

Hawkeye REC News

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Tips from a website savvy member

One of your fellow co-op members, Jodi Hartz of Decorah, has become an avid visitor of the REC website in the past couple of years. What's her secret? She keeps it bookmarked in her favorites list under "Utilities" for easy access. "I like to use your website for a number of different reasons," Jodi explains, "from checking the load control status to payment history to browsing the different website links for kids."



Jodi Hartz keeps the Hawkeye website www.hawkeyerec.coop bookmarked in her favorites list. Jodi and her husband Michael manage the Ikon Office Solutions office in Decorah.

TOGETHERWESAVE.COM

Jodi finds herself looking at some of the new features of Hawkeye's website, including the TogetherWeSave link. "This is great information for members who are looking to save money and energy...no matter if you are young or old." Jodi explains. "My six-year old daughter and I visited this website and we completed the 'Add Up Your Savings' tab together." They discovered that they could save over \$44 dollars per year by just closing the blinds during the summer months and leaving them open throughout the day in the winter months. She explained to her daughter to help relate the amount of money that she could get six Barbie Dolls for that cost savings! She said that made the difference. Now she finds her daughter closing or opening the blinds in their home! That's what you call results!

Load Control

Since her mom is living with her, she likes to check the load control status link on our website each morning once the cold weather sets in. They have geo-thermal for their heating and cooling system and it can be interrupted during full load control days. "It gives me a sense of peace knowing when it will be controlled at the click of a button instead of having mom being worried that something is wrong at the house with the heating or cooling equipment," Jodi said with a smile.

Dairyland Power Cooperative		
Load Control Status:		
Residential		
Advisory Message (09/15/2010): --- NO Full Load Control / Peak Alert for Today ---		
Load Class	Status	Typical Load
Water Heaters 1B (large)	No Control	water heaters (large)
Water Heaters 1A (small)	No Control	water heaters (small)
Interruptible Heat 2A	No Control	interruptible electric heat
Interruptible Heat 2B	No Control	interruptible electric heat
Interruptible Heat 2C	No Control	interruptible electric heat
Interruptible Heat 2W	No Control	interruptible electric heat - winter
Interruptible Heat 4B	No Control	miscellaneous interruptible electric heat
Air Conditioners	No Control	air conditioner cycling
Heat Storage	Interrupted ends 11:40AM	storage heat and/or storage water heaters
Heat Storage A1	Interrupted ends 11:35PM	storage heat and/or storage water heaters
Heat Storage (weekend)	No Control	storage heat and/or storage water heaters
last changed at 7:56AM 09/15/2010		
NOTE: Some Load Class options may not be available in your area.		

A snapshot of the load control status website from Dairyland Power Cooperative available online 24/7. Go to page 3 to learn more about your cooperative's load management program.

e-Services

Hawkeye has offered e-Services for a number of years enabling Jodi and all of our members the option to not only pay their electric bills online, but also to research and review their accounts as well. There are numerous charts and graphs with personal electric account information. "I can look at my payment

history at a glance and it works great for year-end snapshots and budget purposes," Jodi recalls. "What a great tool and resource". Another useful online opportunity is the ability to look at past service requests. "Everything is now at our fingertips. We love it" Jodi concludes.



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Construction Update

Progress of your cooperative's new headquarters facility during the month of October:

- Footings in place for office
- Steel beam ceiling construction on fleet storage and warehouse
- Cement work in fleet storage and warehouse area
- Geothermal heating and cooling loop field installation
- Excavated the pole-yard to proper grade for drainage
- Second driveway construction

Log-on to www.hawkeyerec.coop for more pictures and videos.



Website savvy member...

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"I also plan to look at the new headquarters progress online." Jodi explains. "This is a great investment in our future... not just for us, but more importantly...for our kids!" The new building will help to serve this community for many years, something all of us should be proud of! Our co-op is watching out for us." And it's always fun to watch something new being built. Now you can do it from the comfort of your own home with a simple mouse click!

