

## Working for the Co-op



Lance Ridenour, Internet Installation Technician

Today, almost one out of every two electric members has internet service through the co-op. The number of consumers continues to grow along with an increase in need for more bandwidth.

The co-op recently hired three new employees to assist with internet operations. One of those new hires is Aaron Rodhouse, who is working on the installation and technical side. Aaron lives near Pleasant Hill with his wife Addie.

*continued...*



## Illinois Electric Cooperative

P.O. Box 80, Two South Main Street  
Winchester, Illinois 62694

[www.e-co-op.com](http://www.e-co-op.com)  
1-800-468-4732

Your Touchstone Energy® Partner



This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Working to improve the quality of life in the communities we serve since 1936.



Tyler Devlin, Plant Accountant

Aaron has previous work experience in line construction. He has an associate's degree in Electrical Technology from John Wood Community College as well as a certificate of completion from Northwest Lineman College in Texas.

"My family are co-op members and I've wanted to work for the co-op for some time now," Aaron said. "Getting to make a difference in the area you grew up in is something special to me. I'm really excited to learn more about fiber and wireless internet." Aaron was recently certified in tower climbing and will do more training in fiber installation.

Lance Ridenour was also recently hired to fill an open internet technician position. Lance lives in Carrollton and has a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University Carbondale as well as an associates degree in Telecommunications.



Aaron Rodhouse, Internet Installation Technician





Lance Ridenour working on a wireless internet installation.

“I worked for another internet provider in the past and was familiar with what the co-op was doing. The better technology and faster speeds is what made me want to work here,” Lance stated.

Lance is currently in a line apprenticeship program so that he will be certified to work in the electrical space, that's near the energized lines, for any future fiber work.

With a growing number of consumers and new technologies to expand our fiber and wireless internet services, there is a need for more help with accounting as well.

Tyler Devlin, who will graduate this month from Illinois College, was hired as a plant accountant. He will begin working full-time in June. Tyler has been an intern at the co-op for the past three years working with mapping and assisting our manager of accounting with various projects.

Tyler's parents are members of the co-op and he looks forward to serving the members. “I grew up here and want to continue contributing to improving the area. I know that good internet service and reliable electricity is a necessity for any area to grow, so I look forward in helping with that.” Tyler is also the assistant track coach for the West Central Cougars.

With any job opportunity at the co-op, the opening is posted at [e-co-op.com](http://e-co-op.com). Illinois Electric Cooperative is an equal opportunity employer.

★ Illinois Electric Cooperative's ★  
*2018 Annual Meeting*

★ Saturday, July 14th  
\_\_\_\_\_ at the \_\_\_\_\_  
Winchester Grade School

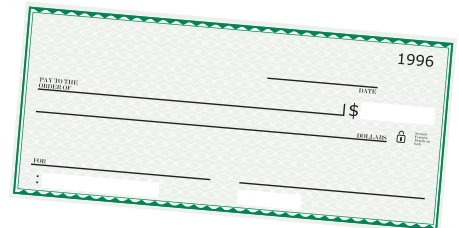


★ Registration at 9:00 a.m.  
Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

★ \$4000.00 in Prizes  
and Refreshments  
We hope to see you there!

Pay Your Bill Online Today at [e-co-op.com](http://e-co-op.com)!

- ✓ Avoid Late Charges
- ✓ View Your Usage
- ✓ Schedule a Future Payment
- ✓ Pay with Check, Debit, or Credit Card
- ✓ Sign Up for Paperless Billing



**facebook** Find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/illinoiselectric](https://facebook.com/illinoiselectric)