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## EFFICIENCY UPGRADES TO HELP YOU SAVE THIS SUMMER

Spring and summer are opportune times for home upgrades and DIY projects. If you're planning to make improvements to your home, consider upgrades that promote better efficiency. Here are a few projects that can help you save energy and money--and increase the comfort of your home.

Installing a smart thermostat is one of the simplest ways to manage home energy use and keep summer bills in check. Smart thermostats are easy to install and allow you to control your heating and cooling system from your phone. You can purchase an ENERGY STAR®-certified smart thermostat for as low as \$100, which can save you 8% on annual heating and cooling costs, about \$50 per year. This upgrade will quickly pay for itself, and you'll gain insight into better ways to heat and cool your home.



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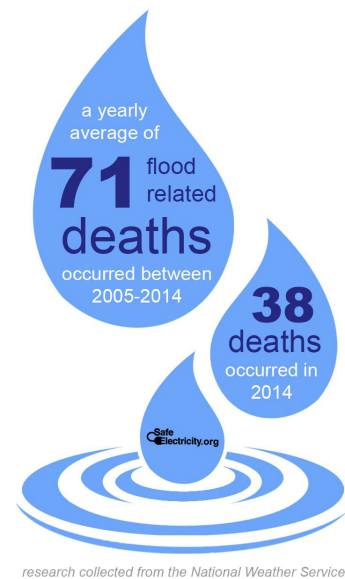
## BE AWARE OF ELECTRICAL DANGERS DURING FLOODING

As all the snow we have received begins to melt, it increases the possibility of flooding.



Flooding and electricity do not mix, and everyone needs to be aware of the dangers. According to the Federal Emergency Disaster Agency (FEMA), floods are one of the most common hazards in the United States. The prospect of an electrical accident is probably not top of mind when you are dealing with flooding in your home, but it is the first thing you should think of before you step into a flooded area. If there is any danger the water could be energized because of contact with electrical equipment, do not enter the area. You could be in serious danger of electrocution.

Here are some additional suggestions from Safe Electricity to help keep you and your family safe during a flood:



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## ELECTRIC VEHICLE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

You've likely heard or read that most automakers are transitioning many or all their new vehicles to electric-only models over the next 10 years. Regardless of the type of car you drive today, the electrification of the transportation sector is underway.

With this transition to electric vehicles, we thought it would be helpful to share in this month's issue of Electric Line, the answers to many of the frequently-asked questions about electric vehicles.



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Members of Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative or their dependent children who are or will be attending college, vocational, or technical college are eligible to apply for Operation Round Up scholarships. Both traditional and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply.

To be eligible, either the student or parents must have their primary residence located on CVEC lines and participate in Operation Round Up.

Applications are also being accepted for the CVEC Electric Utility Worker Scholarship. The scholarship has been established to assist a student pursuing a technical college education in an electric program that lends itself to employment in the electric utility industry.

**Deadline to apply for both scholarships is April 1, 2023.**

For More Information or to Apply

## CVEC 85th ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR APRIL 13

Join Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative on Thursday, April 13, 2023, for our 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held at Rosholt High School.

Registration begins at 5:15 p.m.  
Refreshments will be served until the start of the meeting at 6 p.m.

Board Chairman Tom Smith will keynote the meeting's business session, which begins at 6 p.m. During the business session, members will have the opportunity to hear how their co-op is faring financially, learn details about various services offered by their member-owned power supplier, and receive updates on state and federal regulatory issues of importance to electric co-ops. An election of three board positions will be held.

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#### Attendees Receive:

- \$20 Bill Credit
- Chance to win \$50 energy credit, door prizes, or electric grill

#### Help Fill Our Local Food Pantry Shelves

Bring 3 or more non-perishable food items that are not expired, and receive a FREE LED bulb.

(Limit of 3 bulbs per family)

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