## Capital credits returned to members

C & L Electric Cooperative's General Manager/CEO is pleased to announce that the Board of Directors has authorized the refund of 10% of 1997 capital credits and 100% of 2008 capital credits. The total amount of the refund is approximately \$746,712 and

brings the total amount refunded to members since the beginning of the cooperative to over \$17,900,000. Any refund less than \$10 will be credited to the member's electric bill. Checks will be mailed for amounts over \$10 prior to June 15.

Your capital credit is the amount you pay for electricity more than the cost to the cooperative in providing your service. The capital accumulates, and when the financial condition of the cooperative permits, the Board of Directors authorizes a refund.

The Board of Directors and management of C & L Electric Cooperative are proud that the Cooperative is able to return capital credits payments. We make every effort to continue furnishing dependable service at the lowest possible cost. This is another advantage of being a consumer-member of C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation. Co-op members use electricity provided by C & L Electric.

Checks are issued to qualifying C & L members.

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C & L Electric tracks members' electricity use and payments.

Year-end accounting and audit are completed. Financial obligations of the co-op are met.



## HOLIDAY CLOSING

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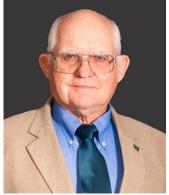
to be distributed to the

members as credits.

The offices of C & L Electric Cooperative will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!

## C & L Electric Cooperative Corporation Board and Management

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# Electrical safety lessons for kids

Electricity is an incredible tool that has revolutionized modern technology. But, like any tool, electricity can be dangerous when used incorrectly, especially by curious kids who may not recognize the hazards. May is National Electrical Safety Month, and it's a great time to teach children of the dangers of electricity.

For nearly 20 years, magician Scott Davis has teamed up with C & L Electric Cooperative to use magic tricks to teach electrical safety to elementary school students. "Making Accidents Disappear" is an educational and entertaining 40-minute program that uses audience participation, storytelling and magic to communicate the importance of being responsible and safe around electricity.

"While magic is a fun and engaging way to learn about the dangers of electricity, it is important to ensure children understand the risks they are facing if they do not practice electrical safety," Davis says.

In his magic show, Davis stresses to kids the importance of avoiding downed power lines. "In fact, it is best to avoid power lines, transformers and substations in general. A downed power line can still be energized, and it can also energize other objects, including fences and trees. If a downed power line is encountered by a child, he or she should ask an adult to report it immediately to 911," he says.

## Davis recommends sharing these safety tips with kids:

- Never climb trees or fly kites near power lines.
- Never stick anything other than a plug into an electrical outlet.
- Never use anything electric in or around the bathtub.
- Don't plug in any electric cord that has become frayed





Magician Scott Davis teaches children of the dangers of electricity in his "Making Accidents Disappear" show.

or has exposed wires.

"Accidents are the No. 1 killer of children in America, and they're preventable with proper education," Davis says. "There's no other tool we need to know how to behave around more than electricity."

In partnership with the Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas, Davis has traveled to every county in Arkansas to perform his show. For more information on electrical safety or to schedule a "Making Accidents Disappear" program, contact C & L Electric at 870-628-4221.

### REMINDER

#### It's time to get your cooling system serviced!

Most manufacturers recommend an annual tuneup for your home's cooling system. A qualified professional can check the amount of refrigerant, accuracy of the thermostat, condition of belts and motors and other factors that may impact the efficiency of your system.

Source: Department of Energy