

Honor Electrical Safety Month

President's Report



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President/CEO

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Every May, we celebrate Electrical Safety Month. It's a time when we place a spotlight on ways we keep you, our members, safe.

This year, we're focusing on how to keep safe after a storm rolls through. No matter the type of weather or damage to electrical equipment and infrastructure, resulting safety hazards are generally the same.

To stay safe after a major storm or natural disaster strikes, develop a family action plan. Designate a place for everyone to meet after an event. Map out ways to evacuate your home. Create a laminated card with emergency

contact names and numbers for each family member. Consider listing a relative or friend who lives far from your community as the point of contact—if your family gets separated, that person can let others know who is safe.

And don't forget pets in your family action plan — many rescue shelters will not accept pets after a catastrophe of some sort, so it's important to decide beforehand where Fido or Tabby can take up residence for a while.

It's not hard to understand why safety remains a top priority for Spoon River Electric Cooperative—working around electricity is a life-or-death

situation every day for many of our employees. As a result, we work hard to instill a culture of safety that our folks can take home with them and live 24/7.

We also strive to raise safety awareness among our members. Look for safety tips in Illinois Country Living each month, and check www.srecoop.org for more information.

Pledge to honor Electrical Safety Month by fashioning an emergency action plan for your family today. Learn more about weathering storms safely at www.ready.gov.



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Mark your calendar!

Spoon River Electric Cooperative's 75th Annual Meeting of Members will be held

Thursday, June 14
at Canton High School.

Please join us for an evening of dinner, cooperative business and attendance prizes.

New employee



Spoon River Mechanical Services is pleased to welcome Phil Schnarr to its staff.

Schnarr is a heating and cooling service technician with 19 years of experience. He offers sales and service on all brands of equipment. "I look forward to continuing to serve my existing customers and to meeting new ones," Schnarr said.

Schnarr and his wife Mindy live in Cuba. Appointments can be made with Schnarr by calling Spoon River Mechanical at (309) 647-3450.

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8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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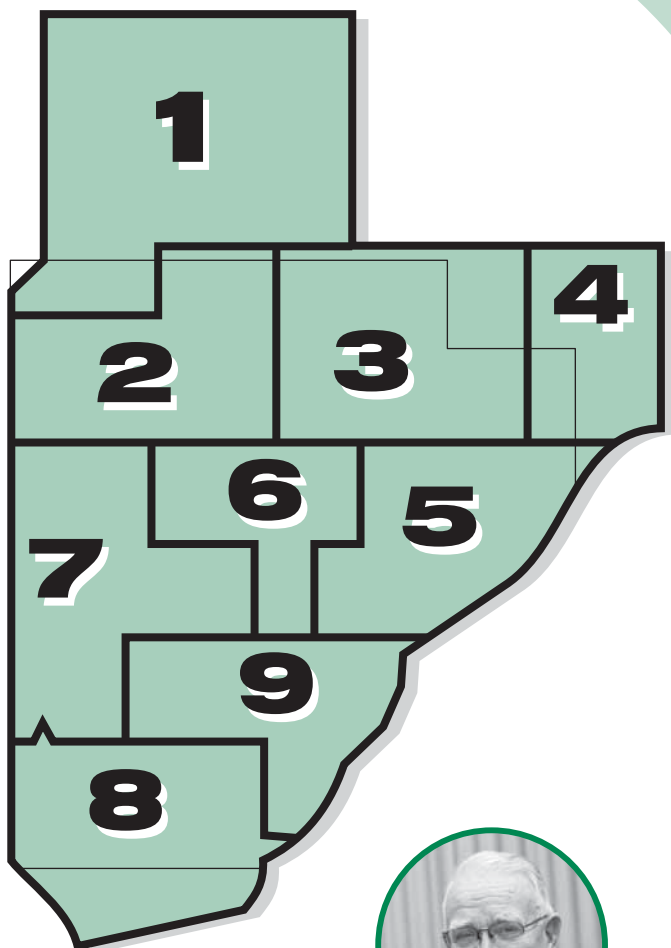
Spoon River Electric Cooperative – By the Numbers

Miles of line energized: 1,249 • Number of members served: 4,944

Number of power poles in territory: 29,255

Meet Your Directors

These are the nine members elected to serve on Spoon River Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors. If you need to reach your director with any concerns about your electric service, call the office at (309) 647-2700 and ask for their contact information.



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ATTENTION 2011-2012 SENIORS!

Spoon River Electric Cooperative is Awarding Three \$500 Scholarships to High School Seniors

High school students who are seniors during the 2011-2012 school year, and are the son or daughter of a Spoon River Electric member are eligible to apply for a \$500 Scholastic Scholarship, a \$500 Honorary Scholarship, and the Scott Parrish Memorial Scholarship, which will be awarded at this year's Annual Meeting on June 14, 2012.

Fill out the form at the bottom of the page and send to the cooperative before **May 15, 2012**, to participate. Please see official rules and descriptions of scholarships below.

OFFICIAL RULES

- Applying students and their parent/legal guardian must be present at the Annual Meeting June 14, 2012, to win.
- Students must be a son or daughter of a Spoon River Electric Cooperative Member.
- Students must be a high school senior during the 2011/2012 school year and begin college undergraduate studies in the 2012/2013 school year.
- Students must plan on attending a two-year or four-year accredited college or university, including vocational/technical schools.
- Scholarship winners must be full-time students (at least 12 hours) during the 2012-2013 academic year.
- Scholarships are for one year and are non-renewable.
- Past Spoon River Electric Cooperative scholarship winners are not eligible to receive another one.

SCHOLASTIC AND SCOTT PARRISH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- The Scholastic and Scott Parrish Memorial Scholarships will be awarded based on an application detailing GPA, college entrance test scores, work and volunteer experience, participation in school and community activities, and a biographical statement.
- Semi-finalists will be notified by mail with a time and place for a personal interview.
- Those not chosen as semi-finalists for the Scholastic and Parrish Scholarships will be automatically placed in the Honorary Scholarship drawing.

HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP

- The Honorary Scholarship will be awarded by a drawing as students are recognized at the Annual Meeting.
- All applicants are eligible for the Honorary Scholarship drawing except the Scholastic and Parrish Scholarship winners.



Scholarship Participation Request

Name of Student _____

Address of Student _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Telephone Number _____

Scholarship Applying For: Scholastic* _____ Honorary _____

Return To: Brenda Rothert
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*Those applying for the Scholastic Scholarship will receive an additional form in the mail regarding scholastic achievement.