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Dear Bill,

*Please extend my
heartiest appreciation to Jim
Thompson and everyone connected with
Adams Electric Cooperative for the
outstanding February 7th presentation
of Kyle Finley's Live Line Electric
Safety Demonstration. I can't thank you
enough, Bill, for allowing QND to have
this extremely important presentation. I
have spoken with many students and staff
members and every one of them has echoed
my sentiments--Kyle Finley was outstanding
and most informative. The most important
comment I heard was: "I had no idea how
little I knew about electricity." If Kyle's
presentation saves one life, protects the
health of one person, it is worth it.*

*I can hardly wait for the next Kyle
Finley visit in five years. Thanks for making
it possible, Bill. Thanks to Adams Electric
Cooperative. If you ever need a reference
person for Kyle's demonstration, please let
me know.*

*I wish you, Jim, and Adams Electric
Cooperative great happiness and success
in all endeavors.*

*Gratefully yours,
Ray Heilmann
Principal of Quincy Notre
Dame High School*

*We would like to take this opportunity
to express our gratitude to the Adams
employees who came out to the farm on
a cold winter night to help us get the
electricity on. These guys were very polite,
very helpful.*

*Thanks,
Danny & Barb McHone*

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Laura Dotson



Good News

The Cooperative completed another successful year in 2006. The Cooperative continues to improve its financial condition and closed the year with \$1,858,636 in total net margins. The Cooperative's equity was 35% at the end of 2006. Your Board of Directors set a financial goal to try to reach an equity level of 40% by the end of 2008 and continue to retire capital credits.

In 2004, we started with an equity ratio of 29% so we have come a long way. We were also able to retire capital credits in 2005 and 2006 in the amount of \$392,078 and \$239,487 respectively for the years of 1978 and 1979.

The Cooperative is committed to providing high quality service at a reasonable price. We strive to improve processes to gain efficiencies so we can absorb the increasing cost of providing our members electric service. As your general manager, I feel we are all in this together from the Board of Directors to the employees and the members. Our business structure of being not-for-profit allows us to look out for the best interest of each other. Our decisions are based on what is best for the overall membership.

The board approved a budget for 2007 that will continue to

allow the Cooperative to provide excellent member service. The Cooperative will continue to grow its equity ratio but on a less aggressive schedule. Electric rates will remain the same through the end of 2008 barring any major unforeseen circumstances.

The Cooperative has several projects planned for 2007 to improve its infrastructure. We will be upgrading

approximately 11 miles of three-phase lines in various locations across our service territory. We will continue to improve our technology to offer better service to members. In 2007, we will start converting our existing mapping system to a more interactive geographical information system to make it easier to get the information to the people who need it so they can make better decisions and provide better member service.

Some other areas the Cooperative will be exploring this year are a program to help members improve their energy efficiency and the possibility of a renewable energy project.

I want to say thanks for allowing me to be your general manager. I am committed to the success of the Cooperative and look forward to another successful year in 2007!



*General Manager
Jim Thompson PE*

The Day the Lights Came On

How well I remember the day! Our farm house had been wired, ready for the big day when the power would surge through the rural lines and we would have light! No more kerosene lamps to fill or chimneys to wash. No more Aladdin lamps with those frail mantles that blackened if the flame was turned too high or were destroyed by a flying moth attracted to the light. We just had a ceiling fixture with a pull chain installed in the center of each room, and my older sister and I liked to pull those chains every time we went past one, just pretending that there really was a magical light there. My younger sister, six years my junior, wasn't tall enough to reach them and said forlornly, "I'll never get to pull any chains!" Of course, when the power came on, lights came on all over the house. What excitement! I remember running

out of the house to find my dad, yelling, "The lights are on! The lights are on!" My mother had done the washing on the old wash board the day before, but there was the basket of ironing waiting. My dad put his farming duties aside for the rest of the day and we all headed to Quincy to buy an electric iron. I can still remember what it looked like. There was a heat indicator on it but no thermostat to keep it at the correct temperature, so you had to turn it off for awhile when it got too hot, but who could complain about that when you were used to heating flatirons on the kitchen range? Soon, a refrigerator was purchased and we no longer had to have the chunks of ice delivered or mop up water if we forgot to empty the drip pan in time.

Until electricity came to the rural areas, my life had been about like generations before me,

but after its advent we entered a new era where work was easier and there were no limits to the appliances, tools, and electronic devices that would influence the way we live. People talk about the "good old days," but no one would really like to go back to living without electric power!

Eunice Funk, Liberty

As we lived at the end of a long lane, we were not an electric user for several years later than our neighbors. Anticipation heightened as we were getting poles with wires to bring electric to us.

What was the first article needing this plugging in? Lights, electric refrigerator to replace the gas refrigerator? No. A black and white TV was the kids choice.

Coming home from school in the mid 50's, two miles from home, the six kids spotted a new shiny spike on top of our farm home. The sun was shining so bright giving us the signal WE HAVE IT. A TV antenna. The joys of seeing that shiny article came for all six excited kids, the bus driver and other students sharing in our experience. Our parents were so surprised we already knew about the surprise. How did we know? God gave us the TV signal.

*Lela Gabbert Allen,
Camden*

We want to hear from you!

Look at the list at the right. Send us your stories. Feel free to enter as many categories as you'd like. If we pick your entry, we'll give you a \$5 credit on your electric bill. Here are the current categories:

When the goin' gets tough...

What's your secret to saving money? What do you do to stretch a dollar? DEADLINE: Mon., April 9

My Cooperative

From your point of view, what's the best thing about being a part of a cooperative? How have you benefited by being a member of Adams Electric? DEADLINE: Fri., April 13

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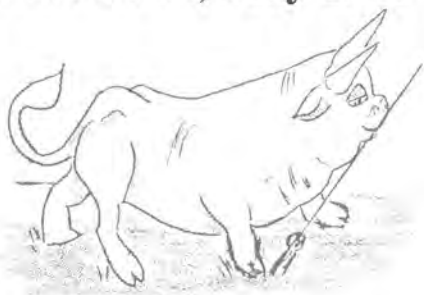
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News From Yesteryear

Reprinted from
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Live Line News, May 1940



Do you think a bull would make
a good lineman?

Mr. C. H. Whittler has a bull that is trying to qualify as a lineman. By rubbing a guy wire, he "jiggled" secondary wires together and turned off Mr. C. H. Whittler's transformer. If he can get so he can turn the transformer back on, we may be able to use him.

Live Line News, October 1940

Of course you've heard...

About our Project Engineer, Mr. Simpson, who recently moved to Springfield where dial telephones are in use. One day, when attempting to make a call, he lifted the receiver and waited for the operator to take his number, but to no avail. He has been reminded of it several times.

About our president, Mr. Sharrow, who walked into the office one morning and appeared to be more or less on the gloomy side, which is very unusual. Upon inquiry, we found that on the way to the office, his battery had dropped out of his Chevrolet car onto the gravel road. A few days later when Mr. Roy Arnold from Loraine, who drives a Ford, was having his battery changed causing some effort on the part of the service station attendant, Mr. Sharrow was present and made the remark that he should drive a Chevrolet to avoid this need. But Mr. Arnold was quick to answer that it might be some trouble to change his battery, but he was sure that he wouldn't lose it on the way to work some morning.



Forrest "Butch" Likes

Likes Retires After 31+ Years of Service

Forrest "Butch" Likes, Engineering & Operations Field Assistant, retired on Thursday, February 15, 2007. Butch began his career at Adams Electric on March 31, 1975 as a mechanic and became

the Engineering & Operations Field Assistant on November 16, 1997. Butch has been the "official" J.U.L.I.E. locator for Adams Electric Cooperative for the past 9 1/2 years. Butch and his wife, Carol, have two sons, Michael and David.

At the time of his retirement, Butch Likes had given over 31 years of service to Adams Electric and its members.

The Cooperative wishes to thank Butch for his many years of service and wishes him well in his retirement!



In The News...



Manager of Lineworker and Apprentice Development Roger Larkin from the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives awards Reische a certificate for completing the Electrical Lineman Skills Training Courses.

Reische Becomes Journeyman Lineman

Chad Reische became a Journeyman Lineman on February 17, 2007. Chad began an internship at Adams Electric on March 11, 2002. On February 17, 2003, Chad was hired full-time as an Apprentice Lineman.

Chad is a graduate of Brown County High School. He attended Northwest Iowa Community College where he earned a Powerline Degree in July 2002.

By completing the Apprentice Lineman's Program, Chad has a full understanding of operations, construction and maintenance of the electric distribution system.

Live Line Demo, Inc. Visits Local Schools

Adams Electric Cooperative, in cooperation with AmerenCIPS and McDonough Power Cooperative, sponsored an electrical safety demonstration on February 7th for area students. The 45-minute presentations, called Live Line Demo, Inc. were held at Quincy Notre Dame High School and Southeastern High School. The programs were presented by Kyle Finley of Alvin, Illinois, who is a former journeyman lineman and the owner of Live Line Demo, Inc. Kyle Finley's unique display

unit and dynamic delivery style captivates audiences and sends participants away with a much greater respect for electricity and the dangers associated with it.

Adams Electric Cooperative and AmerenCIPS try to bring the program to the area at least once a year. For more information, visit www.liveline demo.com or call Adams Electric Cooperative at (800) 232-4797.



Kyle Finley, owner of Live Line Demo, Inc., uses special safety equipment to emphasize the importance of installing a GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter) in all bathrooms and kitchens. During the demonstration, Kyle discusses many of the hazards of live power lines.

Four Local Students will Tour Washington, D.C.

A combined total of 30 applications were received by Adams Electric Cooperative and Adams Telephone Cooperative for this year's Youth to Washington Tour.

Adams Electric Cooperative has been sending students to Washington, D.C. since 1959. Adams Telephone joined the program in 2004. Today, approximately 2,000 students from 42 cooperatives across the United States meet at our Nation's capital each summer. This June, four local students will be traveling to Washington, D.C. for the week-long all-expense paid tour.

On March 28, 2007, applicants will gather in Springfield and participate in an interview selection process. Judges from the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives will choose two winners to represent each cooperative on the Youth to Washington Tour (June 8-15). One alternate will

be named for each cooperative in case one of the winners is unable to attend.

Representing Adams Electric Cooperative at the "Illinois Electric & Telephone Cooperative Youth Day" in Springfield will be Angela Barry of Liberty, Michelle Bower of Liberty, Emily Cook of Mendon, Denise Donley of Mendon, Justin McIntire of Quincy, Kristin Obert of Liberty, Olivia Robertson of Rushville, Sarah Roegge of Rushville, Amanda Scheuermann of Quincy, Rebecca Smith of Camp Point, Laura Sorrill of Quincy, Erica Mitchell of Paloma, Mackenzie Tomlinson of Rushville, Brian Waters of Liberty, Wendy Whelan of Quincy, and Jared Worley of Rushville.

Students representing Adams Telephone Co-Operative will be Jessica Cramm of Mendon, Lauran Golliner of Mt. Sterling, Tara Hibbert of Paloma, Kalyn Hull of Quincy, Kelsey Hull of Quincy,



Brent Kassing of Plymouth, Casey Kerker of Augusta, Amanda Schmidt of Clayton, Rachel Shriver of Ursa, Sam Steele of Augusta, Ashley Tangerose of Camp Point, Kelsey Taylor of Camp Point, Samantha Walker of Bowen, and Logan White of Augusta.

Thank you to guidance counselors and teachers who assisted in informing students of this once-in-a-lifetime educational opportunity. Thank you for supporting our efforts to introduce

student leaders to state and federal government.

We look forward to announcing the 2007 Youth to Washington winners in the May Adams Outlet.

If your son, daughter, or grandchild will be a sophomore or junior during the 2007-2008 school year, give us a call at (217) 593-7701. We'd be happy to add him/her to our mailing list for the 2008 Youth to Washington contest.

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Years of hands-on experience and word-of-mouth advertising has been the secret of success for Paul Layne of Rushville.

Kinderhook Landscape

Ever since he was small, Paul had an interest in landscape art. He drew constantly. After working for a landscape company out of Beardstown and operating a tree nursery with his dad in the 1980s, Paul Layne was ready for his own adventure. In 1987, Paul and his wife Martha, started Kinderhook Landscape, a full-service landscaping business out of his home. "The name comes from the road we live on, not the town."

Kinderhook Landscape serves a 70-mile radius from Rushville. "I've done a lot of work in Springfield." Having worked next door to jobs created by bigger landscaping operations, Paul has

learned how to create designs that blend well with "big city" projects. "I try to be original with it," he says. His work includes both residential and commercial landscaping.

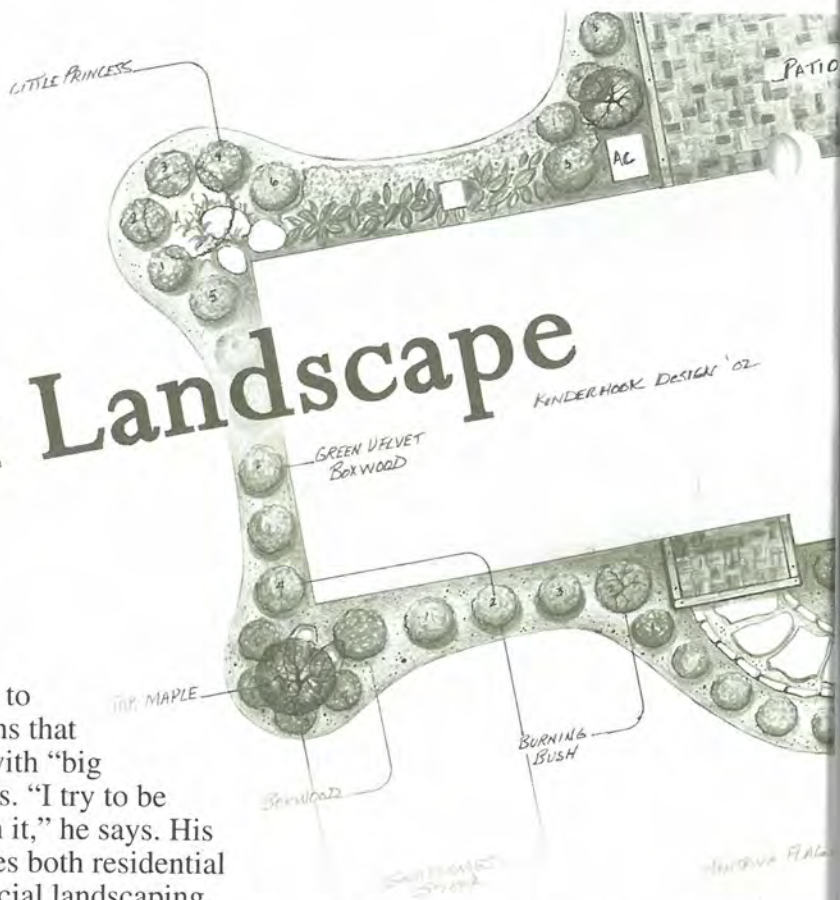
Paul is a one-man operation but says he hires help when necessary. "I do the landscaping and sub the turf work. I use Jim Stolp Construction for excavating and Boehm's for seeding."

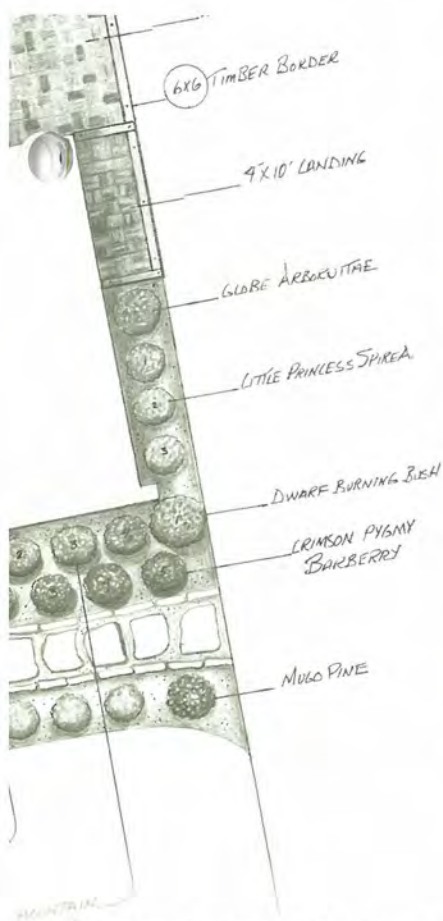
"I've never really advertised. I use each job as advertising for the next," says Paul. "The busiest time is April then business runs hard until the first freeze."

Rather than go back and forth between jobs, Paul prefers to

stay on one job until it's done. "It just seems more courteous to the client," he says. "Usually I can estimate the time it will take within a day but some jobs expand." Jobs sometimes grow into bigger projects as clients start to see the possibilities.

Paul says, "The design is centered around the customer. It's a personalized customized landscape. There's never a carbon copy."





Getting to know the client is the first step. "What colors does the client like? Do they prefer perennials or shrubs? How about evergreens? Do they prefer ground cover vs. rock? How much time do they have to devote to the maintenance?" he explains. "I can do a maintenance contract if needed."

After developing a feel for the client's likes and dislikes, he spends time at the property,

thinking about the possibilities. Several things must be considered: grades of the land, how water will run off, what types of plants will work well in the shade, and what will thrive in the sunny areas.

Paul creates a freehand full-color drawing illustrating how the landscape will appear. "Your plan sells the job," he says. The drawing helps the client visualize the project.

One thing is very important. He says, "I give the client the most I can give them for the money they want to spend."

"I work with all products. I have some favorites though. I know what plants are disease and insect resistant. I prefer stone borders to vinyl edging; it lasts longer," says Paul. "I work with about ten different outlets for plants. Boehm's in Rushville is always good with plants."

With 25 years of hands-on experience, Layne can do it all. He's worked with brick pavers, flagstone in gravel, Montana wallstone, concrete, vinyl borders, stone borders. He's designed yards, patios, gardens, and sidewalks. "I've attended several seminars and read a lot of books. I've learned what plants work and the applications for them." Paul learned his masonry skills from his dad. He's created nightscapes, shade huts and waterfalls.

Whatever you're looking for, Paul is willing to tackle your project. A portfolio of experience, natural talent and trial and error have helped Kinderhook Landscape flourish. To reach Kinderhook Landscape in Rushville, Illinois, call Paul Layne at (217) 322-6857.



Sausage Egg Breakfast Casserole

*Submitted by
Cheryl Dillard*

6 eggs
6 slices bread, cubed
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated
1 lb. sausage, cooked & drained
2 cups milk
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. dry mustard

Beat the eggs and add all other ingredients. Put in 9x13 casserole dish and refrigerate for 12 hours. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45 minutes. Let set a few minutes, then serve.

Fudge-topped Shortbread

Submitted by Debbie Rhea

1 cup butter (no substitutes), softened
1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
1/4 tsp. salt
1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 can (14 oz.) sweetened condensed milk
2 cups (12 oz.) semisweet chocolate chips
1/2 tsp. almond extract
1/3 cup sliced almonds, toasted

In a mixing bowl, cream butter, sugar and salt until fluffy. Gradually beat in flour. Spread into greased 9x13 baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 16-20 minutes or until lightly browned. In a microwave-safe bowl, combine condensed milk and chocolate chips. Microwave, uncovered, on high for 1-2 minutes or until chips are melted; stir until smooth. Stir in extract. Spread over the shortbread. Sprinkle with almonds and press down. Refrigerate until firm. Cut into squares.



Adams Electric Cooperative's Country Kitchen

Is your group or organization selling a cookbook? Send us the details and three sample recipes. We'll feature it for free (space permitting). Be sure to include a contact phone number. Have a favorite family recipe you'd like to share? We'd love to hear from you! Mail recipes to: Attn: Laura, Adams Electric Cooperative, PO Box 247, Camp Point, IL 62320
Or, save a stamp and send recipes with your electric bill!

Quick Apple Cake

(No mixer needed)

*Submitted by
Virginia Wheelhouse*

2 eggs, beaten w/wire whisk or fork
1 can apple pie filling
1 box (regular size) spice cake mix (dry)
3/4 cup chopped walnuts or pecans
1/2 to 1 cup raisins, soaked in hot water, drained & squeezed dry

Beat ingredients with big spoon. Bake in 9x13 baking pan for 30 minutes at 350 degrees. For an extra treat, sprinkle the top with cinnamon & sugar about 10 minutes before cake is done or use your favorite frosting.



Eggless, Milkless, Butterless Cake

Submitted by Marilyn Bottorff

1 cup sugar
1 cup raisins
1 cup cold water
1/3 cup lard
Pinch of salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 tsp. cloves
2 cups flour
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 tsp baking powder
1 cup nuts
2/3 cup chopped apples

Combine first eight ingredients. Bring to a boil and cook well. When cool, add flour, baking soda, baking powder, nuts and apples. Bake in loaf pan at 350 degrees for 45 minutes to 1 hour until done.

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Sealing the Crawl Space, Part II

by Doug Rye, the "Doctor of Energy Efficiency"
- the King of Caulk and Talk

Wow! Did last month's column ever generate a lot of interest? I have had a steady stream of calls since it was published. As promised, I will devote this column to describing how to properly seal the crawl space. It does work.

First of all, let me review with you the reasons why, in most cases, it is good to seal your crawl space. Moisture in the air always goes from warm to cool (like a glass of iced tea). Well, in the warmer months, the crawl space is cooler than the hot humid air, which means that the warm moist air is trying to find a cold surface, like duct work, floor joists or ground for condensation to occur. So, if the warm, moist air can get in through open vents, it will find a place to condensate and BINGO, there's your moisture problem. If you seal or close those vents, the warm, moist air can't get in your crawl space in the first place. And if you place heavy plastic on the ground, it will stop ground moisture (not standing water) from migrating into your crawl space.

However, let me stress that there are times when it isn't appropriate to seal a crawl space. In most cases it is the best option, but here are some situations when you should NOT seal a crawl space.

1. Do NOT seal your crawl space if your state or local codes do not approve of this type of construction.
2. In some cases, your pest exterminator might not approve and, if this is the case, do NOT seal the crawl space until you find another exterminator who will approve.
3. Do NOT seal the crawl space if you are in a flood plain or if you ever have standing water under

your house. You must solve the water problem first.

4. Do NOT seal the crawl space if your dryer vent discharges into the crawl space. Change that and place the vent on an outside wall before you seal the crawl space.

5. Do NOT seal the crawl space if you have combustible appliances such as a gas furnace or a gas water heater located in your crawl space. Such appliances require considerable amounts of air for combustion.

Now, if none of the above conditions exist, and you have decided to continue, here's the step-by-step method.

No. 1: From under the house, install two-inch rigid foam cutouts (eight inches by 16 inches) into the foundation vents.

No. 2: Install a minimum of eight-mil plastic across all of the ground of the crawl space and tape and/or overlap the plastic's seams.

If the house is south of Interstate 40, (Editor's Note: Doug Rye is referring to I-40 in Arkansas.) install the plastic covering up the foundation wall all the way to the wood floor framing. If the house is north of Interstate 40, install the plastic about six inches up the foundation wall. This will allow you to spray cellulose or foam insulation on the foundation wall. If your house is south of I-40, the winters are warmer than in northern Arkansas, so it isn't as necessary to insulate the foundation walls, although it won't hurt at all if you

do it. Once again, make sure you let your exterminator know about your plans before you seal the crawl space.

Folks, that's really about all there is to it. Many will tell you that sealing up a crawl space will cause moisture problems. The fact is when we are called to solve moisture-related problems in a crawl space, we solve these problems as I described here in this column. When the crawl space is sealed, there should be no moisture in the space unless you have a plumbing leak. While this rarely happens, you may want to install a small sump pump at the lowest elevation in case a leak develops.

In my honest opinion, this is how you should treat your crawl space. By sealing your crawl space, you will have a drier area with a more constant temperature, which will also help you save on your utility bills. And as always, feel free to call me at the office at 501-653-7931 if you have other questions.

Doug Rye, a licensed architect living in Saline County and the popular host of the "Home Remedies" radio show, works as a consultant for the Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas to promote energy efficiency to cooperative members statewide. Source: Rural Arkansas Magazine

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Calendar

Tax Credit Reminder

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Lincoln Land Depression Era Glass & Pottery Show/Sale

April 1 (10am-4pm), Illinois Building, Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield.

Drop-In Crafts

April 1, 7, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, (10am-2pm on Saturdays, 1-5pm on Sundays), Quincy Public Library. Crafts for children. No reservations required. (217) 223-1309

Mother Goose Storytime

April 3, 17, 24, Quincy Public Library. For children 6 mos.-18 mos. Reservations (217) 223-1309

1st Steps Storytime & Crafts

April 3, 17, 24, Quincy Public Library. 18 mos.-36 mos. Everyone welcome. New stories each week. Reservations (217) 223-1309

Krafty Kids

April 5, 12, 19, 26, Quincy Public Library. For kids in grades 1-6. Reservations (217) 223-1309



Nauvoo Easter Bunny Trail

April 7 (9am-5pm), Nauvoo State Park. Easter egg hunt, business specials, children's games & Easter bunny. (217) 453-6648

Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center Dance Troupe Spring Concert

April 11 (7:30pm), WIU Campus, University Union, Grand Ballroom, Macomb. Variety of dance performances and acts. (309) 298-2220

QND Band Spring Concert

April 12 (8pm), Quincy Notre Dame, 1400 S. 11th. (217) 223-2479

Sunset Home Auxiliary Spring Bazaar

April 13 (9am-2pm), Sunset Home, 418 Washington, Quincy. Baked goods, flea market items, clothing, furniture & homemade coffee cake in coffee shop.

7th Annual Eaglefest 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament

April 14 (8am & throughout day), Liberty School. Teams of boys & girls, grades 1-8 will play three games each. Concession including cinnamon rolls and pizza. (217) 645-4303

Healthy Kids Days

April 14 (10am-1pm), Quincy Family YMCA. Event promoting health & fitness fun for kids of all ages through sports and activities. (217) 222-9622

Macomb Antique Show

April 21 (10am-6pm), WIU Campus, Western Hall, Macomb. First ever Macomb Antique Show. Fine antiques & collectibles from dealers throughout the tri-states. Proceeds will be donated to the Western Illinois Museum. Handicap accessible. (309) 833-1315

Viva L'Italia Finale Concert

April 21 (7:30pm), Morrison Theater, 14th & Maine, Quincy. Quincy Symphony Orchestra & Quincy Symphony Chorus. (217) 222-2856

Stitches in Time Quilt & Needlework Show

April 21 & 22 (Sat. 10am-5pm & Sun. 11am-5pm), Quincy High School, 33rd & Maine. Over 100 quilts, scores of stitchery pieces, a traveling exhibit, merchant mall & prize drawings. Admission: \$5. (217) 936-2391

Spring Youth Orchestra Concert

April 22 (4pm), Baldwin Intermediate School, Quincy. Quincy Area Youth Orchestra. (217) 222-2856

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)

April 23 (6-7:30pm), Quincy Public Library. In 90 hilarious minutes, three men from the Quincy Community Theatre will perform all of Shakespeare's 37 plays (in some form): Othello as a rap, Titus Andronicus as a cooking show, Hamlet done backwards, etc. Reservations (217) 223-1309

JWCC Spring Concert

April 24 (7pm), John Wood Community College, Paul Heath Center Auditorium, 48th & Harrison, Quincy. Admission: \$3/adults, free for students. (217) 641-4999

Blood Drive

April 25, Quincy Public Library. For appointments, call (217) 222-2477

Sausage & Pancake Breakfast/Silent Auction

April 28 (7-11am), Quincy Christian School, 2017 Longlett Dr., Quincy. Free will donation for breakfast. (217) 223-5698

Leonore Suppan-Gehrich, Piano, & Friends

April 29 (4pm), First Union Congregational Church, 12th & Maine, Quincy. (217) 228-2866

FREE

Event Listings

Deadlines:

May Events.....April 1 August/Sept Events.....July 1
June Events.....May 1 October Events.....Sept 1
July Events.....June 1 Nov Events.....Oct 1

Send event title, date(s), time(s), address, town, brief description, cost (if any), and contact phone #.

Mail to: Attn: Laura, Adams Electric, PO Box 247, Camp Point, IL 62320 or Call: (800) 232-4797

Town-wide yard sales, concerts, car shows, craft shows, parades, festivals, plays, fairs, special sporting events, benefits, activities for children, bake sales, demonstrations, or something else? Tell us about it! Space permitting.



Electricity School

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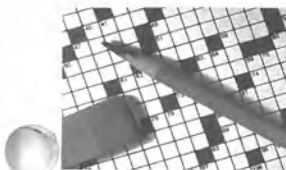
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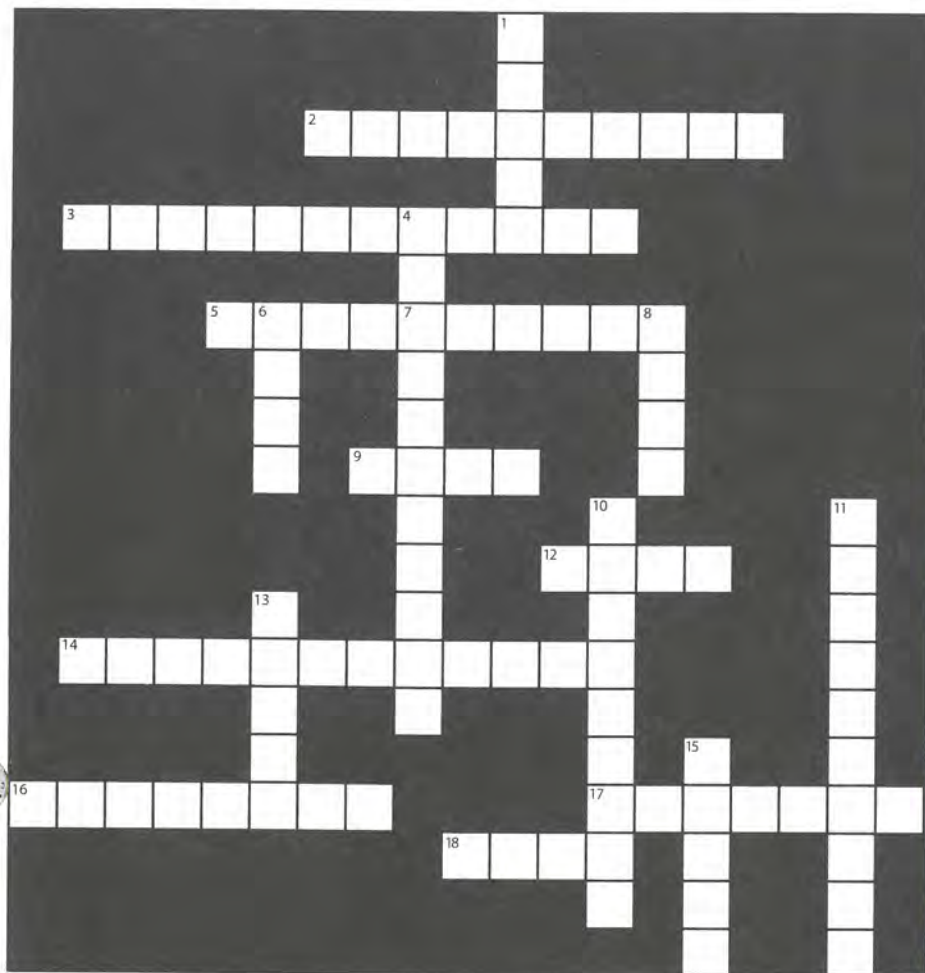
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Across

2. Keep kites away from _____ (2 words).
3. A new column called "News from Yesteryear" features articles from the old newsletter from Adams Electric which was called _____ (3 words).
5. Landscape designer, Paul Layne operates _____ Landscape in Rushville.
9. Calendar of Event listings are _____
12. Eggless, Milkless, Butterless _____
14. Four area high school sophomores/juniors are awarded a trip to _____ every year.
16. General Manager of Adams Electric Cooperative
17. Host of "Home Remedies" radio show
18. Kyle Finley demonstrates the importance of installing a _____ in all kitchens and bathrooms.

Down

1. Without whole house _____ protection, your expensive electronic equipment is vulnerable to damage.
4. _____ school will be held this June and is free to students ages 8-18.
6. When Eunice Funk was a child and her family first got electricity, they went to Quincy to buy what?
8. President of Adams Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors
10. If you installed energy efficient windows, doors, roof, insulation, heating & cooling equipment or other, you may be eligible for a _____ (2 words).
11. After four years of training, an apprentice lineman can become a _____.
13. Retired recently
15. You must call _____ two working days before you begin any digging project.

Crossword Deadline: Monday, April 30

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