Proud of your Christmas display? Awed by what your neighbor has done? Christmas trees and decorations throughout your home? Tell us about it by contacting Tracy Sellers at tsellers@ripleypower.com or 635-2323 by December 16. We'll need a name, exact address, and, if possible, a phone number for contact information. You might just see this in next December's magazine.

## Ways to pay your bill ... Continued from the previous page

#### In Person

Visit 150 S. Main St. in Ripley or 409 S. Church St. in Halls. Both locations have a night deposit box if you arrive after hours. Make sure you include the bottom portion of your bill.

### Kiosk

Make your payment through a secure, bill payment machine at the

drive-through lanes at our Ripley and Halls offices. The kiosks accept

several types of credit cards and cash. To access your account, you can enter your account number or scan the bar code on the back of your

bill. Ripley Power and Light offers a customized key tag for prepay customers that they can use to easily access their accounts.



## 2019 Calendar:

Ripley Power and Light Company's 2019 calendar is at the printer. It will be arriving in your mailbox later in December.

## **Ripley Power and Light offices will be closed...**

- Monday & Tuesday, December 24 & 25, for the Christmas holiday.
- Tuesday, January 1, for New Year's Day.
- Monday, January 21, for birthday.
- Monday, February 18, for Presidents' Day.



ripleypower.com ... Your go-to website to pay your bill, learn about our services, see past issues of Tennessee Connections and more!

## **Office Hours & Locations**

We are open 47 hours each week to serve you better!

7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday

■ 150 S. Main St. in Ripley • 409 S. Church St. in Halls

If you have not been receiving your bills, call our office immediately so we can verify your mailing address.

731-635-2323 = 731-836-7595 www.ripleypower.com



## You can help us restore power quickly

Then you have an interruption in your electric service, you naturally call Ripley Power and Light to report the outage. If you are using a phone that you've registered with Ripley Power and Light, the outage management system will immediately recognize your phone number, know your address and notify oncall crews of an outage.

Your phone number or account number is the way the system recognizes your address.

The outage management system makes predictions on the cause of an outage based on the knowledge it receives. If you are the only person to report an outage, for example, the system most likely will predict that the problem is a transformer or something on the service line running to your home.

If some of your neighbors also call, the system may predict that a fuse on your street may be blown. If calls are coming in from scattered locations, the system may tell linemen to check out the substation.

To update your phone numbers on your Ripley Power and Light account, visit the "Energy Explained" section on our website, ripleypower.com. Go to the Outage Management link on the right side of the page and fill out the online form.

"Our automated outage management system guides us to restoring power more quickly and efficiently when customers call us from phone numbers registered with Ripley Power and Light. That's why we're asking all customers to update their account information with their correct phone numbers."

to us at:

## Winter 2018-19 **POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY**

# When your electric service is interrupted...



Mike Allmand. President and CEO Ripley Power and Light

Or, you can fill in the form on the next page, and mail it

**Ripley Power and Light Company** 150 S. Main St. **Ripley, TN 38063** 

Call us at 731-635-2323 or 731-836-7595 to report an outage. Customers can keep track of outages on the system by looking at the Current Outages map in the "Energy Explained" section on our website.

# Employee retires after nearly 47 years

anny Moore was working as a truck driver when he came home to Ripley one weekend and learned that his neighbor, Jane Meadows, wanted to talk to him.

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Meadows, who was an office manager at Ripley Power and Light, offered Moore a job. The surprised Moore took the job and started working for Ripley Power and Light pulling circuit wire on a line crew.

That was nearly 47 years ago. Moore, now meter superintendent, will

retire from Ripley Power and Light December 31.

He spent nearly all of his career at the utility in the meter shop – installing and repairing meters. He also read meters

Danny Moore, meter superintendent, is retiring.

He'll miss the job, his coworkers and Power and Light's customers. "I like meeting the public," Moore said. "I've loved my job. I've had an ideal job all of my life."

## Exterior wall insulation can help keep you warmer

s you listen to the cold wind outside your home this winter, **L**you might want to make sure that none of your home's heat tries to warm the outdoors.

That's why your exterior walls need the proper insulation. Insulation keeps your home cool in the summer and warm in the winter. Just like other parts of the home, it is important to insulate exterior walls for a more comfortable and energy-efficient home.

You should add wall insulation if you have an older home without any insulation in the exterior walls, or if you plan to finish an unfinished space like a basement or bonus room. Additional wall insulation also may be installed when replacing exterior siding.

Exterior wall insulation is important because heat flows naturally from warmer spaces to cooler spaces. In the winter, heat moves through exterior walls to the outdoors and from the outside to

inside your home during hot weather.

Insulation levels are specified by Rvalues that measure the insulation's ability to resist heat flow. The higher the R-value, the better the thermal performance of the insulation.

The amount of wall insulation you should add depends on the size of your walls and the type of insulation that you and your contractor decide to install. Generally, exterior walls should be insulated to at least R-13.

The outage management system pinpoints an outage based on your phone number. Register your phone numbers with us by filling out this form and mailing it in.

Your Name:		
Address:	City:	State/Zip:
Home phone number:	_ Cell phone number:	
Third number/Or emergency contact number:	·	
Email address(es):		
Mail your completed form to: Ripley Power and Light Company, 150 S. Main St., Ripley, TN 38063.		

and collected overdue bills.

Moore, a graduate of Ripley High School, has always lived in Ripley. He and his wife, Linda, have four children. nine grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

He's not sure about what he will do in retirement, which he considers the next stage in is life. He has always liked to hunt and fish, so he figures he'll do a lot of that.

Getting your electric bill just got easier

ipley Power and Light customers can now decide to get their monthly electric bill by email, instead of through the mail.

We're calling this option "e-statements." And we feel many of our customers will like it. Here's how it works:

As soon as we post our billing each month, you'll receive your bill as a PDF attachment in your email. The

PDF bill will look exactly like your current bill that is mailed to you.

Then you have options. You can pay your bill on our website through the convenient link we give you in the email. You can decide to print the PDF. And, you can pay your bill through the other ways we offer. (See story, below.)

Customers who decide to get their bills through email will have the benefit of seeing their bills several days before they would when a bill is mailed to them. That's because our mailed bills are sent to Memphis for processing and then back to our communities to be delivered to your mailbox.

You'll also have the knowledge that in a small way you are helping the environment by cutting down on unnecessary paper.

You can sign up for e-statements on our website at ripleypower.com or by talking to a representative in our Ripley or Halls office.

your bill. You don't have to pay for

account must be current to qualify.

or more as often as you need.

# A list of ways to pay your electric bill

with your payment.

**Prepay Program** 

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ipley Power and Light offers cus-Ntomers several ways to pay their bills. It's now more convenient than ever to keep your account current. You can get your bill as an e-statement and pay by all of the following options ...

#### Online

Visit ripleypower.com and click on "My Account" at the top of the home page. You will see a link to make a payment via our secure server. There is a \$3.95 charge to pay your bill online.

## Bank Draft

Each month, we send your bank the amount you owe on your electric bill, and we send you a copy of your bill. The bank deducts the amount from your savings or checking account on the day your bill is due.



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Bank draft is the easiest way to pay

Mail

postage, take the time to drive to one of our offices or worry about being late

You can mail your payment. Be sure to enclose the bottom part of your bill. Continued on the next page ...

ustomers who prefer to keep track of their electric usage or pay a smaller de-→posit can opt to prepay. To get started, you pay a \$60 deposit and buy an initial minimum of \$50 worth of electricity. Additional fees may apply, and your

Your electric use is deducted from the amount of electricity you purchase. When the amount on the account is low, you buy more electricity by adding \$20

Each day at 6 a.m., you'll receive an email or a text message with the balance on your prepaid account and the amount of electricity you used the day before. If your account empties and is in the negative as the day begins, your electricity won't cut off until 1 p.m., giving you time to put more money into your account. Customers on the Prepay Program cannot get monthly e-statements.