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Attend the

Clinton County Electric Cooperative **ANNUAL MEETING**

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2014
Central Community High School
Route 50 West, Breese, IL 62230

- Registration begins at 6:30 p.m.
- Entertainment by Duane Grapperhaus
- Business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.
- Attendance prizes
- Four cash prizes
- Capital Credit checks will be available

Official Registration

Phone Number (____) _____

Please Bring This Card To The Meeting



Please cut out and bring to the meeting for registration and drawing of prizes.

\$10 credit

on your next electric bill for all members attending the Annual Meeting!

Official Meeting Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held at the Central Community High School, Rt. 50 West, Breese, Illinois, at 7:30 PM, on Thursday, March 20, 2014, to take action upon the following matters:

- (1) The reports of officers, trustees and committees;
- (2) The election of three trustees of the cooperative.

In connection with the election of three trustees for this meeting, the following members have been certified for trustees by the Election & Credentials Committee appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Cooperative and nominated by petition pursuant to the Bylaws.

- District No. 1:** Tim Hanke, Carlyle, IL
District No. 2: Kevin Kampwerth, Carlyle, IL
District No. 3: Randy Renth, Mascoutah, IL

No additional nominations for trustee may be made at the meeting.


 Ronald Lee Becker, Secretary

Capital Credit checks will be distributed at the 2014 Annual Meeting

If you were a member of the Cooperative in 1990, you may have a Capital Credit check waiting for you!

Come to the 2014 Annual Meeting on Thursday, March 20 to pick up your check. The remainder will be mailed at a later date. Only checks worth more than \$10 will be available.

Annual Meeting Agenda

Registration and music by Duane Grapperhaus,	6:30PM
Call to Order, 7:30PM	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Report on Number of Members (to determine a quorum)	Ronald L. Becker, Secretary
Invocation	Vernon Mohesky, Trustee
National Anthem	Duane Grapperhaus
Rules of the Meeting	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Introductions	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Reading of Notice of the Meeting	Ronald L. Becker, Secretary
Reading of 2013 Minutes	Ronald L. Becker, Secretary
Chairman's Report	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Treasurer's Report	Ronald L. Becker, Treasurer
President's Report	Mike R. Johnson, President
Acceptance of Reports of Officers	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Report of Election and Credentials Committee	Norman Conrad, Attorney
Election of Trustees	Norman Conrad, Attorney
Any and All Other Business	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Adjournment	Cary Dickinson, Chairman
Awarding of Attendance Prizes	Ahren Langhauser, Operations Assistant

Candidates For Trustee

Certified by the Election & Credentials Committee on Tuesday, February 3, 2014

We, the undersigned members of the Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. being appointed to an Election & Credentials Committee by the Board of Trustees of the Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., 475 North Main Street, Breese, Illinois, 62230, do hereby certify the following list of candidates as meeting the qualifications for trustee, three of whom are to be elected at the Annual Meeting of the Members, March 20, 2014, and serve for a term beginning on March 20, 2014, and ending at the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Cooperative to be held in 2017, at which time they or their successors shall be duly elected, or appointed and have qualified.

- DISTRICT NO. 1:** Tim Hanke, Carlyle, IL
DISTRICT NO. 2: Kevin Kampwerth, Carlyle, IL
DISTRICT NO. 3: Randy Renth, Mascoutah, IL

Respectfully Submitted,



Chairman's and President's Report



Cary Dickinson
Chairman



Mike Johnson
President

Nobody knows you better than the friends and neighbors you grew up with. And since 1939, Clinton County Electric has been growing up with you. We now serve almost 6,000 accounts in Clinton County and parts of Fayette, Madison, Marion, St. Clair and Washington counties.

Clinton County Electric operates on a not-for-profit basis for the mutual benefit of its owners and we are democratically governed by the membership. In short, Clinton County Electric is a business owned and controlled by you, the member.

You have the opportunity to become engaged in the democratic process controlling your cooperative by attending your Annual Meeting on March 20. Matters of interest concerning your cooperative will be discussed and you can participate in the election process for the Board of Trustees.

From the beginning, Clinton County Electric has had one central mission – to enhance the quality of life of our members. Your cooperative is committed to safe, reliable and reasonably priced electricity.

Clinton County Electric is a company that cares about the people it serves. That service goes a long way beyond keeping the lights on. It is neighbors helping neighbors. That is what it is all about – that is the electric cooperative tradition that started three quarters of a century ago.

Clinton County Electric has continued to develop our two main initiatives; “Enhance our Member Communications” and “Infrastructure Improvements”. We worked vigorously on these in 2013 and will continue to work on further development of these initiatives in 2014. Please take the time to read our monthly newsletter in the Illinois Country Living magazine that we provide to you. Remember, all initiatives we embark upon always have our members’ best interest in mind.

At Clinton County Electric’s October 29, 2013 Regular Board Meeting, the Board of Trustees approved a slight increase in electric rates effective with January 2014 consumption. We have communicated these changes to the membership through recent articles in the Illinois Country Living magazine. Generally, the facility charge went up and the energy charges went down. The slight rate increase will provide approximately \$600,000 of additional revenues to Clinton County Electric. The slight rate increase will undoubtedly be the main topic of discussion at the Annual Meeting.

We look forward to seeing you at your Annual Meeting on March 20.

Balance Sheet

(As of December 31, 2013)

ASSETS (What We Own)

Cash	\$	103,731
Other Investments & Other Property	\$	2,533,969
Notes & Accounts Receivable	\$	383,612
Materials & Supplies	\$	416,527
Prepayments & Other Deferred Debits	\$	85,752
Total Utility Plant	\$	31,066,427
Accumulated Depreciation	\$	9,858,962
Net Utility Plant	\$	21,207,465
Total Assets (We Own)	\$	24,731,056

LIABILITIES & EQUITIES (What We Owe)

Borrowed from NRUCFC	\$	27,449,421
Paid Back to NRUCFC	\$	14,304,884
Owe NRUCFC	\$	13,144,537
Patronage Capital Credits	\$	8,287,525
2011 Margins	\$	585,173
Total Members' Equities	\$	8,872,698
Other Margins & Equities	\$	310,296
Notes Payable (including Line of Credit)	\$	1,361,372
Accounts Payable	\$	312,803
Consumer Deposits	\$	153,413
Other Liabilities	\$	444,563
Deferred Credits	\$	131,374
Total Liabilities & Equities (We Owe)	\$	24,731,056

Revenue and Expenses

(January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013)

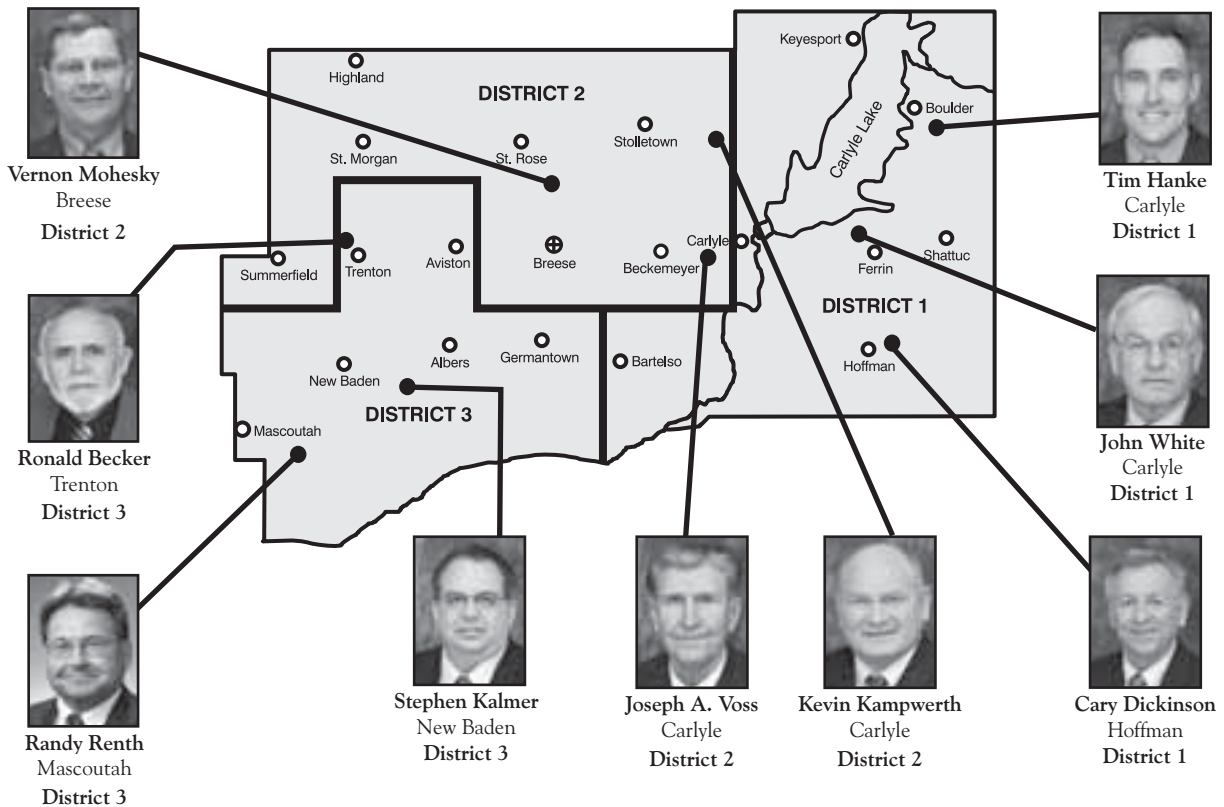
REVENUE:

Electric Service Sold & Other Income	\$	15,176,785
Other Capital Credits & Interest Income	\$	417,335
Total Revenue	\$	15,594,120

EXPENSES:

Electric Power	\$	10,517,675
Operations & Maintenance Expenses	\$	1,520,162
Consumer Accounts Expenses	\$	336,227
Sales & Consumer Expenses	\$	137,390
General Office & Administrative Expenses	\$	949,119
System Depreciation (this year)	\$	944,312
Tax Expense	\$	6,420
Interest to NRUCFC & others	\$	597,642
Total Expenses	\$	15,008,947
Total Margins for the Year	\$	585,173

Your neighbors serving as your cooperative's trustees



Board Candidate Profiles



Tim Hanke
– District No. 1

Tim Hanke is a Trustee for Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc. from District 1. Tim was born and raised in the Boulder area. He graduated from Carlyle High School, Kaskaskia College and Southern Illinois University in Carbondale with a degree in Ag Business. Tim's wife, the former Chris Steinmann, grew up in St. Rose. Together they have two children, Nicole and Lucas. Nicole is a student at SIU Carbondale and Lucas attends Carlyle High School. Tim is a member of the Carlyle School Board, serves as East Fork Township Supervisor, Director for the Clinton County Farm Bureau, and has held numerous positions on his church council. He is a grain and livestock farmer and has served on the Clinton County Electric Cooperative Board since 1999. Through his many years of training, Tim has achieved his Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate as well as the Board Leadership Certificate.



Kevin Kampwerth
– District No. 2

Kevin Kampwerth, a lifelong Carlyle resident, was born and raised on a dairy farm. He lives north of Carlyle with his wife LuAlice (Holland) of thirty years. His daughter Whitney is a University of Illinois School of Law graduate. Kevin has been employed at Huels Oil for the past 32 years and is currently Bulk Plant Manager. Kevin also is a grain farmer and enjoys going to antique tractor pulls with his family and friends. During the month of July, you will find him volunteering at the Clinton County Fair. He has received his NRECA Board Leadership Certification and continues to attend classes. Kevin is the son of Roland and Rose Mary Kampwerth of Carlyle.



Randy Renth
– District No. 3

Randy D. Renth serves as a member of the Clinton County Electric Cooperative Board of Trustees representing District No. 3. He has served on the Board since 1996 and currently serving as Vice-Chairman. Randy is also a Director for the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation in Dulles, VA. He has also earned his Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate and Board Leadership Certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Randy is a graduate of Mascoutah High School and Illinois State University with a degree in Accounting. He serves as a Member of the Board of Education for Mascoutah School District and has a grain farm south of New Baden. Randy is a licensed Certified Public Accountant employed with Rickhoff & Associates. He and his wife Kim have a daughter, Allyson, who is a Pre-Med student at Saint Louis University.