



MAY 2019

ENTER AN E-REQUEST

BE THE ULTIMATE PARTY PLANNER

Planning a party is a lot of work. Now imagine if the lights go out, the music stops playing or worst yet, the event is cancelled, just because you did not take a few minutes to submit a locate request when you installed tent posts or planted shrubs and flowers to beautify the backyard.

It's happened to other homeowners, so don't let it happen to you. When planning a DIY project, graduation party, special event or Memorial Day festivities, make sure that notifying JULIE is on your "to do" list. This is a free service. [Enter and submit your online locate request.](#)

Be aware of the member utility locate flags and stakes that may be present on or near your property and use caution when working around them, especially when mowing the grass. Each member utility locator uses a [different color paint or flag](#) to mark their buried lines. It is also important to remind children not to take the flags out of the ground or move them to a different area.

If you want to start your project over the weekend, regardless of the depth or size, remember to contact JULIE by Wednesday at 4 p.m. You can reach a call center agent at JULIE anytime, day or night, at 811 or simply [click here to conveniently enter your own online request now.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Brick Safari Exhibit
Brookfield Zoo
Now through Sept. 29
JULIE is a proud sponsor.
[Click here for details.](#)

Memorial Day
May 27
[This is a JULIE Holiday.](#)

DIG SMART MINUTE
Each month, JULIE brings you quick and useful gardening and landscaping ideas for in and around your home. The Dig Smart Minute topic for this month is [spring pruning and mulching.](#)



6 MISTAKES TO AVOID WHEN PLANTING A TREE

So, you think you're ready to plant a tree. Have you chosen the type of tree that will thrive in your climate? Does the desired location provide adequate drainage and necessary sunlight? There are several variables to consider before even breaking ground. Most important is to contact JULIE at 811 before you dig and have your lines located for free by our members. You can also enter a locate request online via [E-Request](#).

[Here are six common mistakes to avoid when planting a tree.](#)

CONVENIENCE AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

JULIE's new [E-Request](#) self-service program continues to be a popular choice for homeowners and contractors with single-site locate requests. With significant increases in call volume and the potential for wait times during peak periods, this fast and convenient option is available 24/7. No training is needed for this no cost program. [Learn more or enter a request.](#)

WE DIG READING

JULIE is the proud sponsor of the reading programs for the [Southern Illinois Miners Baseball Team](#) and the [Chicago Wolves Hockey Club](#). Through these programs, JULIE informs the next generation of excavators and their families about safe digging practices.



The Chicago Wolves "Read to Succeed" program inspires students to complete their school specific reading program to receive a complimentary game ticket.



Students from East Side Elementary in McLeansboro earned a pep rally and pizza party courtesy of the Southern Illinois Miners and JULIE, Inc.

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