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District Meetings!!

Next month, Big Horn REA will be holding its district meetings.

Big Horn REA would like to invite you to join us for our district meetings the first two weeks in May. A short meeting will be held with dinner to follow. We will draw for a few prizes afterwards!

Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet with YOUR co-op! It is YOUR company after all!!

District 1- Burlington, Otto areas, your district meeting will be held on May 4th at the Burlington Fire Hall and will be catered by Kelly's Place. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM and will go until 6:00 PM. Dinner will follow from 6:00-7:00 PM.

District 2- Greybull, Shell areas, your district meeting will be held May 12th at the Shell Community Hall and will be catered by the Old Shell Store. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM and will go until 6:00 PM. Dinner will follow from 6:00-7:00 PM.

District 3- Ten Sleep, Hyattville areas, your district meeting will be held May 11th at the Ten Sleep School Cafeteria and will be catered by The Sleepy Coyote. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM and will go until 6:00 PM. Dinner will follow from 6:00-7:00 PM.

District 4- Meeteetse area, your district meeting will be held May 5th at the Meeteetse School Cafeteria and will be catered by Randol's Southern BBQ. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM and will go until 6:00 PM. Dinner will follow from 6:00-7:00 PM.

District 5- Lovell, Frannie and Deaver areas, your district meeting will be held May 10th at the Lovell Community Center and will be catered by Hawg Heaven. Meeting will begin at 5:30 PM and will go until 6:00 PM. Dinner will follow from 6:00-7:00 PM.

If there is any interest on driving the electric vehicle that Tri-State G&T, our power supplier will be providing please make sure to contact the office at 307-568-2419 to get signed up for a 30-minute time slot. Keep in mind you will have to sign a damage waiver beforehand.

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DEMOCRATIC MEMBER CONTROL

2022

APRIL Keep an eye out for your district meeting invite.



Petition deadline for board candidate. APRIL 26

MAY 4 Burlington, Otto area district meeting at the Burlington Fire Hall catered by Kelly's Place.



Meeteetse area district meeting at the Meeteetse School Cafeteria catered by Randol's Southern BBQ. MAY 5

MAY 10 Lovell, Frannie, Deaver area district meeting at Lovell Community Center catered by Hawg Heaven.



Ten Sleep, Hyattville area district meeting at school cafeteria catered by The Sleepy Coyote. MAY 11

MAY 12 Shell, Greybull area district meeting at Shell Community Hall catered by The Old Shell Store.



Mail-in ballots will go out. MAY 17

JUNE 16 Mail-in ballots are due.



Results posted on Facebook. JUNE 17



Your Candidates

You are a member, not a customer. Cooperatives are unique businesses because they are owned by you, the member. This means you have a voice in the way we run the co-op. Members elect the co-op's board of directors and can run for a seat on the board

if they wish to do so. Your vote and participation help shape the direction of the cooperative. Mail-in ballots will go out in May and you will have the opportunity to elect a board member from each of these two districts:

Steve Helburn District #2



I was born and raised on a small part-time farm outside of Bozeman, Montana, participating in 4-H and spending summers and vacations working on various ranches.

During the Vietnam era I was in the Navy where I qualified as a First Class Diver and was discharged as an E-6. I attended Oregon State University on the GI Bill where I got an engineering degree with highest honors, including Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Eta Sigma and Sigma Tau Honor Societies.

After graduation I worked for 10 years with CBI Industries as a welder, diver and engineer and finished as the Manager of the Underwater Construction Division. I then went to work for Oceaneering International for 20 years starting as General Manager of the Gulf Coast Division and eventually Senior Vice President of Worldwide Operations. CBI and Oceaneering gave me the opportunity to live and work all over the world including extended periods in

places like Scotland, Brazil, the Middle East, and Asia as well as Houston and Louisiana.

I spent several years as a Board Member of the Association of Diving Contractors (a non-profit contractor organization with over 400 member companies) including two years as President. I received the Galletti Award for significant achievements in the field of commercial diving and was inducted into the Commercial Diving Hall of Fame in 2005.

In 1998 I opted for a complete change of pace and moved to Bear Creek Ranch north of Shell becoming a member of BHREA. In 2018 I sold the ranch and built a new home in the Scharen subdivision outside Greybull. This has allowed me more time to participate in community activities such as Big Horn REA.

In my three years as an BHREA Board Member I have obtained my Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate (CCD), the Board Leadership Certificate (BLC) and qualified for the Director Gold Credential (DGC). These represent about a month of outside education in various aspects of Co-op business.

John Joyce District #3



I live in the Manderson area where I farm and ranch with my wife Nancy. We have raised two sons, Sam and Jeff. Nancy and I are both UW graduates and have lived here on the farm since we were married in 1980. In addition to our farm operation, I manage a water utility that supplies drinking water to the southern Big Horn Basin.

I have been fortunate to serve five terms on the Big Horn Rural Electric board. During my time on the board I have learned a great deal from the staff, my fellow board members and the training classes I have attended. It has been my pleasure to represent the members in the Ten Sleep/ Hyattville area. I feel that I have a good understanding of the needs of my district and that I would be an asset to Big Horn REA. I would appreciate your vote for another term on the board. Thank you.

QR? AKA "QUICK RESPONSE"

What is a Quick Response (QR) Code? According to Investopedia, a quick response (QR) code is a type of barcode that stores information as a series of pixels in a square shaped grid that can be scanned easily with your smart phone camera. Different versions and variations of QR codes now exist. They are customized for many different purposes, or to store greater amounts of data.

Are you unsure of using a barcode? Try using our QR code to get used to it. Open your smart phone camera, point it at our code and click the link. Our QR code takes you directly to the home page of our website. You will start seeing it more often on the back page of our newsletter.



THANK A LINEMAN DAY IS APRIL 11.

We thank our linemen for their courage and commitment to powering our community, we couldn't do it without them.

Pictured below from left to right and their years of service at Big Horn REA: Tony Nelson

5 years, Tristen Snyder 6 years, Rusty Burden 5 years, Todd Herman 27 years, Greg Tharp 2 years, Reece Hill 11 years. Not pictured is Clint Getzfreid 8 years and Bill Dahlke 7 years.



ATTENTION IRRIGATORS: As a reminder Big Horn's irrigation rates as well as all other rates have not changed since 2017!

You will see your Annual Horsepower Charge on the bill you receive the first part of May. The minimum annual charge under the irrigation rate will be the highest of the following:

1. The horsepower multiplied by \$26.

For example – a service with a 25HP motor would be billed $25 \times \$26 = \650.00

2. A charge of \$200.00.

If you have made any changes to your irrigation, or have any questions please call our office at (800)564-2419.

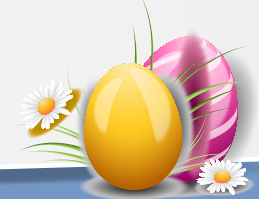
Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

When streaming content, use the smallest device that makes sense for the number of people watching. Avoid streaming on game consoles, which use 10 times more power than streaming through a tablet or laptop.

Streaming content with electronic equipment that has earned the ENERGY STAR® rating will use 25% to 30% less energy than standard equipment.

Source: Dept. of Energy





Happy Easter

Watt's Cookin'

At Big Horn REA



Rusty's Sopaipilla Cheesecake

Ingredients:

2 cans crescent rolls	1 stick of butter
2 8 oz cream cheese	1 tsp vanilla
1 1/2 C sugar	2 tsp cinnamon

Directions

1. In a 9x12 pan (sprayed with pam) layout 1 can of crescent rolls.
2. In a bowl, cream your cream cheese and 1 cup of sugar and vanilla together until smooth (be sure to set your cream cheese out to get soft)
3. Spread this on top of your crescent rolls. Lay other can of rolls on top.
4. Melt your butter and pour on top of them.
5. Mix 1/2 cup of sugar with your cinnamon and sprinkle over top
6. Bake at 400° for about 30 minutes.

RUSTY BURDEN



Rusty is our Apprentice Lineman and has worked for Big Horn REA for almost 5 years.

What do

you bring to your co-op?

Southern hospitality to the consumers, willingness to learn and help in any way that is needed to better the co-op.

What is the best thing about working at Big Horn?

Working with a good group of people, and for a company that focuses mainly on safety and treats the employees extremely well.

What is your favorite meal from childhood?

Cutlets, mashed potatoes, and mac 'n' cheese (homemade of course).

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For Outages or Trouble

Call the office number: **ANYTIME**
(307) 568-2419 or 1-800-564-2419

After 5 p.m., weekends and holidays all calls will be answered by our professional answering service, who will contact the appropriate person(s).

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