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April 2023

2023 IMEA CALENDAR

April

24—28 IMEA 612 Intermediate Workshop Scottsburg

May

1—2 Supervisor Safety Workshop Auburn
8 – 12 IMEA 611 Basic Workshop Scottsburg
24 – 25 Line Clearance Arborist Certification Frankfort

June

6 – 8 IMEA 212 Transformer Theory & Connections Scottsburg
27 Distribution Devices Workshop Scottsburg

July

6 IMEA Excavation Competent Person Workshop Auburn
19 – 20 Insulate & Isolate Scottsburg

August

1 - 3 Introduction to Supervision Scottsburg
21 - 25 IMEA 611 Basic Workshop Scottsburg

September

11 - 15 IMEA 612 Intermediate Workshop Scottsburg

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From My Desk to Yours: Duane Richardson, IMEA Executive Director

IMEA Mutual Aid Program

A strong mutual aid plan starts well before a storm strikes. For more than five decades, the Indiana Municipal Electric Association's statewide Mutual Aid Program has helped member utilities face the risks of storm damage, power outages and other unpredictable emergency needs. Emergency readiness has grown in importance with heightened customer demands and concerns about a broader range of potential threats and vulnerabilities.

Indiana's municipals have always had a strong concept of neighbors helping neighbors when it comes to power restoration.

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Registration in May 2023!

IMEA formalized the concept into a well-coordinated and collaborative program to ensure a rapid response with trained responders for the safe and efficient service restoration – large or small. Our decades-old program also helps the industry mitigate the risks and costs associated with major incidents by sharing personnel and resources.

As a member of IMEA, you are part of a team. Along with your neighboring municipal utilities, you may either request or provide assistance when service to the customers is threatened or disrupted for any reason. It is this spirit of cooperation that has given strength and reliability to our Hoosier municipal utilities systems for many years.

The state of Indiana has experienced its share of disasters and emergency situations that result in outages and damage to utility infrastructure across the state. From tornadoes and straight-line winds and flooding to snow, ice, utilities are challenged to keep the power flowing and lights on throughout the year. Primary concerns when disaster strikes your utility are:

Protect the public health, safety and welfare.

- Secure the area and utility assets.
- Assess the damage.
- Determine priorities for recovery; and
- Restoration and clean up.

Should your utility require restoration and/or emergency assistance for any reason, your first step is to contact the IMEA or one of our regional coordinators. The IMEA provides an organized process for requesting aid, coordinating resources and responding with manpower and equipment for utilities.

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