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ADAMS-COLUMBIA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

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STUFF THE BUS

Every year ACEC collects donations of school supplies for local students in need. The goal is to literally "stuff a school bus" with school supplies.

Last year was our most successful drive. We collected over 1,500 items! We're hoping to top that number this year.

The school supplies drive begins July 16th and ends August 10th. If you would like to donate, please drop off school supplies at our Friendship office located at 401 E Lake Street.

Needed items:

Colored Pencils Markers Filler Paper Folders Glue Sticks Water Colors **Pencil Pouches** Scissors **Notebooks**

Backpacks Monetary Donations Thanks for joining us at Timbavati for our Member Appreciation Event. Above are a few of our favorite photos. See this month's Wisconsin Energy Cooperative News magazine and ACEC's facebook page for more photos.

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SUMMER SEASON IS STORM SEASON

The summer season is storm season. Please remember, if you come across downed power lines do not approach them. The voltage in these lines can energize the ground around them, meaning you wouldn't even have to touch the lines to get electrocuted. Just because it looks like a power line is not live does not make it

safe. Generators that are improperly installed can cause power lines to be reenergized at any time, creating an incredibly dangerous and even fatal environment.

If you experience an outage or come across downed power lines, please call us.

UPDATE YOUR PHONE NUMBER

Call our office at (800) 831-8629 to update the phone number on file for your account. If our outage system does not recognize your phone number we cannot pinpoint your location as quickly and easily. **OUTAGE PHONE NUMBER**

(888) 928-2232

Call Anytime, 24/7

BE PREPARED BEFORE A STORM HITS!

Keep these items set aside in case you experience an extended outage.

Flashlight
Extra Batteries
Manual Can Opener
Battery Powered Radio

First Aid Supplies
Hand Sanitizer
Prescription Medicine

OF WATER 1 gallon of water per person, per day

Beans
Canned/Dried Fruit
Canned Tuna
Canned Vegetables
Cereal
Graham Crackers
Jerky/Spam

PATRONAGE CAPITIAL RETIREMENTS

Remember a few months ago when we talked about Patronage Capital Allocations? **Allocations** – *the amount that represents your ownership in the cooperative.* The Board of Directors has now approved the 2018 retirement amount. They have examined our co-op's financial needs and determined the amount that can be returned to members this year– aka Patronage Capital Retirements (Refunds).

WHO GETS A REFUND?

The Board of Directors is also involved in this decision. For 2018 they voted to use a 'first in, first out' retirement schedule. Meaning, members with an allocation balance in the oldest remaining years will receive a refund. This year, refunds totaling over \$2,053,000 will be distributed to those with allocation balances in 1996, 1997, 1998, and a portion of 1999. Active members who fall into this category, you will see a refund on your July statement. However, if your refund is more than \$150 you will be mailed a check.

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Jay's Discussion Days

Visit our CEO, Jay Porter, between 7:30am - 4:00pm Wautoma - 8/14, N1519 State Rd 22 Pardeeville - 8/21, W6290 State Rd 33











