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The Town of Edinburgh Welcomes New Employee

Nick Valenzuela joined the Town of Edinburgh staff in November 2016, serving as the community's new Building Commissioner. In this role, Valenzuela is responsible for a wide variety of tasks, which include building safety, code enforcement, flood plain management, economic development, tax abatement administration and various other special projects.

Prior to joining the Town of Edinburgh's staff, Valenzuela worked for the Louisville Metro, where he investigated housing discrimination and promoted access to fair housing for residents. He

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Public Power Lineworkers: A S

When severe weather strikes, the first instinct is often to hunker down inside and wait for the storm to pass. Lineworkers across the state and the country know that when severe weather hits, it's time to get to work. A portion of a lineworker's job demands working in inclement weather conditions for long periods of time, often during the middle of the night. These lineworkers put their lives on the line each day to ensure that everyone in their cities and towns has access to reliable electricity. Read on to meet a few lineworkers from Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA) member communities across the state.

Colin Leinenbach - Huntingburg Electric Utility



"This can be a dangerous job, and my first year as an apprentice, I wasn't sure if I could do it. But, I learned to trust the other people that I work with. They keep me safe and they keep me alive, and we have a real bond. It's a dangerous job and it's a hard job, but it's worth it to know that I'm helping keep the lights on for our city."

Colin has worked for the City of Huntingburg in various capacities for six years and has been an apprentice lineworker for the last four years. Colin is in his final year in the apprenticeship program and is set to graduate and receive his certification in March 2017. Colin is also a recent graduate of the Dubois County Leadership Academy.

Myron McAlister - Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power



"The best part of this job is that I learn something new every day. Even though I've been a lineworker for basically my entire adult life, I know that I don't know everything. There are definitely some storms that I'll never forget, but it has all been worth it. I'm glad I made the choice to become a lineworker, and I would encourage others to think about this as a career."

Myron has worked for Crawfordsville Electric Light & Power (CEL&P) for 41 years and will retire on February 28, 2017. IMPA and CEL&P thank Myron for his decades of service to CEL&P as well as to public power as a whole.

A Staple in their Communities

Greg Gayler - Darlington Light & Power



"Over the past few years in Darlington, I've really tried to make the electric system more reliable for the people who live here. It's a small town, but we all care about each other. That's what makes it worth it to go out in bad weather. I see that people appreciate it, and I want to do what's right for our town."

Greg has been with the Town of Darlington for the past eight years, but has 35 years of experience as a lineworker. He is the recipient of the American Public Power Association's Larry Hobart Seven Hats Award, which is a national award that recognizes utility managers who serve in the nation's smallest public power communities.

Jeff McNew - Lebanon Utilities



"When I first started as a lineworker, I really didn't know a lot about the job, but the longer I worked, the more I liked it. I enjoy climbing the poles, being outside and working with the other lineworkers. Sometimes people will come up to us and tell us how much they appreciate what we do, which always makes you feel good. It's hard to work in the rain, ice and snow, but it's worth it."

Jeff has been a lineworker with Lebanon Utilities for four years. Jeff was recently named Apprentice Lineworker of the Year by the Indiana Municipal Electric Association and will compete this spring at the national American Public Power Association's Lineworkers Rodeo.

The Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA), your community's wholesale power provider, knows just how hard these lineworkers work, each and every day. We salute lineworkers from our member communities for putting their lives on the line each day, ensuring that each resident and business across all 61 of IMPA's member communities has access to safe and reliable electricity. ●

Help the Town of Edinburgh Control the Mosquito Population

Did you know that the Town of Edinburgh works hard to control the mosquito population within the community each year? This is done in a variety of ways, and helps protect citizens from mosquitos and the diseases that they carry. Unfortunately, mosquitos lay their eggs in even the smallest amount of standing water and they hatch in just a day or two. Other mosquitos may lay their eggs in old tires, tin cans or other water holding containers where they can stay unhatched for weeks or months until they are covered with water and able to hatch. The Town of Edinburgh is seeking the public's help in curtailing the population growth of mosquitos. Read on for tips on how to reduce standing water and thereby help control the mosquito population.

-  **Dispose of or move old tires, tin cans, buckets, drums, bottles or any other containers where standing water can accumulate.**
-  **Fill in or drain any low places in your yard such as puddles or ruts.**
-  **Clean gutters periodically – it's a good habit to check them quarterly, especially if your house is surrounded by a lot of trees.**
-  **Keep drains, ditches and culverts clean of weeds and trash so that water will drain properly.**
-  **Cover trash cans to keep water out.**
-  **Empty plastic wading pools at least once a week and store indoors when not in use.**
-  **If you have a backyard pool, make sure that it is properly cared for if you're away from home for an extended period of time.**
-  **Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed so adult mosquitos will not be able to live there.**
-  **Change the water in bird baths, planters and drip trays at least once a week.**

Removing any opportunity for standing water will help to significantly reduce the mosquito population, thereby controlling the transmission of diseases such as West Nile Virus, Zika and other mosquito-borne viruses. If you have more questions about how to help control mosquitos or what the Town of Edinburgh is doing to curb the population, visit www.edinburgh.in.us.

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brings with him 20 years of municipal management experience, which will become invaluable in his new role as Building Commissioner.

“It’s an honor to serve Edinburgh as the Building Commissioner,” stated Valenzuela. “It’s really rewarding to help this community continue to grow and I feel like I’m a part of something bigger than myself. My hands-on daily work provides both immediate and long-term results in the community, which is satisfying to see. I look forward to continuing to build on Edinburgh’s identity and make lasting results within the community.”

Valenzuela says he’s most excited to continue working to restore historical properties in downtown Edinburgh and to also help bring more economic opportunities to the residents of the community. Valenzuela and his wife, Lisa, reside in Franklin, Indiana with their two children and their dog. The Town of Edinburgh and the Indiana Municipal Power Agency welcome Valenzuela to his new position and wish him all the best!•

Tidbits & Trivia

Question: How many peregrine falcon chicks hatched at IMPA’s co-owned generating unit, Trimble County Station, in 2016?

- a) 38 chicks
- b) 5 chicks
- c) 10 chicks
- d) 3 chicks

Send your answer to the question to IMPA, and we will randomly select winners from all of the correct entries to receive an energy efficiency prize pack. Please send your name, e-mail address and address with your answer to:

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OR

MPN Energy Efficiency Quiz
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Carmel, IN 46032

The **Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA)** is a not-for-profit organization that provides an economic, reliable and environmentally-responsible power supply to its members.

IMPA member utilities purchase their power through IMPA and deliver that power to the residents and companies within the community.

Generation

The actual creation of electricity at power plants or a generating station.

IMPA’s generation portfolio includes seven coal-fired units, seven combustion turbine units and 13 solar parks. Additionally, IMPA purchases power from wind and nuclear-powered resources.

Trimble County Station's Wildlife Preserve Helps Save Endangered Species

The Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA), your community's wholesale power provider, is passionate about providing affordable and reliable electricity, but is equally passionate about environmental responsibility and preserving our country's natural resources. One of IMPA's co-owned generating stations, Trimble County Station, is a great example of how the two seemingly opposite services – power production and environmental responsibility – can merge together as one.

Trimble County Station is a two-unit station located in Kentucky that generates a total of 1,274 Megawatts (MW) of power of which IMPA owns 162 MW. Trimble County Station, a baseload generating station whose mission is to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week, is an integral component of IMPA's power portfolio. It provides a steady and consistent stream of electricity, which serves to power your homes and businesses. In addition to generating power in a reliable manner, Trimble County Station also boasts its own 114-acre wildlife preserve, which includes both wetlands and forest areas. This nature preserve is home to a variety of wildlife, including American bald eagles, peregrine falcons, fox, deer, wild turkeys and many other species of birds and mammals.

Trimble County Station's wildlife preserve has been instrumental in preserving the peregrine falcon population, which was considered an endangered species as recently as the 1970s. As a participating power generation station in Kentucky's peregrine falcon nesting program, Trimble County Station's wildlife preserve contains a nesting box where falcons can breed each year. 2016 was successful for the Station as a male falcon, Favre, and his female falcon companion once again nested at Trimble County, producing three peregrine falcon chicks. In 2016, the entire Kentucky peregrine falcon nesting program produced a total of 38 chicks throughout a variety of participating locations.

Trimble County Station and IMPA are proud to be a part of this resurgence in the peregrine falcon population and are also proud of the efforts made to maintain our country's natural resources. Going forward, IMPA will continue to remain vigilant in providing low cost, reliable electricity in an environmentally responsible manner. ●



One of IMPA's generating stations, Trimble County Station, is home to a 114-acre wildlife preserve (pictured above). Trimble County Station (pictured below) provides a steady stream of electricity, which helps to power IMPA's 61 member communities.



Cooking Corner

We need more recipes!

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Potato Soup

Recipe submitted by Penny Cox of Montezuma, Indiana.

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| -2 tbsp. olive oil | -2 tbsp. parsley |
| -1/2 cup chopped onion | - 3/4 tsp. salt |
| -1/2 cup chopped carrots | -1/8 tsp. pepper |
| -1 cup sliced celery | -1 tbsp. chopped pimento |
| -3 cups cubed potatoes | -4 cup milk (1/2 reserved) |
| -1/4 cup flour | -1 can chicken broth |

Heat olive oil in a 3-quart saucepan over medium-high heat and saute onion until tender, about five minutes. Add carrots, celery, potatoes, parsley, chicken broth, salt and pepper. Cover and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 15 minutes. Reduce heat; add pimento and 3 1/2 cups milk. Heat soup until milk is scalded only - do not boil. Blend flour with 1/2 cup of milk and add to soup, stirring constantly. Cook until bubbly and slightly thickened.

Easy Corn Casserole

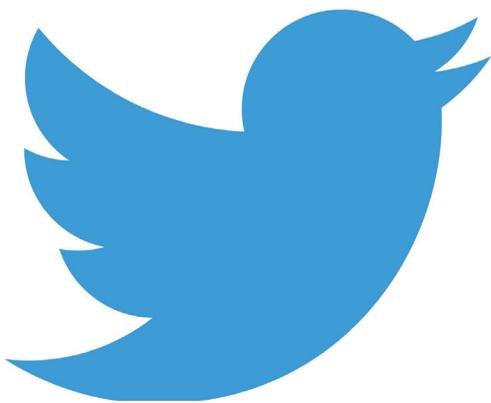
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| - 1 8.5 oz. package cornbread mix | - 1 15-oz. can corn (drained) |
| - 1 cup sour cream | - 2 eggs, beaten |
| - 1 stick unsalted butter, melted | - 1/8 tsp. pepper |
| -1 15-oz. can creamed style corn (not drained) | - 1/4 tsp. salt |

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and grease a 2 1/2-quart baking dish. In a bowl, mix together sour cream, corn, creamed corn, melted butter and eggs. Add cornbread mix, salt and pepper and stir. Pour into greased baking dish and bake for 45-60 minutes until sides are golden and the middle doesn't jiggle when you shake it.

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The Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA), Edinburgh's wholesale power supplier, is now on Twitter! Using the handle @IMPAPower, IMPA is excited to join and contribute to conversations pertaining to public power, energy efficiency and other electric-related news. The Agency is also looking forward to sharing exciting stories from our member communities, including Edinburgh. To follow @IMPAPower on Twitter, simply visit www.twitter.com/IMPAPower and click 'follow'. Also, be sure to Tweet to @IMPAPower with any news-worthy stories you think we might be interested in. In the future, be on the lookout for contests and prizes hosted by IMPA.

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