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Manager's Message

Prioritize Safety Year-Round

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Annual Meeting coming
SOON!

Mother's Day—May 8th
Memorial Day—May 30th
Father's Day—June 19th



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At High Plains Power, we recognize Electrical Safety Month during the month of May, but we also know the importance of practicing safety year-round. From our co-op crews to you, the members we serve, we recognize that everyone has a part to play in prioritizing safety.

According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, thousands of people in the U.S. are critically injured or electrocuted as a result of electrical fires and accidents in their own homes. Many of these accidents are preventable. Electricity is a necessity, and it powers our daily lives. But we know first-hand how dangerous electricity can be because we work with it 365 days a year.

To me, safety is more than a catchphrase. As CEO, it is my responsibility to keep co-op employees safe. Additionally, we want to help keep you and all the members of our communities safe as well. That is why you will see High Plains Power hosting safety demonstrations

at community events and in schools throughout the year, to demonstrate the dangers of electricity. We discuss emergency scenarios, such as what to do in a car accident involving a utility pole and downed power lines. We caution students on the dangers of pad-mounted transformers and overloading circuits with too many electronic devices. Our hope is that by bringing attention to electrical safety that we may save just one person's life.

I encourage you to talk with your kids about playing it safe and smart around electricity. Help them be aware of overhead power lines or pad-mounted transformers near where they play outdoors.

Our priority is providing an uninterrupted energy supply 24/7, 365 days per year. But equally as important is keeping our communities safe around electricity.

Contact any of our High Plains Power locations if you would like us to provide a safety demonstration at your school or upcoming community event.

WAY TO GO ANDY!

Congratulations to Andy Erickson of Riverton who recently completed his apprenticeship with High Plains Power. Andy began his journey with HPP in 2018 as an apprentice lineman. After completing the Merchant Program and over 8000 hours of on-the-job training he is now a journeyman lineman.



(L) Riverton Line Foreman Brian Heiner
(R) Journeyman Lineman Andy Erickson

Cooperative Principle #5 – Education, Training, and Information

Cooperatives provide education and training for their members, elected representatives, managers and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their cooperatives. They inform the general public, particularly young people and opinion leaders, about the nature and benefits of cooperation.

Congratulations to all the graduating seniors!!! We wish you all the best on your next adventure.

Employee Spotlight Andy Erickson



FAVORITES
Movie: Avengers Series
Band: Five Finger Death Punch
Vacation Spot: Mexico
TV Show: The Office

FINISH THIS SENTENCE

Life would be boring without...

- A. My wife.
- Wouldn't it be cool if I...*
- A. Won a billion dollars!

RANDOM QUESTIONS

- Q.** *If you could buy anything, what would it be?*
- A. Land in the Winds.
- Q.** *What is the best concert you've been to?*
- A. STYX and Foreigner.
- Q.** *If you could have a conversation with anyone, who would it be?*
- A. My Grandpa that passed.
- Q.** *What is one thing on your bucket list?*
- A. Climb Gannet Peak.



23rd Annual Meeting

JULY 2022						
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The 23rd Annual Meeting of High Plains Power is coming SOON! The annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the Riverton Rendezvous weekend. We will have a booth set up Friday, July 15th at the Friday Night Cruise on Main Street in Riverton, and will be taking registrations from 5pm-7pm. Come on down and check out the cars and bikes

on Main Street and visit with High Plains Power. When you register you will receive a raffle ticket, swag bag and \$10 Energy Credit. Then on Saturday, July 16th the Annual Meeting continues at the Fremont Center, located at 1010 Fairgrounds Rd, in Riverton. Registration will be open from 8am-9am followed by the Business Meeting from 9am-11:30am.

Friday night come on down and check out the cars and bikes on Main Street and visit with High Plains Power. Saturday morning come to the Fremont Center, hear what High Plains Power has been up to, vote for your Board of Directors, and then enjoy lunch on us while taking in the rest of the Rendezvous weekend.

The POWER of Co-op Membership

Mark your calendars for the 23rd Annual Meeting to be held Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16, 2022, in Riverton! Come visit with friends, enjoy a meal, vote for director representation and get informed about the business of YOUR electric cooperative.

Cooperative Principle #2 – Democratic Member Control

Cooperatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, who actively participate in setting policies and making decisions. Elected representatives are elected from among the membership and are accountable to the membership.

23rd Annual Meeting High Plains Power



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Friday and Saturday, July 15-16, 2022

Friday, July 15, 2022
Registration open 5pm-7pm
At the Friday Night Cruise
Main Street in Riverton

Saturday, July 16, 2022
Registration open 8am-9am
Business Meeting 9am-11:30am
Meeting Adjourned 11:30am
At the Fremont Center Building
1010 Fairground Rd, Riverton, WY

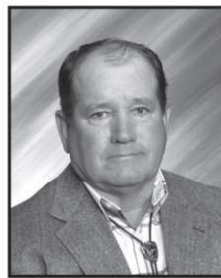
Door Prizes Include: \$200 Energy Credits
Chain Saw
Gift Cards

All members who register will receive a \$10 Energy Credit!

High Plains Power Board of Directors



District 1
Rebecca Darnell



District 2
Lee Shaffer



District 3
Jeff Milton



District 4
Jesse B. Hankins



District 5
John Stoll



District 6
Bret Gardner



District 7
Matt Brown



District 8
Jim Miller



District 9
Todd Heward

DON'T FORGET!

Budget Billing open enrollment is 1 April – 31 May!

Enrollment in Budget will be available remotely, on Smarthub starting on 1 April and will remain open for enrollment

through 31 May. Applications will also be available through the office.



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