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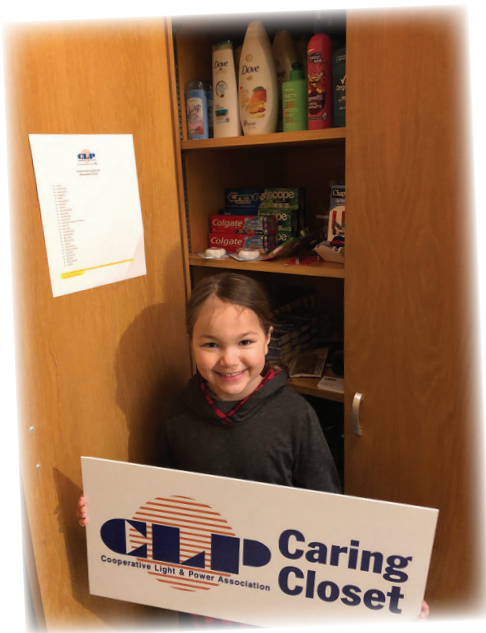
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School is Back in Session, so is the CLP Caring Closet



school day. Member account number six hundred twelve thousand five hundred ninety one. Since its inception in 2021, the Caring Closets have experienced remarkable growth, largely due to the unwavering support of our members and the community. As we approach the upcoming school year, it's imperative that our students have the resources they need to excel in their studies. Once again, we are turning to you for your assistance in replenishing the supplies of the CLP

Caring Closets. Member account number six hundred twenty one thousand four hundred twenty three. Your generosity will directly impact the lives of these students, ensuring that they can focus on their education without the burden of unmet essential needs.

The items listed below are the items specifically requested by the schools for the beginning of the '24-'25 school year. Thank you in advance for your support of this important community project.

In 2021, Cooperative Light & Power (CLP) spearheaded the CLP Caring Closet initiative in our local schools. These dedicated closets offer essential items such as personal hygiene products, toiletries, and clothing to students who may not have access to these necessities at home, or who require them during the

2024-2025 CLP Caring Closet Wish List

- Body wash
- Dental floss
- Men's deodorant
- Women's deodorant
- Face lotion
- Face wash
- Hair ties
- Hair clips
- Hand Sanitizer (small size)
- Kleenex (small size)
- Lotion
- Make-up remover
- Nail clippers
- Nail file
- Shaving cream
- Toothpaste
- Women's underwear (all sizes)



Join us for the Annual CLP Member Appreciation Pancake Breakfast

Joel Janorschke, CEO

I, along with CLP's Board of Directors, staff, and employees, invite you to attend the **Annual CLP Member Appreciation Pancake Breakfast**.

The breakfast will be held on **Saturday, October 5th**, at the CLP headquarters located at 1554 Highway 2 in Two Harbors. Pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice will be served from **8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

This annual event gives you an excellent opportunity to visit with your friends and neighbors, CLP employees, and talk with your elected CLP district representatives. You will also have a chance to win some fun prizes!

We are also providing an opportunity for you to give back to your community! We will be collecting cash donations and non-perishable food items for the local food shelf. CLP will match dollar for dollar all cash donations up to \$2,000. Member account number six hundred twenty

three thousand six hundred eighty seven. Any member donating \$10 in cash or \$10 worth of non-perishable food items will receive an energy-saving surge protector while supplies last.

We will also have our all-electric Ford

F-150 Lightning on display, with employees available to answer any questions you may have about electric vehicles.

This breakfast is to celebrate you, our members! We look forward to seeing you there.

SHUT THE ELEMENTS OUT. KEEP THE SAVINGS IN.

For a limited time, get 25% off all-new Simply Conserve® weatherization products.

When it comes to making your home more energy efficient, members like you are always looking for an edge. That's why Energy Wise MN is offering 25% off weatherization products by Simply Conserve® now through October 31. Whatever the weather, keep it outside while maintaining comfort inside where it belongs.

25% OFF

Visit energywisemnstore.com/weather to get your home ready for winter today!

Offer valid from September 1 through October 31, 2024, or while supplies last. No coupon necessary. Discount applied at checkout. Member assumes responsibility for all sales tax.

ENERGY WISE MN

SEND US YOUR SHOTS!

CLP is accepting photos for our 2025 calendar. High-resolution, digital photos can be submitted by email to careyh@clpower.com.

The deadline to submit photos is September 30, 2024

Call Before You Dig

800.252.1166 or 811
it's the law!

Call 800.252.1166 to locate underground wires. You must call at least 48-hours in advance before any excavations (this notice does not include weekends, holidays or emergencies).

CLP will only locate the underground wires that are owned by CLP, we do not locate or take responsibility for locating wires beyond the meter location.

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CLP Welcomes Energy Services Representative and Master Electrician, Blake Prince

Cooperative Light & Power (CLP) is excited to introduce Blake Prince as the newest member of our team! Blake joined CLP on August 19th as our Energy Services/ Master Electrician. Blake has over 26 years of experience as an electrician.

In addition to serving as CLP's Master Electrician, Blake will be involved in our load management and renewable energy programs, and member rebates.

Blake has been married to his wife, Connie, for 30 years. They have three daughters and three grandchildren. Having lived in Two Harbors for 25 years, Blake is an active member of the community.

During his leisure time, Blake enjoys camping, fishing, attending car shows, and, above all, cherishing moments with his family and friends. Member account number six hundred nine thousand four hundred ninety four.



Blake Prince, CLP's Energy Services/Master Electrician

ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH

Now is the time to schedule annual maintenance for your home's heating system. During fall months, HVAC technicians are typically less busy, making this an excellent time for maintenance and any necessary repairs before the winter months.

A qualified technician can clean filters, check for leaks and ensure all system components are working efficiently to keep your home cozy and warm when the temperatures begin to drop.

Minnesota State Electric Inspector Information

Lake County
Justin Barfuss
(612) 770-0925

St Louis County
Jim Bjorklund
(612) 757-8941

Anytime a homeowner or electric contractor installs wiring or performs other electrical work, Minnesota law requires an electrical inspector to inspect the work properly. A rough-in inspection must be made before any wiring is covered. A final inspection is also required. For more information, visit dli.mn.gov and go to the Electrical home page.

Lazy Lasagna

From the Kitchen of: Alexi Warnecke

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| 1 (24oz) bag of frozen cheese ravioli | 2 cups shredded mozzarella (heaping) |
| 1 (24oz) jar of pasta sauce (any kind) | ½ cup shredded parmesan (optional) |

Preheat oven to 400 degrees and grease a 9x13 baking dish. Spread a thin layer of pasta sauce onto the bottom of the pan (about ¾ cup). Arrange half of the frozen ravioli into a single layer over the sauce (about 12). Top with half of the remaining sauce and half of the mozzarella. Repeat the layers, starting with what's left of the ravioli. Finish by topping with the remaining sauce and cheese. Sprinkle with parmesan. Cover the baking dish with aluminum foil and bake for 30 minutes. Remove the foil and continue baking for an additional 15 minutes or until the cheese starts to brown.

Submit your favorite recipe! If your recipe is printed in an issue of "Powerlines" you will receive a \$10 credit on your electric bill.



Read Your Board Meeting Summary

A regular CLP Board of Directors meeting was held on June 26, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

In attendance were all board members, CEO Joel Janorschke, four staff members, CLP Attorney Chad Felstul, and one member-owner.

Motions were made and seconded to approve the agenda, May 2024 Minutes, consent agenda and financials.

A member addressed the Board with two topics.

Haveri presented the Finance Manager's Report, which included: review of the Statement of Operations, review April financials, and investments.

Hogenson presented the Member Services/HR Manager's Report, which included: Ice Cream Social update, Member Appreciation Pancake Breakfast, Designated Employee Representative (DER) training, and MREA Member Service Conference.

Jones presented the Energy Services Manager's Report, which included: Gooseberry and Tettegouche State Park EV chargers, meeting with MN Cooperative regarding load control devices, Labounty MFG electric forklift video, and MREA annual Pole-Top and Bucket Rescue safety meeting.

Bentler presented the Operations Manager's Report, which included: installation of new services and rebuilds, completed underground inspections, toured site near Babbit for a potential new load, reviewed outages, reviewed Right-of-Way budget.

Janorschke presented the CEO's Report, which included: MN Legislative update, NRECA update, grant update, and other matters of interest.

President Veitenheimer reported on the GRE Board Meeting.

CEO Janorschke reported on the GRE MMG meeting.

Motions were made and seconded to approve: IRS Form 990, Board Policy I-4 Revisions, Board Policy I-8 Revisions, Board Policy II-10 Revisions, Board Policy IV-7 Revisions, The Secretary Certificate for RUS Loan, and the Secretary Certificate Resolution

At 11:30 a.m. a motion was made to enter into a Closed Meeting to discuss confidential issues regarding solar and renewables. At the conclusion of the discussion, a motion was made to exit the session at 11:52 a.m.

The next board meeting date is July 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Dates to Know...

- Sept 25:** CLP Bills Due
- Sept 26:** CLP Board Meeting
- Sept 30:** CLP Winter Hours Begin Monday-Friday 7:30-4
- Oct 5:** Member Appreciation Pancake Breakfast

NOTE: CLP dates subject to change

To view a complete version of the latest CLP Board Meeting Minutes please go to:

<http://clpower.com/board-meeting-minutes>

TO REPORT AN OUTAGE:

Call CLP at 834.2226 or 800.580.5881 during business hours or 800.927.5550 after hours.

BEFORE calling, please check your breakers. If an outage is found to be on your side of the meter, you will be billed for a service call.

SPOT YOUR NUMBER:

A \$20 electric credit is awarded each month to our faithful readers. Four account numbers are spelled out in each newsletter. If you find yours, notify CLP by the 25th of that month and a credit will be applied to your bill.

Credits claimed for July: Rick or Katie Melius and Gale Havrilla

Credits not claimed: Paul or Mary Ostman and John or Teresa Kolar

OPERATION ROUND UP TOTALS:

July Donations: \$1,624.55.

Year-to-date Donations: \$11,144.43

Thank you to all the participants! If you have questions about Operation Round Up, or would like to apply for a grant from the Fund, please contact CLP at 218.834.2226 or 800.580.5881, or visit our website at www.clpower.com.

Cooperative Light & Power is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Year-to-date Financials

	<u>Jun-24</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
Operating Revenue	\$ 6,372,968	\$ 7,425,917	\$ 7,598,601	
Cost of Purchased Power	\$ 4,042,935	\$ 3,919,454	\$ 4,081,365	
Other Operating Expenses	\$ 1,982,710	\$ 3,241,510	\$ 3,489,511	
Total Cost of Electric Service	\$ 6,025,645	\$ 7,160,964	\$ 7,570,876	
Operating Margin (Loss)	\$ 347,323	\$ 264,953	\$ 27,725	
Interest Income	\$ 50,760	\$ 55,588	\$ 44,633	
Other Margins	\$ (24,874)	\$ 12,695	\$ (16,571)	
Capital Credits	\$ 15,588	\$ 5,074	\$ 5,605	
Total Margins	\$ 388,797	\$ 338,310	\$ 61,392	
kWh Purchased	60,591,896	56,011,325	52,381,268	
kWh Sold	57,270,584	53,696,594	50,257,246	
Line Loss	5.48%	4.13%	4.05%	
Members Billed	5,991	6,470	6,477	
Average kWh Used, Residential	1,309	1,151	1,074	
Average Bill, Residential	\$ 142.31	\$ 159.64	\$ 164.64	
Average Cost/kWh, Residential	\$ 0.1087	\$ 0.1387	\$ 0.1533	
Interest Expense	\$ 203,673	\$ 187,147	\$ 182,572	