

## **People and Places**

## **Troy Stahly: Operations Manager for Auburn Electric Utility**

Troy Stahly, a long time outstanding employee, has 32 years experience with the City of Auburn and Auburn Electric Utility.



Like many municipals around the state each utility offers the opportunity for advancement and growth. Troy had no problem reaching these heights by learning and advancing in multiple departments that included: meter reading, tree trimming, a four year lineman apprentice program and becoming a certified journeyman lineman to moving up the ladder to accept a Supervisor position and now currently holding as the Operations Manager and Safety Director for Auburn Electric Utility.

### Leadership

Outages are held in a vast majority of cities and towns across the State and you can best believe that without experience and knowledge of our supervisors and leadership of the systems each hold, it would be difficult to handle outages effectively and efficiently. This holds true at Auburn Electric Utility as well. Troy makes it his mission to be available to his team day and night.

"My team and I look out for each other", says Troy. He values each employee and their loyalty to one another, as well as their professionalism toward the general public and dependability with all daily operations.

#### Safety

As with each business or organization their should be one required safety meeting with employees to discuss awareness in and around work areas. Auburn Electric's safety expectations are no different coordinating with their employees weekly staff meetings to review safety policies/concerns and upcoming job site duties. All crew leaders hold morning job briefings with their respective crews. Taking additional safety precautions by partnering two crew members together at all times during work on jobsites.

## **Projects Underway**

Auburn Electric Crews have completed (2) 3 phase line extensions to complete a few inner loops between substations.

Other projects include: a new overhead 3 phase line & 3 phase underground infrastructure on the west end to feed new businesses such as Texas Roadhouse, Belle Tire, Panda Express, Chipotle and a Verizon store.

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Auburn Electric is currently looking to purchase land for a new substation in our Northwest section of the city. The City of Auburn Electric Utility presently maintains over 7,997 metered customers.

### A long time Member of the IMEA

Auburn Electric takes full advantage of all resources offered by IMEA. Holding IMEA safety meetings every month with their highly educated instructors working with and in the Public Power Industry for over 45 years. Also utilizing the IMEA website daily safety tips and sharing these tips with all of their city departments. Troy implies, "that this allows for extra safety awareness on a variety of topics every single day".

Auburn Electric Utility also participates IMEA apprenticeship program, extended lineman programs and takes pride in the resources the organization offers all while in-house and within Indiana locally. Troy and his crews enjoy all hands-on experience at workshops with IMEA members. Other resources and workshops they take part in: online training courses and the apprentice logging hours report for the DOL.

Auburn Electric has also taken part in scheduling additional training from session speakers that were met at Annual Business Meetings. Troy replies "IMEA provides unlimited access to contacts and support for our Utility at Auburn".

Welcome to Our Newest Associate Member!

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Wishing You & Yours A Very Happy Thanksgiving!

## Thank you for your support & involvement!

We are grateful for your loyalty and wish you a very Happy Thanksgiving! Our gratitude goes out to you and your family this wonderful Holiday Season.

Visit the IMEA website for daily safety tips! Please visit www.imea.com / Safety Tip of the Day and click on the topic link. This is a great opportunity to begin safety tailgate talks with your utility crews and staff!

# THANKSGIVING IS A WONDERFUL TIME, BUT KEEP SAFETY IN MIND

Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to gather with friends and family, eat delicious food, watch football (or the parade!), and travel to visit loved ones. While enjoying the holiday, and as things might get hectic, it is important to always keep safety in mind.



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