

Annual Meeting



Co-op members taking a look at the 2015 Chevrolet Volt from Marshall Chevrolet.

This year marked the 79th Annual Meeting. The meeting was held at the Winchester Grade School on Saturday, June 14th. We could not of asked for better weather.

General Manager Bruce Giffin reported on the cooperative's new electric car program. Illinois Rural Electric will finance the purchase of an electric car for its electric members at a half of a percent of interest over five years.



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Co-op Board President Robert A. Brown speaking on economic development.

A special kilowatt hour rate is also available from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. for charging. For around \$25 in electricity, a member could drive about a thousand miles.

Mr. Giffin also informed members that with their generosity, over \$450,000 was given to local schools and organizations through the Members' Fund.

Board President Robert A. Brown reported on economic development at the meeting. The cooperative is focused on helping retain area businesses and drive growth. For those looking to expand business, the cooperative assists with the USDA Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant program. Additionally, this fall will mark the beginning of the Morgan-Scott CEO program for area high school seniors. CEO stands for Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities and teaches students how to run their own businesses.

In other business, the members, at the recommendation of the nominating committee, elected three incumbent board directors to serve new terms. Re-elected were Gary K. Clark, district one; James W. Freeman, district three; and Eric Lakin, district seven.

We hope that all of our members had a great time and we look forward to seeing you all again next year. For more photos, find us on Facebook.





John Heaton and Jenissa Ezard talking with members about the Internet service.



Drake Snodgrass smiling with his cookies at the Annual Meeting.

2014 Annual Meeting Prize Winners

\$100

Alvin L. Dennis
Melvin Funk
Steve Dean
C. Robinson
Keith Devlin
James Pahlmann
Sam Surratt
Schnake Family Ltd. Partnership
Brad Kemper
Robert Schafer
City of Barry
Donald Long
Robert Renner
James Riggs
Lawrence Weber
David White
William Newman
Larry Weder
Larry Engelbrecht

\$500

Burdell Foreman
Vivian Bentley
Melissa White
Carol McCartney

Members' Fund

District 1: Robert Moss - Mounted Angels
Pike County
District 2: Wayne Riley - American Cancer
Society
District 3: Randy Whewell - Trinity Luthern
School Arenzville
District 4: Peggy Clark - Pike Co. Hospice
District 5: Virginia Becker - American
Legion Post 1083 Kampsville
District 6: Scott Co. Dr. Lev. District -
Winchester EMS
District 7: Shashtin Saxer - P.A.W.S.
Jacksonville
District 8: Edward Johnson - Manchester
Cemetary
District 9: Ronald Kraushaar - American
Cancer Society
District 10: Marcella Allen - First United
Methodist Church Jerseyville
District 11: J. Waters - American Legion
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