

Members elect C&L director

C & L Electric Cooperative members re-elected John Ed Ashcraft of Pansy to a 5-year term on the system's board at the annual meeting on June 21.

Ashcraft retired from UPS after nearly 36 years of service as a delivery driver. He served on the UPS Safety Council for over 30 years and was a member of the Circle of Honor for more than 25 years. He is also a cattle farmer and serves as a board member for the Saline and Ouachita Valley Livestock Association. In addition, he is a member of the Lincoln County Cattlemen Association.

Mr. Ashcraft is a 1968 graduate of Woodlawn High School, and received a Bachelor of Arts in Education from the University of Arkansas at Monticello. Prior to his employment at UPS, he worked for the University of Arkansas Extension Service and was a tomato farmer. He is currently employed at Griffin Funeral Services in Star City.

He is married to the former Carolyn Smith. They have three daughters and sons-in-law; Monica and David Welch of White Hall; Shelly and John Wolfe of Warren; and Dana and Jason Gavin of Pansy. They also have six grandchildren; Madison and McKenzie Welch; Cole and Leah Wolfe; and Daniel and Sadie Gavin.

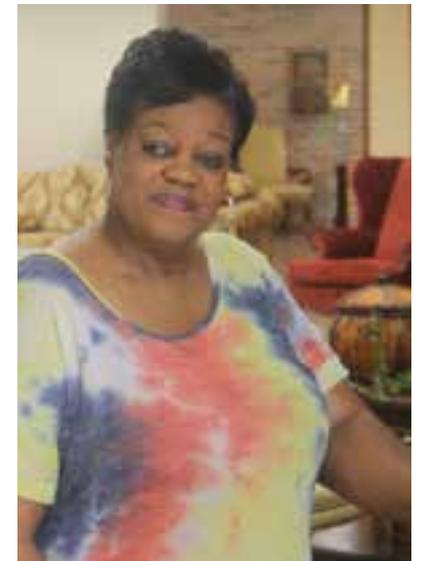


Otheria “Dee” Brown retires

Otheria “Dee” Brown retired in July, after working 44 years at C & L. Dee, the daughter of James and Sammie Williams, grew up in Star City and graduated from Star City High School in 1974. She began working at C & L on August 6, 1974, as a consumer accounts representative.

Dee and her husband, Ras Brown, are members of Westside Missionary Baptist Church in Star City. They have 4 children; Barbara Brown, Fleshia (Alvin Lowe), Ramona Brown, Laura (DeAnthony) Miller, and seven grandchildren, Charleshia James, Raven James, Ariel Lowe, Tyniquia Brown, Nehemiah Brown, Zahceus Brown; and Adonis Miller. She also has one great-grandchild; Aaliyah Richards.

Dee is looking forward to not having to be somewhere everyday by 8 o'clock, but said, “I will miss seeing my co-workers every day and visiting with the C & L customers each month.”



Prizewinners

The following 20 prizewinners, drawn from all returned annual meeting ballots, received a \$50.00 credit on their July electric bill:

Minnie Ellis, Monticello
 Flo Rambert, Star City
 Michael Harrington, Sheridan
 Kay Gathright, Damascus
 David Grassi, Warren
 James Johnson, Pine Bluff
 Debra Patrick, Rison

Lucky 13 Inc. Camp c/o Jas West, Star City
 David Tucker, Monticello
 W & A Auto Diesel Off, Warren
 Loraine Graham, Star City
 Leonard Carter Trl., Pine Bluff
 Emmaus Church, New Edinburg
 Rolf Rhodes, Pine Bluff

James Hawkins, Star City
 Allen Gray, Pine Bluff
 Lauretta Williams, Dayton OH
 Tommy Cornish #2, Warren
 Jenkins Family Inv., Pine Bluff
 Michael Albritton, Monticello

Co-op sponsored students tour nation's capital



Madelyn Swinney of Rison was among 40 Arkansas high school students who toured Washington, D.C., in June as part of the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to Washington.

As part of the tour, Swinney, and the rest of the Arkansas group flew to Washington on June 9 and returned to Little Rock on June 14. The trip, sponsored by C & L

Electric Cooperative and the state's 16 other electric distribution co-ops, included tours of major sites in Washington such as the U.S. Capitol, the museums of the Smithsonian Institution, Mount Vernon, and the Jefferson, Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., Vietnam, Korean and World War II memorials, among other sites.



Madelyn Swinney

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5 STEPS FOR SAFE DIGGING

Working on an outdoor project? Always call 8-1-1 first, because you never know what's below. Here are five easy steps for safe digging:

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1. NOTIFY

Call 8-1-1 or make a request online two to three days before you start.



2. WAIT

Wait two to three days for a response to your request. Affected utilities will send a locator to mark any underground utility lines.



3. CONFIRM

Confirm that all affected utilities have responded by comparing the markers to the list of utilities the 8-1-1 call center notified.



4. RESPECT

Respect the markers provided by the affected utilities. They are your guide for the duration of your project.



5. DIG CAREFULLY

If you can't avoid digging near the markers (within 18-24 inches on all sides, depending on state laws), consider moving your project.

