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# From the Manager

n this center section, you will find a list of undeliverable capital credits. You are a member of a cooperative, and that is quite different than being a consumer of a municipal or investor owned utility. One of the perks you have as a member is the distribution of capital credits. Clay Electric Co-operative is a non-profit electric cooperative. When we bring in more money from our members than needed to run the cooperative, that money is accounted as margins. We keep record of these margins and pay them back to our membership through capital credits.

This year, we are paying back capital credits for the years of

1969-1975. Member's from those years that earned capital credits will have received a check in November. In this center section, you will find our list of members that we could not deliver a check to. If you find your name, or the name of someone you know, make them aware that they need to contact our offices and inquire about undelivered capital credits.

As we look forward to Christmas and the New Year, we continue to plan for the future. It looks bright. Clay Electric will be closed on Dec. 24 and 25 in observance of Christmas this year, we will also be closed Jan. 1 for New Year's Day. We wish you and yours the best this and every month.

As always, keep a lookout for vour member number in the center section of this magazine. There are three member numbers hidden in Clay Electric News. If you find your number and give us a call, you win \$5 off your next bill!



Luke Johnson CEO

### Four ways Santa saves energy in his workshop

The holiday season is finally upon us, and Santa and his elves have been especially busy as they gear up for their biggest night of the year. 14858-001

It's no secret that Santa is known for running an efficient workshop – how else could he make all those toys in time for Christmas Eve? Rumor has it that one way Santa ensures an efficient workspace is through energysaving measures.

Here are four ways Santa saves energy in his workshop.



Santa leaves his decorations up year-round, so by using LED holiday light strands, he's able to save on his monthly energy bills. LED holiday strands can last up to 40 seasons, which make them a great option for any festive home.



Santa requires several power tools to make a year's worth of new toys. That's why he insists on using cordless power tools with the ENERGY STAR rating. According to energystar.gov, if all power tools in the U.S. used ENERGY STARrated battery chargers, 2 billion kWh hours of

electricity could be saved - that's equivalent to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 1.7 mil-



Mrs. Claus loves to keep warm by the fire in the evenings, and Santa knows one of the best tricks to ensure fireplace efficiency. While a fireplace can keep a small area of your home cozy and warm, it can also pull heated air from the room through the chimney. That's why Santa always closes the fireplace flue when a fire isn't burning.



Santa also saves energy by using power strips. Power strips are ideal for workshops, craft nooks, game rooms and other spaces in your home. With one simple switch, you can conveniently control several devices and electronics that are plugged into the power strip.

This holiday season, let's take a page from Santa's book and remember to save energy when possible. With these four tips, you'll be well on your way to savings and Santa's "nice" list!

## **Undeliverable capital credits**

s a member of a cooperative, you are more than a customer. You are a member-owner. Clay Electric Co-operative is a non-profit cooperative. 13919-001 When we collect more funds from the membership than we need to fund the cooperative, those additional margins are refunded to the membership in the form of capital credits. This year we are repaying capital credits for the years 1969-1975.

Below is our list of undeliverable capital credits. These are names of members we could not locate to return capital credits to. If you see your name on the list, or know someone on the list, please let them know to contact our office at 1-800-582-9012 so we can update our records and return their capital credits to them.

R O Abbott Lvle Adams Larry Aldrich Gerald Allard Gearld Allen James Allen Esta Allphin American Telephone Norma Ames W D Ammann Robert Lee Anderson Frank Antoine William L Arnold Robert F Avery Chas N Babcock Melvin Bailey Myrtle Bailey Lillie Baker Donald Barbee Jesse Bateman Charles Batton Ivan Bauman WW Beard Joseph Behnke Brothers Bell Donald L Belleville Robert E Berry William Bickers R H Billingsley Darrel Birch Frank R Bissev Diamous Blackwell Larry Blackwell Mae Blackwell George Bonham

James Bonner Mark M Bordoli Robert Brandebury C L Brave Jack Brinkley George H Briscoe James L Briscoe Bill Brown Carl W Brown Freda M Brown Truman L Brown Earl Burgess Alice I Burr Ted Burroughs Kenneth Burt Marcus Burt Allen E Burton R I Burton Edward D Bute Larrie Butler Ivan Byars Richard D Byers Claude Cain Johnr Cannon Marlin O Cannon Larry E Canterbury E C Carpenter Ioe H Carroll Ottis Carver Darwin Case Stan Cates Cecil V Cazel Charles Clark Joe W Clark Marie Clark T L Clark

Allen Colclasure Bob Colclasure Charles Colclasure Gavlon Colclasure Herman Colclasure Jerry Colclasure Ora Colclasure Delores Combs Harry B Conley James R Connell James G Cook Bill Cooper Joe Cooper Robert P Cosby Gilbert Cotterell William P Coughlin Paul Jr Courson Roger Courson Ben Cox Ben A Crouse Oil Co Cullum Bishop Cummings Glenn Cummins Clinard Curtis Kenneth R Curtis Veston H Dalton Roger Davis Charles Deain Raymond Deien Bros Delay R A Demain Oscar Depoister Rena Devore Roy Dickerson William Dickerson Iames E Donoho Paul Dugan

Albert A Duke Wilbur Dunnigan Keith Durre Betty Durvall Fave Ellis Alvin Elmore Jess M Enlow John P Eytchison Mildred O Fabert Dora Fancher David Fear Herbert H Fender William Fender Scott Fischer Harry Fitzgerald C Fitzpatrick Mary P Fleming Hog Company Flora West Company Flora Henry C Followell Donnie G Ford Erma C Francis Joseph R Franks Pauline Fritzler Carrol L Frutiger Fletcher Fulk Hermon Garrett Bob G Gill Iames H Gill Genell F Given Ebert Goens Stanley Goff Church Golden Charles E Gordon Harland T Gould

Susie Gould Carl O Gragert Ias Greenwood Dale Greer Francis Guinn Gottlie Haack Victor Habbe Kerwin L Hagen Eugene Hale Catherine Halterman Nathel L Halterman Jerry E Hanna Glen R Harmon Isabel Harmon Hubert V Harrell W B Harris Mabel Harrison Elsie Hart Harold G Hart Dorothy Hasler Earl Hawkey Mike Hawkey Dale Heiden Fred Heitman Marvin Helms Jerry Hemrich Charles T Henderson Cliffor L Henson John W Henson Wayland G Henson Bennie Herdes **Iack Herdes** Harris Herrick Walter Higdon F Hildebrand



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Every month we will have three member numbers hidden throughout Clay Electric News. If you find your member number that corresponds to the one found on the upper right corner of your bill, call our office and identify your number and the page it's on. If correct, you will win a \$5 credit on your next electric bill.

Ronnie Hilderbrand William Hill Lloyd E Hite Cecil Hockman Elmer A Hockman Evelvn Hodges Emma Holler Harlon Holzhausen Mike Holzhausen Henry Horath Clemant Howell Harley Howell Virgie Huddlestun Farrell R Hunt **Judy Hunt** Erma Arlene Hurford Lease Oper Illinois Oil Corp Jackson Helen Jacobs Lilliam Joergens Charles Rsr Johnson Joe E Johnson L B Johnson Loretta M Johnson Ephraim Jones Gerald M Iones Herbert C Jones Marvin A Jones Wyette Iones Bob L Justice Herman O Kenley Allen W Kerby Herman Kessler Raymond Kessler Tom Kilby Archie D Kincaid Paul Kincaid Wm E Klein Neal Klingler A H Kluthe **IW** Krantz Dale Krutsinger Leo Krutsinger Joseph B Kuhajda Mildred I Lane W L Lane Bessie N Lee Mabel E Lee Victor T Lee Russell Levitt R D Lewis Stella Lewis Richard Lidy Larry E Logan Betty Lovelady Town Hall Lucas Luther Luttrell

Branch Church Lynn Fred Majors Vern Marcum BT Martin Berlyn Marvel George W Marvin Tony Matlock Marjorie Mcallister Donald C Mccavitt Sherman Mcclure Kenneth C Mcdannel Leslie Mcelvea Lois L Mcgee Robert A Mchenry James W11 Mcknight Charles Mcnaughton Bernadi Mcneil Gold Dairy Meadow Merle E Mearns Barney Medows Eugene Mellendorf Geo E Mercer Dorris Michels Floyd Miller Hazel L Miller Lyle M Milligan C G Mojonnier Gladys Montgomery Esther L Moore Maude Morgan Donald Muhs Adam Murray Galen Negley Helen Nevers Gerald Nix W F Norton Martin Nosek Nellie Nottingham Lula Odonnell Morris W Oliver Herman Owen Robert Owen Peggy Parsons Robert Payne Ben Phillips Larry C Phillips Walter Phillips William E Phillips **Jack Pickel** Marian Pickel Ruby Pierson James L Pitchford Nonnie Pope David Wor Porter Dewey Porter

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Carl E Taylor Henry Taylor Richard L Taylor George Hir Thomas Ruby O Thomas Harry W Thompson Martin E Thompson Paul A Thompson Ira G Timmons Mason Toliver Ernest Touchette Harold D Townsend **Jack Townsend** Lester Trago Eileen Triplett United Industrial Co. Lela Valbert Joe Vallina George Vaughn C R Vaught Gene Venable Bonnie B Wampler Avon Watson Harry Wattles Ransom Weidner Robert Weidner Theodor Wells Melvin O West Allen E White Charles Wildbur Carl D Wilfong Howard Ror Wilkins Jerry Williams Vaughn Willis William H Willis Edna Maxine Wilson Sam Wilson Samuel C Wilson Floyd Wimberly George Wisegarver Laura V Wood Paul L Wood Wesley Wooden Ernest Woods Thomas W Worley Wilford G Wyatt Carl Yingst Carol E Young Charlie Young Daryl E Young Frank Young

#### **Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting October 26, 2020**

he regular meeting of the Board ■ of Trustees of Clay Electric Co-operative, Inc. (CECI) was held at the Clay Electric Co-operative Headquarters, Flora, Illinois beginning at 7:00 o'clock p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020.

Trustees present were: Kevin Logan, Bob Pierson, Bill Croy, Greg Smith, Neil Gould, Richard Rudolphi, Frank Czyzewski and Frank Herman. Also present were: Luke Johnson, CEO and Tyra Cycholl, Attorney for the Board. Danny Schnepper was present via conference call. The meeting was opened by Bob Pierson, who presided and Greg Smith, acted as secretary thereof. 11181-001

The pledge of allegiance was recited followed by the invocation, given by Bill Croy.

The following proceedings were had [all action being first duly moved and seconded, and all action taken being upon the unanimous vote of the Board or without dissenting vote of abstention unless otherwise stated]:

APPROVED, the Suggested Agenda.

APPROVED, the Consent Agenda including the following:

- **APPROVED**, the prior meeting minutes.
- **APPROVED,** (a) to admit to membership those 10 applicants connected for service since the last such review by the board, and (b) cancel those 6 former members shown on the Manager's Report since the last such review by the Board, said members no longer taking service;
- **APPROVED**, the Work Orders;
- **APPROVED**, the Disbursements;
- **APPROVED**, the Credit Card Statements;
- **REVIEWED**, the Attorney Retainer;
- **REVIEWED**, the Account

Summary Report;

- **REVIEWED**, the NCSC Report from the Board;
- **REVIEWED**, the NRECA Board Report.

**APPROVED**, the Purchase Power Agreements presented.

**REVIEWED**, the Virtual District 5 meeting and **DISCUSSED** any issues with the meeting.

**HEARD**, a report by Frank Herman regarding the SIPC Meeting and Budget discussions.

**HEARD**, a report by Kevin Logan regarding the AIEC Meeting.

HEARD, the 2021 Budget preview from Luke Johnson.

DISCUSSED, the 2021 Budget regarding Capital Credit Payback, Capital Items, Donations and the overall 2021 Budget.

**HEARD** and **APPROVED**, a financial report by Luke Johnson as to the following:

- September 2020 Form 7;
- September 2020 Balance Sheet:
- September 2020 Cash Flow;
- SIPC Power Delivered in July 2020 dated Oct. 9, 2020;
- August Line Loss;
- Monthly Reconciliation.

**HEARD**, a Safety Report for the month of May.

**REVIEWED**, the Monday morning Safety meeting held Oct. 19, 2020.

**HEARD** and **APPROVED**, the Manager's report by Luke Johnson on the following topics.

- Clay Annual Meeting;
- Operations Report;
- Communications Report;
- Upcoming meetings.

**REVIEWED** and

**DISCUSSED**, the Clay Annual Meeting, the Board commended Luke Johnson and Adam McKnight on a job well done.

**REVIEWED**, the Communications Report.

WERE REMINDED, of

upcoming meetings on Nov. 23, 2020, Dec. 28, 2020 and Jan. 25, 2021 at 1 p.m. in the Clay Board

There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was declared adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

#### **ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

TIP OF THE MONTH

Energy bills can increase during winter for a variety of reasons, like housequests, more time spent at home. and shorter days and longer nights. Small actions, like turning down your thermostat, replacing old bulbs with LEDs and washing clothes in cold water can help you save.

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