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*Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative
is dedicated to providing affordable,
reliable energy and services that support
and unite our member-owners.*

*We also aspire to meet the Touchstone
Energy® Cooperative core values of
integrity, innovation, accountability and
commitment to community.*

Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc.,
is an equal opportunity provider.

Mor-Gran-Sou holds first virtual annual meeting

The Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative board of directors, management staff and employees thank you, our members, for participating in the first virtual annual meeting of the membership held Aug. 20. It was broadcast by BEK TV.

Originally scheduled for July 17 at Prairie Knights Pavilion, the annual meeting was delayed and scheduled virtually to keep people safe during the pandemic.

This year, Mor-Gran-Sou members were asked to vote for three seats on the board of directors: one for the Grant County position, one for the Mandan-Area position, and one for the Sioux County position. In an uncontested race, Casey Wells from Carson retained the Grant County position. Incumbent Bob J. Leingang from Mandan retained the Mandan area position. New to the board is Rodney Froelich from Selfridge, who was elected to fill the Sioux County seat formerly held by Lance Froelich. Lance chose not to seek re-election.

Mor-Gran-Sou welcomes these members to the board of directors, and thanks Stan Boehm from Mandan and Randal J. White Sr. from Selfridge for campaigning to serve our members.

Members also voted by mail to approve the 2019 annual meeting minutes.

To learn more about virtual annual meeting, read the October local pages of *North Dakota Living*.



FARM EQUIPMENT IS ON THE MOVE

LOOK UP AND LOOK AROUND

POWER LINES AND POLES MAY BE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK

Apply now for an Operation Round Up grant

Operation Round Up is a voluntary, charitable program that allows our members to round up their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar. The small change accumulates in the Mor-Gran-Sou Charitable Foundation, Inc., and a board of directors meet to review applications and disburse funds in the form of grants.



Any person or group in the Mor-Gran-Sou service area, or providing a service to the area, may apply to receive an Operation Round Up grant. Funds are disbursed in the general service area of Mor-Gran-Sou solely for charitable, educational, scientific, health or safety purposes.

All of the money raised by members stays in our local communities.

To opt into this program or to request an application, contact Jackie Miller or Julie Armijo by calling Mor-Gran-Sou at 663-0297, 597-3301 or 800-750-8212, or emailing jlmiller@morgransou.com or jarmijo@morgransou.com.

The heating season is nearing. Is your electric meter breaker on?

Members, if your home or business has a sub-meter for the separately metered electric heat rate, please make sure your heat meter breaker is turned on inside your electric panel. In fact, if you have a heat meter, please make sure the breaker to the meter is turned on all year, to ensure Mor-Gran-Sou receives meter readings. If the breaker is off, your electric heat kilowatt-hour usage will not be billed correctly.

The Separately Metered Heat rates run Oct. 1 through April 30.

Also in the SEPTEMBER issue of North Dakota Living:

- Labor Day salute!
- Condensed meeting minutes and more



Farm Rescue assists Mor-Gran-Sou member

"It's really tough to swallow your pride and take help from strangers who you are never going to be able to help back," says Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative member Bill Meuchel. "Thank you to a great organization!"

Meuchel is referring to Farm Rescue, a nonprofit organization led by volunteers who are dedicated to assisting farm and ranch families in the midst of a major crisis. They provide free planting, haying, harvest and livestock feeding assistance to farm and ranch families experiencing a major illness, injury or natural disaster.

Volunteers with Farm Rescue helped plant Meuchel's soybean crop this spring, after he suffered an accident while working with cattle. The ornery cow walked away unharmed, and Bill crushed his fibula. He ended up in a cast and crutches.

In the September local pages of *North Dakota Living*, learn how Meuchel received assistance from Farm Rescue, and read about a special group of people who leave their jobs and families to selflessly help others in need.

Nominate a local hero for the fifth — and final — #WhoPowersYou contest

This year marks the last #WhoPowersYou contest. Hosted by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives nationwide including Mor-Gran-Sou locally, the contest celebrates people who inspire or make a difference in our local communities.

The contest will be held Sept. 8 to Oct. 9. Winners will be announced in November, and the person you nominate could receive up to \$5,000.

Entrant/nominator or entrant's/nominator's immediate family (spouse or parent) or other persons residing in the same household as entrant/nominator must be a member of Mor-Gran-Sou.

To enter the contest, visit www.whopowersyou.com, fill out a submission and submit a photo. Entries from our co-op will be featured in the local pages of *North Dakota Living*.



ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP:

Insulation provides resistance to heat flow, and lowers heating and cooling costs. Properly insulating your home reduces heating and cooling costs, and improves comfort.