



West Central Electric Cooperative

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# ElectricNews

## Hurricane Ida hits Louisiana

Missouri co-ops head south  
on anniversary of 2020 storm  
that devastated same area

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Start saving at these  
area businesses by  
using the Co-op  
Connections card

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Prepare your home and  
vehicles for winter with  
these helpful tips

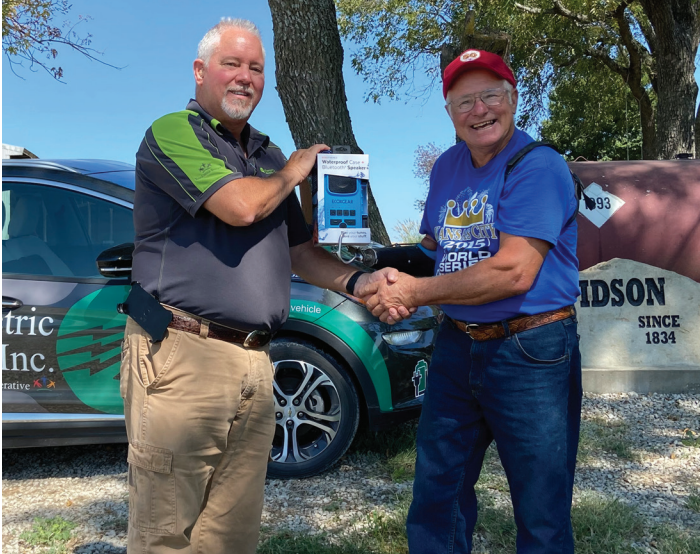
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Co-op releases list  
of unclaimed monies;  
Can you help us find  
these people?





**WCE offices will be closed  
Thursday, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day  
and Thursday and Friday, Nov. 25-26  
for the Thanksgiving holiday**



**WINNER, WINNER!** WCE Member Services Manager Brent Schlottzauer presents Donnie Davidson of Holden with an ECOXGEAR waterproof case and Bluetooth speaker. Davidson was one of several winners receiving prizes after registering for drawings at the Missouri Electric Cooperatives Building during the Missouri State Fair.

### West Central Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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#### To report outages 24/7:

Call 816-565-4942 or 1-800-491-3803 • or report outages at  
[www.westcentralelectric.coop](http://www.westcentralelectric.coop) under "View & Report Outages"

#### District office:

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#### Website:

[www.westcentralelectric.coop](http://www.westcentralelectric.coop)

#### General Manager:

Mike Gray

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## Don't forget to sign up for Co-op Connections and save money at these area businesses

The Co-op Connections is live, and you could be saving money when you visit several area businesses. Request a card or download the app at [www.connections.coop](http://www.connections.coop) to get great deals at these area businesses:

Abe Thompson RV Service Center, Oak Grove  
Alumbaugh, Inc. Heating & Cooling, Higginsville  
Arcadian Moon, Higginsville  
At Ease Coffee and Design, Lexington  
Awesome Blossoms, Warrensburg  
Banner Coulson Chevrolet, Higginsville  
Dave's Corner Garage, Mayview  
Dempsey's BBQ, Concordia  
Friesz's Donuts, Warrensburg  
Generations Cafe, Higginsville  
Glam Guru, LLC, Higginsville  
Hannah Banana's Coffee & More, Higginsville, Lexington, Clinton  
Higginsville Printing, Higginsville  
Hoflander Ford, Higginsville  
Jamie's Place, Holden  
K&A Creations Crafters Market, Holden  
Michelle's Place, Mayview  
My Sister's Garden, Higginsville  
Oak Grove Chiropractic, Oak Grove  
Odessa Diesel Repair, Odessa  
Odessa Nutrition, Odessa  
Pat's Army & Sporting Goods, Lexington  
Pigeon's Nest, Higginsville  
Pure Life Photography, Higginsville  
Riverside Nutrition, Lexington  
Sign Gypsies, Lafayette County  
Shades Salon, Higginsville  
STG Feed & Animal Health, Oak Grove  
Vitality, Higginsville  
Contact us if your business would like to participate!

**Download the Co-op Connections  
app at [connections.coop](http://connections.coop)  
or**

**Contact West Central Electric to  
get your Co-op Connections card**

# Stay safe and warm this winter

As the colder months hit, many of us are not prepared for Old Man Winter's potential wrath.

The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) advises everyone to ready their home and cars, prepare for possible power outages, and to check on older adults. Specifically, the CDC recommends taking the following steps so that you will be more likely to stay safe and healthy when temperatures start to fall:

## **Prepare your home**

Winterize your home:

- Install weather stripping, insulation, and storm windows.
- Insulate water lines that run along exterior walls.
- Clean out gutters and repair roof leaks.

## **Check your heating systems:**

- Have your heating system serviced professionally to make sure that it is clean, working properly, and ventilated to the outside.
- Inspect and clean fireplaces and chimneys.
- Install a smoke detector. Test batteries monthly and replace them twice a year.
- Have a safe alternate heating source and alternate fuels available.

## **Prevent carbon monoxide (CO) emergencies:**

- Install a CO detector to alert you of the presence of the deadly, odorless, colorless gas. Check batteries when you change your clocks in the fall and spring.
- Learn symptoms of CO poisoning that include headache, dizziness, weakness, upset stomach, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion.

## **Prepare your car**

Get your car ready for cold weather. Service the radiator and maintain antifreeze level; check tire tread or, if necessary, replace tires with all-weather or snow tires. Also:

- Keep the gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Use a wintertime formula in your windshield washer.
- Prepare a winter emergency kit to keep in your car in case you become stranded.

## **Other steps**

Be prepared for weather-related emergencies, including power outages. Be sure to have plenty of non-perishable food on hand and extra water stored in clean containers. If bad weather is forecasted:

- Avoid travel;
- Fully charge your cell phone; and
- Keep an up-to-date emergency kit on hand.

Take steps to protect your family from carbon monoxide:

- Keep grills, camp stoves and generators out of the house, basement and garage; and
- Use fuel-powered generators at least 20 feet away from the house.

Leave your home immediately if the CO detector goes off and call 9-1-1.

For additional winter prep tips, consult the CDC ([cdc.gov](http://cdc.gov)), Red Cross ([redcross.org](http://redcross.org)) or [ready.gov](http://ready.gov). For more information about electrical safety, visit [SafeElectricity.org](http://SafeElectricity.org).

## **First things first**

**An emergency kit for your car should include:**

- cell phone, portable charger, and extra batteries;
- blankets;
- food and water;
- booster cables, flares, tire pump, and a bag of sand or cat litter (for traction);
- compass and maps;
- flashlight, battery-powered radio, and extra batteries;
- first-aid kit; and
- plastic bags (for sanitation).

## **Start with these items**

**for an in-home emergency kit:**

- Battery-operated devices, such as a flashlight, a NOAA Weather Radio, and lamps;
- extra batteries and pre-charged portable phone power source;
- first-aid kit and extra medicine;
- baby items; and
- cat litter or sand for icy walkways.

**Don't forget specific items you or members of your family might need during an emergency.**



# Hurricane Ida

*Same story, different year...*

Crews from multiple states rotate to Louisiana for several weeks

One year after spending more than a month in Louisiana helping repair damage from Hurricane Laura, WCE linemen joined crews from across the state in response to Hurricane Ida.

The storm left a trail of damage and destruction along the Gulf Coast following its landfall on Aug. 29. In response, Missouri's electric cooperatives originally sent more than 150 linemen to assist DEMCO Electric Cooperative in Baton Rouge. Additional linemen traded places midway through September, with assistance representing 31 distribution and two transmission rural electric cooperatives. Also assisting DEMCO were cooperative lineworkers from Kentucky, Oklahoma and Florida.

DEMCO is the largest electric cooperative in Louisiana, serving more than 112,000 members through more than 9,000 miles of line. Immediately following the storm, more than 80,000 DEMCO members were without electricity. Restoration efforts were made more strenuous due to the wet, swampy terrain around the greater Baton Rouge area coupled with the swath of damage Ida left behind. Missouri's lineworkers used everything in their arsenal, including boats and utility vehicles to help bring down the outage numbers.

Missouri's electric cooperatives have a long history of lending a helping hand to its cooperative peers in trying times. Missouri crews first helped with hurricane relief efforts in 2004 when the Gulf Coast was hit by Hurricane Ivan and have been doing so since. The favor has been returned, as Missouri co-ops received assistance restoring power following devastating ice storms in 2007 and 2009.







The first WCE crew to head south to Louisiana to assist was (l-r) Johnny Sullins, Derek Cole, Brandon Heck and Todd Gast.



A crew consisting of (l-r) Wyatt Wilkinson, Matt Truax, Nathan Johnson and Billy Mackie relieved the first crew at DEMCO in September.

Bucket trucks lining roads was a familiar sight around Louisiana as crews worked to re-string line that was on the ground for miles as they helped rebuild the DEMCO system following Hurricane Ida. Missouri electric cooperatives sent nearly 200 linemen on rotations to assist in restoration efforts.



# Can you help us locate these people?

The following members have capital credit refund checks due them. Checks mailed to the last address on file for these members have been returned. If you can provide a current address for any of the members listed below, or the name of an heir if the member is deceased, please contact Michael Newland at 1-800-491-3803 or 1-816-565-4942.

Abel, Jean C	168.25
Abney, Carol S	5.11
Adams, Robert D	32.49
Ahmann, Anna	139.72
Aker, Janet L	6.88
Alan's Contracting	6.40
Alarcon, Alfredo & Maria	29.90
Alewine, Rodney & Kari E	170.40
Alfrey, Gaylon K	11.42
Algozzini, John & Martin, Penny	6.56
Allison, Dave & Lori A	38.70
Anderson, George J & Linda K	41.34
Anderson, James	41.95
Anderson, Linda L	29.55
Andrade, Robert V & King, Toni	103.47
Andrews, Thomas & Virginia	37.83
Arbuckle, Stephen L & Dorothea	196.19
Arendt, Warren A	58.42
Arthurs, Bonnie J	115.53
Asher, Paul A & Kandis L	171.60
Atkerson, Lonnie & Marilyn	35.57
Atkinson, Gene A	166.44
Bailey, Steve W & Becky	25.04
Bailey, Vicky L	141.90
Ballenger, Daniel L	52.55
Banderas, Virginia	194.07
Banks, John E	135.50
Barcher, Maranda D	31.08
Barclay, John & Loretta	20.29
Beard, Susie	131.82
Beasley, Tabitha	34.04
Beebe, Hayli	29.77
Bell, J Foxhound & Farm	14.79
Bell, Jimmy	113.58
Berry, Jason	144.22
Berry, Judy A	178.57
Best, Delbert & Patti	6.98
Bever, Linda G	88.90
Biwer, Neva	41.07
Blacketter, Michael L	11.76
Blackman, Richard & Tammy	95.48
Blake, Joseph P	48.88
Bliss, Debra L	9.58
Bollmeyer, Virginia	127.20
Bolton, Julie	28.13
Borgan, Sam	12.49
Bowder, Jeff	18.75
Boyd, Melvin L Jr & Amy L	9.84
Brackman, Bart A & Brenda K	242.95
Bradley, Roger & Catherine	140.42
Bradshaw, Sarah G	9.93
Brake, Chris C & Denise G	3.50
Brandes, Mike & Tina	5.31
Brant, Jennifer	9.54
Brantley, Aaron & Woehr, Ingrid	37.07
Braut, Ralph & Ann	62.41
Breshers, Adrianna	116.05
Breyer, David & Jackie	36.04
Brines, Patricia A	96.40
Brisbin, Dan	27.02
Brown, Charles R	37.13
Brown, Danny & Lu A	356.23
Brown, Dean & June	152.20
Brown, Sonny	18.15
Brown, Steve P	6.90
Brown, Walter & Stowell, Nich	6.86
Brown, William P	11.90
Bryant, Jack	140.18
Burney, Susan	96.59
Burton, William & Lori	35.95
Butler, Bruce W & Crystal L	99.59
Caley, Mary	25.87

Campbell, Angela	72.69
Campbell, Jayson & Elizabeth	6.59
Carlyle, David W	175.35
Carlyle, Muriel	3.21
Carr, Jack & Helen	6.68
Carr, Jerry W & Simone	0.26
Cash, Michael & Sommer M	23.33
Cavanaugh, Rose	68.35
Central Mo Contracting Group	44.85
Cermak, Victoria	24.28
Chadwick, Diane L	229.15
Charley, Jerry & Ann	135.01
Cione, Anthony & Verna J	184.28
Clark, Edith	83.65
Claxton, Jerry D	68.75
Clemens, Gina	6.42
Cole, Jimmie L & Joan M	193.32
Combs, Mayme L	76.26
Cook, Stanley E & Hanson, Kim	7.46
Cooper, Bart & Laura	101.29
Cooper, Gailen & Charboneau R	29.05
Corbett, Ida M	124.67
Cotton, Shawn T & Ulrika	87.62
Cox, Crystal & Ashbridge, M	7.38
Cox, Jennifer L	142.33
Cox, Ted & Susan	118.40
Coy, Clifford T & Jacqueline G	229.01
Crabtree Harmon Corp	105.54
Cross, Sally A	6.45
Crumpley, Terra L	29.73
Culbertson, Jerry & Judy	7.35
Curry, Robert & Kim	6.72
Curtis, Ronald & Darlene	33.75
Curts, James D	6.93
Davis, Rod A & Donna L	77.35
Debuhr, Terry L & Katie L	8.35
Delany, Karen L	7.07
Denham, John & Denise R	93.07
Der, Wally F	25.04
Desimone, Scott	14.54
Detwiler, Donald	39.06
Dilday, Sherry	74.99
Dines, Billy	142.31
Doss, David B & Kathy A	173.01
Drake, Mona A	15.94
Duckworth, Patty	185.31
Duffer, Lloyd D & Deloris	190.14
Dugger, Elzie V	5.68
Dunn, Marvin & Shirley	19.55
Dunn, Rosemary	29.93
Duvall, Sarah	5.66
Dykas, Felicity Ann	15.91
Dyke, Charles R	7.57
Edwards, Bobby J & Goldie A	31.24
Ehlers, Linda K	350.26
Elliott, Debra	71.14
Elmore, Lynn & Baker, Terry	7.15
Emry, Larry & Debra	212.61
Era Home Professionals Realty	19.11
Erwin, Patrick M Jr & Barbara	199.06
Estes, George W	74.78
Evans, Constance L	9.92
Evans, Douglas W & Marcy L	40.74
Fair, Janice & Jay	10.46
Famiglietti, Louis W	5.17
Farrell, Christie L	170.19
Feagans, John S	9.62
Ferguson, James S	9.43
First Preston	6.59
Fisher, Mary	293.91
Flaharty, Rodney S & Susanne	15.13
Fleaharty, Adrian	16.78
Fletcher, Don & Feagans, Michel	4.05
Fletcher, Don Jr	102.40
Foose, Jason T	182.22
Foslien, Donald & Leota	21.29
Fowler, Aleta	150.30
Fox, Charles	99.49
Franz, Mel & Carmen E	168.49
Frazelle, Douglas J & Susan	18.55
Friederich, Matt & Sheryl	31.17
Friedrich, Robert & Sharon	6.36

Frisbey, Kenneth W & Donna J	8.28
Frizzell, Jimmy & Lori	113.45
Frost, Marie A	59.27
Frye, Mark & Abbie	37.05
Fugate, Debra L	14.22
Fuller, Michele R	10.04
Gagnon, Rene & Masters, Violet	5.69
Gardner, Robert M Jr & Lisa	50.24
Gatewood, Candy P	51.45
Gibson, Patricia	68.81
Gibson, Raymond D & Patricia	68.79
Gillotti, Dominick	359.97
Goans, Myron	46.80
Goodnight, Lou	134.30
Gorman, Roger & Vicky	31.39
Green, Cheryl L	12.64
Green, Jackie	95.46
Green, Mark W	44.86
Grey, Shawn & Cheryl L	19.98
Griffitts, Donna M	6.36
Grigsby, Brent F & Meredith J	209.61
Gudde, Susan	80.23
Gudde, Virginia	135.54
Guthrie, Randy & Halleran, Helen	0.73
Haak, Robert W & Roxanne M	32.58
Hall, Helen L	29.03
Hall, Justin & Arth, Deborah	36.02
Hammons Construction	11.98
Hankins, Daniel & Beck, Timara	26.61
Hankins, Rex W Sr & Lillie	84.43
Harbison, Richard Jr	12.72
Harcourt, Charles & Rosemary	128.36
Harcourt, Chas A & Catherine	138.10
Harter, Rose M	42.57
Harwell, Otis L & Carolyn L	188.71
Havens, Connie	5.44
Hawkins, Sandra	0.38
Hecker, David D	176.32
Hedrick, Phyllis	213.92
Heflin, Larry J & Shirley J	30.57
Heidbrink, Donald R & Robert A	149.52
Heiman, Sue	293.61
Heineken, Frank III	45.36
Hembree, Eddie	43.18
Henchey, Patrick	276.02
Henne, Ralph & Sabrina A	79.15
Higgins, Kenneth W & Gerri E	5.57
Hinkel, Margaret	3.15
Hoffman, Greg E	131.73
Hoffman, Joseph M & Janet L	231.03
Holloway, Teresa C	84.91
Holt, James A & Alice J	191.14
Hoover, Sherry	14.24
Hopper, James D	164.13
Hornaday, Richard L	120.48
Horne, Paul R Jr & Deanna M	41.22
House, Barbara	143.05
House, Ronald L & Evelyn R	17.66
Howard, Wade R & Kristin V	51.57
Huber, Scott & Angela	83.23
Hudson, Justin W	12.19
Hudson, Lori	12.86
Hunt, Larry & Edie	9.68
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Hunter, Mary	139.87
Igo, Ed & Sherry	108.92
Jakub, Jamie & Krista	25.23
Jamison, Gordon W & Janssen	12.07
Jenkins, Debbie	56.65
Jenkins, M A	8.52
Jewett, William F	8.89
Johnston, Deborah R	38.88
Johnston, Tom W & Sue J	280.08
Joos, Ronald R	208.99
Jura, John & Claudia	11.17
Kazmier, John C	31.49
Keith Stewart Contracting	15.10
Keller, Kim	93.66
Kimbler, Jim	51.07
King, Jeff A & Laurie A	202.70
King, Samuel A	147.34
Kircher, Patrick & Jeanne	16.30



Knisley, Ronald	17.73	Odom, Anthony & Cali E	5.04	Smith, Betty J	40.01
Konesky, Matthew J & Carmen	74.29	Ogle, Shelley	228.98	Smith, Betty J	218.54
Kotalik, John L & Barbara	9.15	O'Kelly, Tonya L	80.80	Smith, Daniel R & Janetta R	155.91
Kottman, Monte D & Julia D	286.73	O'Neal, Judith	132.84	Smith, Darin K	6.24
Kraus, Carl J & Arlene	206.43	Orf, Dianne	340.71	Smith, Joyce L	101.63
Krueger, Alice	182.79	Osborne, Raymond H & Lana	119.80	Soerries, Patty S	161.17
La Porte, Janet M	50.85	Ott, Joe S & Shirley	125.83	Spainhour, Beulah	9.53
Lamberty, Dale L & Cynthia K	172.06	Paris, David E	1.39	Stadler, Melanie & Broggi, Bran	20.26
Larkerbrink, Martha	149.03	Paris, David E & Shirley	166.07	Stalcup, Ronald J & Tammy L	23.89
Lassiter, Robert T & Helen P	12.56	Parks, Lacey N	13.94	Starr, Tamrah	13.40
Launius, Carol A	36.68	Parsons, Jodi	155.57	Stephan, Jesse J & Judith A	196.77
Lawler, Wayne	43.37	Parsons, John G	24.45	Stephens, Steve & Elizabeth L	261.85
Layman, Mickey L	101.75	Patrick'S	503.22	Stevens, Daniel & Switzler, Jul	7.60
Leary, Jeremy & Angie	103.12	Patton, J Lorenz	53.87	Stewart, Velma M	11.29
Lenger, Elizabeth	24.02	Payne, Jacobia	16.90	Stimelsky, Robert E	129.77
Lester, Ronda	36.16	Penning, Wade A & Doyle	14.79	Stiverson, Carolyn	213.84
Lewis, Carl L & Glenda K	1.13	Perry, Jack R III & Sheri L	133.48	Stockton, Joe & Juanita	210.60
Lineback, Robert S & Denise	49.51	Perry, Patrick & C T	63.86	Stockton, Joe E & Stephanie R	137.09
Lister, Russell E & Joyce	4.08	Pittsenbarger, Gary & Kerry	8.76	Straith, Bryan	70.68
Livengood, Jerry	23.53	Poese, Mary Lee	109.96	Straub, Travis	82.93
Lock, Marc & Amy D	72.73	Porras, Richard L & Carol A	7.05	Suhr, Roger W	6.98
Lofquist, Duane	7.49	Porter, Deldonna	91.51	Sullivent, Ernest & Tina	148.28
Logan, James E & Therese D	137.80	Post, Peter H & Connie J	243.07	Surls, Henry E Jr & Terry L	17.21
Lossman, Ronald N & Rebecca	200.84	Powell, Heather	60.89	Tabb, James W	0.81
Loveall, Shalimar	61.98	Pregge, Carol	47.34	Tackett, Darrell R & Kimberly	229.70
Loveland, Millard & Oranel	40.96	Prince, Robert & Laurie	16.05	Tatum, James D & Carol L	8.04
Lowe, Sandra L	64.46	Prueitt, Sharon	25.50	Taylor & Son Construction	15.46
Lowland Community Club	36.38	Punda, Dianne	8.30	Taylor, Savana L	57.75
Loyd, John P	10.78	Quesada, Carlos & Paull, Susan	62.00	Terry, Kerrie N	1.52
Luker, Floyd B & Charlotte	193.74	Quick, William & Linda	9.02	Tharp, Billy	47.13
Lunceford, Michael W	20.31	Quinlan, Winona L	15.93	Thomas, Stanley W & Kari L	31.83
Lung, Charles R	92.83	Quinn, Chuck	51.11	Thompson, Kenny D & Heather M	25.04
Lung, Chas & Crawford, Brenda	8.01	Rabel, Forrest F & Helen	52.37	Thornburg, Sonya R	6.95
Lynn, Robert K & Evelyn R	221.37	Ramirez, Guadalupe & Leticia L	1.10	Thurman, Daniel & Jane	21.44
Lynn, William B & Maria C	218.21	Rapkin, Andrew & Gloria J	10.72	Toole, Thomas A & Christine	27.61
Lyons, David C	308.70	Rector, Guy & Kelly	205.33	Tracy, Nathan	36.34
Maples, Richard & Jacqueline	6.84	Reece, Dan	5.02	Treat, Brian & Bethann	2.01
Marco, Joel & Betty S	77.36	Reed, Conrad & Sarah	48.83	Treece, Richael & Wilson, Jo	12.38
Mariani, Vincent Q & Vincent J	9.93	Reed, Keenan & Amie	56.01	Tull, Duane & Rhonda	10.66
Mariner, Bob	148.64	Reed, L K	16.92	Turley, John N & Linda D	73.09
Marr, Terri A	192.49	Retallick, Carol A	271.68	Turnage, Harvey	66.65
Marten, Justin	41.14	Ricardez, Abraham & Phyllis	135.79	Tyarks, Richard & Stacey	47.69
Martin Sheets, Carolyn & Gillotti, L	117.18	Rice, Donna J	22.46	Uchtman, Charles T & Leona M	32.11
Massia, Victor T & Jeannie M	32.19	Rice, Richard	132.76	Underwood, Brenda M	11.21
Matheson, James K	112.61	Richardson, Betty	122.29	Upham, Wayne M Jr & Nancy V	29.24
Mayo, Stephanie	87.81	Richardson, Martha	12.79	Valentin, Elvis R	6.57
Mcconnell, Roberta E	14.43	Richey, Dennis & Vickie	80.64	Van Hooser, Andrew & Rebecca	158.15
Mcintee, Linda	241.42	Riffel, Gene & Shelia	322.42	Vanderpool, Michelle	12.00
Mcfadden, Mary	197.30	Rigdon, Chris & Hall, Misty D	112.71	Villarreal, Alex & Candy	90.44
Mcgranahan, C R	265.92	Roberts, Paul B	8.97	Waddle, Charles L	68.47
Mcgrath, Billy D	83.03	Robinson, Jon M & Marsha L	6.74	Waggerman, Amie R	75.71
Mckenzie, Dawn M	29.78	Rock Springs Free Will Baptist	13.18	Walker, Christina	40.97
Mckinney, Steven R & Debbie	9.89	Rocking W Bar Ranch	12.70	Walsh, Terry	0.83
Mcpeek, Marjorie F	13.12	Rogers, Gretchen L	64.31	Walters, A R & Judith Ann	12.73
Mears, Wade K & Sandy C	5.48	Romans, Dawn	291.48	Ward, James E Sr	32.22
Merriman, Randy & Diana L	5.13	Rondomanski, Tim & Gail L	85.79	Ward, Raymond L & Jacquelyn K	93.64
Meta, Samuel S & Mary J	13.34	Rosebrock, Debbie	5.42	Warman, Arthur D & Carol	116.05
Meyer, Judith L	42.92	Ross, Derrick E & Megan M	225.68	Washam, Robert & Rhenea	438.96
Michael, Joann M	160.84	Rubak, Mark W & Stephanie K	276.47	Weese, Brian T	122.36
Michael, Ledean	57.16	Samrany, Vicky	63.80	Weese, Jay D	5.76
Miller, Don & Donna	119.71	Sayers, Derreck & Rebecca	170.06	Weis, David D & Cheri A	234.93
Miller, James D	137.15	Schroeder, Rose M	247.48	West, Kenneth D & Edie	203.42
Miller, Tanya	40.75	Schwermer, James & Rhonda	77.05	West, Mildred	89.00
Miller, Terry L	64.56	Scrutchfield, Daryl & Robin	173.41	Wheeler, Peggy	5.01
Miller, Toni D & Flint, Randy	9.61	Sears, Karen S	39.41	White, Jerry & Dana K	79.41
Molloy, Glen W & Carolyn	6.09	Sebree, Jeffrey S & Gina M	39.35	White, Kenneth R & Deloris L	37.66
Monk, Karl W	167.26	Seiz, Joyce	22.55	White, Rex L	57.79
Mooney, Frank	29.33	Setzer, Clyde E	10.10	White, Timothy N & Donna L	78.69
Moore, Henry L	62.40	Shafer, Lisa	56.48	Whitworth, Leisa	88.46
Moore, Mary	35.47	Shaffer, Kenneth & Kelly	178.70	Wickham Enterprises	46.10
Moore, Russell E	350.62	Sheffield, Tammy S	161.36	Wiethan, James C & Susan L	123.41
Morris, Linnie A	2.19	Sherman, Shale	36.17	Willard, Jeff	107.90
Moss, Shannon E	11.80	Shippy, Carmen	148.90	Williams, Carol S	72.37
Mueller, Wilma	250.06	Shore, Darren	6.30	Williams, Gregory	49.37
Murkin, Terry & Donna	102.87	Shore, Kelley	6.33	Williams, Kenneth T & Joia	110.66
Narron, Cole R	67.88	Shotwell, Bruce W	24.01	Williams, Lonnie W & Brock, LA	37.57
Narron, Timothy T & Kathy L	137.10	Shy, Harold K & Virginia	27.82	Williams, Samuel G	5.59
Nations, Dan & Debra	112.09	Silvers, Barbara	171.39	Wilson, Jackie	150.07
Nelson, Alan & Jane K	67.13	Silvey, Bradford L & Shawn A	238.46	Wilson, Larry P II & Kendra S	300.08
Nichol, Johnny E	113.10	Simmons, Terry & Priser, Melissa	23.90	Wilson, Timothy J & Christina	16.91
Nield, Shirley J	42.42	Simons, Richard A	10.46	Wilfong, Ethel L	15.48
Noble, William G & Brandie C	6.16	Simpson, Helen E	5.99	Winter, Robert	21.85
Noland, Zach S & Lisa	155.42	Sisk, Travis	133.36	Wood, George & Laura E	89.58
Nold, David M	26.67	Skistimas, Sylvia	34.83	Wood, Raymond E	0.43
Nunez, Rigoberto & Brenda K	274.94	Smith, B Scott	109.18	Wood, Taralee M	194.49
Obenchain, Mary M	97.12	Smith, Barbara J	45.33	Wright, Vicki	20.11



# FROM THE WCE BOARDROOM...

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Aug. 26, 2021

A meeting of the board of directors of West Central Electric Cooperative was held at the offices of the Cooperative, in Higginsville, Missouri, at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021, pursuant to the bylaws of the cooperative and previous resolution of the board of directors. The meeting was called to order by President Densil Allen Jr. Cooperative Attorney Sheri Smiley caused the minutes of the meeting to be kept. The following directors were present: Densil Allen Jr., Max Swisegood, Clark Bredehoeft, Richard Strobel, Stan Rhodes, Dale Jarman, Robert Simmons and Jeremy Ahmann. Sandra Streit was absent. Also present were General Manager Mike Gray and CFO Michael Newland.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS REORGANIZATION MEETING

The Reorganization meeting was held and conducted by Smiley in accordance with the bylaws. The following officers were elected:

President: Densil Allen, Jr.

Vice President: Clark Bredehoeft

Secretary: Robert Simmons

Treasurer: Dale Jarman

Assistant Secretary: Stan Rhodes

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

After discussion, an amended agenda was approved.

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved its consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the regular meeting of July 22, 2021; expenditures for the month of July 2021; new membership applications and membership terminations.

## APPROVAL OF REPORTS

The following July reports were approved:

**Financing and Treasurer's Report:** Newland presented the July 2021 Operating Report (RUS Form 7) and Comparative Operating Statement. He reviewed the Financial and Statistical Report and Treasurer's Report with monthly and annual budget comparisons. He also gave the investment report. He presented and reviewed statistical data pertaining to operating revenue, expenses, margins, assets, liabilities, cash flow management, and KWH sales and ratios. He reported a \$3 million loan draw from RUS. He reported on July 2021 financials from West Central Services.

## Operations Report

Randy Burkeybile provided the Operations Report. His report included the following: update on crews; outages for the month, including an outage at the Concordia substation that is supplied by Evergy, one caused by a snake, and a couple from broken poles by tractors and mowers. He also provided a report on equipment, brush and spraying crews, and a right-of-way report. He reported on construction retirement, maintenance and operations.

**Safety and Engineering Report:** Pete Nelson provided the Safety and Engineering Report. He reported on the following: safety meetings and crew visits. He also reported on the status of engineering and staking projects. He gave an update on solar installations and on the number of days worked without a lost time accident as well as the miles driven without a serious accident. A discussion was held regarding new legislation that has passed and the impact on a couple of cities. Potential fiber make-ready work was also discussed.

**Member Services Report:** Brent Schlotzhauer presented the Member Services Report. He reported on Operation Round Up, gave an update on Co-op Connections and how annual meeting communications were done. Two FAA teachers represented the co-op at the Energy in Today's Classroom conference. The 2021 member satisfaction tri-annual survey begins October



18, 2021. The Co-op Connections program will begin on September 1, 2021, and he discussed how cards will be issued. A net metering report was given as well as an update on the Missouri State Fair.

## NW REPORT

Gray and Swisegood reported on the August NW board meeting and provided the mid-month AECI report which included a discussion on capital credits and deferred revenue, and reported on outages, wind, and solar. They reported on policies reviewed and gave a safety report for NW and a salary report.

## AMEC REPORT

Bredehoeft provided the department reports prior to the meeting to the Board. He discussed David Tudor's report and training and development was discussed. The annual meeting is still scheduled for October.

## BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS 2021-2022

Simmons was added to the Scholarship Committee. All other assignments stayed the same.

## DIRECTOR ELECTION DISCUSSION

Directors discussed how the election was held this year. With low voter turn out online, it was decided that next year the co-op will go back to mail-in ballots and there may be an opportunity to have a drive-in voting option. It will be discussed further next spring.

## BOARD SELF-ASSESSMENT DISCUSSION

Gray provided the last assessment done in 2019. It was decided to again do this and the results will be discussed at the Board Retreat.

## LEGAL REPORT

Smiley presented a report on legal matters.

## MANAGER'S REPORT

Gray presented the monthly Manager's Report. The Wage and Salary Committee will meet on Sept. 7, and the report will be given at the next board meeting. The retreat in January was discussed and dates will be provided next month. The topics to be covered, including the strategic planning with CFC was discussed.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

## NEW BUSINESS

A member had requested lighting for a flag pole at a private cemetery and requested the availability charge be waived. Gray said he will bring back a policy and figures for the board to consider if this could be offered to all cemeteries in the service territory.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive session was called at 11:55 a.m. and was dismissed at 12:18 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned.

## FINANCIAL REPORT • Statement of Operations • July 2020

	This month	YTD 2020	YTD 2019
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,601,480</b>	<b>\$17,918,870</b>	<b>\$17,848,878</b>
Power Bill Expense	1,490,242	10,224,024	10,144,464
Operation & Maint. Expense	677,439	3,992,467	4,112,144
Depreciation Expense	203,284	1,406,157	1,348,795
Interest Expense	112,894	808,926	833,292
<b>Total cost of Srvc. (Total Expense)</b>	<b>2,483,859</b>	<b>16,431,574</b>	<b>16,438,695</b>
Operating Margins (Revenue less Expenses)	117,621	1,487,296	1,410,183
Other Margins	5,124	64,890	88,965
<b>TOTAL MARGINS</b>	<b>\$122,745</b>	<b>\$1,552,186</b>	<b>\$1,499,148</b>

