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Don't Pass Up This Membership Benefit. Spread the Word!

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The purpose of the Electric League of Missouri & Kansas Scholarship Fund is to provide annual scholarships to both entering and continuing college students who are employees of member companies, their children or grandchildren. The fund was established in 1996 to provide an ongoing service to members of the Electric League. Award or Awards will be in the \$250 to \$1,500 range.



DEADLINE: March 30, 2018

Complete WORD or PDF document online: www.electricleague.org

If you have questions, please contact
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Spring Golf Tournament - May 24 at Creekmoor Golf Club

Mark your calendar for the Spring Golf Tournament - Thursday, May 24 at Creekmoor Golf Club in Raymore, Missouri.

- Shotgun Start - 12:00 p.m. (noon)
- Cost - \$125 per player
- Payouts:
 - (2) \$150 Cash Prize Drawings
 - (2) Flights: 1st & 2nd Place
 - (5) \$50 Cash Prize Contest Holes Skins Game
 - Charity Hole (1/2 the Pot)
 - Betting Hole (1/2 the Pot)

The tournament is limited to the first 132 players.

New This Year... Ball Launcher Shoot Out!

Sponsorship Opportunities Available



People Column

Happy Valentine's Day and Presidents' Day

Happy Birthday to:

Jeff Buckman, Kim Miller, David Cawthon, Daniel Madden, Payton Fluckey, Karry Palmer, Peijie Li, Jason Boggs, Jackson Degler, and Yvette McCullough at CED/Rensenhouse Electric Supply KCMo.

Debbie Reeder and **Kevin Anstine** at Crescent Electric Supply.

Jose Guerrero, Carlos Reames, Jim Moore and **Kevin Greenwalt** at Kansas City Electrical Supply.

Greg Shannon and **Nick Korom** at BA Supply.

Happy Anniversary to:

Cindy Hopewell (5 years) and **Andrew Schwardk** (2 years) at C&O Electric Sales.

Dave Hockla (29 years) and **Linda Coer** (12 years) at Kansas City Electric Supply.

Pat Reuscher (12 years) and **Kevin Anstine** (10years) at Crescent Electric Supply.

Kansas City Electric Supply is announcing they have

Planning for the Unexpected

By Federated Insurance Co.

As a business owner, you know there are things that can disrupt and possibly cripple the success of your business. You have to focus on, plan for, and address many diverse issues, such as what your competition is doing; federal, state, and local laws; employee issues; etc. All of these and more can threaten your financial well-being.

Have you also considered the impact on your business, on your family, and on your employees if you become disabled? A long-term disability can have far-reaching implications: Not only are you providing for your family, but you also are providing for the well-being of your employees and their families. If disability strikes, you need time to react and hold things together until plans can be worked out. The success of your

a new intern from Australia, **Phillip Peters**. He is married to an American and is attending Johnson County Community College working toward an Associate of Applied Science in Electrical Technology.



Morgan Edgerton transferred from WESCO San Antonio to accept the position of Inside Sales Manager at WESCO Kansas City in late January. **Nick Field** has joined WESCO as an account rep/ Electrical as of 2/1 2018.

Tim Parks and **Tom Stanion** are retiring this month from CED/Rensenhouse Kansas City.

We regret to inform you of the passing of **Craig Smith**, a 30 year retiree of Graybar Electric KCMO. He was retired for about 10 years. He served many years as the switchgear Quotations Manager. There were no services, but, a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Happy Valentine's Day to sweethearts from CED American Riverside!

Keep your emails coming in. This is YOUR Column and we want to print YOUR news.

business is dependent on your being an active owner. A disability can put this success in danger. What steps have you taken to protect yourself and the people who count on you from an unexpected loss of income?

A Cloudy Crystal Ball

Do you know what the future holds? Of course not. So, how do you plan for something you can't foresee – or something that may never happen? Start by asking yourself some thought-provoking questions:

- If you're disabled for a short time, can you rely on savings and other assets to keep your personal income and family situation stable? For how long?

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Planning for the Unexpected - cont.

- Could you ask and require your employees to do more?
- If you had to eliminate unnecessary expenses, how long could that continue without creating a real hardship?
- If you were to suffer a long-term disability, could your business continue to pay you? How would you survive the loss of income? Would your business survive?

These are things no business owner wants to think about, but should. Planning for the unexpected – just in case – can put your mind at ease and may protect you from financial disaster. To help with your peace of mind, you may want to consider individual disability income protection. These products provide a monthly income if you are unable to work due to an injury or sickness. If your business is trying to provide you with an income, this type of protection could help to reduce

the financial strain. Specialized riders or policy provisions can allow you to work part time, or even provide additional monthly benefits that can be used to offset business expenses during your disability.

Insuring your income is as important as insuring any other business risk. If it's one thing life has taught us, it's that things can happen suddenly, so it's a careful business owner who prepares for that. Protect your most valuable asset – the ability to earn income.

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Help Wanted

Anixter - Regional Switchgear Project Specialist

This position will cover the St. Louis and Kansas City areas. As a Regional Switchgear Project Specialist you will be responsible for managing industrial and commercial construction projects from quoting through job completion. Including quotations, submittal, order entry and tracking, change orders, problem solving, and closeout documentation.

Requirements

Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience with a minimum of five (5) year's experience including expertise in electrical switchgear.

Job Description

Knowledgeable of three (3) phase electrical power distribution system design and turnkey installation.

Contact

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REPORT CHANGES

- Have you **CHANGED** jobs?
- Have you **CHANGED** your phone number?
- Have you **CHANGED** your email address?

Report all changes to your association office so we can stay connected.

To Make Changes, Contact:
Kim Weitzel, Associate Executive Director
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League Benefits For You

What's Happening

What is one of the best avenues to build awareness about something that is going on in our industry than to place it in your own Electric League newsletter? Our newsletter goes out monthly, except in July, to our member list. We will have a feature called What's Happening that will show activities hosted by one of our members. It is optional, but if you want your event, tournament, charitable activity noticed, let us know. Do you have a position available that you need filled? Give the newsletter a try. What do you need to do?

To be listed in What's Happening?

Email jmale@westerneda.com before the first Friday of each month (except July), with your activity date, activity name, the sponsoring organization and information where someone can go for more information, a phone number or a web link. The sponsoring organization must be a paid member of the Electric League, and the activity must to open to any member who receives our newsletter. The newsletter is typically emailed the third week of the month.

Do you want us to include the flyer about your event? We will for a cost of \$250 per flyer, per issue.

To post a job opening:

You must be a paid member of the Electric League and provide the information before the first Friday of each month (except July). The job opening listing must be kept short. Include your company name, position available, who needs to be contacted if there is an interest.

This sounds great, what will it cost? Zero, this is a benefit included in with your 2017 member dues. We look forward to seeing the activities in our community!

