

# THE POWER QUIZ

NORTH WEST REC

1. What certification do new appliances need to qualify for a rebate?
2. When is the deadline to turn in a Youth Tour application?
3. All scholarship applicants will receive at least a \$\_\_\_\_\_ scholarship.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Acct. # \_\_\_\_\_

Find the answers within the content of this newsletter, our website or Facebook posts and you could win a prize of \$10 off your electric bill. Send your answers to [powerquiz@nwrec.coop](mailto:powerquiz@nwrec.coop) or you can send your written answers to North West REC, PO Box 435, Orange City, IA 51041. You may mail your entry along with your electric bill payment, but remember the deadline is February 10. Each month, ten names will be randomly drawn from all correct entries for a \$10 bill credit. Members who answer the questions correctly and participate at least three times throughout the year will be eligible for 2 - \$250 bill credits, through a random drawing, at the end of the year.

## POWER QUIZ *Winners* NOVEMBER 2021



## ARE YOU SWITCH SMART?

What can you buy from NWREC at a rebated price if you have a switch installed?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Acct. # \_\_\_\_\_

What do you know about the Switch Makes Cents program? Find the answers within the content of this newsletter, our website or Facebook posts and you could win a prize. Send your answers to [switchsmart@nwrec.coop](mailto:switchsmart@nwrec.coop), fill out the question form online, or send your written answers to North West REC, PO Box 435, Orange City, IA 51041. You may mail your entry along with your electric bill payment, but remember the deadline is March 31. At the end of the quarter one name will be randomly drawn from all the correct entries for a prize. With a new question every month, you can participate up to 3 times in each quarter!

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# NEWS *Lines*

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## SCHOLARSHIPS *Available*



North West REC and Basin Electric Power Cooperative will be sponsoring several scholarships to dependents of members of North West REC in 2021. Last year we awarded \$35,000 in scholarships to 85 students!

**There will be two \$1,000 scholarship winners from each of the four districts of North West REC** (Ida, O'Brien, Plymouth, and Sioux). The selection process for the \$1,000 scholarship winners will be based on a combination of SAT/ACT scores, overall grade-point average, work experience, participation in school and community activities, a personal statement of career goals, and a written reference or appraisal by a third party.

Scholarship applicants, who are not awarded a \$1,000 scholarship award, will be asked to watch an educational video on North West REC and the cooperative model and then complete a questionnaire. This will then enter applicants into a random drawing for a \$500 or \$250 scholarship. All applicants will receive at least a \$250 scholarship. Details of this video and questionnaire will be communicated at a later date.

North West REC members may qualify if their dependent meets the following criteria:

- Must be a U.S. citizen.
- Are current North West REC members.
- Must be a senior in high school for the 2021-2022 school year and planning to enroll in a full-time undergraduate or graduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school.
- Submit an application as provided by North West REC.
- Return all completed forms no later than Friday, February 25, 2022.

**You can apply online by visiting our website at [www.nwrec.coop](http://www.nwrec.coop) or you can e-mail Renee at [rwynia@nwrec.coop](mailto:rwynia@nwrec.coop) and she will send you an application. If you have any questions, please call Renee at 712-707-4935 or 1-800-766-2099. All entries for the scholarship must be returned to the REC no later than Friday, February 25!**

**JANUARY 2022**  
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**2022**  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

As we step from the old year into the new, we extend wishes of health, happiness, and prosperity to our member-owners and their families. With our wishes comes our pledge that stays the same year in and year out, reliable service for you!



# YOUTH TOUR CONTEST 2022

Want to visit Washington, D.C.? Who wouldn't?  
It's FUN, it's FREE, and you'll make lots of FRIENDS!

Iowa's locally owned electric cooperatives have been sending high school students to Washington D.C. every June since 1958! On the week long tour, students learn about electric cooperatives, American history and U.S. government and walk away with a greater understanding of their role as an American citizen. They participate in National Youth Day, visit with their elected legislators, and explore the sights around the nation's capital.

Approximately 40 high school students are chosen by local electric cooperatives from across the state of Iowa every year. The Iowa students join with more than 1,800 students from co-ops around the country for the national Youth Tour in Washington D.C. in June.



**North West REC is sponsoring the 2022 Youth Tour Contest for two students receiving an ALL-EXPENSE PAID trip to Washington, D.C. The trip is scheduled for July 18-24, 2022, (with orientation the evening of June 18 in Des Moines.)**

All sons and daughters of North West REC member consumers, who are presently juniors in high school are eligible to participate. The Board of Directors and management encourage all who are eligible to enter the Youth Tour Contest for an exciting educational experience.

**You can find the application online by visiting our website at [www.nwrec.coop](http://www.nwrec.coop) or you can e-mail Renee at [rwynia@nwrec.coop](mailto:rwynia@nwrec.coop) and she will send you an application. If you have any questions, please call Renee at 712-707-4935 or 1-800-766-2099. All entries for the scholarship must be returned to the REC no later than Friday, March 18!**

## NORTH WEST REC OFFERS *Powerline Scholarship*

North West REC is again sponsoring a powerline scholarship. This program is designed to assist persons enrolled in a course of powerline training at Northwest Iowa Community College in Sheldon.

A \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to an individual who has met the eligibility requirements. To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Reside in the four county area served by North West REC (Iowa, Plymouth, O'Brien and Sioux Counties)
- Be a member or the child/dependant of a member of North West REC
- Be accepted as a full time student in the powerline program at Northwest Iowa Community College in Sheldon
- **Submit a scholarship application to North West REC by Friday, February 25, 2021**

All applicants are required to submit an application form as well as their most recent academic transcript. The criteria for the award will be based upon community and school activities, potential for success and grade point average.

You can apply online by visiting our website at [www.nwrec.coop](http://www.nwrec.coop) or you can e-mail Renee at [rwynia@nwrec.coop](mailto:rwynia@nwrec.coop) and she will send you an application. If you have any questions, please call Renee at 712-707-4935.

**All entries for the scholarship must be returned to the REC no later than Friday, February 25!**

**ELECTRIC APPLIANCES** – NEW UNITS INSTALLED ON OUR SYSTEM, MUST BE ENERGY STAR CERTIFIED  
EACH MEMBER IS LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF \$250 PER CALENDAR YEAR IN COMBINED APPLIANCE REBATES.

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|------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| - CLOTHES WASHER | \$50 PER UNIT | - FREEZER    | \$25 PER UNIT |
| - REFRIGERATOR   | \$25 PER UNIT | - DISHWASHER | \$25 PER UNIT |
| - DRYER          | \$25 PER UNIT |              |               |

Look for this logo on your yellow energy guide to determine if your appliance is energy star certified



### BUILDING INSULATION

- BUILDING MUST BE ALL ELECTRIC AS THE PRIMARY HEATING SOURCE WITH ELECTRIC BACKUP
- MUST BE PROFESSIONALLY INSTALLED FOR BLOWN-IN, AREOSHEILD, SPRAY FOAM, INSULATING CONCRETE FORMS, RIGID STYROFOAM PANELS AND/OR STRUCTURAL PANEL TYPE INSULATION
- RESIDENTIAL (HOUSE) – REBATE LIMITED TO 30% OF INSTALLED INSULATION COST UP TO A MAXIMUM REBATE OF \$800 PER BUILDING PER CALENDAR YEAR
- COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG BUILDINGS – REBATE LIMITED TO 10% OF INSTALLED INSULATION COST UP TO A MAXIMUM REBATE OF \$2,000 PER BUILDING PER CALENDAR YEAR

### VARIABLE SPEED AND SOFT START MOTORS

- \$30 PER HORSEPOWER – NEW ONLY
- COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG BUILDINGS (SEASONAL APPLICATIONS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE)
- UP TO A MAXIMUM REBATE OF \$5,000 PER MOTOR

MOTOR REBATE PROGRAM WILL RUN UNTIL AN ALLOTTED AMOUNT OF MONEY RUNS OUT. PLEASE CALL BEFORE SUBMITTING A REBATE TO MAKE SURE THERE IS MONEY AVAILABLE.

### “YOU PULL THE PLUG” APPLIANCE DISPOSAL PROGRAM

MEMBER AGREES TO SELF-REMOVE AND RECYCLE QUALIFYING APPLIANCE (REFRIGERATOR OR FREEZER IN WORKING ORDER) VIA AN APPROVED AND CERTIFIED APPLIANCE DE-MANUFACTURER OR DROP-OFF LOCATION.

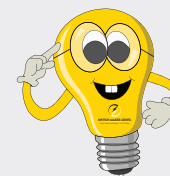
MEMBER WILL RECEIVE A \$50 REBATE, PER QUALIFYING RECYCLED APPLIANCE, UP TO THREE APPLIANCES, PER CALENDAR YEAR. A DATED COPY OF A RECEIPT BY THE CERTIFIED VENDOR/LANDFILL/RECYCLER MUST ACCOMPANY THE REBATE APPLICATION FORM (AVAILABLE FROM OUR OFFICE OR ONLINE).

**ENERGY ASSESSMENTS** - CALL THE OFFICE TO BE PUT ON THE SCHEDULE      RESIDENTIAL      \$45 CHARGE

- MUST BE AT LEAST 30 DEGREE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN INSIDE AND OUTSIDE TEMPERATURES

### ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGERS

- LEVEL 2 CHARGERS: 2.9KW-17KW, 208-240V
- MUST BE HARDWIRED AND INSTALLATION MUST MEET LOCAL CODE
- MEMBER REQUIRED TO PROVIDE CHARGER MAKE, MODEL, S/N, SPECIFICATIONS
- CANNOT BACK-FEED INTO THE SYSTEM
- RESIDENTIAL      \$750 PER CHARGER, 50% MAX EQUIPMENT COST, MAX 2 CHG/HOUSE
- COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG      \$1,200 PER CHARGER, 50% MAX EQUIPMENT COST, MAX 5 CHG/ACCOUNT



## ARE YOU SWITCH SMART?

Load management is one of the easiest ways for members to become active members in their cooperative and save money on their electric bills. Not only does having a load management switch help qualify you for the interruptible all electric heat rate, it also qualifies you to purchase a Marathon water heater from us at a rebated price! If you look across the page at the water heater

section of our rebates you can the savings you can receive by having a switch! An even bigger bonus, if you are building a new home with all electric heat and have a load management switch installed you can receive \$1,000 rebate on an 85 gallon water heater!

# 2022 *Energy Efficiency* REBATES

All changes to our energy efficiency rebates are effective as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. We want to make sure all our members are aware of the current rebates. See the full list of rebates we offer below.

Rebate forms for New Electric Appliances, Building Insulation, and Pull the Plug are available at our offices and can also be found on our website at [nwrec.coop](http://nwrec.coop) under the member services tab.

No form is needed for the other rebates, simply submit a copy of the invoice for the rebated equipment to North West REC, and a representative from North West REC will call you to set up a time to inspect the installation prior to the rebate being paid to verify that it has been installed and is operating.

## GEOTHERMAL HEAT PUMP – NEW UNITS INSTALLED ON OUR SYSTEM

	NEW LOAD	REPLACEMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RESIDENTIAL</b></li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 30% OF EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST UP TO \$10,000</li> </ul>	\$1,400 PER TON	\$750 PER TON
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG PROJECTS</b></li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 30% OF EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST UP TO \$75,000</li> </ul>	\$1,400 PER TON	\$750 PER TON

## AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMP – NEW UNITS INSTALLED ON OUR SYSTEM

	NEW LOAD	REPLACEMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RESIDENTIAL</b></li> <li>- IF BACK UP HEAT IS ELECTRIC</li> <li>- IF NO BACK UP HEAT OR IF BACK UP HEAT IS PROPANE OR GAS</li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 30% OF EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST UP TO \$10,000</li> </ul>	\$700 PER TON	\$700 PER TON
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG PROJECTS</b></li> <li>- IF BACK UP HEAT IS ELECTRIC</li> <li>- IF NO BACK UP HEAT OR IF BACK UP HEAT IS PROPANE OR GAS</li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 30% OF EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST UP TO \$75,000</li> </ul>	\$500 PER TON	\$500 PER TON

## DUCTLESS MINI-SPLIT HEATING/COOLING & P-TAC UNIT – NEW UNITS INSTALLED ON OUR SYSTEM, ENERGY STAR CERTIFIED

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RESIDENTIAL</b></li> <li>- IF BACK UP HEAT IS ELECTRIC</li> <li>- IF NO BACK UP HEAT OR IF BACK UP HEAT IS PROPANE OR GAS</li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 50% EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST</li> <li>- REBATE LIMITED TO TWO UNITS PER SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING OR OUTBUILDING</li> </ul>	\$1,000 PER UNIT	\$500 PER UNIT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL/AG PROJECTS</b></li> <li>- IF BACK UP HEAT IS ELECTRIC</li> <li>- IF NO BACK UP HEAT OR IF BACK UP HEAT IS PROPANE OR GAS</li> <li>- MAXIMUM REBATE LIMIT OF 30% EQUIPMENT/INSTALL COST</li> <li>- LIMIT OF ONE REBATE FOR EACH LEASABLE HOTEL ROOM</li> </ul>	\$600 PER UNIT	\$300 PER UNIT

## MARATHON WATER HEATERS – SOLD ONLY TO MEMBERS AND INSTALLED ON OUR SYSTEM. MUST HAVE LOAD MANAGEMENT SWITCH INSTALLED TO RECEIVE REBATE. REBATE IS FOR THE MAIN WATER HEATER ONLY. REBATE AMOUNTS:

50 GALLON MARATHON	\$300
85 GALLON MARATHON	\$700
100 GALLON MARATHON	\$700
105 HD GALLON MARATHON	\$700
HOG BUILDINGS (50 GALLON ONLY)	FULL PRICE - NO REBATE
NEW HOME WITH ALL ELECTRIC HEAT (PRIMARY HEAT & ELECTRIC BACKUP)	\$1000 REBATE ON AN 85 GALLON



North West REC \ Basin Electric Power Cooperative

## 2022 Scholarship Application



Scholarship applicants must be a U.S. citizen, a dependent of a current North West REC member, a **senior** in high school for the 2021-2022 school year, and planning to enroll in an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vocational/technical school. Please complete the form below; completeness and neatness ensure your application will be evaluated appropriately.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cooperative Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please put the name and address of the high school which you will graduate this spring.**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please put the name and address of the accredited school you plan to attend in the fall.**

School\College: \_\_\_\_\_ College Town\City: \_\_\_\_\_

Major course of study: \_\_\_\_\_

### Signatures

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Scholarship Submittal Requirements:

1. Complete this form by typing or printing - your name should be on all attachments.
2. Recent academic transcript from high school.
3. Copy of your college entrance examination (ACT and/or SAT) scores.
4. Compose a short essay outlining your high school honors, school activities, community involvement, and employment history and how these experiences have shaped your character and future career goals.
5. One letter of reference from a teacher, counselor or employer.
6. Mail your complete application packet to:

North West REC  
Attn: Renee Wynia  
P.O. Box 435  
Orange City, IA 51041

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DEADLINE: Friday, February 25, 2022



Lyle D. Korver

# MANAGER'S *Report*

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The following is a brief summary of the discussion and decisions from the board meeting that was held on November, 24, 2021.

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