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### Academic scholarships available from Shelby Electric Cooperative

Every year Shelby Electric Cooperative awards three academic scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each. Scholarships are awarded to a son or daughter of a current Shelby Electric Cooperative member who is receiving electric service from the cooperative at the time the scholarship application is submitted. In 2010, the winners were Tamar Adcock of Assumption and Ethan Simmons and Lauren Adcock both from Moweaqua.

"We are pleased to provide students with an opportunity to be awarded a scholarship as a way to give back to the communities we serve," said Marla Eversole who coordinates this program for the cooperative.

High school seniors pursuing a college education in the United States are eligible to participate in the program. Scholarships may be used for educational costs at any two-year or four-year accredited college or university, including vocational/technical schools. Candidates are judged based



Shown here is Tamar Adcock, one of last year's scholarship recipients, accepting her \$1,000 scholarship from Chairman of the Board Darrell Shumard of Stewardson. Ethan Simmons and Lauren Adcock were the other two recipients and were unavailable when this picture was taken.

on grade point average, college entrance tests scores, work and volunteer experience, participation in school and community activities, a biographical statement and a short essay that demonstrates knowledge of the organization and services of Shelby Electric Cooperative. March 15 is the deadline for receipt of completed applications for 2011. Scholarship winners will be notified in June.

Applications can be obtained by visiting the Shelby Electric Cooperative website www.shelbyelectric.coop and looking under the "Our Community" menu tab or by calling Marla Eversole, Member Services Representative. The telephone numbers for the cooperative are 1-217-774-3986 and 1-800-677-2612. Applications may also be obtained from high school guidance counselors.

### **Cooperative welcomes Troy Hatfield**

Troy Hatfield began working for Shelby Electric Cooperative (SEC) on November 15 in the position of Senior Accountant. Troy was hired to replace Laura Cutler who accepted a position as Office Manager for M.J.M. Electric Cooperative in Carlinville, Ill. Troy comes to SEC with a strong accounting background with 14 years experience in the public and private accounting fields. He worked the previous 7 years in a similar position at Shelby Memorial Hospital.

Troy was born and raised in Shelbyville. Following his graduation from Shelbyville High School in 1992, he graduated from Illinois State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. In his free time, Troy likes spending time with family and friends. He also enjoys spending time on the lake and river during the warmer months. He looks forward to working with everyone here at the co-op. Welcome to the cooperative family, Troy.





# Have you taken advantage of the Co-op Connections Card yet?

Did you know your Co-op Connections Card can be used at over 20,000 businesses nationally? Have you checked out the new and improved website yet? If not go to www.connections.coop or link to it via shelbyelectric.coop to see all the businesses offering discounts locally and across the country. If you are traveling for work, vacation or a family visit make sure you visit the website and see if there are any businesses along your route that accept the Co-op Connections Card.

Here is a list of local participating businesses as of December 1, 2010.

#### **Assumption**

 The Knick-Knack Shoppe 820-1168 10% off final purchase of non-consigned merchandise, excluding furniture.

#### **Bloomington**

Glass Specialty
Company Inc. 309-664-1087
\$20 Wal-Mart gift card with any
auto glass replacement.

#### Champaign

Glass Specialty
Company Inc. 352-4258
\$20 Wal-Mart gift card with any auto
glass replacement.



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Office Hours: **7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.** 



• Wireless Mike's 356-9300 50% off car cord or leather case when activating a new line or upgrading an existing plan.

#### Decatur

Creative Media
Services, Inc. 428-9950
20% off first hour of graphic design
and/or consulting.

Glass Specialty
 Company Inc.
 429-2371
 \$20 Wal-Mart gift card with any
 auto glass replacement.

■ Scotty's Pest Control 422-9372 10% discount on all jobs.

#### Gays

■ Seal & Save 273-4638

Free inspection of ductwork and 20% discount on all services.

#### Greenville

 Enertech, Inc. 618-664-9010
 \$50 per ton equipment discount (max 5 ton) on GeoComfort or Paradise geothermal systems.

#### Macon

■ Macon Speedway 764-3000 \$2 off regular admission ticket.

#### Mattoon

■ Wireless Mike's 258-8771 50% off car cord or leather case when activating a new line or upgrading an existing plan.

#### **Oconee**

Hired Hands Services 539-4218
 5% off any carpet or resilient flooring.

#### Pana

■ Bland Heating & Air
Conditioning 562-4256

10% discount on service calls.

 Merle Norman Cosmetic/ Cut N Curl 562-4722
 10% off retail.

■ Pana Iron Store Co. 562-2168 10% discount off retail purchase.

#### Peorio

■ Glass Specialty
Company Inc. 309-676-6181
\$20 Wal-Mart gift card with any auto
glass replacement.



#### **Pleasant Plains**

 Paul Tree Farms, LLC. 414-9556 971-7876
 10% off pines, spruces, maples and oaks.

#### Shelbyville

■ Barker's Balloonery & Bridal 774-2588

10% off all balloons & gift basket purchases.

Best Wedding Chapel 774-7809
 A framed personalized wedding prayer with full wedding package.

■ Beyers Chiropractic 774-5313 10% off vitamins, braces, pillows.

 Bogart Vision Care 774-4422 20% off eye glasses/sun glasses and 50% off second pair.

Carl Grabb Motors 774-2165
 Full service oil change \$19.95 plus taxes.
 Up to 5 quarts and filter. Excludes synthetic.

■ Coon Creek Lodge 756-3147 10% discounts on kitchenettes.

Custom Care Cleaners 774-3422
 \$1 off every \$10, \$2 off every \$20, \$3 off every \$30.

■ Druby's 774-5143 2 free medium drinks w/ purchase of any everyday Family Deal.

■ **Just A Stitch** 774-2227 20% off regular priced merchandise.

Leach-Wilson Chevrolet
 Buick CO. 774-3975
 5% off parts and labor any day of the week.

■ M & M Crafts 774-2609

Macari's Service Center 774-4214
 10% discount on furnace/AC clean/checks.
 Card to be present at time of billing.

Merle Norman Cosmetic's
 & Boutique
 774-4233
 Save \$2 on a purchase of \$25 or more.

• Possum's Treasures 774-1300 Free greeting card with \$10 purchase.



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- Shelbyville Public Printer 774-2337 15% off business customers or individuals.
- Whalen's West Side Floral 774-4644 10% off, some restrictions apply.
- Woodpile Primitives 254-6955 10% off on any stock item.

#### Cullivan

Coyote Cabins 728-7150 Regular price is \$125/night, discount price is \$99/night for weekend and \$89 Sunday – Thursday.

#### **Taylorville**

- A Classic Bouquet 824-6556 10% off purchases cash & carry.
- **Don's Lion's Den** 824-6111 10% on all non-cosigned merchandise.
- Gordon Pontiac GMC 824-3381 \$200 off bottom line price after you have made your best deal. Limit – 1 offer per transaction, no cash value.
- Market Street Inn 824-7220 10% off single night stay, 20% off two or more night stay.
- ProStitch Auto Interiors &
   Upholstery, Inc. 824-3228
   \$10 off any basic headliner replacement
   or free black vinyl for ag/commercial seat
   repairs.
- Taylorville Community
  Credit Union 824-9658
  .25% off any new installment loan.
- The Best 4 Less 824-4003 10% off already discounted prices.
- Yard Heating & Cooling 824-4737
   10% off on furnace and/or air conditioner checkup.

#### Urbana

 Wireless Mike's 365-6 50% off car cord or leather case when activating a new line or upgrading an existing plan.

#### Windsor

Hickory Hills Crafts & Collectibles 459-2347
 10% off on \$20 or more.

Please keep this copy for your convenience. We will notify our members of any future participating businesses through this newsletter, on our website, shelbyelectric.coop, and via our facebook page facebook.com/Your-Coop. If you have lost or misplaced your card, stop by the cooperative for a new one.

# Co-op Connections Card also provides Rx savings

Your Co-op Connections card also has a pharmacy discount component. Since its introduction in May 2007, over 25 million dollars have been saved by cooperative members all across the country on their prescription costs. During that same time frame, Shelby Electric Cooperative members have saved over \$28,000.

This card is accepted at over 48,000 national and regional pharmacy chain stores including Kmart, CVS, Walgreens, WalMart, Target and many others. Over 24,000 independent pharmacies also offer the prescription discounts.

To find out the discounted price of a prescription go to www.rxpricequotes.com

and to find a participating pharmacy go to www.locateproviders.com. You will be asked to put in a member number and a group number. This can be found on the back of your card.



See a question and answer sheet about the pharmacy discount program on page 9 of this issue of the Illinois Country Living magazine. This is **not** insurance.

#### **Local Non-Chain Pharmacies**

#### **FAMILY DRUG STORE**

(217) 774-7838 1603 W MAIN ST - SHELBYVILLE, IL 62565

#### HAGEN'S FAMILY PHARMACY

(217) 728-7388 8 E HARRISON ST - SULLIVAN, IL 61951

#### THE SULLIVAN PHARMACY

(217) 728-2331 102 E HARRISON - SULLIVAN, IL 61951

#### MOWEAQUA PHARMACY PC

(217) 768-3832 620 N PUTNAM ST - MOWEAQUA, IL 62550

#### SAV MOR PHARMACY

(217) 895-2238 596 OAK ST - NEOGA, IL 62447

#### **BROWN'S DRUG STORES**

(217) 342-2185 115 W JEFFERSON AVE - EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

#### MEDICINE SHOPPE PHARMACY

(217) 342-9393 805 W FAYETTE AVE PO BOX 1266 - EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

#### MARTIN'S PHARMACY

(217) 342-4301 101 S MERCHANT ST - EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

#### CARLE THERAPY SERVICES

(217) 258-3640 200 LERNA RD S - MATTOON, IL 61938

#### RENE'S DRUG STORE

(217) 824-5323 201 W MAIN CROSS ST -TAYLORVILLE, IL 62568

#### THE PHARMACY

(217) 824-3411 600 N MAIN ST - TAYLORVILLE, IL 62568

#### **BOB'S PHARMACY**

(217) 563-2701 116 W STATE ST - NOKOMIS, IL 62075

#### ALTAMONT PHARMACY INC

(618) 483-5614 12 NORTH 3RD – ALTAMONT, IL 62411

#### ANDES HEALTHMART

(217) 342-9393 805 W FAYETTE – EFFINGHAM, IL 62401

#### CAIN'S DRUG STORE

(618) 283-0196 1401 N. 8TH STREET - VANDALIA, IL 62471

#### DALE'S SOUTHLAKE PHARMACY

(217) 429-5165 280 W. FIRST DRIVE - DECATUR, IL 62521

#### **CURRY'S FAMILY PHARMACY**

(217) 629-7001

1275 N. 7TH STREET - RIVERTON, IL 62561



## REAL LIFE REAL POWER

### I resolve to get around to it

How many of us make New Year resolutions but never quite get around

to seeing them through?
Guilty? I know I am. This year, I encourage you to get around to making changes in your home and lifestyle that will improve the comfort of your home, help the environment and hopefully save some money too. If you need a reminder or extra motivation, cut out the yellow, round "TUIT" and place it where you will be reminded to get around to it!

Now is the time to look and feel

for air leaks around windows, doors, outlets and switches. If you feel cold air blowing in, money is leak-

> ing out. Caulk, foam strips and sealers are inexpensive remedies available at your local hardware and home improvement stores.

> > When storing your

Christmas decorations in the attic or basement, take a moment to shine a flashlight around the area. Is the insulation in place? Are there cracks and gaps that need sealed? Do windows or vents need repaired? Exhaust fans should be vented all the way to the outdoors, NOT into your attic or basement.

Were new electronics and appliances added to your home at Christmas? If so, unplug and dispose of the former ones. Plug electronics into a power strip that can be switched off easily when not in use. Many electronics use power while turned "off" if they are actually in a sleep or stand-by mode.

Stay tuned. I will update you next month on opportunities for improvement (doesn't that sound better than *problems*?) that I have found in my own house. I resolve to get around to practicing what I preach!

- Marla Eversole, Member Services Representative



**Energy Efficiency** 

# Tip of the Month

Feel around doors and windows for air flow. Adding weather stripping or caulk around a leaky door or window can lower energy bills by keeping your heating system from working too hard to compensate for air leaving your home.

Visit www.togetherwesave.com to take the interactive energy savings home tour.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy



#### **OUTAGE REPORT**

LINE OUTAGES

HOURS	SUBSTATION	CAUSE	MEMBERS AFFECTED
0.46	Neoga	Unknown	65
0.11	Yantisville	Planned work	116
0.30	Moweaqua	Equipment failure	163
3.20	Dunkel	Unknown	70
0.55	Airport	Storm	75
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#### **SUBSTATION OUTAGES**

DATE	HOURS	SUBSTATION	CAUSE	MEMBERS AFFECTED
11/24/2010	2.45	Yantisville	Vehicles	762
11/25/2010	1.30	Dunkel	Power supplier	310