

Clay ELECTRIC News

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

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From the Manager

In this center section, you will find a list of undeliverable capital credits. You are a member of a cooperative, and that is quite different than being a consumer of a municipal or investor owned utility. One of the perks you have as a member is the distribution of capital credits. Clay Electric Co-operative is a non-profit electric cooperative. When we bring in more money from our members than needed to run the cooperative, that money is accounted as margins. We keep record of these margins and pay them back to our membership through capital credits.

This year, we are paying back capital credits for the years of

1969-1975. Member's from those years that earned capital credits will have received a check in November. In this center section, you will find our list of members that we could not deliver a check to. If you find your name, or the name of someone you know, make them aware that they need to contact our offices and inquire about undelivered capital credits.

As we look forward to Christmas and the New Year, we continue to plan for the future. It looks bright. Clay Electric will be closed on Dec. 24 and 25 in observance of Christmas this year, we will also be closed Jan. 1 for New Year's Day. We

wish you and yours the best this and every month.

As always, keep a lookout for your member number in the center section of this magazine. There are three member numbers hidden in Clay Electric News. If you find your number and give us a call, you win \$5 off your next bill!



Luke Johnson
CEO

Four ways Santa saves energy in his workshop

The holiday season is finally upon us, and Santa and his elves have been especially busy as they gear up for their biggest night of the year. **14858-001**

It's no secret that Santa is known for running an efficient workshop – how else could he make all those toys in time for Christmas Eve? Rumor has it that one way Santa ensures an efficient workspace is through energy-saving measures.

Here are four ways Santa saves energy in his workshop.

1 Santa leaves his decorations up year-round, so by using LED holiday light strands, he's able to save on his monthly energy bills. LED holiday strands can last up to 40 seasons, which make them a great option for any festive home.

2 Santa requires several power tools to make a year's worth of new toys. That's why he insists on using cordless power tools with the ENERGY STAR rating. According to energystar.gov, if all power tools in the U.S. used ENERGY STAR-rated battery chargers, 2 billion kWh hours of

electricity could be saved – that's equivalent to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 1.7 million tons!



3 Mrs. Claus loves to keep warm by the fire in the evenings, and Santa knows one of the best tricks to ensure fireplace efficiency. While a fireplace can keep a small area of your home cozy and warm, it can also pull heated air from the room through the chimney. That's why Santa always closes the fireplace flue when a fire isn't burning.



4 Santa also saves energy by using power strips. Power strips are ideal for workshops, craft nooks, game rooms and other spaces in your home. With one simple switch, you can conveniently control several devices and electronics that are plugged into the power strip.

This holiday season, let's take a page from Santa's book and remember to save energy when possible. With these four tips, you'll be well on your way to savings and Santa's "nice" list!

Undeliverable capital credits

As a member of a cooperative, you are more than a customer. You are a member-owner. Clay Electric Co-operative is a non-profit cooperative. **13919-001** When we collect more funds from the membership than we need to fund the cooperative, those additional margins are refunded to the membership in the form of capital credits. This year we are repaying capital credits for the years 1969-1975.

Below is our list of undeliverable capital credits. These are names of members we could not locate to return capital credits to. If you see your name on the list, or know someone on the list, please let them know to contact our office at 1-800-582-9012 so we can update our records and return their capital credits to them.

R O Abbott	James Bonner	Allen Colclasure	Albert A Duke	Susie Gould
Lyle Adams	Mark M Bordoli	Bob Colclasure	Wilbur Dunningan	Carl O Gragert
Larry Aldrich	Robert Brandebury	Charles Colclasure	Keith Durre	Jas Greenwood
Gerald Allard	C L Brave	Gaylon Colclasure	Betty Durvall	Dale Greer
Gearld Allen	Jack Brinkley	Herman Colclasure	Faye Ellis	Francis Guinn
James Allen	George H Briscoe	Jerry Colclasure	Alvin Elmore	Gottlie Haack
Esta Allphin	James L Briscoe	Ora Colclasure	Jess M Enlow	Victor Habbe
American	Bill Brown	Delores Combs	John P Eytchison	Kerwin L Hagen
Telephone	Carl W Brown	Harry B Conley	Mildred O Fabert	Eugene Hale
Norma Ames	Freda M Brown	James R Connell	Dora Fancher	Catherine
W D Ammann	Truman L Brown	James G Cook	David Fear	Halterman
Robert Lee	Earl Burgess	Bill Cooper	Herbert H Fender	Nathel L Halterman
Anderson	Alice I Burr	Joe Cooper	William Fender	Jerry E Hanna
Frank Antoine	Ted Burroughs	Robert P Cosby	Scott Fischer	Glen R Harmon
William L Arnold	Kenneth Burt	Gilbert Cotterell	Harry Fitzgerald	Isabel Harmon
Robert F Avery	Marcus Burt	William P Coughlin	C Fitzpatrick	Hubert V Harrell
Chas N Babcock	Allen E Burton	Paul Jr Courson	Mary P Fleming	W B Harris
Melvin Bailey	R J Burton	Roger Courson	Hog Company	Mabel Harrison
Myrtle Bailey	Edward D Bute	Ben Cox	Flora	Elsie Hart
Lillie Baker	Larrie Butler	Ben A Crouse	West Company	Harold G Hart
Donald Barbee	Ivan Byars	Oil Co Cullum	Flora	Dorothy Hasler
Jesse Bateman	Richard D Byers	Bishop Cummings	Henry C Followell	Earl Hawkey
Charles Batton	Claude Cain	Glenn Cummins	Donnie G Ford	Mike Hawkey
Ivan Bauman	Johnr Cannon	Clinard Curtis	Erma C Francis	Dale Heiden
W W Beard	Marlin O Cannon	Kenneth R Curtis	Joseph R Franks	Fred Heitman
Joseph Behnke	Larry E Canterbury	Veston H Dalton	Pauline Fritzler	Marvin Helms
Brothers Bell	E C Carpenter	Roger Davis	Carrol L Frutiger	Jerry Hemrich
Donald L Belleville	Joe H Carroll	Charles Deain	Fletcher Fulk	Charles T
Robert E Berry	Ottis Carver	Raymond Deien	Hermon Garrett	Henderson
William Bickers	Darwin Case	Bros Delay	Bob G Gill	Cliffor L Henson
R H Billingsley	Stan Cates	R A Demain	James H Gill	John W Henson
Darrel Birch	Cecil V Cazal	Oscar Depoister	Genell F Given	Wayland G Henson
Frank R Bissey	Charles Clark	Rena Devore	Ebert Goens	Bennie Herdes
Diamous Blackwell	Joe W Clark	Roy Dickerson	Stanley Goff	Jack Herdes
Larry Blackwell	Marie Clark	William Dickerson	Church Golden	Harris Herrick
Mae Blackwell	T L Clark	James E Donoho	Charles E Gordon	Walter Higdon
George Bonham	Cn Colborn	Paul Dugan	Harland T Gould	F Hildebrand

MEMBER PRIZES

Every month we will have three member numbers hidden throughout Clay Electric News. If you find your member number that corresponds to the one found on the upper right corner of your bill, call our office and identify your number and the page it's on. If correct, you will win a \$5 credit on your next electric bill.

Ronnie Hilderbrand	Branch Church Lynn	Laren Prosser	Carl E Taylor
William Hill	Fred Majors	Patrici Pruitt	Henry Taylor
Lloyd E Hite	Vern Marcum	Martha Raber	Richard L Taylor
Cecil Hockman	B T Martin	Richard A Radley	George Hjr Thomas
Elmer A Hockman	Berlyn Marvel	Jack Reed	Ruby O Thomas
Evelyn Hodges	George W Marvin	Paris E Reeves	Harry W Thompson
Emma Holler	Tony Matlock	Ruby Regnier	Martin E Thompson
Harlon Holzhausen	Marjorie Mcallister	Patrick Reilly	Paul A Thompson
Mike Holzhausen	Donald C Mccavitt	Danny Renollet	Ira G Timmons
Henry Horath	Sherman Mcclure	Arnold O Rexroad	Mason Toliver
Clemant Howell	Kenneth C Mcdannel	Earl Reynolds	Ernest Touchette
Harley Howell	Leslie Mcelyea	Henriet Reynolds	Harold D Townsend
Virgie Huddlestun	Lois L Mcgee	Sylvia I Reynolds	Jack Townsend
Farrell R Hunt	Robert A Mchenry	Juliett E Riggs	Lester Trago
Judy Hunt	James W11 Mcknight	Mary C Riley	Eileen Triplett
Erma Arlene Hurford	Charles Mcnaughton	Oil Company Ring	United Industrial Co
Lease Oper Illinois	Bernadi Mcneil	Richard K Ritter	Lela Valbert
Oil Corp Jackson	Gold Dairy Meadow	Elmo Robertson	Joe Vallina
Helen Jacobs	Merle E Mearns	H F Robison	George Vaughn
Lilliam Joergens	Barney Medows	Altha Rockwood	C R Vaught
Charles Rsr Johnson	Eugene Mellendorf	Leta Rodgers	Gene Venable
Joe E Johnson	Geo E Mercer	Dellos Ruckman	Bonnie B Wampler
L B Johnson	Dorris Michels	Sam Rutherford	Avon Watson
Loretta M Johnson	Floyd Miller	Ralph Sapp	Harry Wattles
Ephraim Jones	Hazel L Miller	Carrell R Scammahorn	Ransom Weidner
Gerald M Jones	Lyle M Milligan	Mary Scammahorn	Robert Weidner
Herbert C Jones	C G Mojonnier	Louis J Schaefer	Theodor Wells
Marvin A Jones	Gladys Montgomery	Harold H Schaffner	Melvin O West
Wyette Jones	Esther L Moore	James P Schaffner	Allen E White
Bob L Justice	Maude Morgan	Frank Schooley	Charles Wildbur
Herman O Kenley	Donald Muhs	Spencer Schoonover	Carl D Wilfong
Allen W Kerby	Adam Murray	Joseph L Senters	Howard Ror Wilkins
Herman Kessler	Galen Negley	Kenneth Sessions	Jerry Williams
Raymond Kessler	Helen Nevers	Bernice Sharp	Vaughn Willis
Tom Kilby	Gerald Nix	Billy R Sharp	William H Willis
Archie D Kincaid	W F Norton	L H Shields	Edna Maxine Wilson
Paul Kincaid	Martin Nosek	William E Shroyer	Sam Wilson
Wm E Klein	Nellie Nottingham	George A Sills	Samuel C Wilson
Neal Klingler	Lula Odonnell	Robert L Silvey	Floyd Wimberly
A H Kluthe	Morris W Oliver	Leroy Simmons	George Wisegarver
J W Krantz	Herman Owen	L I Slade	Laura V Wood
Dale Krutsinger	Robert Owen	Eugene Smith	Paul L Wood
Leo Krutsinger	Peggy Parsons	James E Smith	Wesley Wooden
Joseph B Kuhajda	Robert Payne	Lorena Smith	Ernest Woods
Mildred I Lane	Ben Phillips	Roscoe Smith	Thomas W Worley
W L Lane	Larry C Phillips	Ted Smith	Wilford G Wyatt
Bessie N Lee	Walter Phillips	Howard Sparlin	Carl Yingst
Mabel E Lee	William E Phillips	Bessie Stanford	Carol E Young
Victor T Lee	Jack Pickel	Walter J Stanford	Charlie Young
Russell Levitt	Marian Pickel	Kate Stanley	Daryl E Young
R D Lewis	Ruby Pierson	Will Stanley	Frank Young
Stella Lewis	James L Pitchford	Kenneth Stephenson	
Richard Lidy	Nonnie Pope	John M Steward	
Larry E Logan	David Wor Porter	Erwin W Stortzum	
Betty Lovelady	Dewey Porter	Richard J Sullivan	
Town Hall Lucas	Lora Post	Fredia Tackitt	
Luther Luttrell	Baptist Primitive	Harold Taggart	

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting

October 26, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Clay Electric Co-operative, Inc. (CECI) was held at the Clay Electric Co-operative Headquarters, Flora, Illinois beginning at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020.

Trustees present were: Kevin Logan, Bob Pierson, Bill Croy, Greg Smith, Neil Gould, Richard Rudolphi, Frank Czyzewski and Frank Herman. Also present were: Luke Johnson, CEO and Tyra Cycholl, Attorney for the Board. Danny Schnepfer was present via conference call. The meeting was opened by Bob Pierson, who presided and Greg Smith, acted as secretary thereof. **11181-001**

The pledge of allegiance was recited followed by the invocation, given by Bill Croy.

The following proceedings were had [all action being first duly moved and seconded, and all action taken being upon the unanimous vote of the Board or without dissenting vote of abstention unless otherwise stated]:

APPROVED, the Suggested Agenda.

APPROVED, the Consent Agenda including the following:

- **APPROVED**, the prior meeting minutes.
- **APPROVED**, (a) to admit to membership those 10 applicants connected for service since the last such review by the board, and (b) cancel those 6 former members shown on the Manager's Report since the last such review by the Board, said members no longer taking service;
- **APPROVED**, the Work Orders;
- **APPROVED**, the Disbursements;
- **APPROVED**, the Credit Card Statements;
- **REVIEWED**, the Attorney Retainer;
- **REVIEWED**, the Account

Summary Report;

- **REVIEWED**, the NCSC Report from the Board;
- **REVIEWED**, the NRECA Board Report.

APPROVED, the Purchase Power Agreements presented.

REVIEWED, the Virtual District 5 meeting and **DISCUSSED** any issues with the meeting.

HEARD, a report by Frank Herman regarding the SIPC Meeting and Budget discussions.

HEARD, a report by Kevin Logan regarding the AIEC Meeting.

HEARD, the 2021 Budget preview from Luke Johnson.

DISCUSSED, the 2021 Budget regarding Capital Credit Payback, Capital Items, Donations and the overall 2021 Budget.

HEARD and **APPROVED**, a financial report by Luke Johnson as to the following:

- September 2020 Form 7;
- September 2020 Balance Sheet;
- September 2020 Cash Flow;
- SIPC Power Delivered in July 2020 dated Oct. 9, 2020;
- August Line Loss;
- Monthly Reconciliation.

HEARD, a Safety Report for the month of May.

REVIEWED, the Monday morning Safety meeting held Oct. 19, 2020.

HEARD and **APPROVED**, the Manager's report by Luke Johnson on the following topics.

- Clay Annual Meeting;
- Operations Report;
- Communications Report;
- Upcoming meetings.

REVIEWED and **DISCUSSED**, the Clay Annual Meeting, the Board commended Luke Johnson and Adam McKnight on a job well done.

REVIEWED, the Communications Report. **WERE REMINDED**, of

upcoming meetings on Nov. 23, 2020, Dec. 28, 2020 and Jan. 25, 2021 at 1 p.m. in the Clay Board Room.


There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was declared adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH

Energy bills can increase during winter for a variety of reasons, like houseguests, more time spent at home, and shorter days and longer nights. Small actions, like turning down your thermostat, replacing old bulbs with LEDs and washing clothes in cold water can help you save.



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