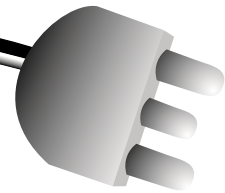


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Norris Electric *News*
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Notice of annual meeting of members of Norris Electric Cooperative

The annual meeting of the members of Norris Electric Cooperative will be held at the Newton Community High School in the City of Newton, Jasper County, Illinois, beginning at 10:30 a.m. on February 13, 2010, to take action upon the following matters:

Report of officers, directors, and management, and the election of four directors of the cooperative.

An election of Directors was conducted prior to the meeting and the results will be presented at the meeting. To be placed on the ballots the candidates returned petitions with at least 25 signatures from other members. One director was elected from each county shown for a three year term. The candidates were:

- Scott Littlejohn . . . Clark County..... 3 years
- Joe Helmink Cumberland County... 3 years
- Gilbert Garbe Effingham County..... 3 years
- Kent Hetzer Jasper County..... 3 years
- Dave Sheppard . . . Jasper County..... 3 years

Any other business which may properly come before the meeting or adjournment thereof.

IMPORTANT: 150 members must register in person or by proxy for a quorum at this meeting.

DATED THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2010
Frank E. Draper, Secretary

Official Registration

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



Norris Electric

Annual Meeting of Members

The board of directors and management invite and encourage you to attend the 72nd annual meeting of the members of Norris Electric Cooperative. Your participation is extremely important. Your co-op exists to serve you, and through your participation you help us identify and meet your specific needs.

The idea that sparked the formation of Norris Electric Cooperative 72 years ago is the same idea that serves as our guiding principle today — namely, providing our members with electric energy at the lowest possible cost consistent with sound economy and good management.

IMPORTANT:

You must present this registration card at the annual meeting to be eligible for the prize drawing.
You must be a member to participate.

72nd Annual Meeting



Registration Card

Norris Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting of Members
Newton Community High School — February 13, 2010 — 10:30 a.m.

This coupon to be clipped and presented at the desk for registration and prize drawing. It readily identifies you as a member of Norris Electric Cooperative.

Signature: _____

County: _____

(YOU MUST PRESENT THIS CARD AT THE ANNUAL MEETING)

Program

10:00 a.m.	Speaker: Justin Blandford
10:30 a.m.	Call to Order
National Anthem	Newton High School Star Spangled Banner Club
Invocation.....	Larry Seals
Welcome	Kent Hetzer, Board President
Roll Call by Secretary to Determine Quorum	
Awarding of two \$75 cash prizes	
Approval of 2009 Annual Meeting Minutes	
Presentation of Reports	
(a) Report of Treasurer	
(b) Report of President	
(c) Report of Manager	
(d) Introductions	
Report of Results of Election	
Unfinished Business	
New Business	
Awarding of Prizes	
Announcements and Adjournment	

Speaker Justin Blandford



Justin Blandford of Springfield is the site manager for three state-owned historic sites with historical connections to Abraham Lincoln: The Vachel Lindsay Home, the Lincoln-Herndon Law Office, and the Old State Capitol. Collectively, these sites have already served more than 200,000 people in 2009. Blandford is responsible for a wide-array of public history programs that have attracted new audiences and new sources of funding to these historic sites. Also, he is the driving force behind the initiative to restore the only remaining building that housed Lincoln's Springfield offices.

Blandford earned his undergraduate degree in history from Webster University in St. Louis. He is currently engaged in academic work leading to a master's degree in history at the University of Illinois Springfield. Blandford is deeply interested in Lincoln's professional life in Illinois. In addition, he is currently researching the lives of Sarah W. Davis and Albert T. Bledsoe.

Justin will speak about Abraham Lincoln's rivalry with Stephen Douglas and how it can serve as a model for us today.

Prizes to be awarded

Two cash prizes of \$75 each will be drawn at the beginning of the meeting.

At the close of the meeting we'll award 62 prizes, including 17 cash prizes of \$25 each, multiple meat prizes and two cordless telephones supplied by PNG (PNG is our long distance provider) and 4 MP3 players.

To be eligible for the drawing you must be registered at the meeting. We want you to attend, and we wish you luck in winning one of the attendance prizes.

The meeting will be called to order at Newton Community High School at 10:30 a.m. on February 13, 2010. Lunch will be served after the prize drawing.

Special Youth Door Prize Drawing

We want to involve the youth of our cooperative in our Annual Meeting. Anyone under 21 years of age can register for a special drawing for one of four 1 GB MP3 players. These MP3 players can store hundreds of songs with hours of playback.

Office closing:



**Monday,
February 15th
for Presidents Day.**

When reporting outages ...

Office Hours:

8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Monday - Friday

Phone:

To reach our office during working hours call:

1-877-783-8765 or

618-783-8765

To report an outage ANYTIME call:

1-877-783-3221 or

618-783-3221

Please — when reporting an outage, have your line, account and pole number ready. You will find it printed near the lower left hand corner of your electric bill.