

# Welcome

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## 8th Annual EDC Social After Hours Industry Tour

The Story City Economic Development Corporation would like to thank you for coming the 8th Annual EDC Social After Hours Industry Tour. This tour will start and end at the Story City Community Center where you can enjoy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. This night allows you a rare glimpse into two of our local industries, Bethany Life and Story City Electric Light and Power Company.

*October 17, 2017*

5:15-7:30 pm

7:30 Refreshments at the Story City Community Center



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# The Households of Bethany

Bethany Life offers a full continuum of care for older adults. Our services include at-home wellness and education, skilled care, assisted living, independent living, and long-term care. Bethany Life has been a part of the Story City community since 1914.

Bethany Life has grown and transitioned into the region's most comprehensive resource for senior living and healthcare services. Innovative thinking extends to partnering with community organizations, hospitals, families, and residents to help guide each older adult in his or her personal journey through life. Non-profit and faith-based, Bethany Life serves all populations, regardless of financial position.

The Households of Bethany, a part of the Bethany Life continuum, offers long term healthcare for older adults. The household model offered at The Households of Bethany ensures that residents live in a comfortable environment that feels like home, rather than an institution. Small conversational nooks allow for families to have spaces to be together. Colors and carefully chosen décor bring both comfort and excitement. The Households of Bethany also has an on-site bistro, salon, gift shop, and Chapel.



Bethany Life

Find out more at [www.bethanylife.org](http://www.bethanylife.org)  
515-733-4325 • 212 Lafayette Ave. • Story City, IA 50248



In 1904 the Story City Electric Light and Power company began providing electricity to the town. The Story City Municipal Electric Utility was created in 1909 when residents voted in favor of purchasing the utility for \$8,200. For nearly 40 years the electric utility operated as a department within the City under the guidance of the City Council who, in 1948 decided to turn operation of the utility over to a three-member Board of Trustees.

Today the utility provides electric service to over 1900 customers in Story City and the surrounding area. While much has changed since the first lights flickered on over 100 years ago, the mission of the utility has remained the same: Provide safe, reliable electric service to customers at the lowest possible cost.

The utility's 8 employees operate and maintain an electric system that serves customers in Story, Boone and Hamilton counties. Two privately owned wind turbines provide approximately 14 % of the electricity consumed by utility customers. The system includes a Municipal Power Plant capable of producing 13 megawatts of electricity and is used as emergency power in the event of an outage on the transmission system and is also dispatched by the Midwest grid operator to help with grid reliability.

The utility is a member of the Resale Power Group of Iowa, a consortium of over 20 electric utilities that allows access to competitive wholesale markets across the country. Use of local resources along with participation in nationwide wholesale electric markets provides reliable, responsible electricity at rates that are lower than surrounding utilities.



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John Gookin-Gookin Ford

Brad Eslick-Record Printing

Chad Gray-American Packaging

John Koppes-IndoShell Precision

Mike Hermanson-Woodland Farms

Mari Janes-Reliance State Bank

Kari Matheason-Bethany Life

Lynn Hammes-Prairie Brand

Dwayne Fiihr-Retired Industry & City Council

Kurt Erickson-Erickson Machine

Matt Patton-Roland-Story (Superintendent)

Tom Wynia-Brekken, Wynia & Hyland



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## From the Desk of the EDC Board President:

This past quarter we have received a couple more inquiries about the spec building. We showed it to a few companies that have some real interest. We had another successful partnership drive which is coming to its conclusion for 2017.

Abby Huff our Executive Director has been busy with creating a stronger partnership with Ames Economic Development. Her and Brenda Dryer the Director of Workforce Solutions have been busy talking with potential news business for Story City as well as connecting with our current industry about ways they can help with workforce. The EDC is excited to be partnering with Ames so that we can focus on a more regional approach to assist our industry needs.

Save the Date for our EDC events. On October 17th at 5:00 we will have our annual Industry Tour. This year we will be touring The Household of Bethany and Story City Electric and Light Power Company. You can RSVP to Abby at [director@storycitygcc.com](mailto:director@storycitygcc.com). We also will be bringing back TRIVIA in 2018 so mark your calendars for February 9th.

-Dwayne Fiihr