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## Two Area Youth Tour The Nation's Capital

Jana Bonifacius of Cowden and Jillian Schmitz of Pana represented Shelby Electric Cooperative in Washington, D.C., during the annual "Youth to Washington" Tour, June 8-15. This event, sponsored by the electric and telephone cooperatives of Illinois, began in the late 1950s to introduce rural youths to our democratic form of government and cooperatives.



*Pictured from left are Jillian Schmitz, Congressman John Shimkus and Jana Bonifacius.*

The students met with Senator Dick Durbin and Congressman John Shimkus and were among 57 rural Illinois youth leaders selected for the trip. In addition to the Capitol, they also visited the White House, Arlington National Cemetery, the National Cathedral, the Smithsonian Muse-

ums, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the World War II Memorial, George Washington's estate at Mt. Vernon and a number of other historical sites.

Jana and Jillian were chosen out of 17 students representing Shelby Electric Cooperative during Youth Day held in Springfield on March 28, 2007.



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## New Co-op Connections Card Coming Soon

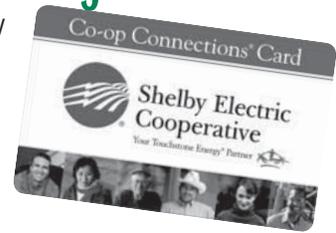
Your Touchstone Energy Co-op Connections Card program just got better, so keep looking for your new Co-op Connections Card to come to you soon in an upcoming *Shelby News* issue. Shelby Electric Cooperative is providing you with a new and improved membership card. The new card includes fantastic pharmacy discounts that will make getting prescriptions simple and more affordable.

Not only will your new card continue to provide great discounts from local and national businesses but it will also add a 10 percent to 60 percent savings on prescriptions at participating pharmacies to include: CVS, Walgreens, Wal\*Mart,

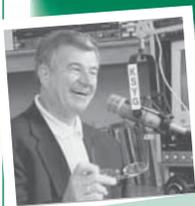
Target and many others. This is one of the many benefits your cooperative has to offer being one of 640 Touchstone Energy Cooperatives across the United States.

If you're a business interested in participating in the Co-op Connections Card program, contact the cooperative by calling us at 1-800-677-2612.

The new cards will either be in the September or October issue of *Shelby News*, so be looking for it.



## Doug Rye Says:



**Doug Rye**

Cathedral ceilings are dramatic, beautiful and very popular. In fact, I receive many calls concerning them and many of the house construction plans I review show true cathedral ceilings. A true cathedral ceiling is one where the roof structure is a roof rafter, which has roofing on one side and a finished ceiling on the other side.

We have long been told that it was necessary to provide ventilation through that cathedral ceiling to prevent moisture problems. I have known for many years that this made no sense. I first became aware of the lack of need for ventilation for these ceilings when I was attending a church where an entire roof assembly, made with wood tongue and groove boards on top of wood beams, had no ventilation and there was never a moisture problem.

How is this so? Consider this for a moment. When driving through the mountains in northern Arkansas one nice spring day, I saw an A-frame vacation home. The thought occurred to me

## Cathedral Ceilings: To Vent or Not to Vent

– "Does that home have a roof or are they just walls?" I'll let you answer that.

Some of you will say "walls," some will say "roof," and I'll say "both." Now, according to the codes, if it is a roof, it has to be ventilated. But if it is a wall, it does not. So, I simply say that a cathedral ceiling has two sloped walls. Aren't I terrible? Slap my hands, now!

So don't worry about putting ventilation in your cathedral ceiling. Use cellulose or foam insulation, just as you would use to insulate the walls of your home, and pack the entire cathedral roof assembly with it. This process is now permitted by most building codes in America.

Doug Rye, a licensed architect and the "King of Caulk and Talk," can be heard on radio stations across the country, including Illinois, on his syndicated radio program "Home Remedies". Visit his Web site [www.DougRye.com](http://www.DougRye.com), email him at [info@philliprye.com](mailto:info@philliprye.com) or call him (888) Doug-Rye if you have questions or want more information.

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# Cooperatives' Power Supplier Changes Name

Effective July 1, 2007, "Prairie Power, Inc." (PPI) became the official not-for-profit Generation and Transmission (G&T) Cooperative for 11 distribution cooperatives purchasing wholesale electric energy from Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. PPI was established in 2006 by seven Soyland electric distribution cooperatives to own shares in the Prairie State Energy Campus under development in Washington County, IL. In June, 2007, an additional four Soyland member cooperatives committed to invest in the Prairie State project. On July 1, 2007, these 11 distribution cooperatives became capacity owners of 118 megawatts (or 7.46

percent) of the Prairie State Energy Campus and members of PPI. PPI assumed ownership and

legal responsibility for all Soyland assets, contracts and obligations on July 1 and Soyland ceased to exist.

The formation of PPI is timely relative to the significant changes that have occurred within the electric utility industry. The demand for energy is increasing and the need for new generation resources, equipment and materials are at an all time high. The marketplace has become increasingly complex, and environmental consciousness and government regulations are creating new challenges and opportunities for the industry.

"We perceive PPI as providing the advantage of ownership in one of the most reliable, cleanest and economical resources for electric energy today, i.e., the 1600 megawatt Prairie State Energy Campus. This investment will be complemented with new long-term power

supply contracts and other investments in economical, reliable and environmentally friendly resources that will provide PPI member cooperatives with a diversified portfolio of energy resources," said Robert Harbour, President/CEO of Prairie Power, Inc. "We are very excited about the formation of PPI and the opportunities of our business moving forward," added Harbour.

"These opportunities and challenges demanded that PPI become the new G&T, responsive to the demands of our member cooperatives, their consumer members and this changing electric utility industry," continued Harbour. The 11 electric distribution coopera-

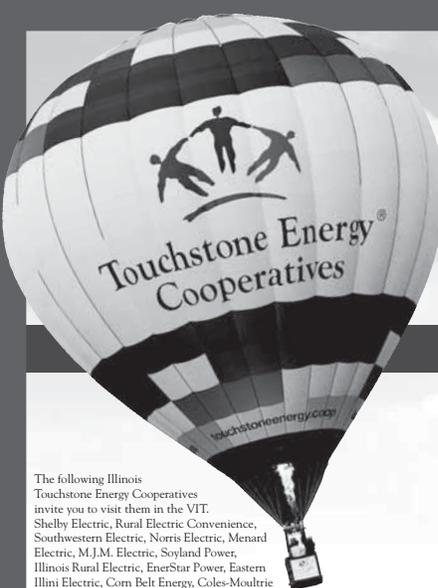


Artist Sketch of the Prairie State Energy Campus

# PRAIRIE POWER INC.

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tives of PPI include: *Adams Electric Cooperative, Coles-Moultrie Electric Cooperative, Eastern Illini Electric Cooperative, Farmers Mutual Electric Company, Illinois Rural Electric Cooperative, McDonough Power Cooperative, Menard Electric Cooperative, Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative Company, Shelby Electric Cooperative, Spoon River Electric Cooperative and Western Illinois Electrical Coop.* The PPI offices are located in Jacksonville, Illinois. To learn more about Prairie Power, Inc. visit [www.ppi.coop](http://www.ppi.coop).



## Touchstone Energy Cooperatives

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Decatur, Illinois — August 28, 29, 30

Come see the Touchstone Energy Hot Air Balloon as it flies over the FPS properties.

Visit the Touchstone Energy Cooperatives of Illinois in the Varied Industries Tent.

The following Illinois Touchstone Energy Cooperatives invite you to visit them in the VIT.  
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# Member Exchange

- 8" x 62' Mayrath auger, bottom drive, \$350 obo; 6" x 20' Mayrath auger with 12 hp gas engine, \$200 obo; grain spreader with new 1/2 hp motor, \$100 obo; old, vintage white wicker settee and matching chair, good condition, \$75. Call 217-764-5496.
- Ringneck pheasant chicks, \$1.50; Bobwhite quail, \$1.50; Cayuga ducklings, \$2; Rhode Island Red Cross chicks, \$1. Call 217-895-2627 to order.
- Garaventa Stair-Trac portable wheelchair lift, used by local church and school to provide accessibility. Call 217-855-0096.
- Compac sailboat 16', excellent condition, kept inside, new tires & bearings, all new lines, electric motor & battery, all sails, paddles, all accessories, with Magic Tilt trailer, a real classic, \$2,900. Call 217-454-2423 or 217-454-2436.
- 2302 sq. ft. home, 17 acres of timber, hardwood floors, closets lined with cedar, flower beds, greenhouse, timber, cabin, outbuildings, northeast Christian County, Prairieton Township. Call 217-768-4944.
- Horse cart, all wood, 2-wheel, easy-entry, pleasure driving/breaking cart, Amish-made, harness also available. Call 217-865-2808.
- Silkie chicks and juveniles for sale, quality lines, \$5 and up. Call 217-246-5918.
- 18 ft. Harogator, good condition, \$350; 10 telephone poles, 24 ft. long, \$20 each; 30 new hedge posts, 8 ft. long, \$120. Call 217-824-2949.
- AKC Weimaraner puppies, born May 29th, males, \$400, females, \$450. Call 217-562-5389.
- Appaloosa mare (ApHC), 5 yrs, 14.3 H, trail ridden, \$1,250; Arabian mare (AHRA), dapple gray, 10 yrs, 15 H, broke to ride, \$1,950. Call 217-979-1188.
- Wheelchair; walker; handicap com-mode; Hoveround electric wheel chair; 2002 Mercury Sable, low miles, leather, sunroof, loaded. Call 217-823-0320.
- Bose 901 speakers, series 6, \$450; Rainbow vacuum, \$100. Call 217-273-8972 or 217-254-5431.
- Warm Morning wood stove, firebrick inside, 6" flue, \$325. Call 217-895-3300.
- Original Tinker Toy sets, several to choose from, \$15 to \$35. Call 217-895-2053.
- 1939 AC B tractor; 1994 John Deere A tractor & log splitter; 16 foot, 8,000 lb. trailer with wench. Call 217-218-9958.
- Cameo LXI by Carriage fifth wheel, 32' with 3 slides, very nice and clean with lots of extras; 2000 Kawasaki 1500 Vulcan motorcycle, low mileage, back rest, saddle bags, windshield, must sell; 1988 Ozark Renegade II boat, two live wells, two fish finders, trolling motor, fish/ski combination. Call 217-783-2187 or 217-249-5809 and leave message.
- 3 bedroom house in Stonington, sunroom, large lot & tons of storage space, \$45,000, will consider CFD. Call 217-325-3224.
- International Model C tractor with belly mower, runs great, \$1,600, Blue Mound area. Call 217-358-0364 before 8 p.m.
- 1950s model TD-9 with 6 cylinder turbo-diesel, used by the TVA to plow fire breaks, does not have a blade, single hydraulic used to operate the plow, \$4,500 obo; 1978 International Loadstar with van body, rebuilt DT466 with less than 100 miles, currently has 9 jack modern hydraulic jacking system mounted in the box, \$6,000 obo. Call 217-325-3555.
- Remco drive shaft disconnect, used for pulling with automatic transmission, \$175; vinyl tow shield cover for Chevy Tracker or Suzuki, \$150; ready brake for tow car brakes, a must for pulling, \$100; base plate for Chevy S-10 with 1 inch adapter plate, set, \$20. Call 217-855-3119 or 217-824-9773.
- 2 dorm refrigerators, \$20 & \$25. Call 217-774-3304.
- Brass alto sax, excellent condition, comes with soft case, \$500; black tenor sax, hard case w/soft contoured lining, \$150; 4' x 25" wood computer desk with matching hutch, oak color, \$100. Call 217-665-3888.
- WildBlue satellite internet system, dish, modem, and some cables, \$75 obo. Call 217-348-8646 evenings and weekends.
- 1973 Ranchero 500, 44,000 miles, great condition, new paint, no rust, 302 2 bbl, cream/cream leather interior, \$5,900; 4 DTV big dish satellite system, digital, 3 years old, 2 infrared remotes, excellent condition, \$150. Call 217-623-4409.
- Round outside resin table with 4 chairs, \$35; Agri Fab pull behind seeder, broadcaster, balloon tires, used three times, \$35; Delta tub & shower faucet, never used, bought new for \$89.45 selling for \$35; large broadcaster for 3-point hitch & power take off, \$50; air cleaner with K-H filter for 1994 - 2001 Dodge V8 pickup. Call 217-895-3171.
- Blue 1991 Mazda Protégé LX, 4-door sedan, 1.8 DOHC, front wheel drive, AC needs charged, PS, PB, PL, PW, am/fm radio with cassette player, 207K miles, some rust, \$800; 1984 420 John Deere garden tractor, 20 hp Onan engine, 60" mower deck, hydrostat transmission with differential lock, tractor and deck in good shape, 1,600 hours, \$2,200; king size water bed frame, bumper pads, heater, bookcase headboard & 6 drawer base, \$75; 2 matching twin size spindle style wooden head boards and bed frames, \$40 each; 38" Agri Fab lawn sweeper, used 1 year, \$100; Welch duo-seal vacuum pump, model #1402, \$10; 1 ITE safety switch 400 amp, 3 phase, \$10. Call 217-895-3551 after 5 p.m.
- 5 - P265/70R-17 Goodyear Wrangler RT/S tires, 1 new & 4 with 863 miles; Kelly Super Tioga back pack, 5,000 cubic inches, new; 1986 Dodge D-100 pickup with new tires, runs good, starts in cold temps. Call 217-773-3909 or 217-773-3884.

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## Member Exchange Continued

- Westfield, 10 x 61 grain auger with swing-a-way hopper; 98 Mac semi-tractor, recent engine work, new brakes, ac, fuel injector, runs daily. Call 217-774-4206 after 5 p.m.
  - Tractor/mower umbrella and mount brackets, like new, \$30. Call 217-348-1441.
  - Industries Inc. 5th wheel camper hitch; tailgate for Chevrolet 2500; Alumilite king pin stabilizer. Call 217-273-4577.
  - 2000 Ford 150 truck, runs great, class 1 hitch, bed cover w/lock, bug guard, tinted glass, chrome wheels, no rust, new alternator, oil changes every 3,000 miles, fiberglass cover, bed liner, \$5,900. Call 217-348-7875 after 6 p.m.
  - Pinto horse, 8 years old, 15 hands high, trail horse, new front shoes, gelding, beautiful horse, \$800; paint mare, 5 years old, dark chocolate, black sox, white face, \$300; antique Alexander mini-bike, 47 years old, runs and looks great, \$300. Call 217-671-4466.
  - 2000 and 2003 Mercury trailer hitches, attach to frame, \$50 each; Broyhill couch and chair, dark brown, hardly been used. Call 217-797-6372.
  - International 284 compact utility tractor, 6' IH bellymower, gas, turf tires, 25xx hours, loader capable, runs good, hi/lo transmission, great for large yards or pastures, \$3,750. Call 217-844-4411 or 217-273-5017.
  - Maple hutch w/glass doors, \$350; maple dining table, 2 leaves, 6 straight chairs, 2 captain chairs, \$400; small maple dining table, 1 leaf, 4 chairs, \$200; upright TV with VCR, \$100; 2 collectible upright radios, \$35/each; misc. items from estate. Call 217-346-3329.
  - Like new, commercial grade blue carpet, carpet sizes, 10' x 7" & 9'5" x 8", \$35 each or \$50 for both. Call 217-345-7923.
  - Presto cooker-canner, 21 qt., \$40; pink depression glass, 4 open lace pieces, 1 royal lace bowl. Call 217-756-3108.
  - Go-carts & mini-bikes all sizes and prices; 4 Peacocks, 2-female & 1-male, \$50 each; 10 Roosters, \$4 each; 2 Royal Palm turkeys, \$20 each; Pumpkin blossoms, \$1 per dozen. Call 217-671-4466.
  - A crimper, hay baler, hay rake and cycle bar for parts or scrap iron, been parked since 1986, you take away, make an offer. Call 217-865-2855.
  - Old style wooden coffin, great for birthday party surprises or Halloween, \$40 firm. Call 217-865-2855.
  - 1992 Cadillac Eldorado coupe, 4.9 V8, all power, leather, sun roof, 88,000 miles, excellent condition, \$3,500. Call 217-412-8486.
  - 2100 gallon clean water tank. Call 217-349-8293.
  - Three boxes of old 8-track tapes, \$1 each; three 8-track vehicle tape players, \$10 each. Call 217-254-6662.
  - Hotpoint electric range, model RB787C, 3 years old, glass cook top, bisque color, \$250. Call 217-345-6476.
  - Fuel storage tank, 300 gal. gravity flow, with 6-ft elevated platform, used to store diesel, \$150. Call 217-979-1188.
- Wanted:**
- Good backhoe with front wheel drive, cab and wobble (2 lever) stick controlled. Call 217-824-2949.
  - Old motorcycles, any make, any condition, special interest in Triumphs. Call 217-325-3224.
  - Smaller center drop gravity bed with or without wagon gears; small flat bed for ¾ ton pick up truck. Call 217-768-3828.
  - Good clean condition couch, shades of brown or green; large barn style dog-house. Call 217-623-4268.
  - Go-carts and mini-bikes for grandchildren, running or not; female pygmy goat, brown and black color; female baby miniature donkeys. Call 217-671-4466.
  - Old cars or parts, '75 or older, any condition. Call 217-254-0856 or 217-856-2233.
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  - Hauling old or new furniture, junk/ scrap metal or anything the garbage man won't haul away. Call 217-972-7590.
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  - AAA Superior Painting. Call 217-294-1921.
  - Garden work, tilling, yard work, hauling off iron and scrap. Call 217-671-4466.
  - Sullivan Auction Enterprises, turn your clutter into cash, we sell your treasures for you, easy consignment terms, we buy full estates. Call 217-728-2190.

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email: [info@cmec.coop](mailto:info@cmec.coop) or [memberexchange@shelbyelectric.coop](mailto:memberexchange@shelbyelectric.coop) • *Deadline for ad submission is the fourth of the preceding month.*

# Recipes For Summer Grilling

## Beer and Brown Sugar Steak Marinade

### Ingredients

2 (16 ounce) beef sirloin steaks  
1/4 cup dark beer  
2 tablespoons teriyaki sauce  
2 tablespoons brown sugar  
1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

### Directions

Preheat grill for high heat. Use a fork to poke holes all over the surface of the steaks, and place steaks in a large baking dish. In a bowl, mix together beer, teriyaki sauce, and brown sugar. Pour sauce over steaks, and let sit about 5 minutes. Sprinkle with 1/2 the seasoned salt, pepper, and garlic powder; set aside for 10 minutes. Turn steaks over, sprinkle with remaining seasoned salt, pepper, and garlic powder, and continue marinating for 10 more minutes. Remove steaks from marinade. Pour marinade into a small saucepan, bring to a boil, and cook for several minutes. Lightly oil the grill grate. Grill steaks for 7 minutes per side, or to desired doneness. During the last few minutes of grilling, baste steaks with boiled marinade to enhance the flavor and ensure juiciness.

## Beef or Chicken Marinade

### Ingredients

1/4 cup soy sauce  
3 tablespoons honey  
2 tablespoons distilled white vinegar  
1 1/2 teaspoons garlic powder  
1 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger  
3/4 cup vegetable oil  
2 green onions, chopped  
1 teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper

### Directions

In a large bowl, mix soy sauce, honey, distilled white vinegar, garlic powder, ground ginger, vegetable oil, green onions and black pepper. Place desired meat in marinade. Marinate in the refrigerator at least 4 hours before grilling.

## Northwest Steakhouse Steak Marinade

### Ingredients

1 pinch seasoning salt  
1 pinch garlic powder  
1 teaspoon Greek seasoning  
1 cube chicken bouillon, crushed  
1/2 cup butter, melted

### Directions

Stir the seasoning salt, garlic powder, Greek seasoning, and bouillon cube into the melted butter. Mix until the bouillon cube dissolves. Pour the marinade into a wide and shallow dish and place a steak of your choice into the marinade, turning to coat both sides. Cook or grill as desired.

## Yummy Pineapple Beef Steak Marinade

### Ingredients

3/4 cup Worcestershire sauce  
2/3 cup pineapple juice  
2 tablespoons packed brown sugar  
1/3 cup olive oil

### Directions

Mix together the Worcestershire sauce, pineapple juice, brown sugar, and olive oil in a bowl. Marinate the meat of your choice for 1 to 2 hours, and cook as desired.

## Zippy-Zoo Marinade

### Ingredients

3 tablespoons soy sauce  
2 tablespoons barbecue sauce  
2 tablespoons vegetable oil  
1 teaspoon white wine  
1 teaspoon smooth peanut butter  
1 teaspoon corn syrup  
1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
2 teaspoons black pepper  
1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger root  
1 teaspoon chili powder  
1 teaspoon onion powder  
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

### Directions

In a shallow dish, combine soy sauce, barbecue sauce, oil, wine, peanut butter, corn syrup, and Worcestershire sauce. Season with black pepper, ginger, chili powder, onion powder, and garlic powder. Mix until smooth. Marinate meat for 2 to 6 hours.

## Raspberry Marinade

### Ingredients

1/2 cup all fruit raspberry jam  
1/2 cup pineapple juice  
1/2 cup soy sauce  
2 tablespoons rice vinegar  
1/2 teaspoon minced garlic  
1/2 teaspoon dried basil  
4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

### Directions

In a large bowl, combine raspberry jam, pineapple juice, soy sauce, rice vinegar, garlic, and basil. Add chicken breasts, and turn to coat evenly. Cover, and refrigerate for at least 4 hours. Preheat grill for medium heat, and lightly oil grate. Cook chicken breasts on grill until meat is no longer pink and juices run clear.

If you have recipes to share, mail them to: Recipes, P.O. Box 560, Shelbyville, Illinois 62565 or P.O. Box 709, Mattoon, Illinois 61938.

# Shelby Electric Cooperative Announces Scholarship Winners

Three area youths were each awarded \$1,000 scholarships, and recognized during the Shelby Electric Cooperative annual meeting of members on Friday, June 15, 2007.

This year's winners were, Stacey Solliday of Stonington, Scott Ninmer of Taylorville and Anna Dowling of Rochester.



◀ Stacey is a graduate of Taylorville High School and will be attending Harvard to study engineering. Stacey is the daughter of David Solliday and Lynda Warnsing of Taylorville.

▶ Scott is a graduate of Taylorville High School and will be attending the University of Illinois to study music with emphasis in jazz studies. Scott is the son of Ron and Jean Ninmer.



◀ Anna is a graduate of Rochester High School and plans on studying pre-veterinary medicine at the University of Illinois. Anna is the daughter of David and Cory Dowling.

"We are pleased to be able to provide these outstanding students with these scholarships as a way to give back to the communities we serve," noted Cooperative Board Chairman, Darrell Shumard. A total of 29 students applied for the scholarship opportunity.

Marla Pruemer, who coordinates this program for the cooperative, will begin notifying schools within the cooperative's service territory in January about the 2008 scholarships. You can also find out more about the scholarships on the cooperative's Web site [www.shelbyelectric.coop](http://www.shelbyelectric.coop) under the "Our Community" menu tab.



## Mark Your Calendar

**Farm Progress Show Aug. 28-30 in Decatur, IL.** While you are there, stop by and visit your cooperative in the Varied Industries Tent at the Farm Progress Show and pick up your free copy of the Touchstone Energy® Home Energy Savings Guide. There will be other hand outs as well and you can enter for a chance to win a great prize. Show your Co-op Connections card for other great prizes. Visit [www.farmprogressshow.com](http://www.farmprogressshow.com) for more information on the Farm Progress Show.



**Touchstone Energy NBRA Short Course Nationals Sept. 14 - 16 at Wilborn Creek Recreation area on Lake Shelbyville.** Okay Valley Regional Development Association is teaming up with local Touchstone Energy Cooperatives to bring you the National Boat Racing Association Short Course Nationals. Great family fun the whole weekend with time trials on Friday afternoon and races all weekend long. Vendors and kids activities available Saturday and Sunday. Visit [www.lakeshelbyville.com](http://www.lakeshelbyville.com) and click on calendar of events, then click on September for more information, or contact Lori Ryherd at 217-756-3253 or Kevin Bernson at 217-774-3986. Interested vendors contact Roger Brooks at 217-756-8585.



**Touchstone Energy Balloon Fest at Eagle Creek Sept. 14 - 16 in Findlay, IL.** Eagle Creek has teamed up with several Touchstone Energy Cooperatives in Illinois to host the second annual balloon fest. Fifteen balloons from across Central Illinois will be flying over Lake Shelbyville on Friday night, Saturday morning and late afternoon and Sunday morning, weather permitting. Volunteers are needed to help crew with each balloon so anyone interested should contact Kevin Bernson at 217-774-3986. For more information on the balloon event or if you're a business interested in sponsoring a balloon please contact Becky Jones at Eagle Creek, 217-756-3456, or Kevin Bernson.

# Outage Report – June 2007

## LINE OUTAGES

Date	Hours	Substation	Cause	Members Affected
6/1/2007	3.30	Wenonah	Unknown	16
6/1/2007	0.30	Wenonah	Miscellaneous	9
6/2/2007	1.45	Wenonah	Broken insulator	16
6/6/2007	0.07	Velma	Planned work	21
6/7/2007	1.00	Velma	Planned work	8
6/7/2007	0.50	Velma	Planned work	9
6/7/2007	1.45	Elwin	Trees/storm	77
6/12/2007	1.15	Yantisville	Crane	16
6/13/2007	1.15	Neoga	Unknown	3
6/14/2007	1.00	Shelbyville	Broken conductor	2
6/15/2007	2.17	Pana	Unknown	40
6/19/2007	1.15	Velma	Trees/storm	24
6/19/2007	1.30	Velma	Planned work	48
6/21/2007	2.00	Neoga	Lightning	196
6/22/2007	1.00	Richland	Lightning	29
6/22/2007	2.35	Dunkel	Lightning	6
6/22/2007	1.30	Neoga	Lightning	31
6/23/2007	2.00	Yantisville	Lightning	47
6/23/2007	5.14	Yantisville	Lightning	23
6/23/2007	1.05	Velma	Lightning	12
6/23/2007	1.30	Taylorville	Trees/storm	52
6/26/2007	1.17	Johnson	Lightning	13
6/26/2007	0.55	Herrick	Trees/storm	419
6/26/2007	0.45	Johnson	Broken insulator	13
6/27/2007	0.42	Johnson	Trees/storm	13
6/27/2007	0.35	Pana	Trees/storm	46
6/28/2007	1.05	Taylorville	Broken insulator	98
6/28/2007	1.25	Richland	Lightning	44
6/29/2007	1.40	Moweaqua	Unknown	9

## INDIVIDUAL OUTAGES

Date	Hours	Substation	Cause	Members Affected
6/1/2007	0.20	Elwin	Trees/storm	1
6/6/2007	1.10	Moweaqua	Members wire	1
6/8/2007	1.20	Neoga	Animal/bird	1
6/8/2007	2.30	Velma	Members wire	1
6/10/2007	2.00	Wenonah	Animal/bird	1
6/11/2007	2.10	Pana	Miscellaneous	1
6/13/2007	1.00	Neoga	Animal/bird	1
6/15/2007	0.20	Richland	Animal/bird	1
6/19/2007	1.15	Taylorville	Lightning	1
6/22/2007	1.00	Richland	Lightning	1
6/22/2007	2.30	Lakewood	Lightning	1
6/22/2007	0.55	Shelbyville	Lightning	1
6/23/2007	1.39	Neoga	Lightning	1
6/23/2007	0.35	Velma	Lightning	1
6/23/2007	1.15	Blue Mound	Loose connection	1
6/23/2007	1.30	Elwin	Unknown	1
6/24/2007	2.40	Richland	Lightning	1
6/24/2007	2.00	Richland	Members wire	1
6/24/2007	2.21	Lakewood	Members wire	1
6/26/2007	1.30	Shelbyville	Members wire	1
6/27/2007	5.36	Yantisville	Lightning	1
6/29/2007	0.35	Blue Mound	Animal/bird	1
6/30/2007	2.01	Elwin	Unknown	1



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