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Lineman Appreciation Day - April 12

If you were asked to associate an image or a person with EnerStar, I bet you would picture a lineman. One of the most visible employees of the co-op, linemen work tirelessly to ensure our community receives virtually uninterrupted power 24/7.

"Lineman" is listed as one of the top 10 most dangerous jobs in the U.S. This is understandable as they routinely perform detailed tasks near high-voltage power lines. Regardless of the time of day, having to brave stormy weather and other challenging conditions, linemen must climb upwards of 40 feet in the air, often carrying heaving equipment to get the job done.

Being a lineman is not a glamorous or easy profession. It takes years of specialized training, ongoing education, dedication, and equally important, a sense of service and commitment. How else can you explain the willingness to leave the comfort of their home to tackle a challenging job in difficult conditions, when most are sheltering comfortably at home? This dedication and sense of service to the community is truly what sets them apart. That's why we set aside the second Monday in April to celebrate and recognize the men and women who work around the clock to keep the lights on.

While linemen may be the most visible employees at EnerStar, it's important to note that there is also a team of highly skilled professionals working behind the scenes. Engineers provide ongoing expertise and guidance on the construction and operations side of the co-op. Member service representatives are standing by to take your calls and answer questions. Our information technology (IT) experts are continuously monitoring our system to keep our equipment operating properly as well as to help safeguard sensitive data. And these are just a few of the folks at EnerStar who work together to ensure we can deliver the service and reliability you expect and deserve. Without them, our linemen wouldn't be able to "bring the light" to our community.

Our dedicated linemen are proud to represent EnerStar, and they deserve all the appreciation and accolades that come their way on Linemen Appreciation Day. Any time you see a lineman, but especially on April 12, please join me in thanking them for their service to our community!