

# POWERLINE

NEWSLETTER FOR CO-OP MEMBERS OF CORN BELT ENERGY



EDITION: FEBRUARY 2019

## Carrying on the craft of handmade chocolates

The Chocolatier is dedicated to restoring the fine craft of chocolate candy making wherever astute taste buds are found. Committed to the production of handmade, high quality chocolate at affordable prices, The Chocolatier features a wide variety of chocolates to meet anyone's taste.

### History of The Chocolatier

John Shank, who learned the art of chocolate candy making over a decade ago from a chocolate artisan in Chicago, opened The Chocolatier business with his wife, Helen, in March of 1998 bringing the art of handmade chocolates to downtown Bloomington,



Illinois. John has grown the business from the ground up leaning on his previous work experience in the food industry where he worked for national brands such as Chiquita.

The Chocolatier relocated to Finance Drive in Bloomington approximately 4 years ago and employs approximately 8-10 people. The new location allowed the business to expand, adding more equipment to offer a greater

variety of products.

The store is designed to enable customers to view all the products – including a full line of chocolates, caramels, creams, nut clusters, fudge, toffees, truffles, chocolate dipped apricots, ginger, orange peel, marshmallow and sponge candy (seasonally). In addition, the store carries a generous selection of bulk candy as well as a variety of cheese popcorn and caramel corn.





Use your Co-op Connections card or app at The Chocolatier and receive a 5% discount off of your purchase.

### Nutritious and delicious chocolates

The Chocolatier aims to provide a satisfying yet wholesome and nutritious option that is delicious. At The Chocolatier, they use real chocolate along with ingredients primarily sourced from the Midwest.

Now more than ever, there is a need for a return to nutritious food in people's diets. There is a stigma that chocolate is a candy and it has traditionally had a

bad reputation. However, chocolate in moderation can have benefits. Cocoa provides an abundance of minerals, vitamins (B1, B2, and D) and antioxidants (A, C, and E), and is an excellent source of energy. In addition, dark chocolate is a superfood with health benefits ranging from lowering cholesterol to reducing incidence of heart disease to Alzheimer's prevention. \*

The Chocolatier hopes to change people's eating habits from fast chocolate such as a candy bar that you can purchase at your local convenience or grocery store to handmade chocolates.

### Where to find The Chocolatier

If you're planning for Valentine's Day or simply know someone who likes

sweets, The Chocolatier may be your solution.

Stop in and meet the owner and president of The Chocolatier, John Shank, who is a passionate about products that are made by hand, the old-fashioned way, and not mass produced.



Find The Chocolatier at 3 Finance Drive, Bloomington, Illinois, by phone at 309.821.0277, by email at [chocolatier@live.com](mailto:chocolatier@live.com) or online at [www.chocolatier.ws](http://www.chocolatier.ws).

\*Source: <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/articles/16774-heart-healthy-benefits-of-chocolate>



# PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR MEMBERS



## WAYS TO PAY

<b>AutoPay</b>   <b>SmartHub</b>  <b>Phone Payment</b>	<b>Walk-in</b>  <b>Dropbox</b>	<b>Send via mail</b>	<b>MoneyGram</b>
--	--------------------------------------	----------------------	------------------

## PAYMENT RECOGNITION

Payment posted immediately after payment is made	Payment posted immediately after payment is made  (may be next business day for dropbox payments)	Payment posted within 7-10 business days depending on mail delivery	Payment posted immediately after payment is made
--	---	---	--

## TRANSACTION COST

None	None	None	\$1.50 fee
------	------	------	------------

## FORMS OF PAYMENT ACCEPTED

AutoPay: account number & bank routing number, debit card, VISA, Mastercard & Discover  SmartHub and Phone Payment: Checking account number & bank routing number, debit card, VISA, Mastercard & Discover	Walk-in payments: Cash, check, money order, debit card, VISA, Mastercard & Discover  Dropbox payments: Check or money order	Check or money order	Cash
--	---	----------------------	------

## OTHER DETAILS

Set up AutoPay through SmartHub online or over the phone.  Sign up online for SmartHub. SmartHub is offered online or as the SmartHub app on your Apple or Android phone. With SmartHub, you can check usage, receive notifications.  Phone Payments are offered 24/7/365 and can be made by calling 800-879-0339.	Pay at our office location: Corn Belt Energy 1 Energy Way, Bloomington, IL 61705  Walk-in payments may be made Monday - Friday during regular office hours.	Member is responsible for the cost of postage.  Mail payments to: Corn Belt Energy 1 Energy Way, Bloomington, IL 61705	Make your payment at a location near your home or work. No bank account needed. Many locations are available throughout the Corn Belt Energy service territory.  Visit our website to find MoneyGram locations.
--	--	---	---

## CORN BELT ENERGY LETS YOU CHOOSE THE BEST PAYMENT OPTION FOR YOU

We offer several convenient options for you to pay your electric bill including paperless, at our office location, by mail or other locations.

View the chart to the left for more information on the different ways you can pay.

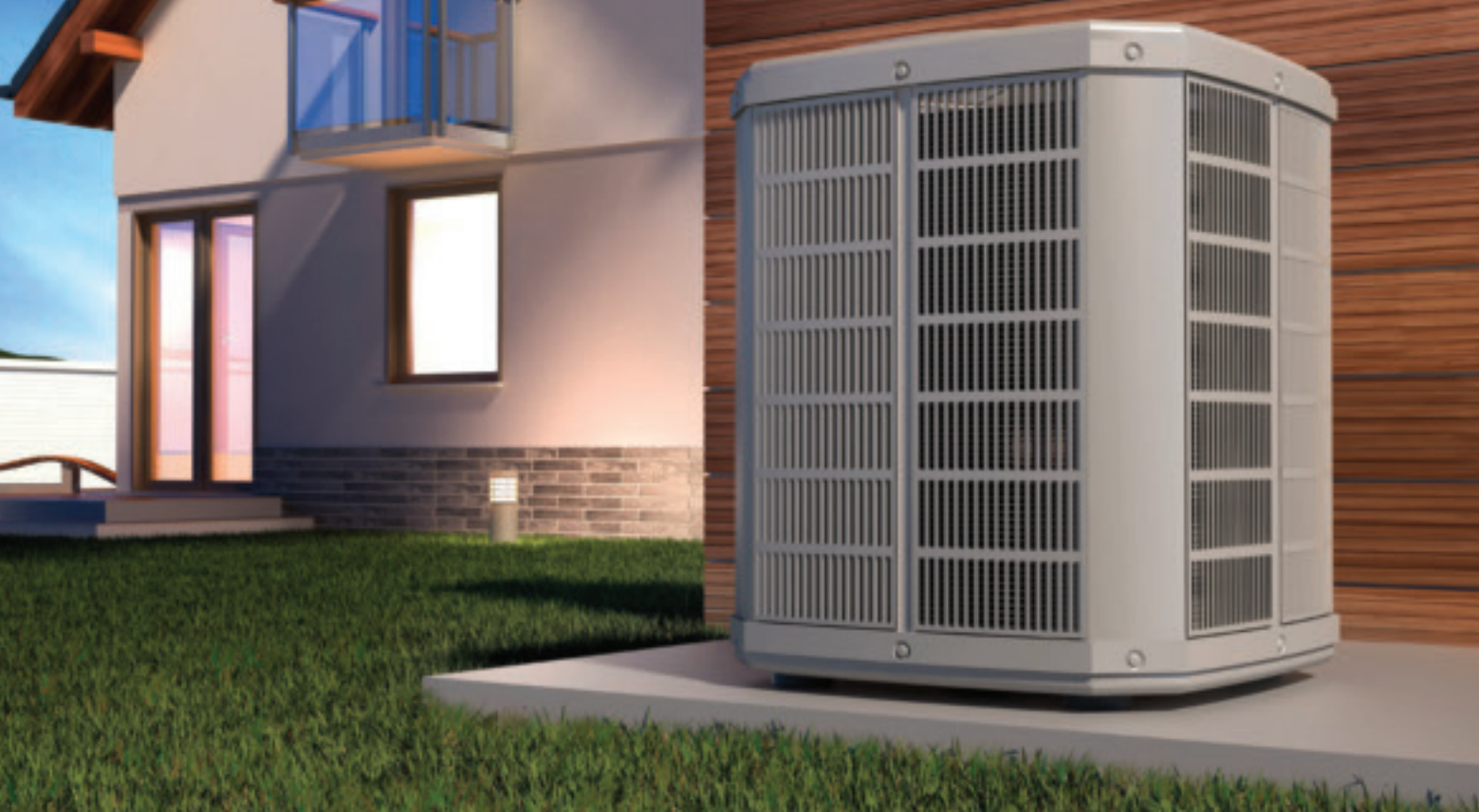
Contact us today at 800-879-0339 for more information.

### ATTENTION MEMBERS:

If you pay your bill by check, please note that effective April 1, 2019, the mailing address for payments is changing.

Please make sure all payments are sent to the following address:

**Corn Belt Energy  
1 Energy Way  
Bloomington, IL 61705**



## How do air source heat pumps work?

Air source heat pumps transfer heat between a house and the outside air.

The unit is connected by refrigerant-filled tubing to an indoor component. The indoor unit contains a fan, indoor coil, and a supplemental resistance or propane/natural gas heating backup.

Depending on whether the heat pump is in a cooling or heating mode, the refrigerant moving through the system makes the indoor coils either hot or cold. A blower draws room air in through a filter and pulls it across the indoor coil.

As the air passes by the coils, it either gathers or gives off heat—depending on whether the coils are hot or cold. Warm or cool air travels through ductwork and registers into the house's rooms.

### What are the advantages of air source heat pumps?



Cost. Heat pumps give off less heat at one time than do conventional gas furnaces, which means that they don't turn off and on with the same frequency as a gas furnace, and therefore circulate more air throughout the house.

Air source heat pumps are controlled by the same type of thermostat used for forced-air systems and trim electricity use by as much as 30-40% in moderate climates.

### Are rebates available for the purchase of air source heat pumps?

Corn Belt Energy offers between \$250 - \$750 rebates for air source heat pumps. To find out more information, contact Jeremy Myers, Energy Advisor, at 309-664-9221 or [jeremy.myers@cornbeltenergy.com](mailto:jeremy.myers@cornbeltenergy.com).

## CONTACT US

1-800-879-0339 | [cbec@cornbeltenergy.com](mailto:cbec@cornbeltenergy.com) | [www.cornbeltenergy.com](http://www.cornbeltenergy.com) |    
1 Energy Way, Bloomington IL 61705 | Office hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

