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# Electric League NewsLine

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## NEW EXPO DATE IN 2021



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Thank you for your patience as we navigate the unexpected postponement of the Electric League Expo. Following all CDC guidelines and city & state governments' warnings and bans, the Electric League of KS & MO felt - for the health and safety of our members, the community and beyond - a postponement was necessary.

At this time, the committee is thrilled to announce the new Expo dates:

### EXPO 2021:

March 29, 2021:

12:00pm - 9:00pm: Exhibitor Move in

### March 30, 2021:

7:00am - 9:00am: Final Exhibitor Move in

8:00am - 4:30pm: Education Sessions

**10:00am - 8:00pm: Show Hours**

8:00pm - 12:00am: Exhibitor Move Out

March 31, 2021:

9:00am - 12:00noon: Final Exhibitor Move Out

Same Location: Overland Park Convention Center (6000 College Blvd., Overland Park, KS 66211)

**NO ACTION is required (if you are an exhibitor or sponsor).** Your funds and/or exhibit space are both secure and will automatically transfer to the 2021 Expo; as not to affect your budget/financial planning; unless otherwise advised.

As for now, mark your calendar and continue to monitor our website for further communications and updates: [www.electricleague.org](http://www.electricleague.org)

If you have any questions at this time, please direct them to the association office, Kim Weitzel ([kweitzel@westerneda.com](mailto:kweitzel@westerneda.com)) or Jane Male, CAE, ([jmale@westerneda.com](mailto:jmale@westerneda.com)).

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the Electric League Expo. We look forward to seeing you in 2021 for a successful show!

Mark Bishop  
President  
Electric League of MO & KS

## Challenging Times For All

The Electric League of Missouri and Kansas board of directors and staff hopes this newsletter finds you, your family and staff well. We will get through this challenging time together.

The only news is really about COVID-19. We want to know how you are holding up? Let Jane and Kim know how you are doing at: [jmale@westerneda.com](mailto:jmale@westerneda.com) or [kweitzel@westerneda.com](mailto:kweitzel@westerneda.com). What plans do you have in place to keep social distancing while keeping Kansas City lit up, construction projects, etc. How are you communicating with your employees and addressing their concerns?

If you have some helpful tips or technology resources in use, keeping your business and staff connected, let us know and we will maintain a list to help those searching for ideas and ways to get through these unprecedented times. We have added a [COVID-19 Resource page](#) on the Electric League website. We have local documents as well as documents from our endorsed, insurance partner Federated Insurance.

**Stay safe and well,**

**The Electric League Board of Directors and Staff**

### {CALENDAR} OF EVENTS

**Oct. 1** - Fall Golf Tournament (Swope Memorial Golf Course)

**Oct. 8** - Clay Shoot (Powder Creek)

**Nov. 12** - Pickle Ball (Chicken N' Pickle)

***Make Plans to Attend These League Events***



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## Jay Rains

Jay Rains passed away, peacefully, on Tuesday 2/18/2020 at the age of 83. Jay was a member of the Electrical industry in our area since the mid-1950's. He worked for Rensenhouse, Shaw Supply and Western Extralite.

He then chose to enter the area of Manufacturers' Representative and started Rains Electrical Sales, which is what he did for the remainder of his career. He was a longstanding member of both NEMRA as well as The Electric League of Missouri and Kansas, including sitting on the Electric League Board of Directors and serving as membership chair for many years. He was awarded the Electric League's Industry Achievement Award in 1999 and Lifetime Membership in 2018.

He was a true family man and leaves his wife, Ellen, and their 4 children: Lynn, Beth, Brad, and Wes and his grandchildren.



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The Electric League welcomed 30 players to the bowling event, held on Thursday, February 27, at AMF College Lanes in Overland Park, Kansas.

The game was a 9-pin/no-tap; with **America Electric Company – Riverside** taking home the prize money with a combined top score of three games played. Congrats!

A special thank you to our Title Sponsor: **Crescent Electric Supply**. We appreciate the involvement and support.

We look forward to seeing more of you in 2021!



## BOWLING EVENT - RECAP



**WINNING TEAM:**  
**AMERICAN ELECTRIC COMPANY - RIVERSIDE**



**Title Sponsor Team: Crescent Electric Supply**



# People Column

## Happy Birthday to:

### February/March

- **Peggy Karhoff**, and **Kyle Dempsey** at American Electric - CED
- **Annisa Wright** at CBM, Inc.
- **Carlos Reams**, **Kevin Greenawalt**, **Jenny Buckley**, **Kevin Kesterson**, **Lin Jimenez**, and **Chris Camarillo** at Kansas City Electrical Supply.
- **Jeff Buckman**, **Kim Miller**, **David Cawthon**, **Danny Madden**, **Erik Carr**, **Payton Fluckey**, **Karry Palmer**, **Peijie Li**, **Yvette Thomas**, **Pat Vielhauer**, **Sean Hudson**, **Ken Fritz**, **Josiah Knight**, **Suzy Elmore**, **Dustin Mustard** and **Jim Howell** at Renshouse Electric Supply.
- **Debbie Reeder**, **Cori Conway**, **Darel Snider**, and **Robert Lovett** at Crescent Electric Supply Company.
- **Cindy Hopewell**, **Kevin O'Neill**, and **Jeff Clark** at C&O Sales.
- **Beth Grizzle** at Rains Electrical Sales, Inc.

### April

- **Doug Mayle**, **Mike Taylor**, and **Mike Haley** at CBM, Inc.
- **Ron Tiller**, **Danielle Breault**, and **Kip Springer** at C&O Sales
- **TJ Crosser** at American Electric Company - CED.

## Happy Anniversary to:

- **Linda Conner** 15 years, **Justin Roe** 2 years, **Kevin Kesterson**

3 years, **Colin Hinkley** 30 years, **Sandy Walker** 10 years, and **Kevin Greenawalt** 25 years at Kansas City Electrical Supply.

- **Dustin Mustard** 7 years, **Pat Vielhauer** 3 years, **Jeff Foster** 3 years, **Rob Scarborough** 6 years, **Peijie Li** 5 years, **Karry Palmer** 3 years, and **Bruce Brumbaugh** 2 years at Renshouse Electric Supply.
- **Pat Reuscher**, **Mitch Holland**, **Jay Case**, **Jake Dowler**, **Tim Shockley**, and **Cori Conway** at Crescent Electric Supply.
- **Shelly Oliverio** 1 year, **Kip Springer** 1 year, **Cindy Hopewell** 7 years and **Jeff Clark** 7 years at C&O Sales.

## Congratulations Are in Order to:

- **Steve** and **Patty McMahon** (Kansas City Electrical Supply) are new grandparents to baby boy **Liam** born 1/27/2020.
- **Jeff Clark** (C&O Sales) became a grandfather to a baby girl in February.
- **Chet** and **Audrey Chenoweth** (American Electric - CED) celebrating their FIRST wedding anniversary!
- **Mike Mitchell**, Kansas City Electrical Supply, new grandfather to grandson, **Xavier Michael Wood**, on March 6th.
- Congratulations and Best Wishes to **Doug Mayle** who will retire from CBM, Inc. at the end of April!

We hope you all stay safe and well and will keep your emails coming in. This is YOUR Column and we want to print YOUR news. Happy Spring.

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## To All of Our Volunteers:

If you are healthy and able, we can use your help! Harvesters is an essential service working to feed as many people as possible during this difficult time. We have greatly reduced our volunteer shifts to accommodate social distancing measures, but every volunteer we can have is vital to our operation.

If you are interested in volunteering with us, you must meet the following safety qualifications:

- Volunteers must be 18 years or older.
- Volunteers must not be currently exhibiting any signs of illness.
- Volunteers must NOT HAVE IN THE LAST 14 DAYS: travelled OUTSIDE OF KANSAS OR MISSOURI.
- Willing and able to sign a volunteer and visitor waiver upon arrival.

If you would like to help us meet our mission of feeding hungry people today, and working to end hunger tomorrow, you can sign up for various volunteer shifts at both our Kansas City and Topeka locations at <https://www.harvesters.org/GiveTime>.

If you have any questions about volunteering at the Kansas City location, you can contact [getinvolved@harvesters.org](mailto:getinvolved@harvesters.org), or call us at (816) 929-3090. If you have any questions about volunteering at the Topeka location, you can contact us at [fighthunger@harvesters.org](mailto:fighthunger@harvesters.org), or call us at 785-861-7750.

If you are unavailable to help Harvesters by volunteering, we are encouraging the community to help by donating money. For every dollar donated you help us ensure we have the food and resources on hand to meet any additional demand. It also helps us provide means to get the food out more effectively and efficiently. You may donate online at [www.harvesters.org/coronavirus](http://www.harvesters.org/coronavirus).

If you are able to volunteer with the Harvesters, please contact them directly. The League will not be holding a volunteer event at Harvesters in the upcoming months.

