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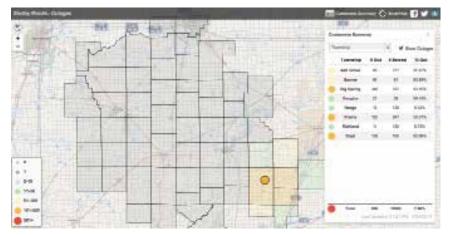
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Cooperative outage map 2.0

Earlier this year the cooperative launched a real-time outage map for members to see where any current outages are occurring. The map allows members to view outages by zip code, county or township. As outages occur and as they are restored, the map reflects real-time outage information. This information refreshes every five minutes.

Just recently, this map underwent an upgrade. It still provides the same information but has a few upgraded features. Not only can you see the outages by a chart, you can also mouse over the map and depending on the view, you can see the number of members out of power via a pop-up box. To see all the new features go to www.shelbyelectric.coop and click on the "Cooperative Outage Map" icon and give it a test drive.



Due to safety concerns and privacy laws, the map does not allow end users to drill down to an exact meter address but this will show areas that are without power and when it is restored. *Editor's Note:* Some older computers and Internet browsers are not compatible with the new map. We have provided a link, below the map icon on the website, to the older outage map.

Shelby Energy Company 1-217-774-2311 24-hours-a-day **PWR-net Broadband Internet 1-877-994-2323** 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Please leave a message after hours **Shelby Electric Cooperative** 1-800-677-2612 1-217-774-3986 24-hours-a-day

SEBNews

Linemen participated in Safety Rodeo

Linemen from Shelby Electric Cooperative (SEC) participated in the 17th annual Lineman's Safety Rodeo, sponsored by the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives, on Friday, Oct. 3rd. This isn't your typical cowboy, horse and bull-riding rodeo; linemen were climbing poles and working on structures.

The Lineman's Safety Rodeo, held on the Hot Line Training Grounds at Lincoln Land Community College (LLCC) in Springfield, coincided with a series of courses designed to help electric line personnel improve their work skills in safe and efficient ways. Each year at the rodeo, teams of linemen from Illinois electric cooperatives and municipalities participate in competitive events using skills that focus on agility, speed and accuracy. This year 14 teams participated in the competition.

Line personnel competed in five team events and three individual events. Team events included Hurt Man Rescue, Egg Climb (linemen climb a 30-foot pole with a raw egg in their mouth), H-Structure Obstacle Course, and two Mystery Events. Individuals competed in the Egg Climb, Hurt Man Rescue and H-Structure Obstacle Course. Scores for each event use a 100-point scale and are based upon



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





Pictured are (l-r) Linemen Matt Clark, Nick Dunaway, Nick Sloan (an individual participant only) and Brian Chevalier, who participated in the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperative's 17th Lineman's Safety Rodeo held in Springfield, Illinois.

completion time and proper execution of the task, including safe work practices. Deductions were made to a team or individual's overall performance score due to such things as slipping when climbing poles, dropping tools or executing inappropriate procedures or methods.

The SEC team of Matt Clark, Brian Chevalier and Nick Dunaway received second place overall for their scores and times in all events. In addition, they received second place in both the Egg Climb and the H-Structure Obstacle Course events.

Not only did the SEC team score well, two of the linemen also did well on their own. In individual events, Brian Chevalier placed first in the H-Structure Obstacle Course and Matt Clark placed third in the Egg Climb.

Congratulations to Clark, Chevalier and Dunaway for doing well as a team and Clark and Chevalier on your individual accomplishments. You represented your cooperative well.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Be merry and bright, but don't let your holiday lights shine all night. Save money on your electric bill by installing a light timer for your decked out home. It can help lower your electric bill and reduce energy consumption. Use a manual timer plugged into an electrical outlet to automatically turn lights on and off as scheduled.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy

Needed information when reporting an outage

There are times the cooperative announces a planned outage to make a needed repair, and there are times when Mother Nature takes a swing at our system causing an outage.

When any outage occurs the first thing to do is check your breakers, fuses and the neighbors. Then report the outage by calling 1-800-677-2612. When calling, it is helpful to know your map location, account number, service location or name on the account you are calling about. This information can be found in the upper right-hand corner of your electric bill. An example of this section of your bill can be seen in the inset. Knowing this information when you call is very helpful to us when dispatching crews.

Often times, especially during a planned outage, we reference a substation. Your map location has a letter found at the beginning. This letter references the substation that serves your home or business with power. The chart shows a listing of substations and the letter that represents each one. For example, if your map location ID starts with the letter O then you are served by the Owaneco substation. When reporting an outage, members should always try to use this toll-free number 1-800-677-2612. You can also report an outage using the SmartHub app. As with any outage, always stay away from any downed wires or poles and call your cooperative immediately.

OUTAGE INFORMATIO	N: 24 hr Answering Service
	1-800-677-2612 OR 217-774-3986

<u>1-800-677-2612 OR 217-774-3986</u>				
Account No.	1081002		Meter No.	33423102
Map Loo	ation	S1006ET04 205		
Service Location		911 W NORTH 14TH ST		

Please contact our office if Service Location has an incorrect description. This is for information & outage purposes only and does not in any way affect your billing.

This information can be found in the upper right hand corner of your electric bill.

Substation	Letter Associated
Airport	A
Blue Mound	В
Crest	C
Dunkel	D
Elwin	E
Grove City	G
Herrick	Н
Ishi	I
Johnston	J
Lakewood	L

Substation	Letter Associated
Moweaqua	М
Neoga	Ν
Owaneco	0
Pana	Р
Richland	R
Shelbyville	S
Taylorville	Т
Velma	V
Wenonah	W
Yantisville	Y

Market Place **Free Online Classifieds**

Go to www.shelbyelectric.coop to locate a feature called MarketPlace. The MarketPlace icon is in the lower right of the Cooperative's home page.

This is a free classified ad service for your use. There is a place to list items for sale, wanted and free, as well as a place to list rentals and services.

If you do not have Internet access but want to list an item, send your items to MarketPlace, P.O. Box 560, Shelbyville, Ill. 62565 and we will list your item for you. If you have questions or need assistance, contact the cooperative at 1-800-677-2612.

Your item(s) will be posted for 45 days.







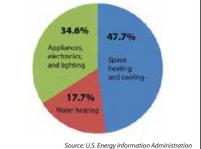




REMINDER: December 31, 2014 is the deadline for the nine Thomas H. Moore IEC Memorial Scholarships. Visit www.shelbyelectric.coop and click on the "Our Community" tab for more information or call us toll-free at 1-800-677-2612.

How Americans Use Energy

New data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration shows that heating and cooling still accounts for the largest amount of electricity consumption in American homes. But as we use more and more electronic gadgets, that segment is closing the gap.



Offices Closed

Your cooperative offices will be closed on December 24th and 25th to celebrate Christmas. Offices will also be closed on January 1st to celebrate New Year's Day.

PWR-net



"What a wonderful improvement PWR-net has been for us! Living in the country can have disadvantages; Internet service is no longer one of them, thanks to PWR-net. Installers were great and very professional"

~ Greg and Judy Miller of rural Shelbyville.

Just in time for Christmas, PWR-net is offering free basic installation (a \$99 value) during the month of December only. Use PROMO CODE 4610 when ordering. Phone 1.877.994.2323 or email subscriberinterest@pwr-net.coop.

See how the cooperative's two solar arrays are doing by visiting www.shelbyelectric.coop and clicking on the story under the Shelby News section on the home page.



Did You Know?				
Utility	Average Number of Customers/ Members per Mile of Line			
Municipals/Publicly-Owned Utilities	48			
Investor Owned Utilities	34			
Cooperatives (National Average)	7.4			
Illinois Cooperatives	5.12			
Shelby Electric Cooperative	4.55			