



Highline Headlines

Access Energy is dedicated to exceeding members' and customers' expectations for safe, reliable, efficient service and environmental responsibility.




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JULY 4TH**

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Vote On or Before August 5

Even if you can not make it to the Annual Meeting on August 5, you can still **vote** for directors and for the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation in the 2014 election. Ballots will be mailed on July 17th. It is important to remember the following points to prevent your ballot from being spoiled.

- Only one director election ballot plus the special ballot may be enclosed per ballot envelope.
- Your ballot must be sealed in the yellow ballot envelope provided.
- The yellow ballot envelope must be sealed in an envelope bearing your name and address.
- Your ballot must reach our office by August 5, 2014.



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Annual Meeting
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DISTRICT I




David Hollingsworth **Mark Ledger**

DISTRICT II




Jerry Barker **Jeff Rich**

DISTRICT III




Marvin Holtkamp **Jason Samples**

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2014 Annual Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, August 5, 2014 • McMillan Park • Mt. Pleasant, Iowa

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. FREE
 Music By Kross Kountry
 Picnic-style meal with Homemade Ice cream
 Pick up dividend checks
 Pony Rides
 Drive-A-Tractor
 Inflatable activities
 Register for door prizes
 Pick up registration gift
 Information booths
 Poster contest winners displayed

7:00 p.m. BUSINESS MEETING
 Call to order, Invocation
 Welcome Remarks
 Reading of 2014 Notice and Waiver
 Reading of 2013 Minutes
 Nominating Committee Report
 Call for Ballots From the Floor
 Treasurer's Report
 President's Report
 General Manager's Report
 Special Guest Speaker
 Youth Tour Report
 Election Results
 Door Prizes
 (Must be present to win)



GRAND PRIZE-----\$250 Bill Credit
Must be present to win!!

Manager's Corner



General Manager/CEO Robert Swindell

On August 5, Access Energy Cooperative will be holding its 76th annual meeting at McMillan Park in Mount Pleasant. I want to extend an invitation to everyone to attend. The Annual Meeting truly puts the principles of cooperative ownership to work.

First, the annual meeting provides democratic control of the cooperative. Each **director** is elected from the membership by the membership. The democratic control of the cooperative assures that the people

who administer the cooperative are accountable to the membership. Each member has equal voting rights, one member one vote. We provide mail-in ballots for our members who are unable to attend the annual meeting. We even have a special prize drawing from the ballots mailed in. We must receive your ballot by the time the attorney asks for any ballots from the audience during the business meeting portion of the Annual Meeting of Members on August 5th, for your vote to be counted and to be eligible for the drawing. I **strongly** encourage those members who can not attend to mail in your ballot early.

Along with electing three directors to serve for three years on the board, there is also a ballot to amend the Articles of Incorporation this year. The Board of Directors is proposing a change that would add language to Article IX, Section 3, to clarify that a director candidate must meet the qualifications as described in the Bylaws. You will receive more information in your annual meeting packet that is being mailed out July 9, 2014.

Education is another principle of the cooperative form of business. The annual meeting gives the membership an opportunity to hear reports of the

officers and General Manager/CEO of the cooperative on topics of **interest** to members. The members can visit with the employees of their cooperative and get information on the various services and programs that the cooperative can provide.

Economic participation is another core principle of the cooperative. Members can receive their dividend check at the annual meeting. As reported in last month's HighLine HeadLines, the cooperative will refund a total of \$910,088.88. This represents the retirement patronage earned in 1996, 1997, 1998 and 2013. Our members who are unable to attend the annual meeting will receive their dividend checks in the mail later in September.

The annual meeting is a time to have some fun. We will have "Drive a Tractor," and other fun activities for the kids. Hy-Vee will be grilling up our supper. We will also be serving homemade ice cream courtesy of the Kahoka Eagles. A southeast **Iowa** band, Kross Kountry will be providing the entertainment. As always we will be giving away numerous prizes. Be sure to **look** for your annual meeting packet, which will be mailed July 9th. I hope to see you there.

How the Cooperative Difference Affects Your Rates

At Access Energy Cooperative, the people who receive electricity are not just customers, they are members of our cooperative and they are owners of our cooperative. Members enjoy certain rights that customers don't have with other electric providers.

For instance, as a member of Access Energy Cooperative, you can choose to run for a seat on the board. Our board is composed of people who live and work in the very territory that Access Energy Cooperative serves. You can vote in the annual election for the board **candidates** of your choice.

Many people don't understand the various ways their membership in

a cooperative affects their **rates**. At Access Energy Cooperative, our rates are based on two main components – the actual cost of the wholesale power we buy from the cooperative that generates electricity, and the cost for us to get that power to you. Our power provider, Northeast Power, sets our wholesale power costs. Access Energy has a seat on NE Power's board of directors. NE Power works hard to keep rates low, while guaranteeing a stable supply of electricity.

The second component – the cost for us to get power to you – is all other operational costs, including the cost for poles and lines, the cost and maintenance of trucks and buildings,

actual employee costs like wages and benefits, and the costs associated with maintaining records, like the printing and mailing of bills.

One of the biggest advantages of being served by a cooperative is that we work only for you; we don't have stockholders expecting a big quarterly dividend. We are a **not-for-profit** enterprise, which means we're working only to provide you with safe, reliable, efficient service. We do collect some money, which is figured into your rates, that is used for capital improvements. It helps us to build many of the expensive improvements we need to provide you with reliable service. Any money collected in excess

COOPERATIVE INFORMATION

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General Manager/CEO: Robert Swindell
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Marvin Holtkamp	District 3	President
Ronald Campbell	District 2	Vice President
Joseph Heckethorn	District 1	Secretary
Larry White	District 2	Treasurer
Donald Atwood	District 1	Director
Fred Hickenbottom	District 1	Director
Jerry Barker	District 2	Director
Marvin Newton	District 3	Director
Victor Pierrot	District 3	Director

of those required funds is allocated to each member's account as dividends. Dividends represent your investment in the cooperative and all its assets. The board of directors that you elect considers at least once a year whether or not we can return some of these investment dollars to our members as dividend checks to you. So, when figuring our overall rates, customers need to consider their dividends in the quotient.

Returning dividends to members is a practice unique to the cooperative form of business and represents one of the cooperative principles – members' economic participation.



Cooperative By-laws Available

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, copies of the bylaws of Access Energy Cooperative are available to anyone interested, either members of the Cooperative or the general public, at the reception counter of the headquarters office at 1800 West Washington Street in Mt. Pleasant or by visiting our website at accessenergycoop.com. If you would like a copy of the Cooperative's Bylaws please stop by our office to pick one up.

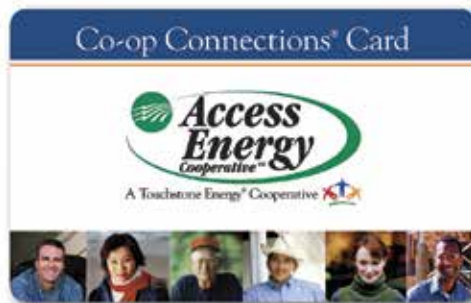
Members Saving on Prescriptions

In May, twenty-five members saved \$413 on their prescriptions.

To find out more on the discounts offered check out our website at www.accessenergycoop.com.

It's easy to save—you just have to show your card to participating merchants.

If you own a business and would like to offer a discount for the card, please contact Kim Brumbaugh at kbrumbaugh@accessenergycoop.com or call our office at 1.866.242.4232.



Energy Efficiency *Tip of the Month*

Replacing your conventional power strips with advanced power strips (APS) can help reduce the electricity wasted when electronic devices are idle. These power strips are a convenient and low-cost way to save.

Source: Department of Energy

Take Control & Save
A Cooperative Effort for Energy Efficiency

Energy Efficiency Rebates & Programs

ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCES

- Energy Star® Room Air Conditioner.....\$ 50
- Water heater (Electric only; At least 90% efficient).....\$100

HEAT PUMPS

- Air to Air Source - at least 16.5 SEER (w/Elec. Resist.).. \$100 per ton
- Mini-Split Air Source - at least 16.5 SEER \$250 per ton
- Dual Fuel Source - at least 16.5 SEER (gas back up) \$250 per ton
- Ground Source - at least 19.1 EER
- * replacing existing ground source unit..... \$400 per ton
- * new & replacing other heat source type \$750 per ton

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES.....\$250 per KW

- Capped at capacity. Access Energy Cooperative owns any carbon credits generated.

HOME WEATHERIZATION INCENTIVES.....Up to \$500 maximum

- Incentives are available to those who choose to make energy saving improvements recommended by Access Energy Cooperative following a FREE energy audit conducted by us.
- Improvements must be completed in recommended order by AEC.

BUSINESS LIGHTING REBATES

- Must have at least 10 eligible fixtures at a commercial, industrial or ag business member's account of Access Energy Cooperative.
 - * Fluorescent T-5 and T-8 lighting systems with electronic ballasts
 - * LED (light emitting diode) and LED exit signs
 - * Occupancy sensors & photo cells
- Bulbs and fixtures must be evaluated by AEC to determine eligibility based on an audit of existing lighting prior to any installation of new equipment. A knowledgeable employee from the business needs to be present to guide AEC through the initial walk-through lighting audit. A final walk-through must be conducted after the project is completed.
- Total rebate amount is limited to \$30,000 per member per year and will not exceed 40% of the total equipment price.

FREE ENERGY AUDITS & REBATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS

- Conducted by a qualified Access Energy representative.
- Blower door test to check for air leaks and gaps.
- Inspect insulation, doors, windows, lighting, appliances, and much more.

Weatherization improvements suggested at audit are eligible for incentive up to \$500.

LOW INTEREST LOANS

Access Energy Cooperative has ERC loans available at low interest rates for the cost of materials and labor for energy efficiency home improvements in new or existing structures. For more details see our website.

Specific requirements apply to individual rebates. For more information on rebates, low interest loans or to schedule a free energy audit call 385.1577 or 1.866.242.4232 or visit our website at www.accessenergycoop.com.

Local Impact from Rules Drafted in Washington D.C.

Cooperatives, like most local businesses, work through the highs and lows of a cyclical economy. So when a potential economic hazard arises and we have an opportunity to affect the outcome, we do whatever we can to prevent or mitigate it. That's why Access Energy Cooperative is concerned about new rules coming out of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to limit greenhouse gases blamed for climate change.

Not-for-profit electric cooperatives work every day to provide affordable, reliable electricity to the more than 42 million Americans we serve. At Access Energy Cooperative, we steadfastly focus on ways to slow the rising cost of electricity and find ways to help you save on your electricity bill.

Environmental regulations share part of the blame for rising electricity costs. Electric co-ops have invested billions of dollars in equipment to reduce air pollution already, but greenhouse gases pose a far more difficult challenge to capture, and the new **technology** just isn't ready for prime time.

Equally troubling to comprehend, the EPA readily admits that cutting these emissions would not have much global impact on overall greenhouse gas levels.

The bottom line is that these regulations unfairly and disproportionately affect members of electric cooperatives. They target regions of the U.S. most dependent on coal for electricity. And increasing electricity prices could endanger efforts to attract new businesses let alone retain current employers.

BY HARNESSING AMERICA'S INGENUITY, WE CAN DO BETTER.

This debate should be about working together to develop a sustainable energy future. This debate should be about how the government supports utilities in a collective effort to develop technologies that can reduce greenhouse gases at a justifiable and reasonable pace.

That's why electric cooperatives are pushing an XPRIZE initiative (<http://www.xprize.org/prize/tri-state-carbon-xprize>) to find technologies that actually can turn greenhouse gases into a useful resource with market value.

Creating a sustainable energy future requires us to make ambitious changes. A power plant that closes down will not emit greenhouse gases, it won't incubate a new technology, it won't give a bright young engineer an opportunity or ensure that its community continues to receive reliable, affordable electricity.

To help our communities thrive, we need Washington to recognize the potential harm of these regulations and find a different path to a better energy future. Let your voice be heard by visiting www.action.coop.

Summer Help

This summer Access Energy cooperative has three college students helping out at the cooperative.

Dillon Herren is working as an intern in the Operations Department. He is currently enrolled at Linn State Technical College in Linn, Missouri, studying Electrical Power Line Distribution Systems.

Justin Dunn of Mount Pleasant is helping our Mount Pleasant crew and in the warehouse. He will continue his education at the University of Northern Iowa where he has just finished his first year.

Randy Andermann of Lockridge is working with the Fairfield crew and in the warehouse. In the fall, he will be studying Communications/Business at the University of Northern Iowa.



Dillon Herren



Justin Dunn



Randy Andermann

Summer Energy Efficiency

MYTH VS. FACT

- **MYTH:** When I'm not home, keeping my air conditioner at a lower temperature throughout the day means it doesn't have to run harder to cool my home when I return.
- **FACT:** To save energy, set your thermostat to a higher temperature during the day, and lower it when you return home.
- **MYTH:** Closing vents on my central air conditioning **system** will boost efficiency.
- **FACT:** Closing vents can cause the compressor to cycle too frequently and the heat pump to overload. You'll also use more energy.
- **MYTH:** Time of day doesn't matter when it comes to running my appliances.
- **FACT:** Time of day **does** matter when running electrical loads. For example, take advantage of the delay setting and run your dishwasher at night to avoid peak times of use and save energy.
- **MYTH:** Bigger is always better when it comes to cooling equipment.
- **FACT:** Too often, cooling equipment isn't sized properly and leads to higher electric bills. A unit that's too large for your home will not cool evenly and might produce higher humidity indoors.

Safety Coloring Contest Winners

Thank you to all the **youth** for sending in the wonderful safety coloring contest entries. congratulations to our winners of \$25.



Levi Evans
3 & Under



Emerson Syfert
4-5



Aaron Marcellus
6-8



Andrew Kirchner
9 & Above

Keeping your Electric Car Charged and Ready

Today, as the number of vehicles powered by electricity has **grown**, consumers have their pick from Toyotas to BMWs. While only a small fraction of these electric vehicles, or EVs, are on the road in the U.S., the U.S. Department of Energy says they are doing their share to help drive down pollution and curb the nation's dependence on foreign oil. But for many EV drivers, the mundane task of keeping their cars charged and ready to go can be a challenge, especially when there are only about 6,600 public charging stations available across the U.S. Each state has at least one public charging station, the Department of Energy reports. To find out if there is an EV charging station near you, visit the Alternative Fuels Data Center (http://www.afdc.energy.gov/fuels/electricity_locations.html).

For those with conventional automobiles, finding one of the estimated 180,000 public service stations to fuel their tanks is significantly easier, but EV drivers can boast about the option of "refueling" their cars at home. Not only are home charging stations convenient, they are the most often used location for EVs when they need juice, suggests findings from the Electric Power Research Institute, which studied EV driving patterns. According to the research, 64 percent of EV recharging will take place at home, 22 percent at work and only 14 percent will be done at public charging stations. This and other research suggests that the critical needs are for charging stations to be where EV drivers work and live. The time it takes to refuel and the costs of at-home equipment are two important factors for consumers choosing this option. The most



common home refueling unit, known as a Level 1 charger, is also considered the slowest. For example, it could take anywhere from five to 100 hours for an electric car to completely recharge when it is hooked up to a 120-volt household outlet. The advantage, though, is that this type of unit is low cost and easy to use.

Another popular home-based unit, the Level 2 charger, uses 240 volts, the amount of energy it takes to power an electric clothes dryer. It is recommended that a trained and licensed electrician install this type of charging station. The Level 2 will recharge most vehicles in half the time of the Level 1 charger. Prices vary depending on features, but most homeowners can expect to pay \$500 to \$900 for a Level 2 charger. Prices can increase with additional bells and whistles, and of course installation will be an additional expense. Consumers should consult a tax professional for any local, state or federal tax credits that may be available to offset the cost of installing a charging station at home. You can also visit <http://www.goelectricdrive.com/index.php/incentives> for a list of incentives that may apply.

When an EV car is fully charged, most can travel about 100 miles, a distance the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration determined is sufficient for completing more than 90 percent of typical household automobile trips.

As with any new car purchase, the details are in the options package. It is important for consumers to keep in mind that a Level 2 charging station may be a necessary luxury if they want the convenience of fast charging. But as long as your electric vehicle comes with an extension cord to reach a trusty standard outlet, you will never be without power for long.

Source: Brian Sloboda, CRN

Grain Bins: Harvesting Safety

As rewarding as it may be, farming is an extremely difficult job—and it ranks among the top 10 most dangerous professions in the United States. At Access Energy Cooperative safety is top priority for all—our employees and our members.

Farmers work hard to get the job done, and sometimes it's easy to forget all the necessary steps to take when practicing safe operations, but there is room for **error** when it comes to safety. Grain bins are siloed spaces built for storing **grain** and fermented feed known as silage.

These bins play an integral role in the efficiency and profitability

of farm and ranch operations, and safety regulations should always be considered when working around these structures.

Whether you're purchasing new grain bins or remodeling areas that contain existing ones, proximity to overhead power lines must be a considered factor for the **entire** system.

SAFE CLEARANCE.

The National Electrical Safety Code requires an 18-foot minimum vertical clearance from the highest point of the filling port of the grain bin to nearby high-voltage wires and a 55-foot minimum distance from the power

line to the grain bin wall. Changes to landscaping and drainage work can affect clearance heights of power lines, so remember to check these measurements regularly.

FILLING GRAIN BINS.

High-voltage power lines are not insulated, so it's important to remember to maintain an adequate high-wire clearance when using a portable auger, conveyor or elevator to fill your grain bin.

MOVING EQUIPMENT NEAR GRAIN BINS.

When moving equipment, such as

a hopper or a scaffold, be aware of nearby power lines. Remember to maintain a 10-foot clearance to ensure safety.

Accidents can happen in a split-second, which is why Access Energy Cooperative reminds you to always use caution when working near power lines. If you are considering a plan for a new grain bin or reconstruction of an existing bin's site, please contact our office at 866.242.4232 and let us assist you in maintaining a safe environment for you and your family.

Source: Abby Berry, NRECA

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Understanding the Cost Allocation Process

Access Energy Cooperative has a proven track record of supporting economic development, while simultaneously delivering power that is safe, reliable, efficient and environmentally responsible. Through our programs and services, we help new businesses to locate in our service territory and assist existing businesses, including agricultural operations, to expand their operations.

To ensure all electrical needs are adequately met, we plan for system reliability and safety. Electrical systems must be installed according to applicable codes and maintained and operated in compliance with established standards. Access Energy Cooperative, Northeast Power, our transmission cooperative, and AECI our generation cooperative, have robust plans for the construction, operation, inspection and maintenance of our systems.

The state of Iowa provides regulatory oversight of all electric utilities' written inspection and maintenance plans. While the regulation for safety and reliability resides at the state level, your locally elected cooperative board members are typically responsible for the economic regulation, including policies for line or system upgrades.

Iowa's electric cooperatives serve fewer than three consumers per mile of electric line, compared to investor-owned utilities and government-owned

municipal utilities that serve up to 60 consumers per mile of line. Because electric cooperative members are spread out geographically, cooperatives must be diligent in controlling costs and methodical in setting rates.

Regularly, a cost-of-service study is conducted to determine the cost of providing electric service to all of our member-owners. Once we analyze the costs to serve all members on a cooperative-wide basis, we study what it costs to serve certain groups of members. These groups are determined based on electric usage characteristics, and members with similar electric usage characteristics are grouped together, such as all single-phase residential members may be grouped together.

As part of the study, we determine if we can directly assign some costs to an individual member or group of members, such as:

- If a customer builds a home way back into the woods, he or she is responsible for the line extension costs above the average or normal amount built into the electric rates.
- If a city ordinance requires that electric facilities must be buried underground, then those member-owners in that city are directly allocated the costs.
- Assigning common costs. This necessary multistep approach allocates common costs to those who benefit, recognizing that it

is not always a black and white situation.

- Assigning power line upgrades to effectively meet the demands of load growth in a commercial or industrial setting. In those instances, when a concentrated area such as an industrial park is being served, it is generally easier for Access Energy Cooperative to plan for load growth and the subsequent costs of upgrades, which may in turn be shared among that specific customer group.

After the costs are allocated to the various groups, then the rates are designed to recover the costs to serve the groups.

Industry rate setting experts apply several key principles in the process, including:

1. Providing rate stability.
2. Ensuring that rates charged by an electric utility for providing electric service to each class of electric consumers are designed, to the maximum extent practicable, to reasonably reflect the costs of providing electric service to that class.
3. Creating an ease of understanding about the rates for customers.
4. Developing an ease of administration of the rates. Rate setting is a detailed process that your board of directors takes seriously. As the electric industry

changes to include more on-site generation at homes and businesses, the rate setting process will be examined to ensure that those who directly benefit from service are paying an appropriate share of the costs.

Beyond the basic costs of building and maintaining infrastructure, many factors are currently placing additional cost pressures on providing electric service, including:

- Reduced energy sales or limited kilowatt-hour sales growth.
- Technology changes.
- Increasing federal and state laws and rules from the legislative, judicial and executive branches of government.
- Requirements related to electric facilities such as burying lines underground for aesthetic reasons.
- Installation of distributed generation from various fuel sources, including wind, solar and methane.



Do you know of an event in southeast Iowa you would like to see posted on our website?

Do you have something you would like to sell?

Go to our website www.accessenergycoop.com to submit your event or classified item or send it to mktg@accessenergycoop.com and we can do it for you.



VEGETATION MANAGEMENT



Electric co-ops clear rights-of-way in order to keep power flowing safely to your home.

Trees may seem harmless on a calm, sunny day. But add a bit of wind on a stormy night and those towering pillars may threaten your home's electric supply.



Your electric cooperative is committed to providing safe, reliable power, and our right-of-way program is the key to fulfilling that promise.



Construction continues at the Iowa Fertilizer Company near Wever. Northeast Power is working with Access Energy Cooperative crews on building the substation that will provide power for the plant.

2014 Scholarship Winners

Three area high school graduates were recently named recipients of \$500 scholarships from Access Energy Cooperative. Receiving the awards were Trey Magnani of Mount Pleasant, Lindsey White of New London, and Elizabeth Denniston of Eldon.

Access Energy Cooperative awards three \$500 scholarships each year, one in each of its **three** districts. The parents or guardians of the applicant must be members of Access Energy Cooperative. Winners are chosen based on their academics, achievements, community involvement, and a submitted essay.



Trey, son of Alan and Diane Magnani of Mt. Pleasant, plans to attend Mount Mercy College to study Social Sciences Education.



Lindsey, daughter of Chris and Peggy Christensen of New London, plans to attend Southeastern Community College to obtain a degree in Nursing.



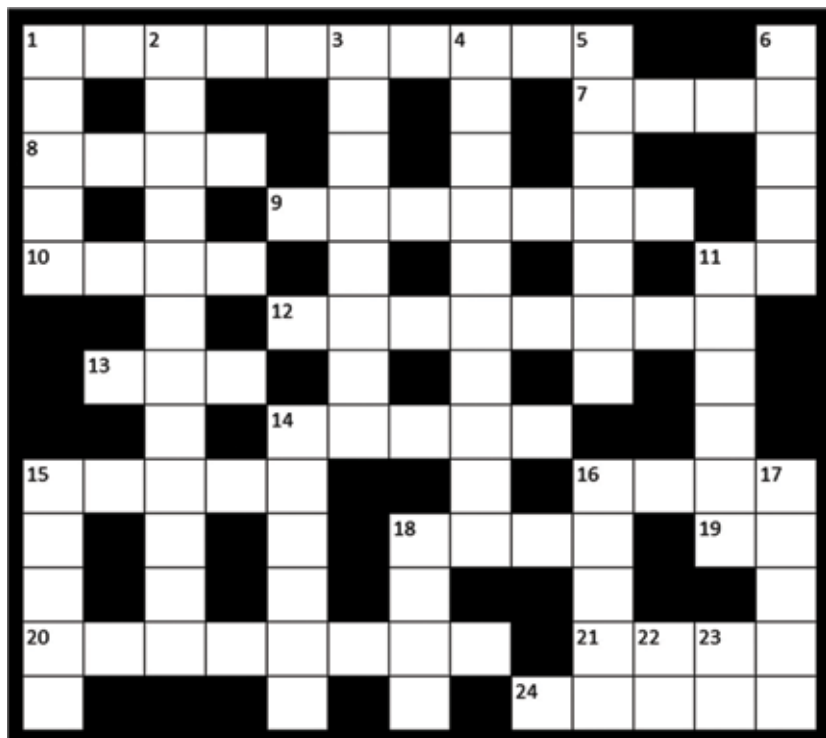
Elizabeth, daughter of Valerie Lanman of Eldon, plans to attend the University of Northern Iowa majoring in Criminology.

Win \$25 By Learning About Your Cooperative!

Access Energy Cooperative members can win \$25 by completing the crossword below correctly. Members may clip out their answers and send them by July 31, 2014, to: Access Energy Cooperative, Attn: Crossword Puzzle, P.O. Box 440, Mount Pleasant, IA 52641. Most of the answers are bold and highlighted elsewhere in this issue of the Highline Headlines. If more than one person answers all of the questions correctly by the deadline, a drawing will be held to determine the winner. Only one prize will be given for the crossword puzzle.

Name _____

Address _____



**Last month's crossword winner is
Lisbeth Hoover of Mt. Pleasant**

ACROSS

- 1 You can vote in the election for these at the annual meeting
- 7 Our country music entertainment is from this state
- 8 Be sure to do this before August 5th
- 9 One source of fuel for distributed generation
- 10 Be sure to do this for your annual meeting packet after July 9th
- 11 Short for Social Security
- 12 Your manager encourages you in this manner to come to the annual meeting and to vote for directors
- 13 Environmental Protection Agency
- 14 There is no room for this when it comes to safety
- 15 The number of vehicles powered by electricity has done this
- 16 One of the 2014 scholarship winners
- 18 It is one of these that bigger is better when it comes to cooling equipment
- 19 Missouri
- 20 Go to the annual meeting to hear about topics of this to you
- 21 Opposite of west
- 24 Part of the body we chew with

DOWN

- 1 This Rights Act allows you easy access to the Bylaws of the cooperative
- 2 We are this kind of entity. Any that we do earn are given back to you in the form of dividends
- 3 Each of these is elected by you from the membership
- 4 This for greenhouse gases just isnt ready for the rules being imposed for them
- 5 The design or use of signs and symbols to communicate a message
- 6 Many members do not understand how their membership affects these
- 11 Closing the vents on this for air conditioning does not boost efficiency
- 14 When installing grain bins, proximity to power lines must be considered for this part of the system
- 15 These bins are siloed spaces for storing silage
- 16 A scholarship was awarded to one student in this many Districts
- 17 Thank you to all of these who sent in safety coloring contest entries
- 18 Small droplets of water suspended in air
- 22 Short for Access Energy
- 23 Short for Street

ACCESS ENERGY COOPERATIVE NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

The Annual Meeting of the Members of Access Energy Cooperative will be held at McMillan Park in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, at 7:00 P.M. on August 5, 2014, to take action upon the following matters:

1. The reports of officers, directors, and committees;
2. The election of three (3) directors of the Cooperative for a term of three years each;
3. To consider and act upon a proposed Amendment to Article IX, Section 3 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Cooperative to expand the language concerning Director qualifications to specifically require Directors to meet "other qualifications contained in the Bylaws." The Board of Directors has previously approved Bylaw language clarifying and expanding the Director qualifications. The amendment to the Articles will make sure individuals interested in running for the Board also check the Bylaw requirements.
4. All other business which may legally come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

In connection with the election of the directors scheduled for this meeting, the following members have been nominated for director by the Committee on Nominations appointed by the Board of Directors of the Cooperative pursuant to the Bylaws.

THREE-YEAR TERM (Three to be elected)

DISTRICT NO. 1:	David Hollingsworth	Mark Ledger
DISTRICT NO. 2:	Jerry Barker	Jeff Rich
DISTRICT NO. 3:	Marvin Holtkamp	Jason Samples

You are urged to attend the meeting, hear the reports of the officers, vote for directors, and transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

The featured recipe winner who submitted this recipe will receive a \$10 electric bill credit. Check out our recipe section at www.accessenergycoop.com for a new recipe or to submit your favorite recipe. Or mail us your recipe and we will post it for you.



Two Delicious Fruit Smoothies

From the Kitchen of Anonymus

Smoothie #1

- 2 cups raspberry sherbert
- 2 cups halved strawberries
- 2 - 6 oz vanilla low-fat yogurt
- 6 T. Country Time strawberry lemonade drink mix

Put all ingredients in blender. Cover. Blend until smooth. Serve immediately. Makes 4 servings.

Smoothie #2

- 1 chopped banana
- 1 sliced kiki
- 3/4 cup blueberries
- 1 cup cubes
- 1 - 8 oz. vanilla yogurt

Put all ingredients in blender. Cover. Blend until smooth. Serve immediately. Makes 3 1/2 cups.

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