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TO REPORT AN OUTAGE

1. Check your fuses and circuit breakers. Do the neighbors have electricity?
2. If the problem appears to be with the cooperative's lines, call the following phone number. Give your name and map number, which is found on the bottom of your electric bill.
3. For service outages, phone:
1-800-232-4797
Local calls dial direct:
(217) 593-7701
In an emergency, call:
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by Douglas Aeilts
General Manager

Security Light Repairs

We need your help! If your security light is out or malfunctioning, please call us as soon as possible. Adams Electrical Co-Operative maintains over 2,170 rental security lights and we depend on the member to let us know if there is a problem.



Please have the following information ready when you are reporting a security light outage:

- Your map location number and the exact location of the security light.
- Name the membership listed under.
- Is the security light: dim, off

completely, on all the time, or intermittently on and off?

- Are you renting the security light from Adams Electrical Co-Operative or is it a member-owned security light?

Keeping your security light on is as important to us as it is to you. After a member reports a security light outage, we try to repair it by the next working day if possible.

If you are not renting a security light from Adams Electrical Co-Operative, give us a call. The cooperative will install, provide the electricity and maintain the security light for a monthly rental charge of only \$7.14. That's less than 24 cents a night for the peace of mind a security light can provide! ■

Available Security Lighting



General Area Lighting

Non-metered Lights

100-watt high pressure sodium	\$7.14
250-watt high pressure sodium	\$12.00
400-watt high pressure sodium	\$17.50

Metered Lights

100-watt high pressure sodium	\$2.00
250-watt high pressure sodium	\$5.00
400-watt high pressure sodium	\$5.50

Directional Flood Lighting

Non-metered Light

400-watt high pressure sodium	\$17.50
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Metered Light

400-watt high pressure sodium	\$5.50
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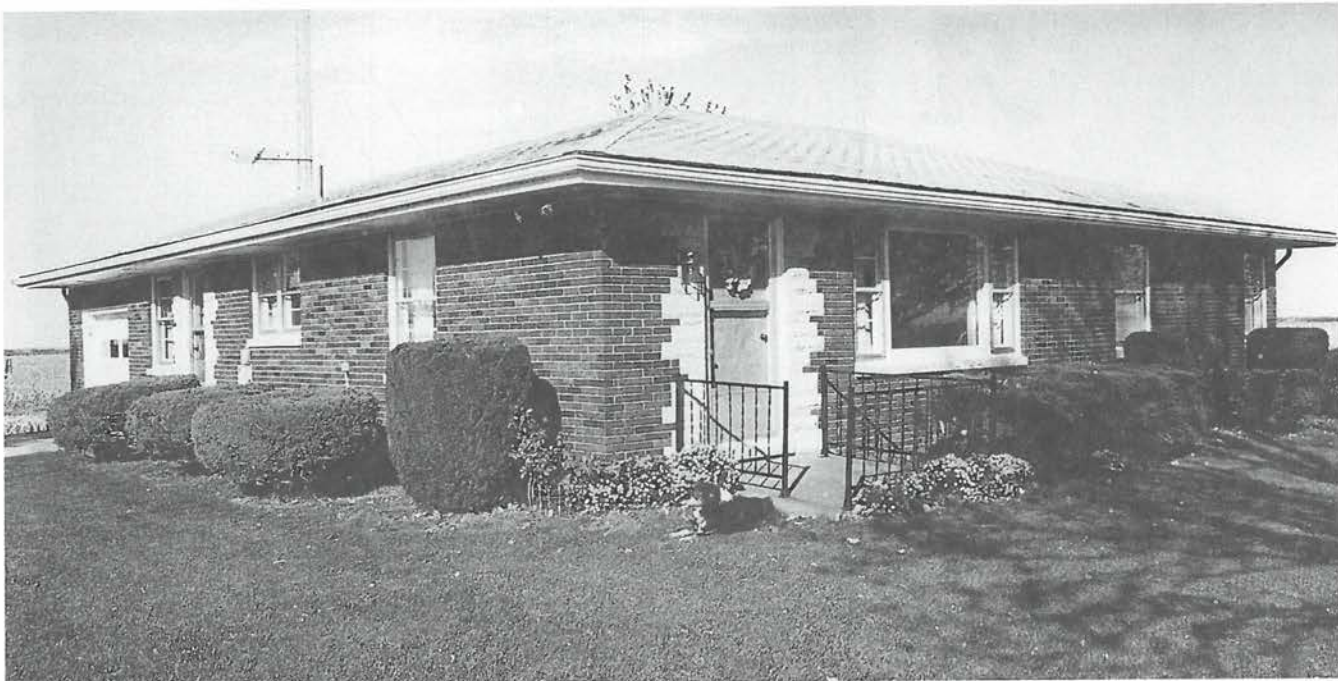
Special Business or Subdivision Lighting
is Available Upon Request

For More Information Contact:

Adams Electrical Co-Operative

P.O. Box 247 • Camp Point, IL 62320

(217)593-7701 or 1-800-232-4797 Upon Request



The Shrivvers heat and cool their home on Adams Electrical Co-Operative's Controlled Heating and Cooling (CHC) rate.

Geothermal A Home Heating & Cooling System That is Well Grounded

Doris and Ted Shriver are satisfied customers. Peters Heating & Air Conditioning installed a new geothermal system for the Shrivvers in December 1990.

"Geothermal is much more comfortable than our old ceiling

cable heat and window air conditioner," says Ted. "We have also been impressed with the low operating costs."

Geothermal heating and cooling systems use the relatively constant temperature of the soil (approximately 50°F) to heat and cool a home. As a result, it delivers up to four times more energy than it uses and is much more efficient than other systems. Although the initial cost is more, life expectancy of a geothermal unit is 25 - 30 years, which is a much longer life span compared to conventional systems.

Geothermal has become quite popular recently as builders and heating and air conditioning dealers have become more familiar with the new technology and appreciate the savings, efficiency, and comfort it delivers. Over 250 Adams Electrical Co-Operative

members are using a geothermal heating and cooling system.

The Shrivvers also connected to Adams Electrical Co-Operative's Controlled Heating and Cooling (CHC) rate. All-electric heat and water heater usage is billed at 4¢ a kWh. All central air conditioning and water heater usage is billed at 6¢ a kWh during June, July, August and September. The rest of the home's electricity is billed at Schedule A.

Ted is a grain and livestock farmer and has lived in the area all of his life. The Shrivvers have two children and four grandchildren.

"We recieved a \$600 rebate from Adams Electrical Co-Operative," Ted says. "The cooperative also financed the system at 5 percent interest. We couldn't afford not to put a geothermal system in our home!" ■



Doris and Ted Shriver, RR 3 Quincy, were one of five statewide participants to win \$50 for completing a Geothermal Customer Survey sponsored by Soyland Power Cooperative.

A Taste of the Past



Nestled in the rolling hills northeast of Quincy is a quaint Victorian home and farm that quickly conjures up images of the past.

For the last two years, Sarah and Ted Genenbacher have treated visitors to an authentic glimpse of Victorian decor and eloquent food. Victorian Grace offers guests an enchanting hide-away for afternoon tea parties,

Victorian bridal teas, ladies luncheons, Victorian dessert parties, baby shower teas and even elegant birthday dinners.

The Genenbachers are licensed caterers and prepare many special recipes including: vegetable barley soup, honey roasted turkey breast, homemade mints and desserts. One of their most requested items is Victoria's rhubarb slush.

"We can comfortably serve parties up to 20 people in our Katherine Wilhelmina Room," says Sarah. "The holiday season is a very special and busy time for us. My mother, Debbie Maas, helps us serve and cook for larger groups."

All meals and teas are served on antique china. Victorian music plays in the background, tempting guests to reminisce of days gone by. A beautifully restored piano is also available for guests who are musically inclined.

"I became interested in Victorian decorating after I was married," says Sarah. "Since all my children are boys, I used my two favorite girl names — Victoria and Grace."

"In the future, we may convert our home into a bed and breakfast. It would be a natural compliment to our catering business." ■

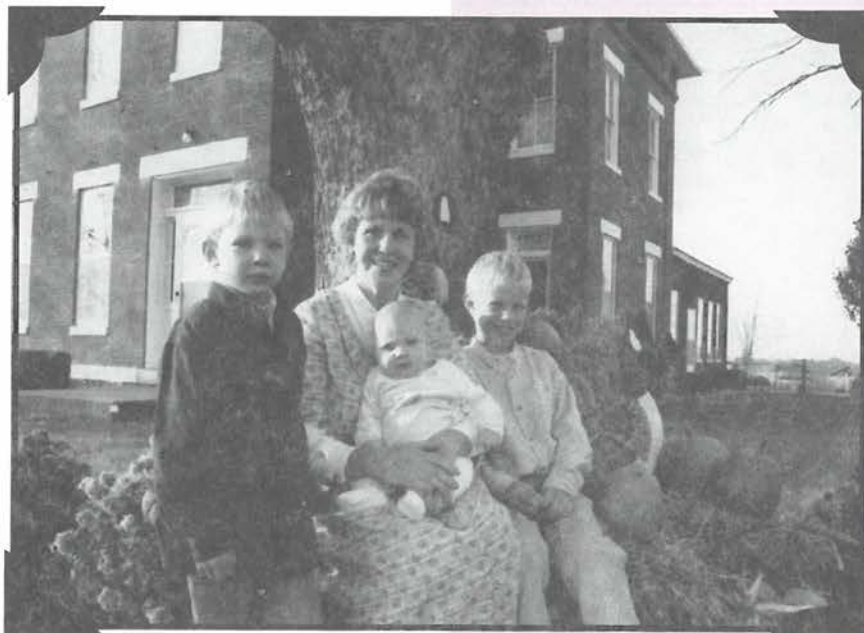


Top: Sarah Genenbacher entertains guests in the elegant Katherine Wilhelmina Room.

Bottom: All meals are served in authentic Victorian style.

From left: Tad, Sarah, Andrew and Brad Genenbacher.

Victorian Grace is a perfect place for friends and family to enjoy a relaxing meal and quiet conversation.



History of the Home

In 1876, John Bernard Strothoff erected a beautiful two-story, brick residence containing 11 rooms, four miles northeast of Quincy at the top of Strothoff Hill, which was one of the many roads leading into Quincy. The Strothoff residence was a stately home that soon became noted as one of the finest homes in Adams County.

The Strothoff residence has been in the Genenbacher family since 1948. Ted and his wife, Sarah, live in the historic structure with their three sons, Tad, Brad, and Andrew, giving them the distinction of being the fourth generation of Genenbacher's to reside there.

For the past two years Ted and Sarah have invested a considerable amount of effort, patience and love into restoring the structure, including refinishing the original, elegant walnut and butternut woodwork that is still in the home.



*To experience the charm of a
Victorian tea call:*

Victorian Grace

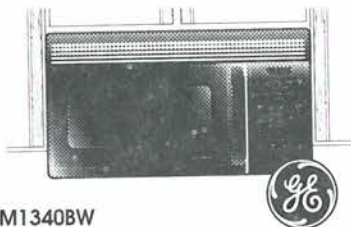
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Phone: (217) 885-3459



Holiday Sale

Spacemaker XL Microwave Oven

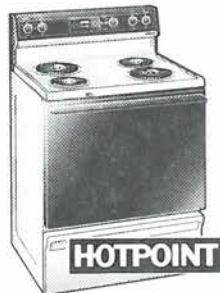


JVM1340BW

\$389.95

- Large 1.3 cu. ft. cavity with temperature probe, 900 watts.
- Turntable On/Off feature.
- Interactive scrolling display conveniently provides step-by-step instructions.
- Full-view cooktop light, night light and hi-capacity, 2-speed exhaust system.

30" Electric Range with Self-Cleaning Oven

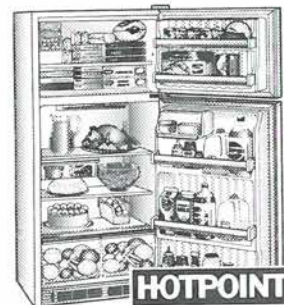


RB755GT

\$479.95

- Easy to clean upswept cooktop.
- Electronic clock, timer and automatic oven timer.
- Auto oven shut-off turns the oven off after 12 hours.
- Black glass oven door.

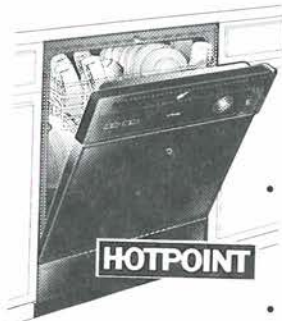
20.6 Cu. Ft. Capacity No-Frost Refrigerator



CTX21GAX

\$699.95

- Adjustable glass shelves with snack pan.
- Gallon storage on door.
- 2 see-thru vegetable crispers.
- Equipped for optional icemaker.



Built-In Dishwasher

HDA300YBA

\$309.95

- 5 cycles including Pots & Pans and Water Saver cycles.
 - 3 level wash action.
- Heated Wash On/Off option.
- Heated Dry On/Off option.



Extra Large Capacity Washer & Dryer Pair

WasherVWXR4100T
Dryer NWXR473ET

Washer **\$479.95**
Dryer **\$409.95**

- 10-cycle washer with 4 speed combinations and built-in bleach and fabric softener dispensers.
- 7-cycle dryer with Automatic Dry Control and Optional Press Guard.



Mike Olson
Service Technician

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Candace Weeks
Member Services Asst.

HOTPOINT

"From Deer to Venison" Brochure Available to Hunters

With harvest coming to a close for many Illinois farmers, conditions appear very promising for an excellent deer hunting season reports Bob Frazee, University of Illinois Natural Resources Management Educator. Deer numbers are up considerably, and the 1996 Illinois shotgun season is scheduled to run from Nov. 22 through 24 and from Dec. 5 through Dec. 8.

Illinois deer thrive on diets of corn and alfalfa, but according to Frazee, the right care in the field

will significantly improve your chances of getting many pounds of quality meat. A recently published flyer entitled "A Pocket Guide to Care and Handling of Deer from Field to Table" presents easy-care instructions for hunters in the field, during transport and processing, and in the kitchen. Proper handling of the meat at each step from field to table ensures optimum eating quality. This flyer provides an outline of suggested steps in properly han-

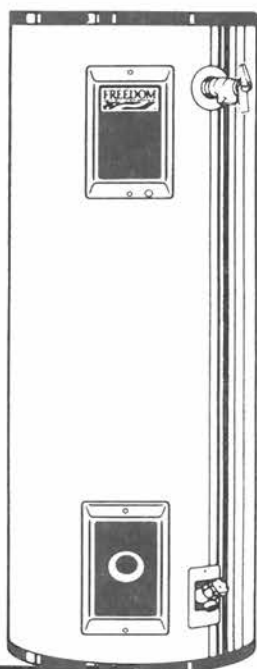
dling your kill to ensure maximum meat quality and safety.

To receive your free copy, contact the Adams County Cooperative Extension Service Office and ask for NCR Publication #525. Also, a publication entitled "Safe Handling of Wild Game" may be of interest to hunters as well. The latter publication, which sells for \$5 includes care and handling of harvested game as well as some recommended recipes. To purchase a copy, please stop by the Adams County CES office, 330 South 36th Street, Quincy, IL. If you have any questions, call 217-223-8380. ■



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F5 52 gallon	219.95	and 5 Year
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F8 52 gallon	319.95	8 Years Parts and Tank)
FLT 40 gallon	409.95	(1 Year Labor Lifetime
FLT 52 gallon	419.95	Parts and Tank Warranty)

*Note: Lower elements are
always covered by warranty!*

Capital Credits to be Returned in November

After carefully studying the financial position of your cooperative, the board of directors has authorized paying a portion of 1973 capital credits in 1996 and the continuation of the settlement of estates. Approximately \$71,400 will be refunded to our members this fall. The checks will be mailed during November 1996.

Members of Adams Electrical Co-Operative receive electric service at

cost, with any margins returned to them in the form of capital credits. A separate account is set up for each member and the amount of margins earned each year is carefully recorded.

Each year, the cooperative invests this money in the plant (poles, lines, transformers, etc.) until the financial condition and the amount of equity (ownership) of our system is sufficient for it to be repaid.



Adams Electrical Co-Operative has paid all capital credits accumulated from 1939 through 1972. These capital credits totaled \$1,639,165. The amount of capital credits earned is in proportion to the amount of electricity a member used.

The return of capital credits on a regular basis depends a lot on the cooperative's overall financial stability. Capital credit retirements remain one of a member's most tangible indications of true ownership in their electric utility. ■

Attention Executors and Lawyers:

Capital Credit Payments to Estates

Adams Electrical Co-Operative is offering an option of returning capital credits to the estates of deceased members. Capital credits earned from 1974 through 1995 can be advanced on a discounted basis.

Estates can now receive payment on capital credits earned, allowing the estate to be closed. This policy is intended to prevent the confusion associated with annual capital credit payments.

If estates choose to receive future capital credits now, they will

be refunded on a 7 percent, 25-year discounted basis.

Your board of directors is striving to serve the current membership fairly while at the same time offering options to executors of estates. Please realize you are being offered an option to settle the capital credits of your estate in lieu of waiting for your capital credits to be retired on an annual cycle.

For more information on what documentation is needed for settlement of capital credits, call the office at 1-800-232-4797. ■

Office closed

Adams Electrical Co-Operative will be closed on Dec. 24 and Dec. 25 for Christmas and Jan. 1 for New Year's.

