

Your Connection

Focus On . . . Jenkins Greenhouse

April 14, 2006

Good Friday
PSC Closed

Area Graduation Dates

May 19, 2006

Tecumseh

May 20

South Spencer

May 22

Boonville

May 26

Jasper
Southridge
Tell City
Crawford Co.
Pike Central

May 27

Heritage Hills
Cannelton
Forest Park
NE Dubois

May 28

Perry Central

Relay for Life

June 2

Dubois County
Perry County
Spencer County



Jenkins Greenhouse was founded in March of 1971 by Eldon and Betty Jenkins. Their daughter Cheryl and her husband, Jim Ranger, took over the operations of the store located at 5413 West 1200 South (Dubois -Spencer County Line Road) in Dale in 1996. Jenkins Greenhouse is now a plant-growing store for wholesale buyers only.

The second store, containing a gift shop, flower shop and garden center, opened in June of 1999, right down the road from the wholesale nursery. The assistant manager of this store is Tara Ramsey, the daughter of Cheryl and Jim. The retail store offers many gift items, including a large selection of bereavement gifts, fresh and silk flowers, potted plants and bedding plants in season. Poinsettias at Christmas and mums in the fall are customer favorites. The retail store will also carry painted poinsettias in decorator colors this holiday season. The wholesale store grows the bedding plants, hanging baskets, poinsettias and mums that are sold.

The stores employ 5 full time and 4 part time employees including John Ranger, Jim's brother. Betty Jenkins is retired but works at both stores whenever and wherever needed. Store hours are 8 am to 5 pm Monday thru Friday and 8 am to 3 pm on Saturday. Hours are extended during the spring season as well as at holidays; however, during the heat of summer the stores close at noon on Saturdays. Tours of Jenkins Greenhouse are available during the in-season months.

If you have a person, group of people, business, organization, etc. that has accomplished something interesting or would otherwise be of interest to our members, please send the information to PSC, P.O. Box 126, Saint Meinrad, IN 47577. We plan to keep the "Focus on . . ." as a regular feature in "Your Connection".

From the President's Desk...



In last year's strategic planning retreat, we predicted 2006 would be a very busy one for PSC. Unlike trying to predict this spring's weather pattern, or guess the next Powerball lottery numbers, this was a fairly easy prediction to make. PSC has definitely left the 2006 "starting gate" and is off-and-running!

Our newest service, PSCtv, is now successfully deployed in Christmas Lake Village and Saint Meinrad. Over 100 cooperative members are enjoying our digital TV offering and the significant savings that come with it when combined with our other PSC products...local service, long distance and high-speed Internet . . . all brought to you over your existing phone line.



The remaining 2006 PSCtv deployment schedule will concentrate on PSC's telephone exchanges and surrounding populated areas. Residents of the town of Holland who are located near, and served off the Holland exchange, will be eligible for the service this spring. Cooperative members located near, and served off the Saint Marks and Bandon exchanges, will be eligible for the service sometime this summer. The towns of Fulda, Lamar and Stendal are scheduled for service in the fall of this year.

Enhancements to the PSCtv offering are also slated for this spring. Video-on-Demand (VOD) will be coming soon and PSCtv subscribers will have a new, convenient way to order and watch video movies of their choice. Also this spring, PSCtv will offer our first Personal Video Recorder (PVR) set-top box. This device will be able to digitally record hour and hours of your favorite programming and allow neat features, such as pausing and rewinding live TV.

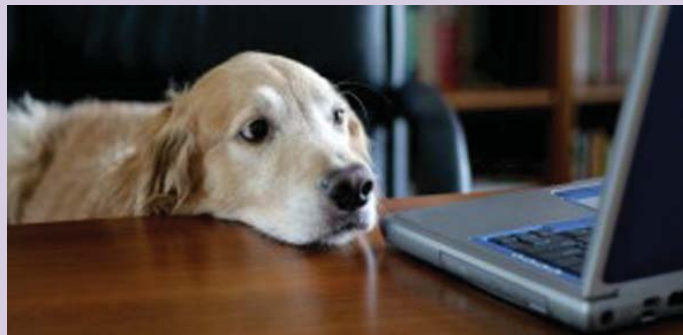
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In addition to focusing on our products and services, PSC has been busy in other areas as well.

Recently, you received our new re-formatted telephone bill. PSC switched to a new billing system to not only help control costs, but to give us the flexibility we need in producing a bill more suited for our competitive environment and our multiple product lines. Many thanks to our Commercial Operations Manager, Donna Lamar, and her entire staff in making this transition as seamless as possible. If you have questions regarding the new bill, please call upon them here at the business office.

Many of you may have read recently about new legislation passed in the State of Indiana regarding telephone companies. In short, it was sweeping legislation that deregulates the phone industry, and establishes a statewide video franchising process for telephone companies entering the TV business. Only Texas has established a similar statewide video franchise authority.

How does this legislation affect our cooperative? In many ways, not much at all. Indiana telephone cooperatives have been deregulated from IURC jurisdiction for sometime now. Our rate structure is governed by PSC's elected Board of Directors. As for our ability to obtain a blanket statewide video franchise, this again has a limited effect on PSC. Due to the strong relationships we



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have with the communities we serve, we have not had difficulty in obtaining local franchising approval from the appropriate authoritative body.

The legislation does have a profound effect on our industry however. By deregulating telephone companies, especially in the area of broadband services, we feel the competitive "playing field" has been leveled. All communication companies...be it telephone, cable, wireless, satellite, etc., are in an "all-out" drive to be the customer's one choice for their voice, high-speed Internet and cable TV needs. Less regulation should promote a far more competitive environment in which lower prices and greater innovation take root. It definitely has worked so far.

The remainder of 2006 promises to be just as busy and exciting as the first quarter. We will continue to modernize and build a broadband network that will meet the future demands of our cooperative members. We will also continue to explore expanding this network to surrounding underserved areas, and bringing PSC's services of voice, video and high-speed Internet to a whole new customer base. Both these measures are critical to the long-term health of PSC.

Until next time.....

James M. Dauby

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Please return all entries by April 14, 2006

“Spring Into Summer”

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| April Fools (April 1st) | Daffodils |
| Easter (April 16th) | Graduations |
| Memorial Day (May 29th) | Mow the lawn |
| Peter Cottontail | Plant a garden |
| Swimming | Taxes due (April 15th) |
| Dogwoods | June brides |
| School's out | Vacation |
| (PSC) Annual Meeting (July 13th) | |

Word Search Drawing Winners from the Winter 2005 Edition

These names were randomly drawn from the returned entries.

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| Aron Kelly | Frieda Foertsch |
| Fredonia Collins | Roger Ferguson |
| Josh Schaad | |

Each winner received a 30 Minute PSC Long Distance Calling Card.

Featured Recipe

This space usually features recipes from our members. However, we are in need of more recipes. If you have a family favorite for a snack, casserole, dessert, salad, etc., please send it in to PSC, PO Box 126, St. Meinrad, IN 47577

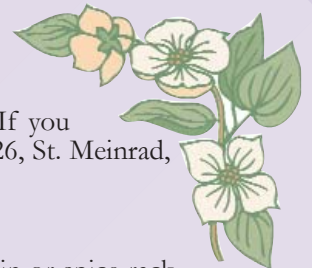
How To Naturally Dye Eggs Using the Cold-Dip Method:

The rich colors of natural dyes can be coaxed from the most unassuming items in your vegetable bin or spice rack. Humble ingredients--such as red cabbage, onion skins, paprika, and coffee--can produce elegant and often unexpected colors when used for dyeing.

Color Source (These amounts will color approximately 6 eggs.):

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| Orange: Paprika, 4 tablespoons per quart of water | Blue: Red cabbage, about 4 cups, shredded, per quart of water |
| Red: Pomegranate juice in place of water | Pink: Cranberry juice in place of water |
| OR 4 cups red onion skins | OR 4 cups shredded beets per quart of water |
| Ocher: Onion skins, 4 cups of the dry outer skins | Green: Spinach (fresh or frozen), 4 cups per quart of water |
| Mocha: 1 quart of strongly brewed coffee in place of water | |

Combine dye materials (up to 4 cups vegetable solids or 3-4 tablespoons of a colorful spice, like paprika or turmeric, per quart of water), vinegar (2 tablespoons per quart of water), and water. Simmer 20-30 minutes, then strain and cool. Dip hard-boiled eggs in cold dye until desired color is achieved, soaking anywhere from 5 minutes to several hours in the refrigerator. Turn eggs occasionally to ensure even dyeing. Dry on paper towels or in egg cartons.



Getting to Know...Jeremy Johnson

Jeremy Johnson began working for PSC in May of 2005 in our Internet Services Department. As a member of Tech Support, he handles Internet support calls from customers experiencing problems.

Jeremy is a graduate of Ivy Tech in Evansville, with an Associates Degree in Computer Networking. He came to PSC from Eck-Mundy Associates where he installed phone systems and wireless Internet services.

Jeremy, from Ferdinand, is the son of Jeff and Debbie Johnson and has a sister, Amanda. He enjoys fishing, golf, basketball, bowling and spending time with his family and friends. When asked about his job with PSC, Jeremy said, "I like trouble-shooting people's computer problems, and I enjoy working at PSC. The people here are friendly and easy to work with, plus there is always a reason to laugh a couple of times each day."

2nd Annual Directory Cover Photo Contest!

We're doing it again! PSC is again having a photo contest for the cover of the 2007 PSC Regional Directory. The winner will receive \$100. All entries should convey the beauty, spirit and/or character of the three county area. The picture should appeal to the majority of our customers. If the picture features a recognizable individual or individuals, the individual(s) must sign a release before the picture can be used.



Guidelines and Rules

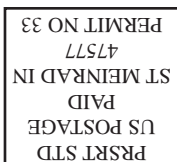
- Entrants must be a PSC customer (telephone, Internet and/or long distance).
- Photos must be received by PSC no later than June 30, 2006.

• Mail entries to: PSC
Attn: Photo Contest
P.O. Box 126
St. Meinrad, IN 47577

- Limit of three (3) entries per person. Entry information (below) is required for each entry.
- Prints must be in excellent condition, at least 3 X 5 and no larger than 8.5 X 11.
- Digital photos must have a resolution of 1600 X 1200 pixels or greater.
- All photos become the property of PSC.
- If it is determined that there is not an entry suitable for the directory cover, PSC reserves the right to obtain a picture from other sources.
- Winner will be selected by a committee of PSC employees.

Entry Information (required for each entry):

Name
Address
Phone Number
Photo image description (where photo was taken and any other information describing the setting)



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