# SHELBY *News*

BETTER TOGETHER

Cooperative annual meeting notices were mailed out in mid-May. This notice contains information about the cooperative, registration information, and the meeting agenda.

As a consumer-member of your cooperative, you have a voice, so plan to attend this year's annual meeting on Friday, June 9. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. Each registered member will receive a $15 bill credit.

The meeting will be held in Shelbyville at the Shelby County 4-H Fairgrounds located behind the Shelby County Farm Bureau and Shelby Electric Cooperative office.

The Shelby County Pork Producers will serve a barbecue pork chop dinner between 10:30 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. The business meeting will begin at 1 p.m. and will be held in the 4-H center.

If you didn't receive your annual meeting notice, or misplaced it, you can download one from the cooperative's website, shelbyelectric.coop. You can also stop by the office to pick one up.

The Hood Family Band will once again be providing entertainment.

See a full agenda inside this year's annual meeting notice.

Live Line Demo, Inc. returns to the Show Arena this year. Show times are listed in the annual meeting notice.

Shelby Electric Cooperative
BETTER TOGETHER
2023 ANNUAL MEETING
FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2023 • 1:00 P.M. • SHELBY COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS • SHELBYVILLE, IL

Live Line Demo, Inc.

New summer hours announced!

Your cooperative will be implementing a new summer work schedule and hours of operation beginning Monday, June 12, 2023.

In an effort to streamline all business units, Shelby Electric Cooperative (SEC), Shelby Energy Company, and PWR-net will be open for business from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, with offices closed on Friday. This summer work schedule will be in effect from June 12 to August 24.

"This schedule is meant to achieve some workflow efficiencies for the cooperative and will also offer some flexibility to members to have an extra hour in the early evening to do business with us over the summer months," said SEC President/CEO Josh Shallenberger. "If an outage comes up or something is required to be taken care of on a Friday, it will still be handled much as it is during a holiday or a weekend occurrence, so nothing changes there," noted SEC Manager of Operations Terry Oldham.

After-hours phone numbers:

Cooperative 1-800-677-2612

Shelby Energy 217-774-2311

PWR-net 217-774-2323

Billing and accounting questions should be addressed during normal working hours by calling the cooperative at 217-774-3986. If you need to make a payment, electric and PWR-net customers can use the SmartHub app or use the cooperative's secure Pay-By-Phone feature by calling 1-855-385-9981 and following the automated prompts to pay by check, credit card, or debit card. Also, our drive-up payment depository is available 24/7, and is located near the drive-up window.

Remember to always call us at 1-800-677-2612 anytime you need to report an outage or have an emergency.

HEY, Shelby Energy customers!

Did you know you can pay your Shelby Energy Company bill online and do so much more? Visit our website, shelbyenergyco.coop, to get started today. Just click on the Customer Account login tab. If you have questions or need help, just give us a call at 217-774-2311.

Shelby Energy Company

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Pay-by-Phone:
1-855-385-9981
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Office Hours:
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Energy Efficiency
Tip of the Month

Looking for additional ways to save energy this summer? Your laundry room is a great place to start. Wash clothes with cold water, which can cut one load's energy use by more than half. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up when you can. When drying clothes, separate the heavier cottons. Loads will dry faster and more evenly if you separate heavier cottons like linens and towels from your lightweight clothing.

Source: Dept. of Energy

Always on call

When someone retires, one of the questions people always ask is, "What will you like best about being retired?" For Kevin Boehm, who recently retired from Shelby Electric Cooperative, the answer was to not be on-call for the first time in his career.

On-call scheduling, sometimes referred to as on-call shifts, is a process used in business where an employee's work schedule is unpredictable. Types of jobs that would fall into this situation would include being in the military, being an HVAC technician, working at your local fire department, and working in the IT field, just to name a few.

For Kevin, being on-call has been the story of his life ever since he graduated from high school. He was in the Navy for four years, worked for Shelby Sheet Metal, was employed with the Shelbyville Fire Department as an Engineer Apparatus Driver, and then eventually ended his career as IT and Broadband Manager at Shelby Electric Cooperative.

After 21-plus years of dedicated service working for the Shelbyville Fire Department, Kevin retired from there. While at the fire department he worked part-time at the cooperative as a DirecTV installer. Once he fully retired from the fire department, Kevin joined the cooperative's DirecTV subsidiary full time. In 2007, Kevin came over to the electric side as an IT Technician. In 2015, he then became the IT and Broadband Manager. With each cooperative job, came the added responsibility of, you guessed it, being on-call. 😉

Not only was Kevin and his team responsible for general office support, they worked on building out and maintaining the cooperative's internal and external networks. They also played a major role in the build-out of the high-speed internet product, PWR-net. In Kevin's final few months, the team was assisting Shelby Fiber with their initial stages of bringing fiber out to the cooperative's membership.
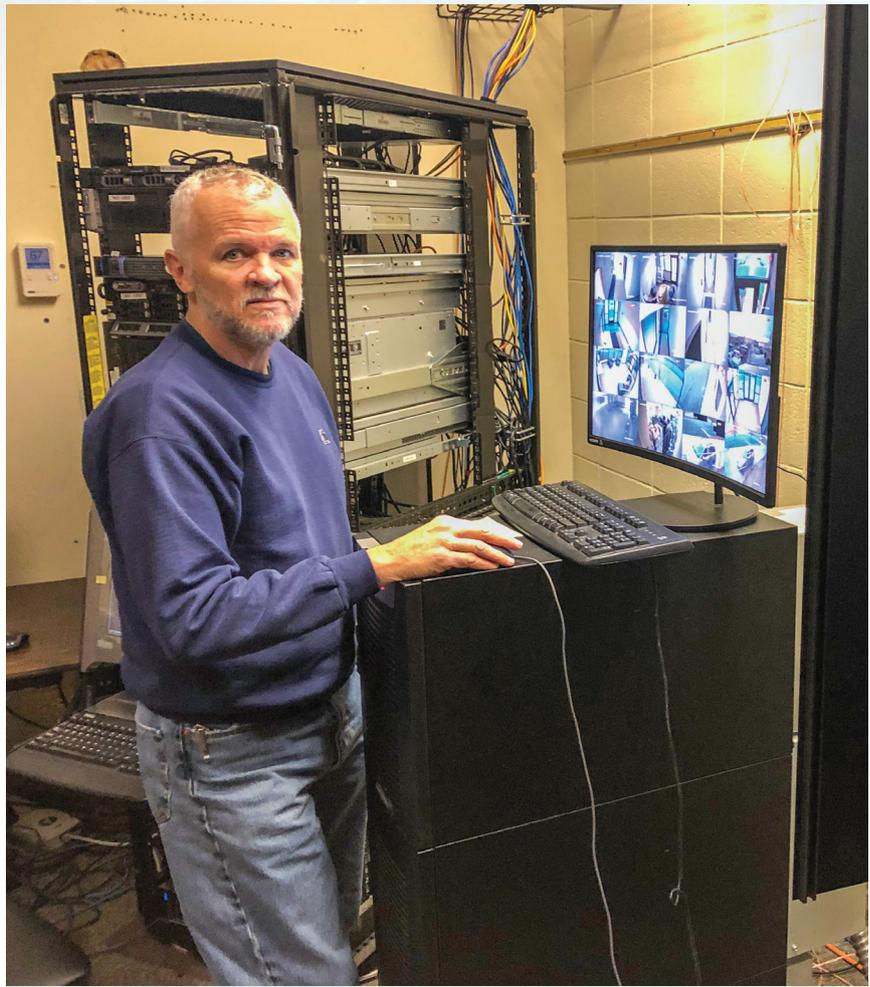
Kevin Boehm recently retired from the cooperative.

"I have enjoyed my time with the cooperative. Each day was a different task, and I did not see it like a challenge, it was more like an opportunity," explained Boehm. "I will miss interacting with my co-op friends and our members, but I'm ready for the next stage in my life," added Boehm.

In retirement, Kevin and his wife Teri plan on spending quality time with their two daughters, Melina Boehm and Molly Ervin. Melina lives in Shelbyville, and Molly lives in Portsmouth, Ohio with her husband Aaron and their two young boys, Liam and Levi.

"We have a camper near Molly and her family, so we plan on spending time there and watching our grandsons in their sport activities," noted Boehm. He also plans on doing more volunteer work and just taking each day as it comes, without worrying about a 2 a.m. phone call.

Another way to think about being on-call is that the employees who work on-call are expected to be available 24/7, usually with short notice, to carry out their work duties. In retirement, that is called being a husband, father, and grandpa. So, Kevin, we do not think you are done being on-call. Your cooperative family and friends congratulate you on your retirement and wish you the best of luck in the next chapter of your life!

Schedule a payment with SmartHub

You may already know all the great tools the SmartHub app provides, but did you know you can now schedule a payment using SmartHub? It is easy! All you have to do is open the SmartHub app, select **"Bill & Pay"** then select **"Pay."** Next, you will have the option to pay the full amount or select another amount you want to pay. Then choose when you want the payment to be made. Finally, choose a payment method and select **"Make Payment."** After reviewing your payment, if you made a mistake, just hit the **"Cancel"** button and start again. Once completed, you will receive a notification that your payment was scheduled. You will receive an additional notification when your payment has been processed. If you do not have the SmartHub app, download it today!

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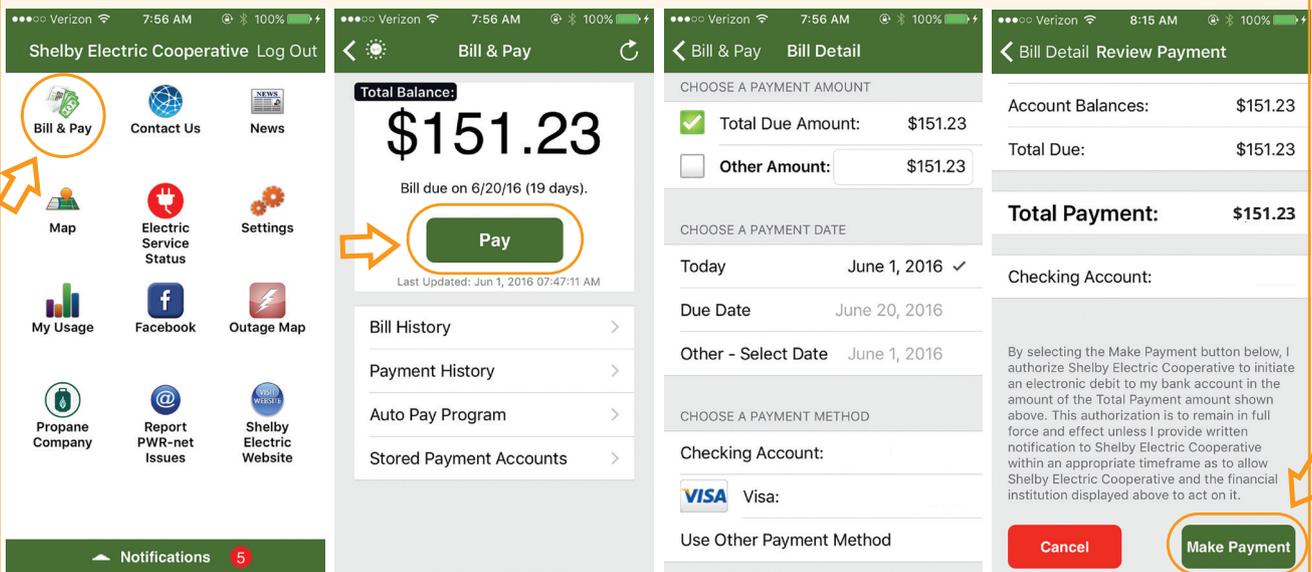
If you pay online, you can also schedule a payment. After logging in, if you choose to pay the full amount, select the **"Pay Now"** button at the top. Then choose when you want to schedule your payment and the payment method. To make a partial payment select the tab **"Billing & Payments,"** enter the amount you wish to pay and follow the easy steps. A notification will be sent when a payment is scheduled and when a payment has been received. A link to SmartHub is on the cooperative's homepage, shelbyelectric.coop.

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