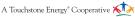
POWERNotes





HELP US FIND THESE FORMER MEMBERS

Last September, the Board of Directors of East-Central Iowa Rural Electric Cooperative voted to retire \$453,324 in patronage back to its members. These margins represent 100% of its 2008 margins. They were credited to current members on their October bills. Former members were sent checks. The 90-day window to cash these checks has now passed, and the people listed below have not yet cashed their checks. These former members are in addition to those listed in the March/April Heartland Link. You may view both listings on ECI REC's website at: ecirec.coop/help-us-find-these-former-members-4.

Abbott, Daniel Achey, Curtis Albertsen, Caleb L. Allen, Mark Alltel Amos, Ronald Anderson, Gerald R. Ansley, Debbie Atherley, Michael R. Ballard, Jeff Barton, Robert Bascom, Jerry Beatty, Diane Beck, Jacie Benton/Linn Wireless Berner, Kathy M. Bever, Ranee Big Timber, Inc. Bilharz, Jennifer Bilsland, Clarence Bishop, Randall J. Bonefas, Larry P. Bosier, Connie S. Brecht Sr., Ronald Brown, Dennis L. Bushaw, Cody Butterfield Jr., Dale L. Cain. Robby S. Campbell, Hunter Carlson, Thomas Carr, Steve L. Carter, Paul W. Channell, April Cherry, Philip R. Cono Christian School Covington, Hope E. Cue, Robert M. Davis, Danny Dennie, Marvel Docekal, Richard Dochterman, Corey P. Dovle, Douglas Drafahl, Vinnie Driscoll, Todd C.

Dunakey, David D.

Edsill, Kevin C. Edwards, Caitlin A. Eiben, Galen Emerick, Paul L. Emerson, Rick H. Faircloth, Laura Faith Bible Institute Feauto, Dale Feldman, Floyd Fetzer, Velma E. Fischer Family Farms Fisher, Dean Fitzpatrick, Jerry Floyd, Roland Frost, Stanley R. Fuller, Jeff P. Gardner, Roger Garvin LP Gas Gates, Dorothy A. Getty, David D. Gibson, Gary J. Graham, Holly A. Griffin, Steve Griffith, Craig Grosse, Brent Gutknecht, Hans Hannan, Mark Harris, Craig S. Harris, Denise Harrison, Mark A. Heise, Stephan Henry, Richard W. Herzog, Mary E. Hickey, Larry J. Higgins, Connie A. Hilleshiem, Laura L. Hol, Eric Holt, Dixie B. Hopkins, Earl Howard, Bryan L. Hulse Farm Trust Hunfeld, Melvin Hutchings, Trinatee L. Hutchinson, Brandon J.

Hutchinson, Michele

Iowa Wireless James, Charles F. Jammal, Abdul Jennings, John L. Jewett, Gordon L. Johnson, Fred Jones, Darwin D. Jones, Roxanne R. Jones, Terry L. Kaesser, Merle L. Kalina, Kurtis Keiner, Tyler J. Kelley, Frank D. Kelso, Velma Kennedy, Justin Kennedy, Randall D. KFMW-FM Broadcasting King, Matthew Kivell, James C. Kleiner, Carolyn A. Klima, Elisha M. Klimes, Liz A. Knapp, Beverly A. Knavel, Dorothy E. Knight, Velma Knipp, Mary Konicek, James W. Kono, William D. Kress, Marty Krum, Beverly M. Kunch, Donald M. Lane, Ronald W. Lapage, Michael Lortz, Paul L. Lundvall, Marty J. Mahoney Jr., Dan D. Martin, Melvin M. Mather, Clifford A. Mazur, Sharon Mccarty, Donald E. Mccleary, Stephen J. Mckenna, Daniel J. Meek, Dawn M. Meeks, Darlene Merchant, Matt A.

claimed within one year.

If you know of someone listed below, please contact that person, or their next of kin, and ask them to contact our office. ECI REC will require personal identification and/ or legal documentation from these people to confirm their membership before dividends can be claimed. Please do not contact ECI REC unless you have the necessary documentation for the member listed. This list was current at the time

These dividends will be forfeited to the Cooperative if not

of this printing. Merritt Farms Meskimen, Tammy M. Miller, Tamara Milnes, Dan S. Milnes, Marc A. Minkel, Alex P. Moeller, Anna M. Moore-Weepie, Trudy Morillo-Fox, Tandie Moritz, Aley Moroney, Diane C. Morris, Patrick Morrissey, Nick J. Morrow, Vernon L. Moses, Ricky O. Mullan, Brian L. Mullinex, Dale Murdock, Ron M. Murray, David A. Murray, Peter W. Neill, Joanne C. Nielson, Allan L. Northeast Iowa Restaurant Manag Oconnor, Kelly J. Omega, Inc. Ortner, William J. Osborne, Matthew M. Osburn, Jon Osterhaous, Jane Parker, Tammie J. Patterson, Marilyn J. **Paxson Communications** Pearson, Christopher G. Petrzelka, Arthur Pint, Kelly J. Pint, Lori Prairie Hills Management Primmer, Evelyn Prock, Erik Prudential One Realty Centre

Redmond, William Reeves, Ryan Reiner, Jim A. Reinhold, Stacey Reiter, Travis J. Remax Renfer, Larry E. Reyes, Ron Ridenour, Kent J. Ridings, James O. Ritter, Lucie Roberts, Corey Robinson, Jacqueline Robu, James C. Rodas, Charlene Rodas, Melody Rodites, Nikki Roepke, Aaron Roethler, Joseph C. Rowan, Tom Ryan, Marisa J. Sauser, Gary W. Savago Family Farms Schaftlein, Clarence Schmidt Construction Schrader, Arthur J. Schug, Harold L. Schultz, Michele L. Schumacher, Lawrence J. Scott, Beryl L. Scott, Lawrence T. Sebetka, Russ R. Seeman, Amanda M. Selco. Inc. Shelton, Anthony C. Skeers, Robert R. Skogman Realty Smith, Delores Estate Smith, Diane Smith, Kim H. Solberg, Brett T. Soldwish, Reginald H.

Sproul, Kristin K.

Stallman, Rob J.

Standiford, Jim Steffen, Larry Stepanek, Mark Stevens, Larry Stewart, David L. Stockdall, Jeremy Strief, David L. Sweet, David A. Sweet, Ethel Swenson, Tyra Tarr, Donald E. Templeton, David Templeton, Denise Theilen, John R. Thompson, Rodney R. Thornton, Matthew J. Tiedeman, Troy A. Travis, Dale W. Troester, Natalie Tudor, Bruce A. Vangorder, Chelsea Vangorder, Dennis L. Vavra, J. Orfa Venenga, Steve M. Waddell, Bart Wakeland, Adam Wapsi Pig Corp. Weekley, Larry R. Weig Sand & Gravel, Inc. Wendel, Sheila L. Werner, Michelle Werner, Tracie C. Wesely, Mark Weuste, Kathy Wheeler, Chelsea J. Wilson, Mashara Wimmer, David C. Wing, Mardeen Winthrop Betterment Yanecek, John E. Yedlik, Edwon G.

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Pusteoska, Doug

Redmond, Mary

Plant the Right Tree in the Right Place

When spring arrives, landscaping season follows. If you're adding trees this year, consider your power lines. The wrong tree in the wrong place can be a hazard.

For more tips on smart tree planting in your community, contact your local electric cooperative or visit www.ArborDay.org.

> Happy Arbor Day! April 26

<u> April</u> Is Safe Digging Be Safe. Always call 811 before you dig to locate any buried utility lines.



Know what's **below. Call** before you dig.

SMALL TREES Avoid planting within 20 feet of

power lines. When planting within

20 feet is unavoidable, use only

Height/spread of no

more than 25 feet,

shrubs and small trees

• Star magnolia

• Crabapple

such as:

LARGE TREES

Height/spread of more than 40 feet. such as:

• Maple • Birch

• Pine

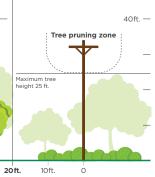
- Sweetaum
- · Oak • Spruce • Linden



MEDIUM TREES

Height/spread of 25 to 40 feet. such as:

- Washington hawthorn
- Goldenraintree
- Eastern redbud • American
- arborvitae



30ft. Source: The Arbor Day Foundation and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association

40ft.

MEET OUR IOWA YOUTH TOUR REPRESENTATIVES



Carlee Noe (sophomore) Independence Parents: Wendy and Larry Noe, Rowley



Leadah Price (junior) **Starmont** Parent: Michele Ross, Arlington

HONORING OUR YOUTH IN 2024

Meet Our Scholarship Winners



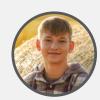
Lydia Albertsen Union

Parent: Jessica Albertsen, La Porte City South Dakota State University, Psychology



Keelie Curtis Starmont

Parent: Chris Curtis, Aurora University of Iowa, Mathematics/Business



Jared Dvorak North Tama

Parents: Joseph and Jennifer Dvorak, Clutier Buena Vista University. Ag Studies (General Track)



Alexis Even **Don Bosco**

Parents: Bridget and Clark Even, La Porte City Hawkeve Community College, Dental Hygiene



McKenna Kingsbury Vinton-Shellsburg

Parents: Heather and Matt Kingsbury, Vinton Des Moines Area Community College, Nursing



Brody Kleitsch Wapsie Valley

Parents: Rick and Brenda Kleitsch, Fairbank Iowa State University. Agricultural Studies



Allison Kleve Independence

Parents: Scott and Karla Kleve, Independence Iowa State University Athletic Training



Wyatt Kuch Belle Plaine

Parents: Kristin and Sherwin Kuch, Keystone Mount Mercy University, Computer Science



Derrick Lindsay East Buchanan

Parents: Darrel and Valerie Lindsay, Masonville Hawkeve Community College, Ag Business Management



Morgan Schulte Benton Community

Parents: Christopher and Kelly Schulte, Norway University of Northern Iowa, Kinesiology/Exercise Science



Carter Shaffer Starmont

Parents: Brook and Mark Shaffer, Oelwein Hawkeye Community College, Pre-Nursing



Madalyn Staggs

Center Point-Urbana

Parents: Kristy and Tobias Staggs, Urbana Iowa State University, Psychology

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