

## WINTER MEETING KICKS OFF NEW CENTURY FOR IAMU



Outgoing IAMU Board President Allen Bonderman of Atlantic (right) congratulates incoming President Dean Davis of Corning at the Winter Meeting.

Business and pleasure mixed well at the IAMU Winter Meeting February 13 – 15 in Des Moines. From the traditional State House rally to the return of the “Issues Fair,” featuring multiple topics of interest, the meeting again brought attendees up to date on timely legislative and regulatory issues that affect Iowa’s municipal utilities.

General session events at the meeting included an appearance by Alan Richardson, Executive Director of the American Public Power Association, who offered a “Washington Review;” Richard Varn, Chief Information Officer for the State of Iowa, who offered “A

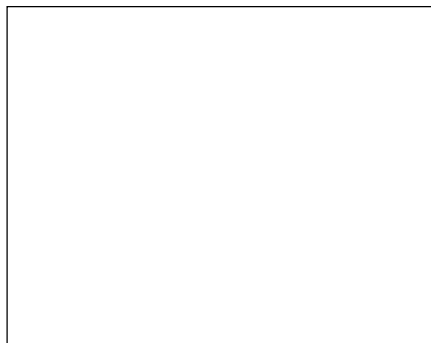
21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Infrastructure;” a “round table” discussion group; Representative Clyde Bradley and IAMU Executive Director Bob Haug presenting an update on electric restructuring; and Lori Glanzman, General Manager of Mt. Pleasant Municipal Utilities, relating the story of last year’s attempted REC takeover of the utility.

The Issues Fair made a return to the Winter Meeting lineup, offering participants a choice of numerous topics to learn about in small group sessions. A total of 16 subjects were covered.

Public Service Awards were presented to Senator Betty Soukup and Rep. Bradley for their work on behalf of Iowa’s municipal utilities, and the Grass Roots Award was

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## IAMU LEGISLATIVE AGENDA STRESSED AT WINTER MEETING



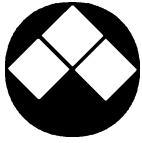
Dennis Fannin, General Manager of Osage Municipal Utilities (left) talks utilities with State Representative Dennis May during the State House Rally.

In their visits with legislators at the capitol during the Winter Meeting, IAMU members focused on just a few key issues. We also continued to make our case that there are fundamental differences between consumer-owned municipal utilities and for-profit competitors that – like apples and oranges – were differences worth preserving. Legislators were given a jelly jar with a mixture of green apple and orange flavored jellybeans and an apples/oranges label that said, “differences worth preserving.” Here are three bills included in discussions with legislators:

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## GOOD NEWS IN WINTER MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT

*The Treasurer's Report during the Winter Meeting Business Meeting was presented by Leon Rodas of Spencer. He reported the following:*

The Association's fiscal year ends February 28. We expect to close the year in a very strong position, with revenues exceeding expenses by over \$75,000. Next year's budget, as approved by the Board of Directors, reflects revenues and expenses of \$2.2 million.

Revenue generated by member dues in the upcoming budget is approximately 25% of total revenues. In addition to the standard utility dues and assessments, next year's budget also includes dues for telecommunication utilities. The assessment of telecommunication dues was recommended as part of a report by an ad hoc dues and by-laws committee that met in December.

Revenue generated from member dues is used to cover costs of programs that serve all members, such as our legislative and regula-

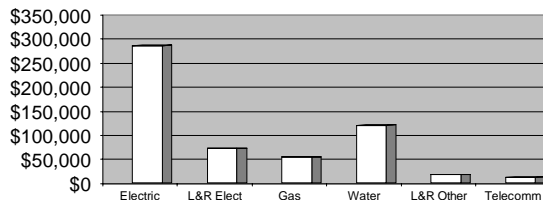
tory programs. Next year's dues will support the expenses outlined in the chart below. Other programs that make up the bulk of association spending are funded on a fee-for-service basis.

The Legal and Research Fund began this year with a balance of \$50,000. Transfers totaling \$94,000 from member dues and assessments were made to this fund.

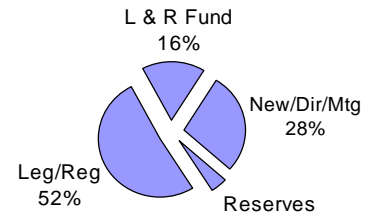
The 2000-2001 budget allows for another \$89,000 in dues and assessments to be transferred to the Legal and Research Fund, which will put us near our target level of \$150,000.

IAMU has also made great progress in achieving its policy goal with respect to Reserve Funds. This Fund is expected to end the year with a balance in excess of \$200,000. The Reserve Fund was established to set aside "dollars" with the intention they would be made available at a future time. Next year's General Fund Budget includes a \$25,000 transfer to Reserves.

**Member Dues Revenue**



**Expenses Supported By Dues**



### IAMU Officers and Directors, 2000-2001

(as approved at the 2000 Winter Meeting)

- President ..... **Dean Davis**, Corning (replaces Allen Bonderman)  
 1st Vice President ..... **Jay Logel**, Muscatine (replaces Dean Davis)  
 2nd Vice President ..... **L.D. McMullen**, Des Moines (replaces Jay Logel)  
 Secretary/Treasurer ..... **Leon Rodas**, Spencer (elected to a third term)  
 Past President ..... **Allen Bonderman**, Atlantic (replaces Lori Glanzman)
- Director '01 ..... **Dennis Fannin**, Osage (continues)  
 Director '01 ..... **Mark Ramthun**, Indianola (replaces L.D. McMullen)  
 Director '02 ..... **Brad Honold**, Coon Rapids (continues)  
 Director '03 ..... **Pat Stief**, Vinton (elected to a second term)  
 Director '03 ..... **Jim Hoye**, Rock Rapids (replaces Kate Kohorst)



## CONGRESSMAN BOSWELL BECOMES H.R. 721 COSPONSOR

IAMU is pleased to announce that Congressman Leonard Boswell has joined on as a cosponsor to the Bond Fairness and Protection Act, H.R. 721. The bill solves a very serious problem encountered by municipal electric utilities in competitive wholesale and retail electric markets. Congressman Boswell joins Congressman Tom Latham and 118 other bipartisan cosponsors of the bill. A companion bill in the U.S. Senate has 33 cosponsors, including both Senators Grassley and Harkin. In a recent meeting in Washington with IAMU staff and members, Congressman Jim Nussle also indicated his support for the bill, though he had not become a cosponsor of the bill at press time.

Currently, the tax code severely limits the ability of municipal utilities from selling services to individual customers on negotiated terms. To the extent that facilities are financed with tax-exempt bonds, a contractual sale (as opposed to a sale under a tariff rate) is deemed to be a "private use." The tax code limits the amount of private use to 10 percent of the facilities or \$15 million whichever is less. In a competitive wholesale market, individuals and firms require a firm contractual path for transmission service. If municipal transmis-

sion is part of that path, the contract could be subject to private use restrictions. Violation of the restrictions could result in the retroactive revocation of the tax-exempt status, requiring the bond issuer to reimburse bond-holders for the tax losses and filing expenses back to the date of issuance. The private use problem is compounded in a competitive retail market, which is characterized by negotiated bi-lateral contracts.

H.R. 771 and S. 386 clarify that use of facilities subject to open access provisions of state or federal law is not a private use. It also gives municipal utilities a choice for future use of generation facilities. A utility could exempt its existing facilities from private use restrictions in exchange for foregoing future use of tax-exempt debt. Alternatively, the utility could continue under the clarified version of private use and issue tax-exempt bonds for facilities needed in the future.

The bill's restrictions on the use of municipal bonds represent a significant compromise with private utilities. Nevertheless, investor-owned utilities continue to oppose the bill. In the face of that opposition, support for the Bond Fairness and Protection Act is a courageous step and one that deserves our heartfelt thanks.

## IAMU STAFFERS MOVE IN TO NEW HOME

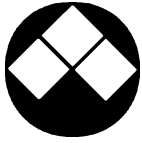
On February 21, the IAMU staff abandoned the four trailers that have been our home since last April and moved into our new building. Except for one small area awaiting delivery of carpet and a few miscellaneous items on the final checklist, the interior of the building is complete. Outside, the wood-particle/Portland siding material used on two sides of the building still needs a final coat of paint. We are also waiting for warmer weather for topsoil grading, sodding, seeding, and other landscaping work.

The new space is open, bright, and very comfortable. The 82-seat auditorium has already been used for a workshop on the National Electric Safety Code. We look forward to many more workshops and committee meetings and the chance to show

members their new Ankeny digs. A preview of the building was given to members who stopped by on the way to the recent Winter Meeting. The official grand opening is being planned for May, but the date and details have not been set.

Thanks to everyone for your patience in working with us while we were in our trailers and to all who helped in planning the new facilities and the training field. A special thanks for those who volunteered labor, materials, and equipment on the water service line extension, the other utility extensions, and the site lighting project. To all our members, thanks for your support of the office and training facility and the confidence you have shown in the future of your state association.

Watch for  
announcements  
about our  
grand opening  
in May!



## ANNE KIMBER, MICHAEL R. MAY JOIN IAMU STAFF

*Anne Kimber, Ph.D., P.E.*

*Environmental and Technical Systems Engineer*

On January 3, Anne Kimber joined the IAMU staff. Anne has taught and conducted research at Iowa State University since receiving a Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology in 1994. In addition to being a wetland ecologist, she is also a professional mechanical engineer in Iowa and has previous utility engineering experience with IAMU associate member Burns and McDonnell of Kansas City.



Anne Kimber

Anne has taken over responsibility for assisting electric utility members in unbundling their rates. That work builds on the Association's advisory role in development of an APPA unbundling model and on Colin Hansen's field tests of the model that resulted in a spreadsheet template for unbundling municipal electric and gas rates. Anne is also picking up responsibilities related to the IAMU joint membership in the MidContinent Area Power Pool.

IAMU will benefit greatly from Anne's expertise as we expand member services in such areas as wellhead protection, non-point pollution control programs, and use of septic wetlands for sewage treatment.

Anne works with IAMU on a three-fourths-time basis. She is also president of Prairie Roots Consulting Ltd., a women-owned S Corporation specializing in environmental consulting. Anne's first contact with IAMU was through Prairie Roots, which has worked on site landscaping and establishment of prairie and wetland plantings. She lives in Ames with her husband David (a biologist at ISU) and two young daughters, Iris and Thea.

*Michael R. May, J.D.*

*Regulatory Counsel*

Michael May joined IAMU on January 17 and got to enjoy a few weeks of trailer life before the recent move to our new quarters. Mike is an attorney specializing in public utility law and has worked for IAMU and a number of member utilities over the 25 years he has been in practice. He has represented telephone utilities on service and rate issues and was attorney for the Rural Iowa Independent Telephone Association. Before joining IAMU Mike was also Executive Director of the Iowa Industrial Energy Group, a group of over 40 corporations whose combined electric and gas usage exceeds \$267 million per year.

Mike was directly involved in the consensus process that resulted in HF 740, the electric industry restructuring bill now being considered by the Iowa legislature. Being familiar with municipal utility issues in the bill, Mike was able to step in immediately to work with Bob Haug, Julie Smith, and the members of the IAMU Restructuring Working Group on resolution of several thorny issues that are expected to make or break passage of the bill this session.

Mike lives in Indianola with his wife Eileen, a physician. They have two grown children. Kathleen is a recent graduate of the University of Wyoming and David is a junior at Boston College.



Michael R. May

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## PRO SKILLS WORKSHOP THRU MARCH 23 -- SIGN UP NOW

The IAMU Pro Skills Workshop program for the electric line trade has returned, and is now being offered through March 23. The program is designed, written and used by trade persons as a skills updating system. Topics are chosen by power line maintainer journeypersons and address key subjects requiring refresher update training.

The Pro Skills program provides:

A refresher in the basic core skills already learned, but not used for some time;

Updated information regarding equipment and procedures;

A tool for safety meetings; and

A "due diligence" requirement per OSHA regulations.

Each year the program offers different "modules." **The modules found in this year's program are:**

Rigging

Stringing Operations

Conductor Weights, Tensions and Pole Specifications

The program was begun in 1998. The overall list of modules (with different modules offered each year) includes:

Voltage Regulators

Capacitors

Air Break/Load Break Switches

Cable Locating

Fault Locating  
 Temporary Grounding  
 Oil Reclosers/Electric Reclosers  
 Conductor Weights and Tensions  
 Tingle Voltage  
 Troubleshooting Transformer  
     Banks and Secondary Services  
 Rigging  
 Street and Sentinel Lighting  
 Underground Distribution  
 Distribution Systems  
 Troubleshooting Overhead Lines  
 Voltage Conversion  
 Troubleshooting Hot Water Tanks  
 Scada Systems

Each module is "self-contained." The modules do not need to be taken from the beginning, or in any particular order. The program is delivered in the classroom, with the module left for your review. Hands-on sessions can be arranged after the classroom work is completed. Information is designed for the seasoned journeyperson who has not attended formal training for some time. It is not intended for "first-time" training; therefore, hands-on training is not built into the modules, but may be added on a case-by-case basis. Individual modules can be used in cross-functional trades as a refresher package (for example, "Troubleshooting Hot Water Tanks" for customer service representatives).

IAMU will offer the Pro Skills program in a series of workshops around the state. They will be taught by Richard Nowels, IAMU Electric Safety Specialist.

For a free brochure detailing the entire Pro Skills program, or if you have questions, contact Richard Nowels or Larry Milroy at IAMU, 800/810-4268.

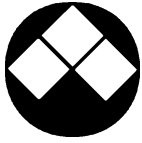


### ATTENTION GAS OPERATORS:

IAMU's Gas Safety Specialist Rudy Parcel reports good progress on the Gas Operator Qualification Program, and says preparations are running ahead of schedule.

"We're close to the final stages, and we should have everyone in compliance before the Federal DOT deadline in April of 2001," he commented.

For more information, contact Rudy at IAMU, 800/810-4268, or by e-mail to [rparcel@iamu.org](mailto:rparcel@iamu.org)



**LEGISLATIVE  
AGENDA**  
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**House File 740** – Electric industry restructuring (in the Senate, Study Bill 3002) remains a huge issue for the current session. The bill provides customer choice of generation supplier over open-access transmission and distribution facilities. IAMU supports passage of the bill. Our message to legislators included reference to the goals that municipal utilities sought through participation in the consensus process: (1) to give citizens access to choice; (2) to preserve local control; and, (3) to avoid rate increases for our citizens and reduce risks to all consumers. Some specific points on the bill are these:

**Local control of rates and services** is not negotiable for municipal utilities

**Metering and billing** must remain with municipal utilities

**Consumer complaints** should be handled locally, with appeal to district court. IUB involvement is not more efficient and would result in effective loss of local control over rates and service.

**Environmental goals** must be funded in a way that does not shift costs from other utilities to municipals. It makes no sense to restructure if our citizens pay more.

**Ownership structure** – Differences between consumer-owned and investor-owned utilities require different treatment in restructuring legislation:

Transition costs/benefits - A municipal's owners and consumers are one in the same, they pay all costs and receive all benefits of the transition to a competitive market. There is no one else to pay or receive them.

Transition rates – Municipal utilities will continue to offer tariff-based rates for basic electric service through the transition period and beyond.

Market power describes the ability to exact monopoly rates because of size or the ownership of such strategic assets. Since a municipal utility's owners are its customers, it cannot exercise market power.

As this article is being written, the Senate has approved their version of the bill in a procedural move that allows substitution of the House bill at a later date. The House Commerce Committee has also approved the bill, however, a party-line vote on environmental issues indicates the need for more consensus-building before the bill can pass.

**HF 2160** - Utility Board Terms would allow a city council to set the term for a utility board of trustees from 3 to 6 years, rather than a set 6-year term. The bill was requested by an IAMU member-city that wants shorter terms to improve recruitment of board trustees. IAMU opposes passage of the bill, which we view as a global solution to a local problem – a solution viewed as detrimental by most utilities that are governed by boards of trustees. The longer terms of trustees under current Iowa law helps insulate the utility from day-to-day politics of city government. Longer terms also tend to help build expertise that is important for policy makers in complicated and rapidly changing industries.

**SSB 3029** - Railroad Right-of-Way (also HSB 578) gives the Iowa Utilities Board the authority to set the terms, conditions, and compensation for crossing a railroad right of way. IAMU supports passage of the bill, which allows an impartial party, the Iowa Utilities Board, to provide oversight of crossing disputes that arise from the lack of responsiveness of railroad personnel to crossing requests and the high costs railroads are extracting from utilities. The bill prevents unnecessary delays in obtaining easements for community development projects and utility system improvements, while preserving rights of railroads, including the right to appeal IUB decisions.

**SSB 3114** - Utility Replacement Tax Corrections makes technical corrections to the bill that was passed two years ago. IAMU supports passage of the bill, which recognizes changes in municipal utility valuations that resulted from an appeal of Department of Revenue assessment methods and more accurately assesses the tax on kilowatt hours generated rather than proportional share of generation owned.



## "OFF-THE-JOB" INJURIES TAKE A TOLL ON WORK FORCE

When I was a kid (a few years ago) I could hardly wait until the month of March rolled around. It was the time that the weather got a little warmer and the winds blew. It was time for flying kites. What a great pastime for children and parents alike. We used to make ours out of the Sunday funny papers so we had a lot of color in our kites.

Kite flying, as with many off-the-job activities, has its inherent risks. You always had to find a spot to fly your kite where there were no power lines. The kite could end up in a tree and then either the child or the parent would immediately turn into Tarzan (or Jane) and precariously climb the tree to rescue the fallen flying object; and it was done with no regard for the fact that the kite cost a mere \$1.50, but the fall from the tree might cost you a lifetime of misery.

This scenario can be used with dozens of off-the-job activities: playing baseball, softball, swimming, skiing, fishing and working at home, just to name a few. What we have here are **off-the-job safety concerns**.

Do you realize that three out of four deaths – and more than half of the injuries suffered by workers in 1998 – occurred off the job. The ratio of **off**-the-job deaths and injuries compared to **on**-the-job deaths and injuries was 3.23 to 1 and 1.44 to 1, respectively.

presented to Patty Anderson of Hawarden Municipal Utilities. The business meeting included confirmation of the association's board of director members for 2000, and the appointment of Corning's Dean Davis as the new board President.

Associate Member suites filled the evening hours with hospitality. The meeting was held

The National Safety Council estimates the production time lost due to off-the-job injuries in 1998 was 55,000,000 days. This compares to 35,000,000 days lost due to worker injuries while on the job.

The cost of that loss production is estimated at \$40.2 billion nationally in 1998. I recommend that each of you compare lost days of work **on** the job versus lost days of work **off** the job in your own workplace. This might give you some ideas for safety meetings.

The largest cause of off-the-job injuries is automobile accidents. Falls are the number two cause.

I hope the statistics I just gave you will make you stop and think about some of the activities you do off the job. Just like at work, you must take a few minutes to properly plan these activities. Do you understand the potential safety/health hazards associated with the off-the-job activity? Are you up to it? Obviously, if you haven't played softball for years, you'd better be careful to not overdo it. Have you prepared yourself or your family to accomplish the activity in a safe manner, and have you ensured that you have the proper equipment to perform the task?

If you need help with your safety program, please call IAMU 800-810-4268.

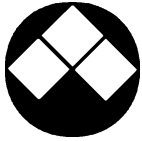
at the Holiday Inn Airport Conference Center in Des Moines.

IAMU's Fall Meeting will be held October 8–10, 2000; and next year's Winter Meeting will be held February 10–12, 2001, at the Holiday Inn Airport Conference Center.



News from  
around the state  
by Larry Milroy,  
*IAMU Job  
Training  
and Safety  
Coordinator*

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*IAMU welcomes these businesses to our family of Associate Members. Please take note of their products and services, and join us in thanking them for their support of Iowa's utilities!*

**Aquila Energy**

**Douglas Ivy**, Power Marketer  
10750 E 350 Highway  
Kansas City, MO 64138  
Phone: 816/527-1679  
Fax: 816/527-1777  
e-mail: divy@utilcorp.com

**IAMU Energy Marketing Associate**

**E.B. Spencer Engineering Co.**

**Earl P. Spencer**, President  
5708 W Cedar Wapsie Rd  
PO Box 356  
Janesville, IA 50647-0356  
Phone: 319/987-3119  
Fax: 319/987-3149

**Water/Wastewater Engineering Systems**

*Wastewater Collection Systems  
Wastewater Treatment & Equip./Supplies  
Water Distribution Systems  
Water Treatment & Equipment/Supplies  
Water/Wastewater Consulting & Equipment*

**Municipal Management Corporation**

**Steven Hiveley**  
1619 - 331st Dr  
Madrid, IA 50156  
Phone: 515/795-2417

**Water Distribution Systems**

*Water/Wastewater Consulting & Equipment*

**Omaha Public Power District**

**Jim Kusek**, Municipal Marketing Coordinator  
4235 Jones Plaza, ECC-1  
Omaha, NE 68105-1062  
Phone: 402/552-5928  
Fax: 402/552-5635  
e-mail: jkusek@oppd.com  
Web site: www.oppd.com

**Energy Marketing/Producing**

**Associate Member Update**

Enserch Energy Services, Inc. has changed its name to:

**TXU Energy Services, Inc.**  
Rick Sievertsen, Vice President/Marketing  
1450 Boyson Rd, Building A  
Hiawatha, IA 52233  
Phone: 319/294-6061  
Fax: 319/294-0172  
e-mail: rsievertsen@txuenergy.com  
Web site: www.txu.com

Burndy Electrical has changed its name to:

**FCI-Burndy Electrical**  
Doug Ropp, Sales Representative  
638 35th St SE  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403  
Phone: 319/298-1871  
Fax: 319/369-0474  
e-mail: dropp@fciconnect.com

Seabury & Smith/KVI has changed its name to:

**Marsh Advantage America**  
Dan Seemuth, Sr Vice President  
1776 West Lakes Parkway  
West Des Moines, IA 50266  
Phone: 515/365-3450  
Fax: 515/365-6602  
e-mail: dan.seemuth@seabury.com

**To discover the benefits of being an IAMU Associate Member, call John Burnett, IAMU Communication Manager 800/810-4268**

**METER READING WORKSHOP SET FOR MUSCATINE**

A workshop on Automated Meter Reading will be held at Muscatine Power and Water, Muscatine, Iowa on March 30, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It is being sponsored by the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities, Itron Inc., Muscatine Power and Water, and Utility Equipment Company. The workshop will include a general introduction to AMR as well as Itron's specific solutions. Watch for an announcement in the mail from IAMU.



## WORKSHOP ADDRESSES FAN, PUMP, BLOWER ECONOMICS

Want to learn how to increase industrial plant productivity while reducing energy and maintenance costs? A series of workshops co-sponsored by IAMU will cover those topics and more.

“Optimizing Industrial Performance With Fans, Pumps & Blowers” will be held in four different locations around the state, and will address the problem of inefficiencies in fan, pump and blower systems in industrial settings. These systems often account for as much as 40% of a plant’s electric bill, and are a leading source of lost productivity due to maintenance demands.

The workshops will be conducted by Ron Wroblewski, a highly rated trainer with 14 years of experience in industrial energy systems. He is the founder of Productive Energy Solutions, LLC.

Persons who should attend the workshop include:

Utility Representatives  
Municipal Water and Wastewater Engineers  
Engineering Consultants  
Energy Service Providers  
Industrial Production Engineers  
Plant Engineers  
Environmental Managers  
Facility Managers or Engineers

Equipment Vendors and OEMs

The schedule for the workshops is as follows:

**March 15, Sioux City** (Western Iowa Tech Community College)

**March 16, Des Moines** (Des Moines Area Community College, Ankeny campus)

**April 4, Cedar Rapids** (Kirkwood Community College)

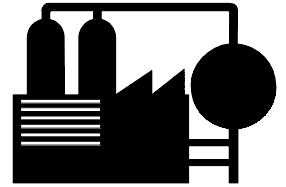
**April 5, Muscatine** (Muscatine Community College)

To register by phone, call Western Iowa Tech Community College at 712/274-6404. Tuition is \$175, and 0.7 CEUs are available for an additional \$10.

For information about course content, contact Ron Wroblewski at:

Productive Energy Solutions, LLC  
2229 Eton Ridge  
Madison, WI 53705  
Ph: 608/232-1861  
Fax: 608/232-1863  
e-mail: Ron@ProductiveEnergy.com  
Web site: www.ProductiveEnergy.com

The workshop is co-hosted by: Iowa Department of Natural Resources; U.S. Department of Energy; IAMU; Iowa Energy Center; Consortium of Iowa Community Colleges.

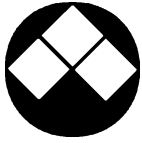


Ted Bunn ..... B.C. & T. Bunn (Various engine operation subjects)  
Kevin & Larry Einhaus ..... Elliott Turbocharger Group (Turbochargers)  
Paul Feltz ..... Engine & Turbine Controls (Governors)  
James Talbot ..... Seimens Westinghouse (Switchgear)  
Randy Seggerman ..... MidAmerican Energy (Relays and Controls)  
Mike May ..... May Engineering (Metering)  
Gary Judd ..... Independent Power Systems (Metering)  
Mike Kilgore ..... Accu Prep (Water Treatment)  
Jim Jandik ..... Hytork (Torque Wrench Techniques)  
Lowell Butcher ..... Reynolds French  
(Engine Grouting & Repairs/Machine Work for Catastrophic Failures)  
Dennis Jeter ..... Diamond Oil (Oil Testing & Specifications)  
Bob Jung ..... Fairbanks Morse Engines  
Jim Gillett ..... Jim Gillet Enterprise Engines  
Larry Wheeler ..... Wheeler Enterprises (Cooper Engines)  
Dave Finkeldic ..... Hatch & Kirk (Nordberg Engines)

## Thanks!

**To the businesses  
and presenters who  
helped make the  
recent Diesel  
Operators Workshop  
a big success!**

**IAMU  
and  
Workshop  
attendees  
appreciate your  
support**



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CLASSIFIEDS

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:** Harlan Municipal Utilities, a progressive electric, gas water and telecommunication utility, is seeking a team-oriented individual with a strong background in finance, economics and administration. The successful candidate will develop and implement financial plans, participate in strategic planning, work with management team members regarding financial practices and will oversee the business office, financial, investment and accounting functions. Responsibilities include: Budgeting, financial planning and forecasting, rate planning, financial investment funds, financial and accounting operations, reporting and control, disbursing of all monies, procurement, billing and customer service. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree in accounting or other relevant field, plus experience in reviewing and analyzing financial/accounting records, inventory management, budgeting and customer relations. Prior experience with a public utility is a plus. Candidate must be detail oriented, with a demonstrable ability to work with the public. Salary is commensurate with qualifications and experience. Generous benefits package available. Pre-employment drug screening may be required. EOE. For consideration, please fax or send your resume and salary history to:

General Manager  
Harlan Municipal Utilities  
PO Box 71  
Harlan, IA 51537

Fax: 712/755-2320 2/00

**UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT:** Remsen Municipal Utilities is currently seeking a qualified applicant to fill this vacant position, which oversees the operation of the electric, water and gas utilities, handles report filing, inspections, etc. Requirements include background in electric and gas, with Grade II water license or ability to obtain one. Salary DOQ. Benefit package. EOE. Submit resume with experience and references to:

Remsen Municipal Utilities  
PO Box 510  
Remsen, IA 50150  
Attn: Steven J. Pick, Clerk 2/00

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK:** Position available in Graettinger, population 800. For more information, contact:

Graettinger City Hall  
712/859-3742 1/00

**ELECTRIC LINEPERSON:** City of Pella is seeking a **skilled** individual to be responsible for the maintenance of electric lines and equipment within the city's electric distribution network. Apprenticeship program available. Salary range: \$11.53 – \$17.73/hr. (DOQ under apprenticeship program, journeyman rate is \$17.73/hr.). Essential functions include: Ability to communicate effectively; read and interpret colors; climb, bend, lift; manual dexterity; ability to work with heights and in inclement weather. Good safety practices a must. High School diploma or GED required and completion of a recognized apprenticeship training program in high voltage electric distribution system repair is preferred. Two years experience required. Applicant required to take post-offer physical with back assessment. Valid Class A CDL required or ability to obtain one within six months. Pre-employment drug screening required per federal DOT regulations. Residency requirement per union contract. Position open until filled. EOE. Request application from:

City Hall  
717 Main  
Pella, IA 50219  
515/628-4173

2/00

**UTILITY SERVICES/ACCOUNTING CLERK:** City of Dyersville (pop. 3,800) is accepting applications for this position. The successful applicant will have a combination of education and experience, preferably with a municipality. Responsibilities include: Administering all financial operations for the city-owned water, sewer, and solid waste utilities, including accounts payable and receivable and monthly bank reconciliation; assisting in payroll preparation; preparing vendor claims; and assisting in daily administrative duties. Candidate must have knowledge of or be able to learn Lotus and Microsoft Office software system, Computer Management Systems Utility Billing software systems and Schlumberger Utility Billing software systems. Candidate must have ability to follow written and verbal instructions. Salary range \$10.00 – \$13.00/hr. with an attractive benefit package. EOE. Submit application or resume by *March 25, 2000* to:

Susan L. Ertl  
City Clerk  
City of Dyersville  
340 1st Ave. E  
Dyersville, IA 52040

2/00



— FOR SALE —

**DIGGER TRUCK:** 1965 Ford chassis Tel-Econ.

Contact:

John  
Coon Rapids Municipal Utilities  
712/999-2912 2/00

**WATER EQUIPMENT:**

1 (one) - 2,000 gal. aerator tank, aluminum, 100 gpm.

2 (two) - Gould 3hp/3-phase 3BF13035 centrifugal pumps

1 (one) - Gas chlorine regulator

1 (one) - 4" flange turbine Badger water meter

1 (one) - 4" flange check valve, swing flex

2 (two) - 6" flange gate valves

2 (two) - 2" flange gate valves

1 (one) - Master control panel, 220 volts, 3-phase, 5 starters

City of Elberon  
319/439-5341 2/00

**FIRE TRUCK:** 1978 Chevy C60 Fire Tanker. 350 gas engine; 4/2 transmission; 6,500 miles; 1,460 gal. steel water tank. Excellent condition. *Sealed bids due by April 1, 2000.* Send to:

Rolfe City Hall  
Attn: Tanker Bid  
320 Garfield St.  
Rolfe, IA 50581

For more information, call Dave at 712/848-3124. The City of Rolfe reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 2/00

**STREET SWEEPER:** 1985 model FMC Vanguard 3000. Approximately 2,100 hours. Selling price \$5,000, OBO. For more information, contact:

City of Albert City  
PO Box 297  
Albert City, IA 50510  
Attn: Jay Erlandson  
Ph: 712/843-5613 2/00

— FOR SALE —

**GENERATING EQUIPMENT:**

1 (one) - Caterpillar Standby Generator. 527 hours, Caterpillar electric set, 75kW, 3-phase, H260, 93.75 kVa, .8 PF, 1,800 RPM, 240 Volts, 226 amps, standby electric set service rating, std-by kW 85 std-by kVa 106.25, PF .8

2 (two) - Caterpillar Diesel Engine. Model 3160, bore 4.5 stroke, 5 full-load RPM 1800, high idle RPM 1900.

3 (three) - Double Throw Automatic 3-phase transformer switch

*Submit bids no later than April 3, 2000.* Items may be seen at Bellevue Public Works Building, Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 3 p.m. For more information, contact:

Loras Herrig  
Bellevue City Hall  
319/872-4456 2/00

**DUMP TRUCK:** 1982 F700-370-4V, 4 sp. 2sp. Dump Truck w/12-ft. dump box. Equipped with western 10-ft. two-way snow blade, hydraulic controls for sander. *Submit sealed bid by April 10, 2000 to:*

City of Dallas Center  
1502 Walnut  
Dallas Center, IA 50063  
Ph: 515/992-3725

The City of Dallas Center reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2/00

**MOWER:** 1997 John Deere F392 Front Mount. Gas; 72-in. cut; 900 hrs.; excellent condition. *Submit sealed bid by March 20, 2000 to:*

City of Kellogg  
PO Box 45  
Kellogg, IA 50135  
Attn: Clerk

For more information, call Jay Stevenson at 515/526-8000. The City of Kellogg reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2/00

**FAIRBANKS-MORSE 10 hp PUMP:** Dry wall application. Rebuilt 1997. Contact:

Glenn  
City Hall  
Redfield, IA  
515/833-2512 1/00

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