

# Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative TOUCHSTONE ENERGY 2008/2009 CLASSROOM EMPOWERMENT GRANT WINNERS!

Pre-school teacher **Becky Lannom**, representing **Lick Creek Elementary School** plans to use their winning funds to help build their library. “This grant will assist our school in developing a culture change, where students embrace reading as fun and rewarding. We plan to purchase books that will broaden our students’ knowledge base, engage and challenge reading skills, and support overall learning in the classroom as well as develop life long readers,” states Ms. Lannom.



Teacher **Maryanne Boren** with the **Grand Chain Learning Center** plans to use their winning funds to teach a “Don’t Get Shocked” science unit. “With this grant, our students will learn about basic electricity principles and electrical safety for the home. There will be hands-on experiments and follow-up activities to be done at home with their families,” says Ms. Boren.

District Healthcare Professional **Cricket Corzine** with **Joppa-Maple Grove District #38** plans to use their winning funds to help purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). “This grant can help potentially protect and serve our community in the greatest time of need, when a life is in danger of being lost. This is the best gift we could ever give back to our community... to help save a life of a loved one,” states Ms. Corzine.

