

A monthly newsletter for member-owners of Corn Belt Energy

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# A Season of Savings!

As a Corn Belt member, make sure to use your *free* Co-op Connections Card for discounts and valuable offers at local businesses and national retailers for those everyday purchases and holiday gifts.

Over 185 local offers are listed on the following pages. Go online to search for local and national deals by zip code or by category at **www.connections.coop.** 



#### **Need a New Card?**

Contact us at 1-800-879-0339 or marketing@cornbeltenergy.com to request wallet cards and keyfob mini-cards. Simply show the card at participating businesses to receive your discount.

# Promote your Business

Would you like to promote your product or service to over 33,000 Central Illinois households for free? Contact Erin at 1-800-879-0339 x250 or marketing@cornbeltenergy.com to learn more about this great program.

#### **Smart Phone App**

Saving with your Co-op Connections Card is even easier when you download the free app for your Apple, Blackberry or Droid smart phone!

With the app, you can search deals by category and use the GPS functionality to find deals close to you. Don't have your card in your wallet? No problem! Simply show participating businesses the offer on your phone and you're good to go.

To download the app, visit **www.connections.coop**.





discounts!

Your free Co-op Connections Card can save you 10% to 60% on prescriptions at participating pharmacies, including CVS, Walgreens, Wal-Mart, Target and many more!

Use your card to purchase prescriptions not covered by your insurance plan. Simply present your Co-op Connections Card with your prescription at any participating pharmacy and pay the discounted price. No additional forms or paperwork are needed.

Corn Belt members have saved almost \$92,000 on over 7,200 prescriptions since the card program was launched in 2007. So far this year, our members have been saving an average of 30% on prescriptions!

Visit http://cashcard.lc.healthtrans. com to look up drug prices by location and find participating pharmacies.

Prescription discounts are not insurance and are not intended as a substitute for insurance.







#### **Abingdon**

 Bradshaw's TV & Appliance Sales

801 N. Monroe St. 309-462-5703 50% off all repair estimates.

#### **Bloomington**

A & B Auto Body Supply

1624 Commerce Pkwy. 309-663-0236 10% off list prices.

Aaron's Sales & Lease

1724 R.T. Dunn Drive 309-820-8700 shopaarons.com 50% off first month's payment.

About Books

221 East Front Street 309-829-3999 aboutbooksbloomington.com 15% discount, an additional 3% off cash purchases. Excludes consignment and sale items.

A Child's View
 Cooperative Preschool

400 W. Union Street 309-829-3995 achildsviewcooperativepreschool.com Save \$10 on your registration fee when you show your card.

All About Eyes

101 N. Veterans Pkwy. 309-663-2700 allabouteyes.net 30% off frames (designer frames: 20% off) and 25% off all lenses

• Alliance Eyecare

1228 N. Towanda Ave. 309-828-7723 alliance-eyecare.com 15% discount on eyewear. Excludes contact lenses.

 American Home Lending USA

2310 E. Oakland Ave. 309-665-0506 americanhomelendingusa.com Free credit report consultation and \$200 off closing costs.

#### **Bloomington**

 Amy Witzig Interior Design

401 East Monroe St.
309-557-0099
\$60 off any custom order over
\$500. One offer per household.
Not to be used with other
offers.

Baymont Inn

604 1/2 IAA Drive 309-662-2800 baymontinns.com 10% off.

Bellas Landscaping

2405 Fox Creek Rd. 309-827-5263 bellaslandscaping.com 5% off all services and products.

 Bloomington Prairie Thunder Hockey

101 S. Madison St. 309-434-2939 prairiethunderhockey.com \$1 off general admission box ticket. Must be redeemed at the U.S. Cellular Coliseum box office. Limit one discount per card.

 Bloomington-Normal YMCA

602 S. Main St. 309-827-6233 bnymca.org 1/2 off joiner fee for new members plus a double portion (6) of one-day guest passes.

Blue Fish Estate Sales

1 Burgundy Ct. 309-838-9396 \$100 cash back bonus at the conclusion of an estate sale or household buyout.

Search for national offers online at:

www.connections.coop

#### **Bloomington**

• BN-Realty.com

2409 E. Washington St. 309-664-4455 bn-realty.com Free market analysis. Learn today's value of your home. Home must be located in McLean County.

 Body Dynamics Fitness Equipment

1500 E. Empire 309-662-5159 bodydynamicsonline.com 10% off any equipment or accessory purchase. Does not include weight or sale priced items.

Brad Barker Honda

1602 G.E. Road 309-663-9591 bradbarkerhonda.com 10% off oil and filter change.

• Brown St. Storage

302 Brown St. 309-827-4004 One month free storage with six month signing.

Browns Wrecker Service

302 Brown St. 309-828-3753 brownswreckerservice.com \$5 off any towing or road service.

Bussy's Automotive

1627 Commerce Parkway 309-664-5398 10% off brake repair over \$200.00. \$10.00 off any motor val fuel system clean.

Calahan Solutions

8 Shoreline, Suite 100 309-826-5263 calahansolutions.com 5% off Organization Assessment and Consultation Services. Please show card for discount. Not valid with other offers or discounts.

16b • Illinois Country Living • www.icl.coop







#### **Bloomington**

#### Capital Merchant Solutions

3005 Gill St. 309-452-5990 checkman.com FREE credti card terminal or internet gateway software and 50% off your first month's processing fees.

#### • Carl's Ice Cream

601 W. Locust 309-828-7732 www.carlsicecream.com Buy one soft-serve sundae, get one of equal or lesser value free!

#### Carpet Weaver's Floor Care

1402 Commerce Place 309-834-3602 cwfloorcare.com 10% off all services.

#### • Carpets Plus Color Tile

1115 Lafayette Rd. 309-663-9101 carpetspluscolortile.com 10% discount on materials.

#### • Chem-Dry CleanMasters

33 Felton Place
309-681-1744
cdcInmasters2.com
15% discount on carpet and
upholstery cleaning over \$100.
Serving McLean, DeWitt,
Peoria, Tazewell and
Woodford counties.

#### Chocolatier

514 N. Main Street 309-821-0277 www.chocolatier.ws 5% off all assortment boxes. Truffles not included.

#### • Chuck's Harley-Davidson

2027 Ireland Grove Road 309-662-1648 chucksharley-dav.com 10% off Harley-Davidson T-shirts, sweatshirts and leather jackets. Not valid with other offers.

#### **Bloomington**

#### • Clarion Hotel

1219 Holiday Dr. 309-662-5311 clarionhotel.com 10% off rack rates, 15% off food. Not available on special event dates.

#### Clay Dooley Tire and Auto Service

307 E. Grove 309-828-5037

1507 E. Vernon Ave. 309-662-2886

#### ClayDooley.com

Up to \$20 off auto repair/ maint services. \$50 minimum purchase to receive \$5 discount. \$25 off everyday low retail price on set of 4 new tires installed. Offers valid at the time of purchase only. No carry-outs or wholesale.

#### ComeToBuy, Inc.

3006 Gill St., Suite E 309-662-8243 CTB123.net Cardholders will receive a 10% discount on website hosting and programming services. Not valid with other offers.

#### Comfort Inn

505 Brock Drive 309-828-6000 choicehotels.com 15% off room rates and conference room rental.

#### Community Home Connection

309-827-5424
wevisitu.com
Free gift bag full of coupons
and community information to
new movers, newly engaged,
newly married, new parents,
and those celebrating special
occasions.

#### Cost Cutters Hair Salon

2103 N. Veterans Pkwy. 309-662-1945 costcutters.com \$3 off the cost of a shampoo and cut, \$5 off facial waxing with a hair service, 20% off retail. Adult cuts only, may not be combined with another discount.

#### **Bloomington**

#### • CTB Direct

3006 Gill Street 309-662-8243 www.ctbdirect.com Save 10% on Key Industries apparel. Use code "Touchstone" at checkout.

#### DaVinci Floorcovering & Designs

2601 GE Road 309-663-5667 davincifloorcovering.com 10% off total purchase when presented at time of order.

#### Davis Tire & Auto

1809 Eastland Drive 309-663-6366 davistire.com 10% off retail price on ALL tires, mechanical parts, & services. 5% discount on all sale items. Some restrictions apply.

#### • Domino's Pizza

2205 E. Oakland Ave. 309-665-0505 Buy one large pizza at regular menu price, get a second pizza of equal or lessor value FREE! Carry out only.

#### • Emmett-Scharf Electrical

1005 E. Lafayette St. 309-664-1111 emmett-scharfelectric.com 10% off labor for any energy saving lighting upgrades. \$150 off any generator sale and installation.

#### Energistics

309-261-0967 energisticssolutions.com 10% off home energy evaluations; 10% off ENERGY STAR certification for new construction.

#### Fast Signs

2109 N. Veterans Pkwy. 309-661-1300 fastsigns.com 20% off first purchase. New customers only -maximum discount \$100.00. In-stock merchandise only.

#### **Bloomington**

#### • First Farmers State Bank

4001 G.E. Rd.
309-663-6200
firstfarmers.com
No closing cost Home Equity
Loan\*. Closing cost credit
of \$250 on residential first
mortgages or refinances.
\*Certain situations may
require customer to pay for
appraisal. New originations
only.

#### • Freestar Bank

1 Brickyard Drive 309-661-9993

1218 Towanda Ave. 309-828-8611

#### freestarbank.com

\$25 credit towards opening of a new personal or business account. \$100 discount on closing cost for residential mortgage. Limit 1 per household per year.

#### • Glass Specialty Co.

3302 Gerig Dr. 309-663-5707 glassspecialty.com \$20 Walmart gift card with autoglass replacement. \$25 off Rhino Linings Spray where applicable. Does not apply to windshield repair.

#### • Gloria Jean's Coffees

Eastland Mall 309-662-2550 gloriajeans.com 50 cents off any medium or large drink. \$1.00 off any one pound whole bean coffee.

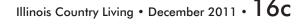
#### • Gold's Gym

11 Currency Drive 309-661-4653 goldsgym.com 10% off enrollment fee on a 24-month membership. Not valid with any other offers.

#### • Granite Transformations

1712 E. Hamilton Rd. 309-661-8155 fitsontop.com 20% off any in-stock granite off-cut. Not valid with other discounts.









#### **Bloomington**

#### Hal Graff Outdoor Connection

15667 Crestwicke Drive 309-829-6141 fishingandhuntingglobaladventures.com *Discount varies by adventure. Call for details.* 

#### Heartland Foot and Ankle Associates

309-661-9975 heartlandfootandankle.com 10% off over-the-counter products. Excludes socks, shoes or slippers.

#### Interstate All Battery Center

1115 E. Lafayette 309-663-5911 interstatebatteries.com 10% off retail price on any product in the store.

#### Jiffy Video Photo

3517 Wilder Dr.
309-664-2030
jiffyvideo.net
10% off on movies, slides,
photos to DVD, 10% off on
DVD copies from VHS, Beta,
Camcorder tapes, 10% off on
DVD duplicates.

#### Mad Bean Painting & Design

610 E. Olive St. 309-825-8235 madbeanpainting.com \$50 off custom paint job under \$400 and \$100 off custom paint job over \$400.

#### Made in the Shade

9913 Wolf Hill Rd. 309-378-4214 Additional \$5 discount per blind off our already low price. Not valid with any other offer.

#### Masters Brothers

20338 E. 950 North Road 309-661-0400 mastersbros.com Save \$100 on a Generac Guardian Series Generator; 10% off any HVAC service.

#### **Bloomington**

#### • Mid-Illini Credit Union

1811 Eastland Drive 309-661-1166 midillinicu.com Open a checking account, get first box of checks free. \$200 off closing costs for home mortgage. Must show card.

#### Monster Pawn

1610 R.T. Dunn Drive 309-821-1792 monsterpawn.com \$1.00 off all DVDs. Please show card to clerk for discount.

#### National City Mortgage

202 E. Washington St 309-823-3020 nationalcitymortgage.com \$200 off closing costs. Must identify membership at application. Keith Thompson requested specifically at application.

#### Nybakke

814 IAA Drive 309-662-7272 nybbake.com 10% off disposal bags and filters. Not valid with commercial accounts or any other discounts or offers.

#### Orkin

3008 Gill Street 309-663-9546 orkin.com \$30 off initial pest control service based on 1 year agreement; 10% off initial termite treatment.

#### OSF St. Joseph Center for Healthy Lifestyles

2200 E. Washington St. 309-661-5151 10% off of any regular priced merchandise.

#### Paint Depot

2407 GE Road 309-664-6733 20% off.

#### Papa Murphy's

2402 E. Oakland Ave. 309-662-9000 papamurphys.com \$2 off any pizza at regular price.

#### **Bloomington**

#### Parke Hotel

1413 Leslie Drive 309-662-4300 parkehotel.com 10% off the regular room rate.

#### Performance Growth Partners

309-664-7741
performtogrow.com
\$100 off the cost of a customer
service assessment, customer
service standards development
or customer service training
for your business. One discount
per business.

#### Personal Touch Cleaning Company

2412 E. Washington St. 309-661-0833 \$20 off first cleaning with ongoing service. For new customers only. \$15 off onetime cleanings.

#### Pheasant Lanes Family Fun Center

804 N. Hershey Rd. 309-663-8556 pheasantlanes.net Buy one game of bowling and get second game free during open bowling only. Shoe rental not included. Limit one per visit. Not valid with other offers.

## Pro-Air Heating, Cooling & Electrical

106 Oak Creek Plaza 309-452-3415 proairhvac.com Service call at \$50/per hour rate. Any parts or materials extra.

#### Prudential Snyder Real Estate

One Brickyard Drive 309-826-2101 bevedgerton.com \$100 McLean Co. Chamber Gift Certificate presented at completion of successful closing.

#### Radiator Plus

302 Brown St. 309-827-4004 \$10 off new radiator purchase.

#### **Bloomington**

# Raspberry Grove Equestrian Center

14148 N 900 E Road 309-829-3150 equi-coach.com 6 Lessons for \$199.50 (5% off); 12 Lessons for \$378 (10% off)

#### Red Wing Shoe Store & Adrian's Shoe Repair

1210 Towanda Plaza 309-827-6370 redwingshoes.com 10% off regular priced merchandise over \$100. Not valid with other discounts.

#### Sam Leman Automotive

1602 Commerce Pkwy 309-662-0629 samlemandealers.com 10% off maintenance services.

#### Specs Around Town Optical Boutique

317 N. Center St. 309-827-7327 specsaroundtown.com \$25 off any in-stock sunglasses. Not valid with any other offer.

#### Strong Concrete & Excavating

2312 W. Washington Street 309-275-4237 \$50 off any job over \$500. One per customer.

#### Sunblock Films

901 E. Grove Street 309-829-2400 sunblockfilmsinc.com 10% off the total installed cost of any project. Offer valid only at the time of the estimate. Not valid with any other offer or discount.

#### • TC Buzz Coffee Co.

2103 N. Veterans Parkway Suite 304 309-661-8229 myspace.com/tcbuzz 15% off all beverages.

#### Need a free card?

Call us at 1-800-879-0339







#### **Bloomington**

#### Tarvin's Culligan Water Conditioning

8 Gilmore Dr.
800-282-5922
culliganbloomington.com
\$100 off Gold Series Water
Condition (Consumer Digest
Best Buy). \$100 off Culligan
Reverse Osmosis system. Cash
& Carry: Buy 9 bags salt or
bottles or water, get 1 free.

#### • Terry Winn Tire & Auto

909 N. Hershey Rd. 309-661-2886 5% off parts, oil changes and tires.

#### Union Auto Sales 783

1201 S. Main St. 309-829-7251 unionautosales783.com \$100 off purchase. Present card prior to purchase.

#### Weed Man

10051 McCue Dr. 309-827-9390 weedmanusa.com One free application for new customers when scheduling a full program. Not available to existing customers.

#### Wm. MarKen Jewelers

713 IAA Dr. 309-663-2299 wmmarken.com 20% off any merchandise purchase/25% off Seiko watches. Discount does not apply to repair service.

#### Wm. Masters, Inc.

401 Olympia Dr.
309-662-8481
wmmastersinc.com
\$100 off Guardian standby
generator system. \$50 off
transfer switch wiring system
for portable generator. 10%
off plbg serv call for new
customers. Free energy analys/
syst. eval. of your current htg/
ac system.

#### YWCA McLean County

1201 N. Hershey Rd. 309-662-0461 ywcamclean.org Save 10% on an annual fitness membership. New members only.

#### **Bloomington**

#### • Ziebart Superstore

9 Westport Ct. 309-662-7878 ziebartsuperstore.com \$40 off retail price of complete detail. \$30 off home or auto window tint of \$199 or more.

#### **Canton**

#### • Bard Optical

127 N. Main 309-647-0366 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### Champaign

#### All About Eyes

507 Town Center Blvd. 217-531-5393 allabouteyes.net 30% off frames (designer frames: 20% off) and 25% off all lenses.

#### Bard Optical

907 Marketview Dr. 217-351-8622 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### • Cost Cutters Hair Salon

1814 B Glenn Park Dr. 217-359-9002

10 E. Green St. 217-398-6098

2018 N. Prospect 217-355-8443

#### costcutters.com

\$3 off the cost of a shampoo and cut, \$5 off facial waxing with a hair service, 20% off retail. Adult cuts only, may not be combined with another discount.

#### Champaign

#### Nick's Porterhouse of Paints

110 W. John St. 217-356-5711 porterpaints.com Buy 1 get 1 FREE on all Porter & Pittsburg Paints. No limit.

#### **Dahinda**

#### • Discount Wildlife Service

250 Greenleaf Ct. 877-397-2287 \$25 off the cost of a service call. \$10 off the cost of a chimney cap.

#### **Danvers**

# Grayco Heating & Cooling

118 E. Exchange Suite B 309-963-2005 \$10 off regular hours service call.

#### Lullaby Studios

18682 N. Apache Path 309-963-6466 lullaby-studios.com \$15 sitting fee and free gift with \$200 portrait order.

#### Sun & Fun & The Picket Fence

118 E. Exchange 309-963-5503 FREE tan with a purchase of a bottle of lotion. Sample packets not included.

#### Danville

#### • Cost Cutters Hair Salon

#2 E. Main St. #146
217-443-8910
costcutters.com
\$3 off the cost of a shampoo
and cut, \$5 off facial waxing
with a hair service, 20% off
retail. Adult cuts only, may
not be combined with another
discount.

# four card can also be used or prescription discounts!











#### Decatur

#### Bard Optical

288 N. Park 217-422-3881 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### Glass Specialty Co.

505 E. William 217-429-2371 glassspecialty.com \$20 Walmart gift card with autoglass replacement. \$25 off Rhino Linings Spray where applicable. Does not apply to windshield repairs.

#### **Downs**

#### • Freestar Bank

#1 Mikes Way 309-662-1800 freestarbank.com \$25 credit towards opening of a new personal or business account. \$100 discount on closing cost for residential mortgage. Limit 1 per household per year.

#### East Peoria

#### Bard Optical

416 Riverside Dr.
309-694-2273
bardoptical.com
20-40% off all eyecare
products, reduced exam fee for
Preferred Program Providers.

#### **Farmer City**

#### • Top Hog BBQ

15496 Leroy Road 309-928-9284 tophogbbq1.com Two pounds pulled pork free with purchase of 20 pounds.

#### • Sabrina Walsh Photography

19575 Depot Rd. 309-928-9863 swphotography.shootproof.com 25% off any portrait session, new clients only..

#### **Farmer City**

#### • Whispering Pines Llama Farm

RR 2, Box 103 309-928-9284 whisperingpinesllamafarm.com Free breeding to any male on our farm with purchase of a female. 10% discount on llama fiber.

#### **Farmington**

#### M&K Parties

34 N. West St. 309-245-2468 mkparties.com \$20 off inflatable ride rental. Mon-Thurs / 3 hour time limit.

#### **Forsyth**

#### All About Eyes

106 Barnett 217-877-7900 allabouteyes.net 30% off frames (designer frames: 20% off) and 25% off all lenses.

#### Bard Optical

1351 Hickory Point Drive 217-875-3724 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### Cost Cutters Hair Salon

1351 Hickory Point Rd. 217-872-0503 costcutters.com \$3 off the cost of a shampoo and cut, \$5 off facial waxing with a hair service, 20% off retail. Adult cuts only, may not be combined with another discount.

#### Galesburg

#### Bard Optical

1265 N. Henderson St. 309-343-7799 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program

#### Galesburg

#### Bunker Links Municipal Golf Course

3500 Lincoln Park Drive 309-344-1818 ci.galesburg.il.us/parks/ bunkerlinks.htm \$20.00 greens fee for 18 holes with cart.

#### Galva

#### Lucky Dog Lodge

24074 S. County Road 309-932-2888 luckydoglodge.com 10% off all services.

#### Geneseo

#### • Bard Optical

206 W. First St. 309-686-6491 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### Gridley

#### • Freestar Bank

325 Center St.
309-747-2100
freestarbank.com
\$25 credit towards opening
of a new personal or business
account. \$100 discount on
closing cost for residential
mortgage. Limit 1 per
household per year.

#### Hodgkins

#### Cost Cutters Hair Salon

9270 W. Joliet Rd.
708-387-0868
costcutters.com
\$3 off the cost of a shampoo
and cut, \$5 off facial waxing
with a hair service, 20% off
retail. Adult cuts only, may
not be combined with another
discount.

View national offers online at:

www.connections.coop

#### Hudson

#### • The Cruise Consultants

23560 N. 1600 East Rd 309-726-2509 cruiseconsultants.com \$50 per cabin off of 7-day cruise or longer.

#### • Whitacre's Furniture

704 S. Broadway 309-726-1305 whitacresfurniture.com 10% off purchases (excludes sale items).

#### **Jacksonville**

#### • Bard Optical

901 W. Morton 217-243-0506 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### LaSalle

#### Coon's Grove Nursery

359 N. 35th Rd. 815-223-9287 coonsgrovetrees.com 10% off the purchase of any evergreen tree 6'-8' or shade tree 2-2 1/2" caliper. Discount does not include planting and delivery.

#### Le Roy

#### Oleson Construction

110 Falcon Ridge Dr. 309-499-0147 yourhomeyourbuilder.com \$25 off jobs of \$250 or more; \$50 off jobs of \$500 or more.

#### Lincoln

#### Bard Optical

1481 Woodlawn Rd. 217-735-1707 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.



#### **Lockport**

#### • Cost Cutters Hair Salon

1045 E. 9th St. 815-834-0313 costcutters.com \$3 off the cost of a shampoo and cut, \$5 off facial waxing with a hair service, 20% off retail. Adult cuts only, may not be combined with another discount.

#### Mendota

#### One Hour Heating & Air Conditioning

801 Monroe St.
866-539-3828
onehourair.com
5% off any replacement of
heating or cooling system;
15% off any repairs; One FREE
month on our maintenace
programs; Home must be
within our service area.

#### Minier

#### • First Farmers State Bank

101 S. Main 309-392-2623 firstfarmers.com No closing cost Home Equity Loan\*. Closing cost credit of \$250 on residential 1st mortgages or refinances. \*Certain situations may require customer to pay for appraisal. Special offer applies to new originations only.

#### Morton

#### Ashland House

201 East Ashland 309-263-5116 bestwesternillinois.com 10% off regular rack rate. Excludes special event dates.

#### Leisure Spas

405 E. Tyler Street 309-263-0637 15% off all spa chemicals.

#### • Pete's Shoe Store

109 W. Jefferson 309-266-9212 20% off Red Wing work boots.

#### **Morton**

#### • Wm. Masters Inc.

933 Detroit Court
309-263-9400
wmmastersinc.com
\$100 off Guardian standby
generator system. \$50 off
transfer switch wiring system
for portable generator. 10%
off plbg serv call for new
customers. Free energy analys/
syst. eval. of your current htg/
ac system.

#### Mossville

#### Bill's Auto Repair & Radiator

10307 Wheaton St. 309-691-3030 10% off parts. Excludes any previous discounted parts.

#### **Normal**

#### • A-1 Security Locksmith

310 Pine St. 309-454-5800 \$5 off service call, locks or deadbolts. Buy any 5 keys and get one free.

#### • Baird's Auto Care Center

804 W. Division St.
309-452-9819
bairdsautocarecenter.com
\$1.50 off full service oil
change. 10% off repair parts.
No discount on labor or
warranty parts.

#### Bard Optical

1700 Parkway Plaza 309-454-2233 bardoptical.com 20-40% off all eyecare products, reduced exam fee for Preferred Program Providers.

#### • Best Western University Inn

6 Traders Circle 309-454-4070 bestwesternillinois.com \$60 Sunday - Thursday nights; \$70 Friday and Saturday nights

#### Bratcher Heating & A/C

1210 Ft. Jesse Rd.
309-454-1611
bratchercomfort.com
15% off of service calls. \$100 off
of furnace or a/c installation.
\$300 off of Geothermal
installation.

#### Normal

#### Carl's Ice Cream

1700 W. College Ave. 309-454-7733 www.carlsicecream.com Buy one soft-serve sundae, get one of equal or lesser value free!

#### College Station Apartments

9 Traders Circle 309-454-5549 collegestationapt.com \$30 application fee waived for cardholders.

#### CornBelters Baseball

1000 W. Raab Rd. 309-451-3445 normalbaseball.com Save 20% on any single item in the team store. Open year round! 1 discount per visit.

#### Domino's Pizza

305 W. Beaufort 309-454-5111 Buy one large pizza at regular menu price, get a second pizza of equal or lessor value FREE! Carry-out only.

#### Gloria Jeans (Normal)

1609 Northbrook Dr., Suite 1
309-808-1328
facebook.com/
GloriaJeansNormal
10% off any drink. Not valid
with other offers.

#### Illinois Agricultural Auditing Association

318 Susan Drive 309-862-3870 www.ag-auditing.com 10% discount on the preparation of personal income tax returns. Can't be combined with other discounts.

#### • Mid State Transmission

1408 Fort Jesse Road 309-452-5595 midstatetransmission.net \$25 off clutch replacement or automatic transmission rebuild. Not valid with other discounts.

#### Normal

#### Midwest College of Cosmetology

755 W. Raab Rd. 309-451-1373 midwestbeautycollege.com 25% off any service with member card. May not be used with any other offer.

#### • Midwest Equipment II

2150 W. College Ave. 309-454-6800 www.midwestequip.com Save \$200 on installed Generac automatic standby generator.

#### Monster Pawn

1408 South Main Street 309-452-5327 monsterpawn.com \$1.00 off all DVDs. Please show card to clerk for discount.

#### • O'Brien Mitsubishi

1601 Fort Jesse Road 888-483-3446 obrienteam.com Get any new vehicle at 5% over invoice; Any used vehicle at employee pricing.

#### OOPS! (Outstanding Organic Product Specialties)

1520 E. College Ave. 309-862-3121 \$10 off your purchase of \$75 or more.

#### Papa Murphy's

1531 E. College Ave. 309-452-7575 papamurphys.com \$2 off any size pizza at regular price.

#### • Signature Inn

101 S. Veterans Pkwy. 309-454-4044 \$60 room rate on all standard rooms. All discounts subject to availability. Offer not valid during special events.

#### Team Automotive & Tire

1223 S. Adelaide St. 309-454-5454 teamautomotiveandtire.com 10% off all parts. Cannot be combined with other discounts or specials.







#### Normal

#### • Uncle Bill's Self Storage

421 Kays Dr. 309-451-4500 unclebillsstorage.com \$25.00 off first months rent. Can also be used for truck rental.

#### Washburn Flowers

111 North St. 309-452-1113 10% off floral products only. Cash and carry only. Excludes plants, giftware, and the month of February.

#### • Wild Birds Unlimited

1520 E. College Ave. 309-454-3455 wbu.com 20% off any in-stock bird feeder or birdhouse. One per family.

#### Ottawa

#### • Cost Cutters Hair Salon

2729 N. Columbus Dr. 815-434-2428 costcutters.com \$3 off the cost of a shampoo and cut, \$5 off facial waxing with a hair service, 20% off retail. Adult cuts only, may not be combined with another discount.

#### Pekin

#### • Bard Optical

3287 Court St.
309-353-9313
bardoptical.com
Save 10% on disposable and
specialty contacts. Save 2040% on all other eyecare
products. Reduced exam
fee for preferred program
providers.

#### Mattress Doctor

2818 Court Street 309-382-2600 Get an extra 15% off of nonsale items. Get extra 10% off sale items. When you shop early, 10 AM - Noon, Mon - Fri, receive 20% off non-sale items and 15% off sale items. Must present card upon entering store.

#### Peoria

#### Bard Optical

7720 N. Crestline Dr. 309-693-9540

7715 N. Grand Prairie Drive 309-691-1320

1200 W. Main 309-672-2273

4620 N. University Dr. 309-692-8222

bardoptical.com

Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### Jim's Autobody and Refinishing

1330 NE Adams St. 309-265-0193 jimsautobodyrefinishing.com 5% off repair cost up to \$100 discount.

#### Mattress Doctor

8859 N. Knoxville Rd. 309-691-8600 Get an extra 15% off of nonsale items. Get extra 10% off sale items. When you shop early, 10 AM - Noon, Mon - Fri, receive 20% off non-sale items and 15% off sale items. Must present card upon entering store.

#### • Glass Specialty Co.

1000 SW Jefferson 309-676-6181 glassspecialty.com \$20 Walmart gift card with autoglass replacement. \$25 off Rhino Linings Spray where applicable. Does not apply to windshield repairs.

#### **Peoria Heights**

#### Chem-Dry CleanMasters

1507 E. Lake Ave.
309-681-1744
chemdry.com
15% discount on carpet and
upholstery cleaning over \$100.
Serving McLean, DeWitt,
Peoria, Tazewell and Woodford
counties.

#### Peru

#### All About Eyes

5255 State Rd. 251 815-224-1178 allabouteyes.net 30% off frames (designer frames: 20% off) and 25% off all lenses.

#### • Glass Specialty Co.

4115 Progress Blvd 815-223-1060 glassspecialty.com \$20 Walmart gift card with autoglass replacement. \$25 off Rhino Linings spray where applicable. Does not apply to windshield repairs.

#### **Pontiac**

#### • Freestar Bank - Pontiac

223 N. Mill Street 815-844-3171 freestarbank.com \$25 credit towards opening of a new personal or business account. \$100 discount on closing cost for residential mortgage. Limit 1 per household per year.

#### **Princeton**

#### Adler Chiropractic

403 S. Main St. 815-872-1800 10% discount on new patient office visit.



#### **Princeton**

# Browning Ford Licoln Mercury

1502 W. Peru 815-875-1180 browningdealerships.com 4 free oil changes and 1 complete detail (over a \$250 value) with purchase of any new car or truck we sell. All included services by appointment only. Offer must be presented at time of sale.

#### • Hattie's Arts & Antiques

24 W. Long St. 815-875-9151 10% discount on items over \$20 unless marked net or firm.

#### • Johnsons Carpet Shoppe

1033 N. Main 815-875-3444 Save \$1.00 per yard on carpet. Not valid with other sales.

#### Very Important Pet Grooming

634 S. Main St. 815-875-9806 10% off any service.

#### Wyanet Carpet

816-818 N. Main St. 815-879-0005 wyanetcarpet.com Receive up to 10% off with your card. Not valid with other sales.

#### Roanoke

#### • Lifts of Illinois

415 W. Front St. 800-835-5438 liftsofil.com \$50 off purchase over \$3,000. \$100 off purchase over \$8,000.

Search by category and location:

www.connections.coop



#### **Spring Valley**

#### Kramers Guns & Supplies

RR #1 815-894-2239 Receive 10% discount on purchases of ammo or accessories.

#### Springfield

#### Bard Optical

3141 S. Veterans Pkwy 309-793-2273 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### • Calhoun Mohawk Floorz

1730 S. Dirksen Pkwy 217-544-2138 calhouncarpet.com 10% off any carpet purchase.

#### George Alarm Company

917 S. 9th St.
217-525-1334
georgealarm.com
Change your monitoring
to us and we'll beat your
existing price by 15%. Lease
or purchase a new security
system from us and receive a
15% discount on installation.
Existing customers also receive
15% discount to upgrade
control panel and touchpad.

#### • Papa Murphy's

1712 Sangamon Ave. 217-391-7272 papamurphys.com \$2 off any size pizza at regular price.

#### Stanford

#### Distinctive Affairs

202 S. Division Street 309-379-2514 distinctive-affairs.com Free dessert with rehearsal dinner.

#### Sterling

#### • Bard Optical

3215 E. Lincolnway 815-626-6006 bardoptical.com Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.

#### **Towanda**

#### • RMA Toy Barns

20340 N. 1960 East Rd. 309-533-1656 5% off order \$100 or more.

#### Utica

#### • Apple Tree Acres Alpacas

3037 E. 11th Rd. 815-667-4228 appletreealpacas.com 10% off on all alpaca apparel. Excludes non-alpaca items.

#### Washington

#### Bard Optical

8 Cherry Tree Shopping Center 309-444-2277 bardoptical.com
Save 10% on disposable and specialty contacts. Save 20-40% on all other eyecare products. Reduced exam fee for preferred program providers.











# **SET IT AND FORGET IT**

#### Use a programmable thermostat to save on heating costs

Did you know that properly using a programmable thermostat in your home is one of the easiest ways you can save energy and money?

The average household spends more than \$2,000 a year on energy bills — nearly half of which goes to heating and cooling. Homeowners can save about \$180 a year by properly setting their programmable thermostats and maintaining those settings.

An ENERGY STAR programmable thermostat makes it easy for you to save by offering four pre-programmed settings to regulate your home's temperature in both summer and winter — when you are asleep or away. These pre-programmed settings are intended to deliver savings without sacrificing comfort.

Depending on your family's schedule, you can see significant savings by sticking with those settings or adjust them as appropriate for your family. The key is to reduce heating and cooling in your home when you don't need as much.

Once you find the right thermostat, make sure to install it on an interior wall away from vents and any other sources of heat or drafts. The EPA recommends these temperature guidelines: In the winter, set the temperature to drop by 8 degrees when you're away and when you're sleeping. In the summer, set the temperature to go up by

7 degrees when you're away and 4 degrees when you're sleeping.

Properly using a programmable thermostat at home is one of the easiest things you can do to lower your energy costs. To learn more, visit www.energystar.gov/pts.



# **Live Online Outage Map**

A great outage resource is now available to our members online! Through our website at *cornbeltenergy.com*, visitors can see a live map of our service territory and view any current reported outages. The map is automatically updated

every 5 minutes and graphically represents the number of outages being reported through our outage management system.

In order to protect the privacy and security of our members, we only

show county and zip code boundaries which are color-coded depending on the number of current reported outages. The map is also functional on many mobile devices, including smartphones and tablet readers.

As a reminder, always call us at 1-800-879-0339 to report your outage, and call from the phone associated with your account if possible.

# WHY WE NEED YOUR NUMBER

In order for our automated outage reporting system to work efficiently, we need to have your current phone number(s) on file. When you call in to report an outage, our automated system takes the phone number you are calling from and checks it against phone numbers we have on file in our account management system. If your number is on file, it makes outage reporting faster.

Check your most recent bill stub to see if we have your current phone number(s) on file.

To update your phone number(s), simply call us at 1-800-879-0339, email us at cbec@cornbeltenergy. com, or correct the info on your next bill stub. We can record up to two numbers to associate with your account, including cell phones.

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# **SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS:**

# Youth to Washington Tour

High school sophomores and juniors with a passion for leadership and government are encouraged to apply for an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington D.C. in June!

Corn Belt Energy cooperative members (anyone who currently receives electricity from Corn Belt Energy) are welcome to nominate a child or grandchild to attend the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. Up to 10 applicants will be selected by an impartial panel of judges to attend Illinois Cooperative Youth Day in Springfield on Wednesday, March 28, 2012.

From that group, two students will be chosen to represent Corn Belt Energy by attending the Youth to Washington Tour, an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. from June 15 - 22, with other statewide winners.

The Electric Cooperative Youth
Tour has been bringing high school
students to Washington D.C. for over
50 years. On the tour, students will
learn about electric cooperatives,
American history and U.S.
government and walk away with a
greater understanding of their role as
an American citizen. They participate
in National Youth Day, visit with their
representative and senators, and
explore the sights around the nation's
capital.

Applications can be found on our website at www.cornbeltenergy.com under "Community." Applications must be received by February 17.



# **College Scholarships**

In spring 2012, eight scholarships of \$1,250 each will be awarded to eligible high school seniors through the Illinois Electric Cooperative (IEC) Memorial Scholarship Program.

Four scholarships will be awarded to students who are children of an Illinois electric cooperative member receiving service from the cooperative, including Corn Belt Energy members.

A fifth scholarship, the Earl W. Struck Memorial Scholarship, is awarded to a student who is the child of an Illinois electric cooperative employee.

The sixth and seventh scholarships are reserved for students enrolling full-time at a two-year Illinois community college who are children of Illinois electric cooperative members, employees or directors.

A new eighth scholarship, the LaVern and Nola McEntire Lineworker's Scholarship, will be awarded to help pay for costs associated with lineworker's school conducted by the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives in conjunction with Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield. Relatives of cooperative members are eligible to apply.

Candidates are judged on the basis of grade point average, college entrance exam scores, work and volunteer experience, school and civic activities, and a short essay that demonstrates their knowledge of electric cooperatives.

Applications will be posted at www.cornbeltenergy.com under "Community" until December 31.
Applications must be postmarked by January 1, 2012.

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### **Contact Us**

1-800-879-0339

Call this number to report an outage and call from a phone associated with your account if possible.

#### **LOCATION**

1 Energy Way Bloomington, IL 61705

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday - Friday

cbec@cornbeltenergy.com www.cornbeltenergy.com



# Electric Heat Rate

If your home utilizes an electric heat source - including geothermal - you can take advantage of Corn Belt's Electric Heat Rate of 4.45 cents/ kWh (plus any additional current cost of power as indicated by the Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment on your monthly statement).

All electric heat is sub-metered through equipment supplied by Corn Belt Energy and the Electric Heat Rate is applied to your sub-metered usage from Oct. 1 through April 30. This rate is applicable when a home is heated electrically from a hardwired 240 volt electric heat source.

To see if you're already receiving this rate, check for a Rate 10 or Rate 19 line item charge on your monthly statement. For more information, call Justin Stuva at 1-800-879-0339 x235.



# Clothes Washer REBATES

Corn Belt members with electric water heaters may qualify for a \$50 rebate if they have recently purchased an ENERGY STAR clothes washer.
Call Justin Stuva, Energy Advisor, at 1-800-879-0339 or find the rebate form at www.cornbeltenergy.com under Programs & Services, then click Energy Efficiency Programs. This rebate expires on 12/31/11.

# **Deck the Halls Safely**

Play it safe this season and follow these safety tips when decorating for the holidays:

Consider purchasing LED lights, which last twice as long as traditional incandescent Christmas lights but use just one-tenth the energy. And if an LED bulb burns out, the rest of the string still works! Also, the bulbs stay cool, so there's no threat of burning your fingers.

Before stringing the lights, check for frayed wires or damaged sockets. If you find any defects, replace the entire string.

To minimize the danger of fire or shock, make sure there is a bulb in each socket. If a bulb is burned out,

leave it in until you unplug the light set and replace the bulb.

All outdoor cords, plugs and sockets must be weatherproof. And make sure there is a ground fault circuit interruptor (GFCI) on each circuit.

Be sure your home's smoke detectors are working properly and that they have fresh batteries.

Always unplug Christmas lights before you leave the house or go to bed.







