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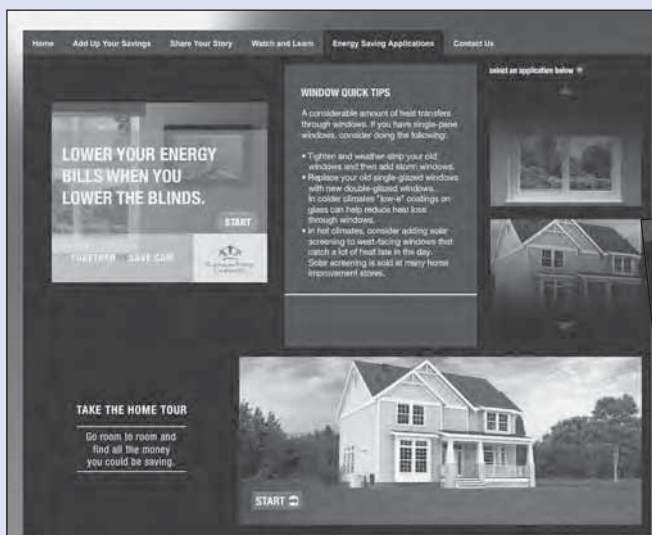
NEW Together We Save Web site calculates your home energy savings ... see what you can do!



Have you heard about togetherwesave.com? It's a new energy saving tool on the Internet, brought to you by Touchstone Energy. It's free, it's easy, and it just may surprise you to see how many simple things you can do in your own home that will lower your electric bill. This site actually calculates your savings, room by room.

David N. Stanley
Ever wonder how much you could save if you just installed CFLs, added insulation, turned off lights, upgraded a few appliances, or adjusted your water heater, blinds and thermostat? Let the togetherwesave.com Web site calculate your savings. It just takes a few minutes.

See what you can do at togetherwesave.com!



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SIEC finding it difficult to find cost-effective Broadband/Internet solution

Unfortunately after several years of research, SIEC is still unable to secure a long term solution for high-speed Internet/Broadband in our rural service territory. Several possibilities have surfaced throughout the last five years, but the companies we have studied either cannot provide the extensive rural coverage we need and still be cost effective for our membership, or do not fit the long-term vision for the Cooperative. We would still like to find an affordable high speed broadband Internet option for our membership, but to-date we have not been able to find a cost-effective solution.



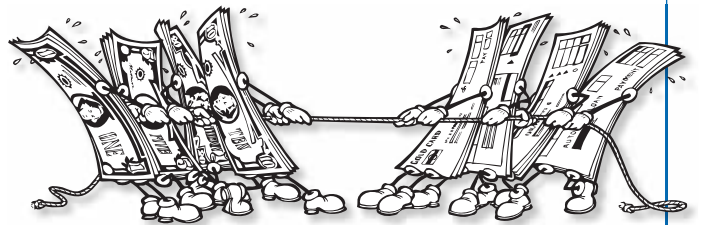
Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment

The year-to-date wholesale power cost adjustment savings to members is \$426,623.00.

Do you need help paying your utility bills?

LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)

Shawnee Development Council wants to help you with your utility bills. Have you been helped before and think you are not eligible now? Please try again. There is money that may be available to you. According to Shawnee Development Council's LIHEAP Program Manager Quintilla Batiste, "Our main purpose is for everyone eligible for this program to be served. The money is there and that's what it's for." If you think you may qualify and you are in need, please give Shawnee Development Council, Inc. a call at one of its county outreach offices listed below



Alexander 734-0535
Johnson 658-6131

Massac 524-2941
Pope 683-2107

Pulaski 745-6388
Union 833-7431

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Always call before you dig

JULIE, Inc. Offers New Web Based Program for Homeowners

With a growing national trend of homeowners focusing on outdoor beautification and home improvement projects instead of selling their homes, JULIE, Inc.'s safety and education campaign reminds do-it-yourselfers about the importance of calling the Illinois One-Call System before starting any projects that involve digging.

"Not only do homeowners need the proper tools and materials, but the first step to planning any successful project is to call JULIE," said Kevin Chmura, director of public relations for JULIE, Inc. "Safe digging is no accident. When homeowners inadvertently cut or damage lines during so-called routine projects, the results can still take a staggering toll, in terms of costly delays, environmental or property damage, liability, personal injury and even loss of life."

JULIE, Inc. recently introduced E-Request, a free, Web-based program for homeowners with Internet access who want to enter their own utility locate requests via www.illinois1call.com. In addition, JULIE's friendly and helpful call center representatives are available to receive and process requests 24 hours a day, seven days a week at either 811 or 800-892-0123.

"There is no reason to take a chance. With more utility companies delivering critical

services underground, homeowners are encouraged to simply call JULIE at 811 or visit our Web site to enter their own request," continued Chmura.

Common examples of do-it-yourself projects that require a call to JULIE before digging include putting up a fence; installing a swing set, a mail box post or water feature such as a pool, pond or fountain; building a deck or room addition; preparing a new garden or landscape area; or planting trees, bushes or shrubs.

Here's how it works. To ensure that underground utility lines in the work area are marked, call 811 or

send an E-Request to JULIE at least two working days before digging. JULIE, Inc. will arrange for its member utility operators to have the underground lines at the project site marked, free of charge, so that homeowners can dig safely. JULIE neither owns nor marks any underground lines.

As one of the largest industry one-call systems in the nation, the not-for-profit organization represents 1,730 members and annually receives 1.2 million locate requests. For a copy of JULIE's Homeowner's Guide, an explanation of the color-code markings and information about the one-call process, visit www.illinois1call.com.



If Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative (SIEC) members request that the cooperative help locate any member-owned underground electric lines, the member must call SIEC directly at (800) 762-1400. JULIE will not notify SIEC to locate member-owned facilities.





Office Closing

Our office will be closed
Friday, April 2, for
Good Friday.



Marathon[®] WATER HEATERS

Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative proudly offers
the Marathon water heater in 50 and 85 gallon models.

Why Marathon?

Because we believe, if you want your water heater to give you years of service, you must get one that will stand the test of time.

Marathon offers a life-time no-leak warranty, guaranteed to last you as long as you own your home. This will save you the future expense of buying a replacement heater and having it installed.

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If you have any questions, please call our office at 1(800)762-1400 or visit our Web site for detailed information, www.siec.coop.

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Member prize

In this issue of the JAMUP, we printed the names of three SIEC members who are eligible to receive a \$10 credit toward their utility bill. If you find your name printed in this center section and it's not part of the story, call Jerri with your account number at 800-762-1400 to claim your prize.

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