investor-owned utility scores reported in the syndicated 2025 ACSI Energy Utility Study and places CCECA 12 points higher than the average investor-owned utility score, as well as 11 points higher than the municipal utilities score of 75, per the industry ratings.



TIPS TO AVOID ENERGY SCAMS



Some scammers will pose as utility workers or contractors affiliated with your electric utility by knocking on your door and claiming to be employed or hired by the utility company. They may claim they were hired to reset, repair, replace or inspect your electric meter or other utility-related device. If a utility employee or authorized contractor needs access to your home, we will schedule an appointment in advance, and proper identification will be provided for your review.

Source: Utilities United Against Scams



May Safety Meeting

Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association linemen completed their bucket rescue, climbing competency, and may day procedures training during our May safety meeting. Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives Job Trainer & Safety Manager Brett Hanson oversaw the training.



Nominate a local volunteer and they could win \$3,000 for their charity!

Contest entries accepted at IowaShineTheLight.com during the month of June



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS ALERT

Our summer office hours will begin **Monday, June 2, 2025.**

Monday - Thursday
7:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Friday
7:30 AM to 11:00 AM

June Member Challenge

1. CCECA helped the Calhoun County Conservation clean up _____ Park.
2. How many \$500 CCECA Scholarships were awarded? _____
3. Calhoun County Electric Cooperative received a score of _____ on the ASCI customer satisfaction survey.

Name _____



Find the answers within the stories, features, and content of this newsletter and you could win a prize. **Send your answer to memberchallenge@calhounrec.coop, clip and mail to: Calhoun County Electric Cooperative, PO Box 312, Rockwell City, IA 50579 or submit on our website: www.calhounrec.coop/member-challenge-submission.** You may mail your entry along with your electric bill payment, but remember there is a deadline!

Entries for this issue **must be received by July 1st**. Three names will be drawn from all correct entries. Members will receive a **\$10 credit** on their account. Members who answer the questions correctly and participate at least 4 times throughout the year, will be eligible for a \$100 Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Pre-Paid Debit card, through a random drawing, at the end of the year.

Congratulations April winners:

Scott & Carla Pitstick, Althea Betten, & Randy Hildreth

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