



Rural HIGHLIGHTS

Local News from Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative

Kenny Williamson retires after 40 years

Kenny joined the co-op full time in 1978, in the aftermath of RECC's most devastating ice storm. He soon became a journeyman lineman and was later promoted to line foreman: a career that spanned 40 years. Kenny has been an integral part of the co-op family and his knowledge and experience will be difficult to replace. Kenny and his wife Kelly reside in the Girard area.



Happy Retirement



Kenny Williamson



Tornados strike central Illinois

The city of Taylorville took a direct hit from the December tornado, but RECC also received damage. Linemen replaced approximately 25 poles and re-energized lines serving over 300 members. We requested assistance from Illinois Electric Cooperative, Winchester, that sent two crews to assist in the restoration. By the next day, all members had their power restored. A few individuals needed personal wiring completed before power could be safely reconnected.



Broken 3-phase pole north of Litchfield



RECC crews replace a downed power line that crossed Interstate-55

Northwestern Food Pantry selected for annual co-op donation

Employees of Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative (RECC) collected \$300 for the Northwestern Food Pantry in Palmyra. President/CEO David Stuva agreed that RECC would match their contributions. Pastor John Chrisler, Palmyra United Methodist Church, was grateful to receive the \$600 charitable donation and said it would really help the people in the Palmyra and Modesto area this year. RECC employees have recently made similar donations to food pantries in Pawnee, Raymond, Girard and Waverly. We certainly hope the tradition continues.



Matt Sheerin, Dalton Brown, Pastor John Chrisler and Jill Mortimer

Ball-Chatham receives capital credit

The last of the 1983 capital credit checks were distributed. RECC Director Jimmy Ayers presented a check to Ball-Chatham School Board President Steve Copp. The presentation took place at the school board meeting on Thursday, Nov. 29, 2018. RECC serves two of the schools in their district.



Director Jimmy Ayers presents a check to Board President Steve Copp

John Beatty receives Illinois Farm Bureau award

RECC Director John Beatty was one of two selected for the 2018 Eagle Award for Excellence. Beatty has been a constant supporter of Illinois agriculture and a member of Illinois Farm Bureau since the early 1970s. He has actively participated in several agriculture organizations and served on numerous boards, including Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative where he is currently the Secretary-Treasurer. Visit Illinois Farm Bureau's publications for more details.

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Annual meeting announcement

RECC's annual meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019 at Glenwood High School in Chatham. All members are encouraged to attend. The last year has been exciting for RECC, and we look forward to sharing the cooperative's progress with our members. Please join us for food, fun and financials.

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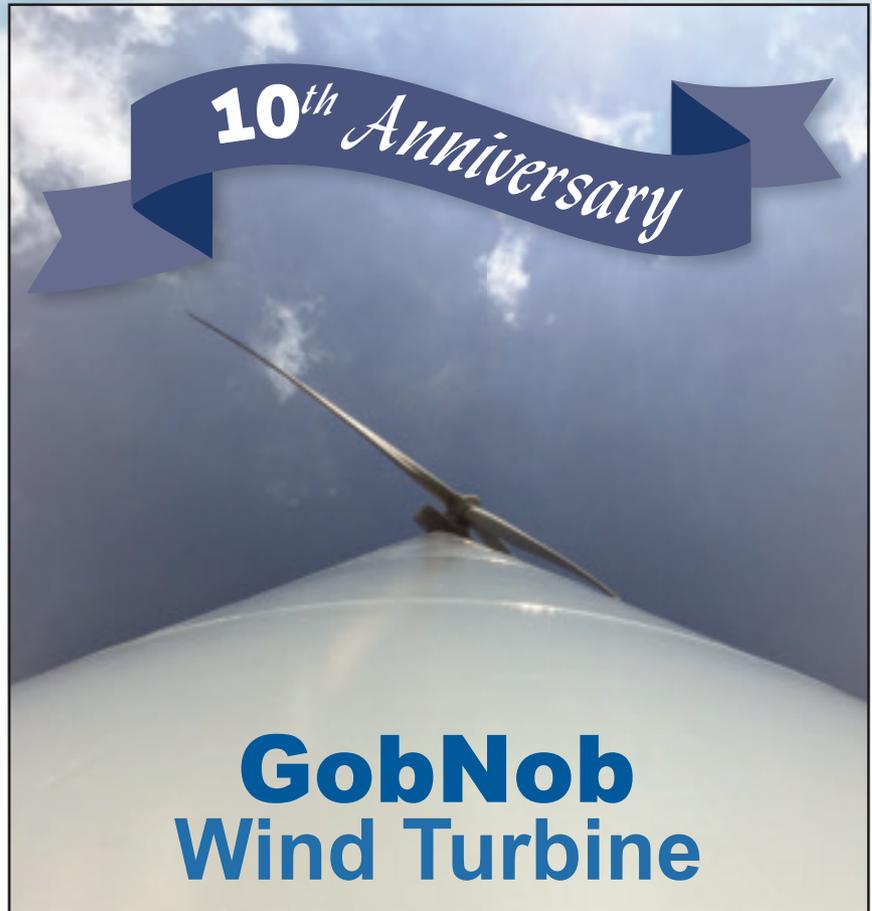
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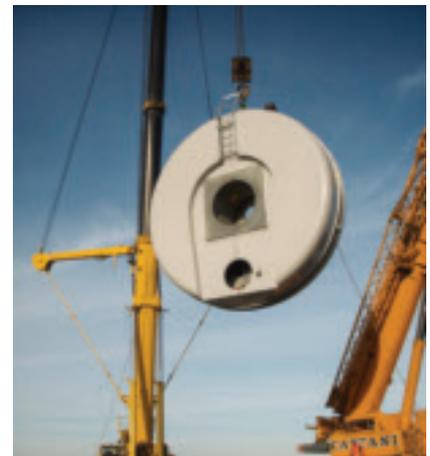
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Flashback from 2009

Farmersville, IL has a new landmark, RECC's 230-foot GobNob wind turbine. Sitting on a hill, just off Interstate 55, is a monumental sight that can be seen 10 miles away. It's also a source of renewable energy for co-op members. All electricity produced by the wind turbine is used by the 382 consumers on RECC's Farmersville substation.



Nacelle being placed on the 230-foot tower, followed by the 62,000-pound generator; 85-foot blades complete the installation