

CONNECTIONS

CORNHUSKER PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT • AUGUST 2023

YOUR ATTENTION REQUIRED

TIME TO UPDATE

If your phone number, address or payment options have changed, **let us know!**

Call our office at 402 564 2821 to update your information.



Call TODAY to update your contact information

In the electric utility business, we know rough weather and unexpected events will occur, resulting in power outages and restoration efforts. There are steps you, as a customer, can take to ensure your electricity is restored as quickly and safely as possible. Keeping your details accurate and up to date is important for us to provide you with the best possible service.

We need to have your most up-to-date phone number and mailing address on hand to make sure we can reach you for:

- Planned outages and restoration updates
- Delinquent notices
- Tree trimming updates
- Meter changes

Sign-up for automatic bill pay and never miss a payment again. If you are on automatic bill pay, make sure that information is correct to avoid a missed payment. Failure to update this information could result in a missed payment and/or late fees.

Please contact our billing department at 402 564 2821 to update your information. If your phone number, payment options or mailing address has **NOT** changed, there is no need to contact us.

Cornhusker Public Power District is dedicated to our customers by providing affordable and reliable electric service. Updating your contact information ensures you are taking full advantage of the services Cornhusker Public Power District offers.

John Kaup retires after 32 years of service

Cornhusker Public Power District's Engineering Supervisor John Kaup has decided it is time to retire.

Kaup was first hired in 1990 as a groundsman and has held several positions within the district. In 1991 he was promoted to Apprentice Line Technician on the Albion crew, Journey Line Technician on the Albion crew in 2000, Engineering Technician in 2004, Sr. Engineering Technician in 2008 and finally Engineering Supervisor in 2014.



Kaup in 1996

"The biggest change I have seen over the past 32 years was the equipment," says Kaup. "The trucks are bigger and more efficient. When I first started, trucks were not material handlers, just man handlers. Building line and setting poles is a lot quicker now than it used to be."

Many jobs, storm events, and memories were made over the past 32 years, but Kaup claims one in particular stands out the most. "The ice storm of 2006-2007 was a very memorable event," says



Kaup in 2015

Kaup. "There was so much damage and restoration efforts really was an all hands on deck mentality. I was working in the engineering department, but I ended up going with a line crew from Norris Public Power District to help restore power to our customers."

Although Kaup is ready to move on and enjoy retirement, he says he is going to miss the interaction with the customers. "I enjoyed working with our customers on various projects," says Kaup. "We have so many good customers it's unbelievable. I'm going to miss talking to them."

Kaup plans on spending his retirement by taking a couple of trips and playing golf.



It PAYS to be 'SMART'

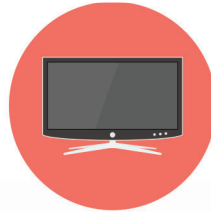
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Think safety as your student moves into the dorm

It's the time of year when college campuses are preparing for students moving into their home away from home - the dorm! This is an exciting time for the students, but a nerve-racking time for parents. Cornhusker Public Power District reminds parents and students to keep electrical safety in mind.

- Don't overload outlets, extension cords, or power strips.
 - Use power strips with over-current protectors. This will shut off the power if there is too much power being drawn.
 - Only purchase and use electrical products tested for safety. Some common approved safety labels include UL, CSA, & MET.
 - Keep all electrical appliances and cords safely away from bedding, curtains, papers, and other flammable material.
 - Unplug small appliances when not in use and all electronics when away for extended periods.
 - Make sure outlets around sinks are equipped with ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) before use. If they are not, contact the resident assistant, or campus housing staff.
- Always use microwave-safe containers. If the microwave is damaged in any way, do not use it.
 - Never disable a smoke detector; and never ignore a fire alarm or assume it is a drill. Every time a fire alarm sounds, residents should calmly and quickly follow practiced procedures and immediately exit the building.

When planning to move into a shared space like a dorm or university housing, it is a good idea to communicate with your roommates before shopping. Often times when there is no communication room's end up with multiple refrigerators and microwaves, which can lead to a circuit overload in a small space.

Students should check with their university's housing department on their specific housing laws. Many colleges across the U.S. ban cooking appliances from on-campus housing, including hot plates, coffee makers, and microwaves. Many of these institutions provide a designated area for the use of these products.

For more information on dorm safety, visit SafeElectricity.org.





YOU ARE INVITED

80th Open House Celebration



September 6

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Columbus Warehouse
23169 235th Ave

September 7

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Fullerton Service Center
1038 7th St.

September 8

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Albion Service Center
2605 260th St.

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