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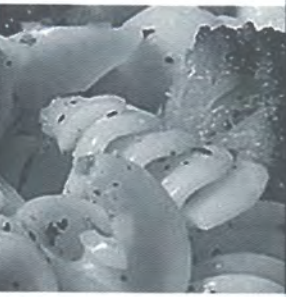
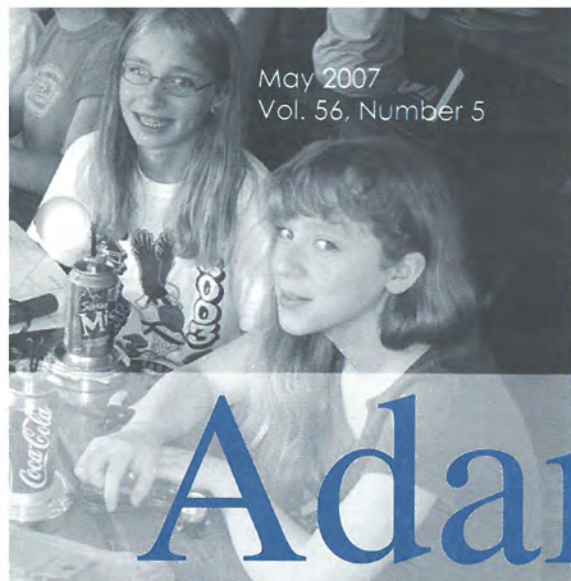


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On behalf of the Community Outreach Clinic and Blessing Affiliates staff members, The Blessing Foundation genuinely thanks the membership of Adams Electric Cooperative for the Penny Power Grant of \$1,050.

That's 105,000 pennies for us to put to good use buying a tympanic thermometer and a high capacity scale for use with adult medical patients who present at the free Outreach Clinic with a variety of acute and chronic health conditions. Accurate assessment on all patients is vital to most effectively meet their needs in a timely and efficient manner.

We truly appreciate your consideration and approval of this grant to the Community Outreach Clinic. It is a gift that will benefit many adults in the months and years to come.

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Sincerely,
Darrel N. Heetland, CEO
T.I.P. Rural Electric Cooperative

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Editor
Laura Dotson



Objectives of Controlled Heating & Cooling Rate

by Jim Thompson PE,
General Manager



The Cooperative has been receiving numerous calls from members wondering if the Cooperative is going to eliminate the electric heat rate. The Cooperative has several objectives it is trying to accomplish in promoting electric heat.

One objective is that we want members to use electricity efficiently. Current programs promote geothermal and air-to-air heating systems because we know these are efficient heating and cooling systems and want members to take advantage of these technologies. We provide incentives and special rates to move members in this direction.

The Cooperative also wants to influence the time when members use electricity. The better job we can do influencing when members use electricity the more efficiently we can purchase electricity for all of our members.

The third objective is to improve our load factor. We neither want extreme demand for electricity during certain times of the year nor want usage to drop off significantly during other times. For these reasons and in order to qualify for our incentive rates, we need to be able to control air conditioners and water heaters. For the same reasons, we also offer time-of-day and interruptible rates to qualifying members.

By working together, we can do a better job of keeping electric rates down. These same objectives are important today and will be more important in the future. The ability to provide price signals and incentives to influence usage patterns will allow us to do a better job of purchasing electricity.

We first offered the Controlled Heating & Cooling (CHC) rate in the early nineties at \$0.04 per kWh. The CHC rate rose to \$0.046 in 2003. The Cooperative will perform a cost of service study in 2008 and the rate may be adjusted in 2009 depending on the study. For the above mentioned reasons, the Cooperative will maintain its controlled heating and cooling rate as long as it stays advantageous for the overall membership.

Wind Generation

The Cooperative is also receiving numerous inquiries about wind generation. The board has authorized the Cooperative to proceed with studying the feasibility of installing a wind turbine. The Cooperative has learned several things in its analysis. The economics are very dependent on the wind quality, the size of the generating unit (the larger the better), and incentives. If we are able to combine all three of these parts and make the project financially feasible, all members will be able to take advantage of wind generation at a competitive price. It seems to make sense to pursue a wind turbine at the Cooperative level to obtain the economics of scale so all members can take advantage of wind power. I will provide more feedback as this analysis moves along.



The Adams Electric Cooperative office will be closed Monday, May 28 in honor of

Memorial Day

Waters & Donley Win Trip To Washington, D.C.

On March 28, 2007, area sophomores and juniors joined together in Springfield with approximately 300 students from across Illinois for the 2007 Illinois Electric and Telephone Cooperative Youth Day. Fourteen students represented Adams Electric Cooperative and twelve students represented Adams Telephone Co-Operative.

During Youth Day, students met with Senator John Sullivan at the Howlett Building. After a visit to the Supreme Court, students met with Secretary of State Jesse White at the State Capitol. In the afternoon, after a luncheon and "Wheel of Cooperation" game show, students toured the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and the Old Capitol.

At the end of the day, each cooperative group participated in an interview competition. Two trips were awarded by each cooperative for the 2007 Youth to Washington Contest. The judge for Adams Electric Cooperative this year was John Freitag of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives of Springfield. Winners were chosen based on their application and interview.

The winners of Adams Electric Cooperative's 48th Annual "Youth to Washington" contest were Brian Waters, son of Bill and Nancy Waters of Liberty,



(l-r): Winner Brian Waters, Liberty High School; Winner Denise Donley, Unity High School; and Alternate Wendy Whelan, Payson Seymour High School. Winners will tour Washington, D.C. this summer.

and Denise Donley, daughter of Alan and Beth Donley of Mendon. Wendy Whelan, daughter of Brent and Gina Whelan of Quincy was named Alternate.

This is the fourth year for Adams Telephone Co-Operative to participate in the Youth to Washington Contest. Winners representing Adams Telephone Co-Operative are Kalyn Hull, daughter of Scott and Carol Hull of Quincy and Ashley Tangerose, daughter of Bob and Donna Tangerose of Camp Point. Lauran Golliher, daughter of Steve and Kathy Golliher of Mt. Sterling was named Alternate.

Alternates are eligible to go to Washington, D.C., if a winner

is unable to attend. Alternates will receive a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond.

Winners will assemble with approximately 50 other high school students representing Illinois electric cooperatives on June 8, 2007 and travel to Washington, D.C. They will be accompanied by several chaperones and return to Springfield on June 15th.

During their all expense-paid week in Washington, D.C., winners will join approximately 1,450 other students from 42 states for "Rural Electric Youth Week," sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and electric cooperatives across the United States.



I would like to nominate _____ for next year's Youth to Washington Contest!

If you know someone who will be a sophomore or junior this fall, send us his/her name. We'll add your nominee to our mailing list and send a 2008 application this December! Complete the information below and mail it to:
Attn: Laura, Adams Electric, P.O. Box 247, Camp Point, IL 62320

Student's Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Phone number: _____

Your name: _____ Relationship: _____

Lost Members List

This is a partial list of members who did not leave us a forwarding address, or in some cases, a trustee has not yet been identified. Please call Adams Electric Cooperative at (800)232-4797 if you have any information (current address, phone number, etc.) for any of the following former members:

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Duy, Burton W

Nominating Committee Meeting Scheduled for May 15, 2007

According to Cooperative bylaws, the Nominating Committee must meet and prepare a list of nominees at least 60 days before the Annual Meeting. This year the Annual Meeting will be Wednesday, September 5, 2007. The Committee will meet at the Cooperative office at 700 East Wood Street in Camp Point at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. Within three working days, following completion of the nominating process, a list of nominees will be posted in the lobby of the Cooperative office.

The Secretary shall be responsible for mailing to each

Member at least 40 days before the date of the Annual Meeting a statement of the number of directors to be elected and the names and addresses of the candidates nominated in each district by the Nominating Committee.

The Secretary shall be responsible for mailing with the notice of the Annual Meeting, or separately, but at least seven days before the date of the Annual Meeting, a statement of the number of directors to be elected and the names and addresses of candidates nominated by the Committee and by petition, if any. The names of the candidates shall be arranged by district.

The Cooperative is divided into nine districts of representation of membership and each district is represented by one director. Directors serve three-year terms. Their terms in office are staggered so that three of the nine directors are elected each year. The director districts for this year are as follows:

What is Expected of a Director?

Director candidates often ask this question when they consider running for the Board. The following is a list of the minimum requirements for an Adams Electric Cooperative Director:

1. Directors must attend all regular monthly board meetings, usually beginning at 7:00 p.m. and adjourning three to five hours later.
 2. Directors must attend all Special Board Meetings, Committee Meetings and Adams Electric Cooperative's Annual Meeting. Directors should also attempt to attend one National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Meeting or Director's Conference every year.
 3. Other meetings Directors attend include one- and two-day educational seminars. Directors are encouraged to complete their NRECA Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate during their first term (3 years). Incumbent Directors must complete at least two additional continuing educational offerings during a three year period ending with the second year of each successive term to maintain eligibility as a Director.
 4. Credentialed Directors receive a \$175.00 per diem and mileage (IRS approved mileage rate) for attendance of Cooperative meetings. Non-Credentialed Directors receive a \$125.00 per diem and mileage (IRS approved mileage rate) for attendance of Cooperative meetings. All Directors receive transportation, lodging and meal expenses when traveling on Cooperative business.
 5. Directors spend 23-35 days each year representing Adams Electric Cooperative.
 6. A Director is expected to read and be familiar with information and financial reports from the Cooperative, and/or other state and national associations.
 7. A Director represents all Members of Adams Electric Cooperative, not a geographic region or Director district.
 8. A Director should work in harmony with the whole Board. A Director must also have the self-confidence and communication skills to express their opinion or disagreement with other Directors.
 9. Directors and spouses are encouraged to join NRECA's political action committee, Action Committee for Rural Electrification (ACRE). Regular membership is \$25.00 per year and century club membership is \$100.00 per year.
- Additional details are provided in Adams Electric Cooperative's Bylaws.

To Be Elected in 2007	At the 2006 Annual Meeting, the following nominat- ing committee members were elected to serve in 2007:	
District #1 <i>Consisting of Astoria Township of Fulton Co.; Littleton, Oakland, Buena Vista, Woodstock, Browning, Rushville, Bainbridge, Hickory and Frederick Townships of Schuyler Co.</i>	<i>Mr. Paul Vincent RR 1 Box 37 Frederick, IL 62639</i>	<i>Mr. Maurice Ross RR 1 Box 43E Rushville, IL 62681</i>
District #2 <i>Consisting of Keene, Northeast and Houston Townships of Adams County; Augusta, Chili and St. Albans Townships of Hancock Co.</i>	<i>Mr. Clarence Lawler 1901 N. 2700th Ave. Loraine, IL 62349</i>	<i>Mr. Paul Bruenger 1605 Highway 61 Loraine, IL 62349</i>
District #3 <i>Consisting of Gilmer, Columbus, Burton and Liberty Townships of Adams Co.</i>	<i>Mrs. Dawn Ormond 2300 N. 900th Ave. Liberty, IL 62347</i>	<i>Mrs. Marilyn Barry 2463 800th Ave. Liberty, IL 62347</i>
Member at Large	<i>Mr. Virgil Ohnemus 9312 Herman Ln. Fowler, IL 62338</i>	

New Members Welcomed to Advisory Committee

On Tuesday, March 13, Adams Electric Cooperative welcomed nine new members/couples to the Advisory Committee during a dinner at the Cooperative.

Manager of Marketing and Member Services, Bill Stalder, explained that the main purpose of the Advisory Committee is to discuss the operation and activities of the Cooperative. Through the Committee's feedback, the Cooperative can better evaluate the effectiveness of programs and services. Stalder also reviewed the history and organization of the Cooperative.

Bill Stalder, Steve Jennings and Steve Fanning educated the group on the operations of the marketing, finance and engineering departments. Cooperative staff members and Vice President of the Adams Electric Board Jim Benz were available to answer questions about the Cooperative.

Members of the Advisory Committee are selected by the Board of Directors and meet three to four times per year. The Advisory Committee consists of 18 members/couples who serve staggered two-year terms.



Adams Electric Cooperative Manager of Marketing/Member Services Bill Stalder speaks with first and second-year Advisory Committee Members during a dinner at the Cooperative.

New Advisory Committee Members:

- Dist. #1: Ronald & Jane Peak, Rushville*
- Dist. #2: Clarence & Jenny Lawler, Loraine*
- Dist. #3: Dick & Lois Knuffman, Liberty*
- Dist. #4: Aaron & Duskee Kassing, Mt. Sterling*
- Dist. #5: Cindy Twidwell, Plymouth*
- Dist. #6: Donald & Carolyn Reckers, Payson*
- Dist. #7: Larry & Gloria Jenkins, Quincy*
- Dist. #8: Doug & Debbie Hammer, Timewell*
- Dist. #9: Dan & Ann Kirlin, Camp Point*

2nd Year Advisory Committee Members:

- Dist. #1: Fred & Cindy Elmore, Rushville*
- Dist. #2: David & Barb Higley, Golden*
- Dist. #3: Joseph & Dawn Ormond, Liberty*
- Dist. #4: Terry & Cheryl Dillard, Mt. Sterling*
- Dist. #5: Gary & Joann Kennedy, Camden*
- Dist. #6: Paul & Norma Hildebrand, Plainville*
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In 1887, Agricultural Experiment Stations were established at each Land Grant University, recognizing agricultural research as one of the Land Grant University's functions.

Universities needed a way to disseminate the research findings from their Experiment Stations to the general public. The universities began delivering their findings through demonstrations.

The Smith-Lever Act of 1914 provided the partnership of state, county and federal governments to support Extension functions by each Land Grant University. The Cooperative Extension program was established through the USDA and Land Grant Universities to educate the community, increase farm productivity and improve rural life.



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION



Who are they? What do they do?

University of Illinois Extension is an outreach program of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Seventy-seven Extension Units based throughout Illinois serve all 102 counties. They provide educational programs and resources for the public to apply research findings from the university and "put knowledge to work." The free (or low cost) programs offered by each Extension Unit are based on the needs of each community but cover five general categories: health, food security and safety, environmental stewardship, food production, and enhancing youth, family and community well-being.

Extension Units educate the public in several ways: through hands-on workshops, field days, on-line tutorials and other formats based on the subject matter and audience.

As an example, programs at the Adams/Brown Extension Unit include 4-H Youth Development, Horticulture, Agriculture & Natural Resources, Nutrition & Wellness and Community & Economic Development.

4-H Youth Development

The goal of the 4-H program is to teach young people skills for living. It was the first publicly funded youth program in the country. Using a learn-by-doing method, young people learn about citizenship, leadership, cooking, arts and crafts, mechanics, technology, horticulture, agriculture and more.

The 4-H program is open to all youth ages 8-18. A cloverbud program is available for children ages 5-7. Youth meet regularly with their local 4-H clubs and complete a variety of 4-H projects.

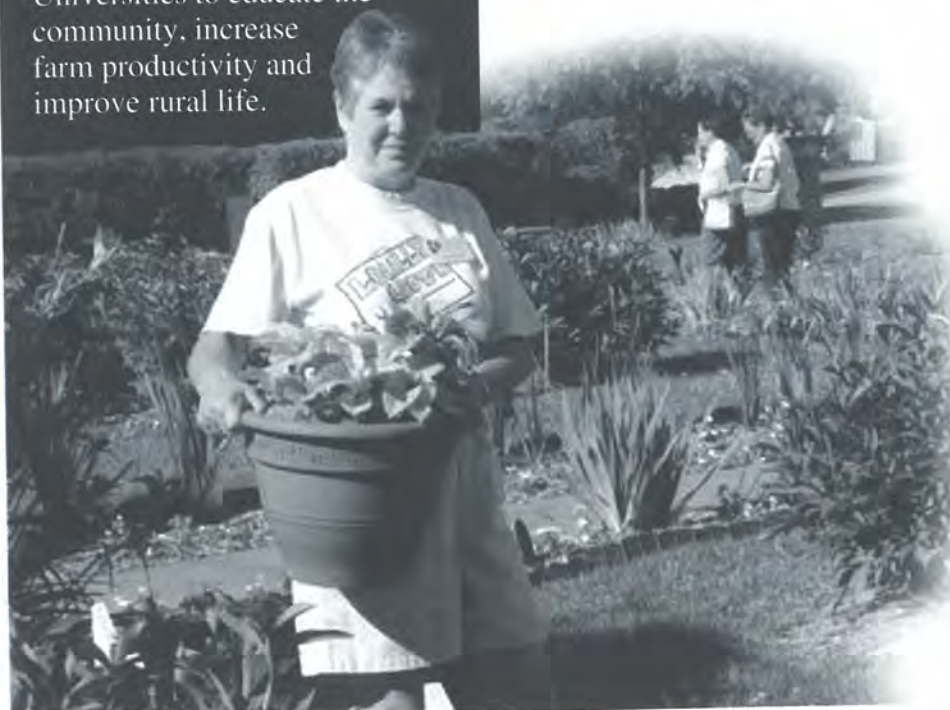
Extension professionals are also available to enhance learning in schools through the 4-H School Enrichment program with instructional materials, teacher training, and assistance in teaching 4-H programs.

(For information on the upcoming 4-H Electricity School, see page 11.)

Horticulture, Agriculture & Natural Resources

Everyone from the farmer to the backyard gardener can look to Extension for advice and training. Programs cover everything from plant diseases, insects, community gardens and tropical plants to

Left: Janet Enroth preparing for the 2006 Masters Tour



crops, sheep shearing, marketing local products, protecting natural resources, conservation practices, computers, and more. Topics are based on the current needs of the community.

Through a comprehensive effort, the Adams/Brown Unit began a new program called Locally Grown. The program teaches producers how to market their locally grown products and teaches consumers the importance of buying locally.

Extension educators also offer a 10-day Master Gardener program. "We have more than 50 active master gardeners right now. They volunteer 60 hours per year back to the community to projects like maintaining the gardens at the Illinois Veterans' Home, local schools, and the John Wood Mansion," said Carrie Edgar, County Extension Director.

Nutrition & Wellness

The Nutrition & Wellness programs teach safe and healthy living and eating habits. Programs include dining with diabetes, food safety, eating healthy, baking bread, gardening basics, canning food and more.

Edgar explained that there was a need for a wellness program in Brown County. "We introduced a Wellness Program for Brown County through a partnership with Dot Foods, Mt. Sterling YMCA and Extension," she said. Everyone from toddlers through senior citizens now have access to health screening and numerous wellness programs in Brown County.

Community & Economic Development

In general, Extension's mission is to help improve the quality of life in every community.

Professionals can help individuals organize and plan events. Extension offers training for small business owners and entrepreneurs. The "Step Up to Leadership" course trains people who are interested in serving on a board of directors. The local

Extension Unit also offers a leadership academy for those interested in improving their leadership skills.

The majority of the classes offered by Extension Units are free, informal, non-credit programs. However, in some instances, there may be a fee for materials or a meal, and at times, continuing education credits are available. Registration is required for all programs.

"Funding raised locally is matched by the state. We are fortunate in Adams and Brown County to have a fairly large unit," commented Edgar. She added, "All of our programs are grassroots focused, based on the needs of the communities we serve." An advisory council provides direction for Extension, making sure the needs of the community are being met.

"If we get a question we can't answer locally, we can generally get an answer within a day or two through staff at the University of Illinois," explains Edgar. Extension is able to draw on expertise from all Land Grant Universities and find accurate information quickly. "We cannot promote any product over another. All of our information is non-biased and research based," adds Edgar.

Extension aims to connect research with local practice. The programs are open to everyone regardless of their county of residence. The public is free to attend programs offered outside their county or state.

According to the University of Illinois Extension's website, "More than 2 1/2 million residents take part in Extension programs each year, including nearly 300,000 who participate in 4-H programs."

To take advantage of these programs and see a calendar of events, visit the University of Illinois Extension website at www.extension.uiuc.edu or contact your local Extension Unit.

Local Extension Units

Adams County Office

330 S. 36th Street, Quincy
(217) 223-8380

www.extension.uiuc.edu/adamsbrown

Brown County Office

111 W. Main St., Mt. Sterling
(217) 773-3013

www.extension.uiuc.edu/adamsbrown

Fulton County Office

15411 N. IL 100 Hwy., Lewistown
(309) 547-3711

www.extension.uiuc.edu/fulton

Hancock County Office

550 N. Madison, Carthage
(217) 357-2150

www.extension.uiuc.edu/hancock

McDonough County Office

3022 W. Jackson, Macomb
(309) 837-3939

www.extension.uiuc.edu/mcdonough

Schuyler County Office

710 Maple Avenue, Rushville
(217) 322-3381

www.extension.uiuc.edu/cassschuyler

Pike County Office

1301 E. Washington, Pittsfield
(217) 285-5543

web.extension.uiuc.edu/pike

Below: Planning for planting at the Community Garden.



Oriental Coleslaw

Submitted by Judy Lair

1/4 cup oleo
2 pkgs. Ramen noodles,
oriental flavor
1/2 can cashews
1 cup oil
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup vinegar
2 Tbsp. soy sauce
1 medium head cabbage,
shredded
8 green onions, chopped

Melt oleo in a jelly-roll pan. Add cashews and noodles broken up. Bake at 350 degrees, stirring often. When mixture starts to brown, remove from oven; drain and cool on paper towel. Mix oil, sugar, vinegar and soy sauce with the two flavoring packets provided with the noodles. When ready to serve, mix cabbage, green onions, noodles, cashew mixture and dressing.



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!

Pistachio Salad

Submitted by Agnes Boylen

1 pkg. instant pistachio
pudding
9 oz. container of Cool Whip
16 oz. can crushed pineapple,
don't drain!
1/2 cup small marshmallows
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Add dry pudding as it comes from box to Cool Whip. Add marshmallows, pineapple and nuts.

Tomato Stuffed w/ Chicken Salad

Submitted by Heidi Scott-Vincent

Chicken salad per your
favorite recipe
12 cherry tomatoes
Paprika

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Electricity School

For years, Adams Electric Cooperative has co-sponsored an annual 4-H Electricity School Program with the assistance of University of Illinois Extension and AmerenCIPS.

Students do not have to be 4-H members to attend Electricity School. However, all 4-H members enrolled in Electricity or Electronics are required to attend. All boys and girls, ages eight to 18, are invited.

This year's Electricity School will be held on **Wednesday, June 13** at Bailey Park in Camp Point. Classes this year will include:

- Level I Extension Cords
- Level II Soda Can Lamps
- Level III Circuits/Switches
- Level IV Substation Tour
- Level V Electronic Circuits

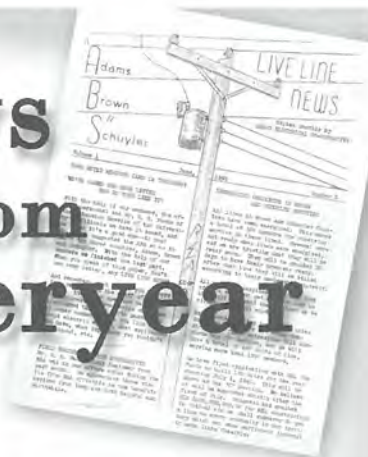
Level V, the electronics class, was a new addition last year for students who had completed the first four levels. Students must complete the classes in order. Other activities will include a game show and a basket truck/safety demonstration.

The event is free-of-charge but students must pre-register. An application is included on page 15 of this newsletter. You will also find both the application and health form on our website at: www.adamselectric.coop. Or, you may call 1-800-232-4797 to request an application and health form. Registrations are due by June 8.

We hope you can join us at this fun and educational event. Come see what it's all about!



News From Yesteryear



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Adams Electric
Cooperative's

Live Line News, August 1940

We are happy to note that a new project was started in 4-H club work this year for Rural Electrification. This new project is due to the fact that 50% of the farms in Adams County are now electrified, and we realize that our young farmers growing up are going to be using more and more electricity. Mr. R. R. Parks, of the Extension Service of the University of Illinois has set up a fine, simple manual on the uses of farm electricity for 4-H boys and girls. It was found that 23 boys were anxious to start it. Because of this interest, Mr. Cox (*AEC Project Superintendent in 1940*) was asked to meet with this group and their leader, Dean Sims, on the evening of July 31st and he outlined the uses of electricity on the farm.

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In The News...



Hibbert Retires After 11 Years of Service

Joyce Hibbert retired from Adams Electric Cooperative on Friday, March 30, 2007. Joyce has served as custodian starting as a part-time employee in February 1996 and becoming full-

time in June 1997. Joyce was also responsible for beautiful flowers and landscaping maintenance at the Cooperative. Joyce and her husband, Dennis (also a retiree of the Cooperative), live outside of Paloma. They have three children, Doug, Philip, and Susan and six grandchildren.

The Cooperative appreciates Joyce's years of service and wishes her well in her retirement!

New Employees at the Co-op will handle JULIE locates



Barlow



Hendricks



Lantis

Three new employees were hired as part-time locating assistants in the Engineering & Operations Department. Mark Barlow and Richard Hendricks began their duties on February 27, 2007. Al Lantis began his duties on March 28, 2007.

Mark Barlow is a farmer and lives outside of Clayton. He and his wife, Becky, have two children.

Dick Hendricks lives in Camp Point with his wife, Marlene. Dick was previously employed at AmerenCIPS from 1968-1999 until his retirement.

Al Lantis retired from the Illinois State Police in December 1998 after twenty-seven years of service. He is currently employed part-time at GameMasters in Quincy as a salesman. He and his wife, Mary, live in Clayton and have two children.



Kestner



Benz

Directors Continue Education

Adams Electric Cooperative Directors John Kestner of Payson and Jim Benz of Quincy attended the 2007 Directors' Conference. This year's conference was titled "Building for the Future."

Directors had the opportunity to attend courses to further their training as a cooperative director. They can earn a Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate and a Board Leadership certificate through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

Director Benz received credit toward his Board Leadership certificate by attending "Advanced Rate Decisions." Kestner has earned both certificates but received continued education credits for attending.

Suspicious Phone Calls

Adams Electric is not performing a phone survey at this time. Also, we do not have an automated voice collection system. If you receive a phone survey or an automated call from Adams Electric, do not respond. However, we will be conducting a survey by mail this summer from our state association (AIEC). Please call us at (800) 232-4797 if you have any concerns.

TRUCKS FOR SALE



1991 Ford F350

4WD, 153,581 mi., 7.3 diesel, 4 speed, Cass fiberglass utility bed, yellow

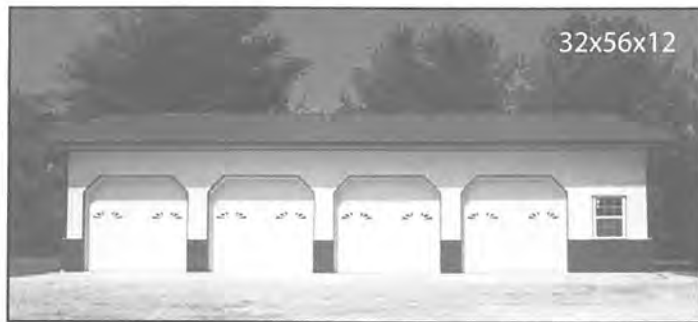


1995 Chevy 3/4 Ton Pickup

2WD, 245,041 mi., automatic, Knapheide utility bed, white
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Calendar

Uptown Farmer's Market
Mid-May thru Mid-Oct. Tuesdays & Saturdays (7am-Noon), Washington Park, Quincy. Fresh produce, baked goods & crafts.

1st Steps Storytime & Crafts

May 1, 8, 22, 29, Quincy Public Library. 18 mos.-36 mos. Everyone welcome. New stories each week. Reservations (217) 223-1309

Computer Class

May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (9am), York Street Branch of Quincy Public Library. One-on-one computer tutoring for adults & senior citizens. 30-minute sessions. Must register at (217) 223-1309 x306.

Storytime & Crafts

May 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 23, 24, 25, Quincy Public Library. 3 years & older. Everyone welcome. New stories each week. Reservations (217) 223-1309

Krafty Kids

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Quincy Public Library. For kids in grades 1-6. Reservations (217) 223-1309

Home Gardening (For You and Your Family)

May 3, 10, 17, 24 (6pm), Quincy Public Library. Join University of Illinois Extension Office Lecturers and Master Gardeners for a series that's sure to get your green thumb ready for gardening. Reservations required for each program. (217) 223-1309
May 3 - Preparing Your Soil
May 10 - Edible Flowers
May 17 - Herbal Adventures
May 24 - Creating Unusual Spaces

Dogwood Festival & Parade

May 5 (9:30am), Parade starts at 24th & Maine traveling west to 6th & Maine, Quincy. (217) 222-7980

Drop-In Crafts

May 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, (10am-2pm on Saturdays, 1-5pm on Sundays), Quincy Public Library. Crafts for children. No reservations required. (217) 223-1309

Mini-Concert

May 7 (7pm), Quincy Mall. 7th grade orchestra/QJHS jazz band perform. (217) 224-3774

QHS Play

May 10-12 (7:30pm), Quincy High School, 3322 Maine. (217) 224-3774

Footloose The Musical

May 10-12, 17-20, Oakley Lindsay Center, Quincy. Presented by Quincy Community Theatre. For reservations, call (217) 222-3209

Jump, Jive and Jazz: Teen Dance Workshop

May 11 (3pm), Quincy Public Library. Beth Heinze will teach toe-tapping teens the latest jazz steps. Reservations required (217) 223-1309 x220

The Great Chase

May 12 (9am registration), South Park, Quincy. Adams Co. Chapter American Red Cross & Blessing Heart & Vascular Center fundraiser. 5K/10K competitive run or 5K leisure walk. Pre-registration ends April 30. www.redcrossadams.org or www.active.com

Peter and the Wolf Puppet Show

May 14-19, Quincy Public Library. Puppet show about four friends trying to catch a wolf. Reservations required (217) 223-1309

Baldwin Choirs Concert

May 15 (7pm), 30th & Maine, Quincy. (217) 224-3774

Baldwin Instrumental Spring Music Festival

May 17 (7:30pm), Baldwin Gym, 30th & Maine, Quincy. (217) 224-3774

Scholastic Book Fair

May 18-20 (Fri. & Sat. 9am-5pm; Sun. 1-5pm), Quincy Public Library. Spring Scholastic Half-Price Book Fair.

Flea Market & Crafts

May 19 & 20, Adams Co. Fairgrounds, 2 1/2 miles south of Mendon on Hwy. 336. Adams Co. Olde Tyme Assoc. Antiques, old tools, collectibles, crafts, gas engines, tractors, and food stands. (217) 964-2165

QHS Pops Concert

May 20 (2pm), 3322 Maine, Quincy. (217) 224-3774

QJHS Choral Pops Concert

May 22 (7:15pm), 3322 Maine, Quincy. (217) 224-3774

Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament

May 26 & 27, Uptown Quincy. Register online at macker.com.

Memorial Day Church Services & Luncheon

May 27 (Service at 10:30am, Luncheon follows), Mound Prairie Cemetery (1 mi. east of Beverly, IL). Donations benefit the cemetery for upkeep. (217) 336-4191 or (217) 336-3221

Quincy Park Band Memorial Day Concert

May 28 (2pm), Clat Adams Park, Front & Hampshire, Quincy. (217) 224-3199

Nauvoo Adventure

Memorial Day thru Labor Day, Mon.-Sat. (3:30pm & 6:30pm), Visitor's Center Theater, Nauvoo. 70-minute musical drama. Free but ticket required. (888) 453-6434

Coming Soon!

Richfield Methodist Church Rummage/Bake Sale

June 9 (7am-1pm), Liberty Park. Huge sale, misc. & sandwiches.

Electricity School

June 13, Bailey Park. Open to all students ages 8-18. No charge. Details on page 11. Application on page 15. Registration required (217) 593-7701

Adams Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting

September 5, Bailey Park, Camp Point. Vote for your directors. Remember, this is YOUR cooperative; you are a member-OWNER. Bring the family for a free meal, entertainment, fun activities for children of all ages, numerous vendor booths, lots of door prizes & business meeting. No reservation required but bring the registration card from your Annual Report (mailed at the end of August). Hope to see you there! (217) 593-7701

FREE

Event Listings

Deadlines: June Events.....May 1 July Events.....June 1 Aug/Sept Events.....July 1	October Events.....Sept 1 November Events.....Oct 1 December Events.....Nov 1
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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.

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8:30-9:00 am
Registration

9:00 am
Welcome
Game Show

9:30 am
Safety Demonstration

10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Workshops

- ☐ Level I
Extension Cord
- ☐ Level II
Soda Can Lamp
- ☐ Level III
Circuits/Switches
- ☐ Level IV
Tour
- ☐ Level V
Electronics

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June 13, 2007

9:00 am-Noon

Bailey Park, Camp Point

- This event is **open to all youth ages 8-18**, not just 4-H members. Invite a friend! All participants must fill out registration and health forms.
- All 4-H members enrolled in Electricity or Electronics are required to attend 4-H Electricity School. Projects completed at Electricity School may not be used as an exhibit at a 4-H Show.
- Registration and health forms are due in the office by June 8. (After returning this registration form, you will receive a health form in the mail.)
- Please bring the following tools: wire strippers, phillips screwdriver, screwdriver, needle nose pliers.
- Check one box in front of the project workshop. If this is your first year, check the extension cord workshop. If you made an extension cord last year, check the soda can lamp workshop.
- Games in the park will be offered to participants who finish their workshop before 12:00 p.m. You are welcome to bring a baseball, ball gloves, and bats for a ball game if time permits.



Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ Phone: _____

I give Adams Electric Cooperative and the University of Illinois Extension permission to take my child's picture and use it for promotion of the 4-H program in the newspaper and elsewhere.

Parent Signature: _____

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University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment. If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, please contact the Adams/Brown Extension Office at 223-8380 by June 8, 2007.

Load Control Season Begins in June

What is Load Control and how does it work?

Many Adams Electric members participate in a load control program. The program allows the Cooperative to reduce the total amount of electricity used by its members (as a whole) during times of high electric demand, such as the hottest days of the summer. The load control program runs from June through September.

Members who choose to participate in the program allow the Cooperative to control their central air-conditioning units and electric water heaters. In return, these members receive a reduced rate for their electric heating, cooling and water heating.

During load control, all central air conditioner compressors are cycled a maximum of 15 minutes "on" and a maximum of 15 minutes "off," but the fan is allowed to run at all times. Electric water heaters are turned "off" for the entire interruption.

In order to perform load control, the Cooperative installs a load control receiver (also referred to as

a "switch") at the member's home. If you are unsure whether you are participating in load control, look for a receiver similar to the example shown below located near the condensing unit, the main meter or by the water heater.

Load control can take place at any time during the months of June, July,

August and September. Nearly 40% of Adams Electric members participate in load control making it impossible to notify everyone when an interruption will occur.

However, if you participate in any of our load control programs (CHC, CAC or CWH), you can determine when we are controlling by looking at your receiver. A red or amber (yellow) light(s) means the Cooperative is performing a load control. A green light means we are only testing the receiver. No light is normal and means we are not interrupting. This information should help answer your questions during load control periods. However, if you have additional questions, please feel free to call the Cooperative and we'd be happy to assist you. Call Adams Electric Cooperative at (217) 593-7701 or (800) 232-4797.

