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Thank you for awarding me with the Thomas H. Moore IEC Memorial Scholarship. I am truly honored and very blessed to live in a community that has an electrical cooperative. From going to Electricity School as a young 4-Her, to now volunteering at the school, I have always been intrigued in how electricity works, as well as how community minded the co-op is. Thanks, Andrea Schaffnit IEC Memorial Scholarship Winner

Thank you so much for continuing to support our school through the Penny Power grant. We truly appreciate your generosity! We couldn't offer all the "extras" we do without the help of grants like yours. Sincerely, Kailee Flesch Blessed Sacrament Catholic Schools

The Southeastern Class of 2025 would like to thank you for your generous donation to our Promenade and After Prom. Promenade gives us an opportunity to show off our nice attire and After Prom gives us a safe place to celebrate prom night. Thanks so much for contributing to our unforgettable night. Liliana Weese, SE Junior Class

The Brown County Farm Bureau would like to "Thank You" for generously giving your time and talent to present on Electricity at our Farm Safety Day. We are all too aware that, without the help of volunteers like you, Farm Safety Day would not be possible! We look forward to having you back for future Farm Safety Days! Thanks again! Brown Co. Farm Bureau Board of Directors Kathy Knight, Manager Daina Howell, Administrative Assistant

One Quick Question WIN A \$20 ELECTRIC BILL CREDIT

Rick Fulks was the winner of the April One Quick Question. Congratulations, Rick!

Members: Make sure we have your email on file to be included in the next One Quick Question contest! (We typically email questions about quarterly.)

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by **Jim Thompson**
PE, General Manager

Supply chain delays continue to be an issue in our industry. Our employees, mainly Brinkley Mueller and Gary Nelson, continue to work diligently to make sure we have enough material on hand to meet the needs of our members. The efforts continue throughout our organization with long-term planning for major projects and fleet purchases. With the larger projects, coordination is paramount to make sure the project material is here when ready to begin construction. With the large transmission underbuild projects, we are completing engineering and material needs a year in advance and placing orders to make sure material arrives when the project begins. The Cooperative has adjusted inventory levels, carrying more inventory due to the longer lead times.

Three-phase padmounted transformer lead times are still over a year out. Orders today will not arrive until next summer. Due to the high cost of three-phase transformers and more specific member requirements, we do not carry as many spare sizes and voltages in inventory. So far, we

Supply Chain Delays

have been able to meet all of our members' timelines for energizing their services. Sometimes the Cooperative has to set a larger transformer from its inventory until the correct transformer arrives. This situation does create extra work with having to change the transformer when the new one is delivered. The important thing is the member has power when needed.

The Cooperative purchases approximately two hundred items together with our adjacent cooperatives; Western Illinois Electrical Coop., McDonough Power Cooperative, Menard Electric Cooperative, and Illinois Electric Cooperative. The goal is to gain the benefits of scale. The other benefit is sharing inventory, if needed, between the cooperatives including three-phase padmounted transformers. As the need arises, we share transformers amongst each other to make sure we are meeting the needs of our members. We currently have a transformer borrowed from Illinois Electric Cooperative (IEC) set at a member's location to meet the member's timeline. Once the new, ordered transformer arrives, we will replace and return the transformer

to IEC. One of the seven cooperative principles is cooperation among cooperatives. By working together, we have the ability to continue to offer better service to our memberships.

Material prices continue to be high. These increased costs continue to put pressure on the Cooperative financially. **For example, on three-phase transformers, in 2017, a 225 kVA, 277/480 volt transformer cost \$6,195. In 2022, it cost \$12,500. The cost in 2024 is \$16,500. If the transformers had increased only as much as inflation, we would have been happy with that scenario compared to these percentage increases.** We do not anticipate these costs going down anytime in the near future.

As far as bucket and digger trucks are concerned, the lead time on those are two years out. The Cooperative has to obtain production slots for vehicle replacements with only having indicative pricing. How the world has changed since 2020!

The Cooperative will continue to monitor the situation and try to meet all our members' needs. **Please help us meet your needs by contacting us early for projects to help with the long lead times.**



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IN THE NEWS

Advisory Committee
Tours John Wood
Community College

The Adams Electric Advisory Committee met on May 9, 2024 at John Wood Community College. John Wood Community College (JWCC), a commercial member of Adams Electric Coooperative, will be celebrating 50 years in 2024. Dr. Bryan Renfro, President of JWCC, discussed the college’s changes and growth over the last 50 years, as well as many of the college’s recent successes and programs for students. Dr. Renfro shared news on JWCC being a recipient of a U.S. Department of Energy Grant to develop programs to train students for clean energy jobs. (905839-001)

Adams Electric General Manager Jim Thompson discussed the Cooperative’s Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) grant for Public Light-Duty Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Infrastructure. This grant will allow the Cooperative to install level 3 fast DC charging at John Wood Community College and Holiday Inn. JWCC and Holiday Inn are excited about the opportunity.

Thompson also shared information on the U.S. Department of Energy’s Office of Clean Energy Demonstrations Grant that, if awarded, will allow the Cooperative to install 1 MW wind and 1 MW solar facilities to produce our own energy to be used by our members. These generation facilities will be interconnected with the existing Sugar Grove Substation in Schuyler County. Adams Electric has begun award negotiations with the OCED for up to \$5 million in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding as part of the Energy Improvements in Rural or Remote Areas (ERA) program. This amount will cover the majority of the cost. The Cooperative will take advantage of direct pay tax incentives as well.

Advisory Committee members meet approximately four times per year to offer feedback on the Cooperative’s programs. Committee members serve two-year terms with an option to serve up to four years.

Learn more about
the ERA program
and projects selected
for award negotiations.



NOTIFICATION:
Assignment
of 2023 Margins

Assignments of 2023 margins to members doing business with Adams Electric Cooperative have been calculated. A total of \$2,002,604.97 of margins has been allocated as capital credits for the year 2023. Of this amount, \$1,073,291.00 was Cooperative capital credits and \$929,314.00 was power supplier capital credits. The power supplier capital credit is the amount that was allocated to the Cooperative from Prairie Power, our cooperative-owned power supplier. The Cooperative has calculated each member’s share of the total margins and credited that amount to your capital credit account.

Allocation notices will be sent to each member who received service during 2023. These notices will inform you of your share of the total capital credits. This amount is only an accounting credit. It cannot be claimed at the present time nor can it be applied against your current electric bill.

The board of directors reviews the financial condition of the Cooperative before determining when and how much capital credits can be returned to the members. In November 2023, the Cooperative paid all capital credits for 1999 thru 2001 and 32% of 2002. The return of power supplier capital credits may be on a different cycle than the Cooperative capital credits. It will depend on when Prairie Power returns those capital credits to the Cooperative.

Please remember, you must be a member and have service in your name to have capital credits assigned. If you are receiving electric service in someone else’s membership or the service is in the name of a deceased person, you will not receive capital credits. The capital credit check will always be issued in the name of the person on the membership or the estate of a deceased member.

If you ever move off Cooperative lines, please provide us with your new address so we can send your future capital credit checks. Please contact Katina Sunde, Member Accounts Supervisor, if you have any questions.



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The **30-day** gross household income guidelines for **LIHEAP** are as follows:

of Household Members:

1- \$ 2,430.00 4- \$ 5,000.00
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- Proof of gross income from all household members for the prior 30-day period beginning with the date of application
- Proof of Social Security Cards
- A copy of current gas and electric bills issued within the last 30 days

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The landscape of lawn and garden care is evolving, and electric equipment is at the forefront of this change. While electric lawn tools aren't new, advancements in technology and more options mean prices have become more competitive, making electric equipment an accessible option for many consumers.

Power Up Your Lawn Care with Electric Equipment

Benefits of Electric Equipment

Electric lawnmowers have come a long way since the days of extension cords tethering you to an outlet. Battery-powered mowers offer the same freedom of movement as gas-powered models but with reduced noise and maintenance.

Battery life was once a major drawback to making the switch to electric lawn tools. But today's growing demand for electric equipment has resulted in major advancements for lithium-ion batteries, making them more reliable, cost-effective, and efficient. For most

consumers, electric lawn tools can get the job done just as well as gas-powered models.

Many electric mowers offer push-button starts, and because they are lighter, they are easier to maneuver around tight turns. Improved batteries provide longer run times to tackle larger spaces. Like their gas-powered counterparts, electric mowers are available in push, self-propelled/walk-behind and riding models. And there's no need to refill gas cans or change oil and air filters, resulting in less hassle and maintenance.

Like mowers, electric blowers, string trimmers, and chainsaws have fewer moving parts, require minimal maintenance, and are quieter. Because electric tools are generally lighter in weight, they're also more ergonomic and easier to maneuver.

This feature is especially handy for projects that require tools like chainsaws for precise work.

Choose Electric Equipment to Meet Your Needs

Electric lawn tools have some limitations, so the size and terrain of your outdoor space are important considerations when purchasing new equipment. When comparing gas-powered and electric mowers, consider the torque rating—this is the driving force behind a blade's rotation. On average, electric lawnmowers generate

Making the Switch to ELECTRIC LAWN EQUIPMENT

Considering electric equipment to maintain your outdoor space? Check out the benefits of electric and considerations before making the switch.

Benefits of Electric Equipment

- Battery-powered equipment produces zero emissions
- No hassle and mess from gasoline and oil
- Quieter and more reliable than gas-powered equipment
- Require less energy to do the same amount of work as gas-powered tools

Considerations Before Going Electric

- Purchasing from a single brand can streamline charging
- Consider the size of your property and battery run time
- Backup batteries may be needed for larger properties
- Electric equipment is pricier up front

less torque than gas mowers. If you have a challenging outdoor space that includes overgrown brush, tall grass, or hills and dips, torque is a key factor.

Choosing the right type and size mower is particularly important for spaces larger than half an acre. If you have a large property, consider purchasing an extra battery to ensure uninterrupted workflow.

Many manufacturers offer interchangeable batteries and chargers, providing flexibility and convenience. Choosing a single brand can ensure charging compatibility across your lawn tools and streamline charging.

While both gas and electric lawn tools can get the job done, electric equipment generally requires less maintenance, is less expensive to operate, and is kinder to the environment.



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**Goat Cheese
and Dill Dutch Baby**
Submitted by Bill Stalder

- 1 cup crumbled plain goat cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh dill, plus
picked fronds for garnish
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 lemon
- Coarse kosher salt
- Black pepper
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 8 lg. eggs
- 3/4 cup whole milk
- 4 Tbsp. unsalted butter
- 2 cups spinach
- 1 Tbsp. honey

Combine goat cheese, 1/4 cup dill and 1 Tbsp. oil. Zest lemon over mixture, season with a pinch of salt and pepper. Let sit to marinate. Heat oven to 425 degrees with rack in lower third. In a large bowl, whisk flour, 1/2 tsp. salt, and 1/4 tsp. black pepper. Add remaining dill and stir. In a separate bowl, whisk eggs and milk. Whisk wet ingredients into dry until just combined. Melt butter in a heavy 12" ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Let it cook until it smells nutty and browns, about 5 minutes, swirling the skillet so that butter coats bottom and sides of pan. Pour batter into hot buttered skillet and spoon half the marinated goat cheese into the center of the batter. Bake until puffed and golden, 20-22 minutes. To serve, cool the Dutch baby slightly in the pan, 5-6 minutes. Top with spinach and dill fronds. Spoon remaining goat cheese on top and drizzle with honey and remaining 1 Tbsp. olive oil. Slice lemon and squeeze a wedge over the greens. Serve immediately.

Best Ever 1 - 2 - 3 Fudge
Submitted by John Baumgartner

- 1 can premade frosting
- 1 equal amount peanut butter
- 1 cup chocolate chips

In a microwaveable bowl, add ingredients. Place in microwave for 1 minute and stir. Repeat until melted and smooth. Pour into greased 9x13 pan. Refrigerate until cool. Cut into squares. Feel free to try various frosting flavors and chips.

Adams Electric Cooperative's
Country Kitchen



Chicken Bacon Casserole
Submitted by Bev Taylor

- 1 jar Alfredo sauce
- 1 cup ranch dressing
- 2 lbs. chicken breasts, cooked and cubed
- 1 pkg. penne pasta, cooked and drained
- 1 (8 oz.) pkg. mozzarella cheese, grated
- 1 lb. bacon, cooked, drained, and crumbled

Mix all ingredients together in a 9x13 baking dish. Top with mozzarella cheese. bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 minutes until cheese is melted.

Banana Bread
Submitted by Vicky Zanger

- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup shortening, softened
- 2 eggs
- 3 Tbsp. milk
- 1 cup bananas, mashed
- 2 cups flour
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. baking soda
- 1 tsp. cinnamon

Mix sugar, shortening, eggs, milk, and bananas until smooth. In a separate bowl, mix dry ingredients. Add to other mixture by thirds. Mix well until smooth. Pour into greased loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 50-60 minutes.

**Cajun Shrimp
& Andouille Skillet**
Submitted by Becky Luttrell

- 1 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 red onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 Andouille sausage links, sliced
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- 1 yellow bell pepper, diced
- 1 orange bell pepper, diced
- 2 Tbsp. cajun seasoning
- 5 plum tomatoes, diced
- 24 XL shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1 cup cooked rice
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh parsley

In a 4.5 qt. covered saute pan, place olive oil, red onion, garlic, and Andouille sausage in the pan. Cook on med.-high heat for 5 minutes. Stir occasionally. Add in peppers and cajun seasoning. Mix well and cook with the lid on for an additional 5 minutes. Once the peppers begin to soften, add in the tomatoes. Mix well and reduce heat to medium. Cook for 5 minutes with the lid off. Add shrimp and cook for 5 minutes with the lid on. Serve over rice topped with fresh parsley. Enjoy immediately.

No Bake Cookies
Submitted by Terri Crim

- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 3 cups oatmeal
- 1/4 cup cocoa
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1/2 cup peanut butter

Melt butter. Add sugar, cocoa, and milk in medium pan. Let boil for one minute. Remove from heat. Let cool for one minute. Add vanilla, peanut butter, and oatmeal. Stir well. Drop by tablespoons on wax paper or pour into a greased 9x13 pan.

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Schuyler County Fair

June 28-July 4, Schuyler Co. Fairgrounds. Carnival, rodeo, demo derby, queen contest, and more. More info at: schuylercountyfair.org or (217) 322-6182

Blues in the District

June 28 & July 12, 26 (5:30-9:30pm), Washington Park. Bring your food, drinks, friends, and lawn chairs. Food vendors on site. No tents and no glass, please.

National Tom Sawyer Days

July 3-7, Hannibal, Missouri. Tom & Becky contest, parade, frog jumping, fence painting contest, 10K run, arts & crafts festival, entertainment, fireworks, & more. Details at visithannibal.com

Freedom Fest

July 4 & 5 (3pm, fireworks at 9:30pm), Quincy Riverfront. Fireworks, live music, games, and vendors. quincyfreedomfest.com

VFW Fish Fry & Raffle

July 5 (4-7pm), VFW Hall, 316 S. Main St., Palmyra, MO. Catfish fillet, VFW spuds, baked beans, coleslaw, cornbread, dessert, and drinks. \$12/adults, \$5/children. Raffle. (217) 653-0675.

Farmer's Market

July 6, 13, 20, 27 (8am-1pm), Washington Park, Quincy. Experience local agriculture, artisanal crafts, and community spirit. Live music.

Wonder and Praise Gallery Discussion

July 13 (1-2pm), Quincy Art Center, 1515 Jersey. Discussion of the Wonder and Praise exhibit by Sun Smith Forêt. See the Riverwork Project, comprised of quilted panels of over 70 contributors (including many local and regional artists) expressing their connection to rivers.

Pleasant Grove Ice Cream Social

July 13 (3:30-7:30pm), Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church, 1103 E. 1700th St., Liberty (1 mi. south of Quincy Airport). Homemade ice cream, maidrites, hotdogs, strawberries, and homemade pies. Freewill offering. Carryouts available. Air conditioned and handicapped accessible.

St. Joseph Catholic Church Ice Cream Social

July 14 (4-9 pm), St. Joseph Church, 1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy. Homemade ice cream w/toppings, pies, cakes, and sandwiches. Kiddie area, bingo, and activities for all.

Special Needs Bingo

July 15 (6:30-7:30pm), Union United Methodist Church, 1101 State, Quincy. Prizes, popcorn, and fun. Free for all players. Helpers are available to assist as needed. Please join us the third Monday of each month. Handicap accessible from southeast entrance. (217) 434-8638

St. Peter Lutheran Church Youth Camp

July 15-17, Ursa Retreat House. Grades 1-8. To register, contact Pastor Patricia Reep at: (217) 440-2221

Star Party at Moorman Park

July 17 (8pm), Moorman Park, Quincy. Star gaze and learn about constellations. Free family event for all ages.

Outdoor Movie - Wonka

July 19 (8:45-10:45pm), Moorman Park, Quincy. Free movie in the park. Fun for all ages.

St. Anthony Parish Picnic

July 20 (Mass 4pm, Festivities 5pm-Midnight), St. Anthony Church, 2223 St. Anthony Rd. Games, food, basket raffle, silent auction, and air-conditioned bingo. Live band 7:30-11:30pm. Kiddieland w/crafts, games, and rides. (217) 223-5996

Homemade Ice Cream Social

July 21, St. Peter Lutheran Church, 320 Adams, Coatsburg. Homemade ice cream, sandwiches, beverages, and desserts. Freewill offering. Contact Pastor Patricia Reep at: (217) 440-2221

Adams County Fair

July 24-30, Adams County Fairgrounds, Mendon. Sawyer Brown and Diamond Rio perform on July 27. Tractor pull, queen pageant, demo derby, and more. Visit adamsfair.org or (217) 936-2230

Christmas in July

July 25 (5:30-8:30pm), Quincy Brewing Company, 110 N. 6th St. Grab your sunglasses and ugly Christmas sweaters. Join us for holiday treats, festive brews, prizes/raffles, and live outdoor music as we raise funds for Light the Park.

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