

CONNECTIONS NEWSLETTER

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ADAMS-COLUMBIA
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

Introducing West Riverside Energy Center!



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Your source for Co-op news and information.

A NEW PARTNERSHIP - WEST RIVERSIDE ENERGY CENTER

Adams-Columbia has purchased 30 Megawatts of ownership in the West Riverside Energy Center in Beloit, WI. This highly efficient natural gas facility is currently under construction, upon completion in 2020 the plant will be able to power more than 550,000 homes.

How does it affect me?

ACEC purchases power from Alliant Energy so this investment is in members' best interest to help stabilize rates for the future. Riverside will help replace power from the retirements of older, less efficient coal-fired and peaking units. With investments in wind and solar on the rise the facility's technology will allow it to quickly adjust up and down to ensure reliability when the wind isn't blowing and sun isn't shining.

Is this renewable energy?

Technically, natural gas is considered a nonrenewable energy source, but it is a clean form of energy because it gives off 50% less carbon dioxide than burning coal. There will also be a renewable solar array included in the project at Riverside which will deliver power to the plant to offset its energy usage.

We will keep you updated as more exciting information about the Riverside project continues.



GIFT OF LIGHT

Looking for the perfect gift but not sure what to give? How about the Gift of Light! An electric bill credit is a wonderful gift - and one you know they will use.

The Gift of Light can be purchased for a member of ACEC in any denomination. You can also personalize a message to be printed directly on their bill!

Call us at (800) 831-8629 for more details.

HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY

Adams-Columbia Electric currently has six employees that are veterans. We are incredibly proud of the brave men and women that serve our country, and we are especially proud of the six men that have served at Adams-Columbia. We want to take this time to recognize these individuals.

Meet the Men

America wouldn't be the country it is today without our Veterans.



Mark LaMore
United States Air Force
1991-1995
Anchorage, Alaska
F-15 Engines



Jon Trzesniak
United States Air Force
1985-1991
Stationed all throughout
Continental US



Brian Mattice
United States Air Force
2005-2011
General Mitchel Air
National Guard Base
128th Air Refueling Wing



Ken Miller
United States Air Force
1975-1979
Hahn Airbase, Germany
49th Tactical Fighter Wing



Jim Goodman
United States Army
1975 - 1979
Nuremburg, Germany
2nd Armed Cavalry Regiment



Josh Berger
United States Army
2004-2007
Alaska, Ft Richardson
12 months stationed in Iraq
C84th Engineers

"Cooperatives have similar principals to the military, and one of those is, our people always come first."

"It's better to aim high and miss, than to aim low and hit."

"Working together to help people, that's what the co-op and the military are all about."

"Protect and serve. In a way, my job as Safety Manager allows me to continue carrying on the principles I learned in the Air Force."

"I'm as proud to serve our members as I was to serve my country."

"Working with the linemen at ACEC reminds me a lot of the brotherhood I experienced in the military."

SHRED-IT RECAP

In October, we hosted three Shredding Events, one at each of our offices. Documents were shredded into confetti-sized pieces and sent to a recycling center to be reused for paper products. On average, members brought between 5-15 lbs of sensitive documents to be shredded. That's about a \$50 service per member. Overall, ACEC saved our members an estimated \$7,350.

PATRONAGE CAPITAL

This year, the board approved the return \$1.9 million in Patronage Capital refunds. If you are eligible for a refund, you will see it on November's statement.

TOYS FOR TOTS

'Tis the season of giving as the holidays are quickly approaching. ACEC is partnering with Toys for Toys for our annual toy drive.

Want to donate?

There is a drop box for new, unwrapped toys in the lobby at our Friendship office. Or, look for the red and white Toys for Tots boxes at local businesses near you. Toys are needed a bit early to ensure that Santa and his elves have enough time to deliver toys to families this holiday season. Thank you to everyone who has continued to make our toy drive a success. Every year we grow, thanks to you! Because of this, we think you'll agree - nothing fills us with the holiday spirit like giving to those in need!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DEC 12
AND
DEC 15

Jay's Discussion Days

Visit our CEO, Jay Porter between 7:30am - 4:00pm
Pardeeville-12/12, W6290 State Rd 33
Wautoma-12/15, N1519 State Rd 22

DEC 25
AND
JAN 1

Holidays

Our offices will be closed Monday, December 25th and Monday, January 1st in observance of Christmas and New Years.



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