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CO-OP NEWS

89TH ANNUAL MEETING

We had a great turnout of members attending the 89th Annual Meeting on March 27th. We'd like to thank everyone that was able to join us – we always enjoy the opportunity to visit with our members. We awarded a variety of door prizes that included a large TV donated by Tri-State, several electric lawn tools, some electric kitchen items and gift cards. The dinner, catered by Cottonwood Catering, was outstanding as always. Our guest speakers shared information regarding Wildfire Mitigation, and the importance of the new state legislation for the Cooperative. If you weren't able to attend and you have questions for us, please give us a call - we'd be happy to visit with you.



Wyrulec staff and families

IRRIGATION SYSTEM ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Also at the Annual Meeting, we announced a new program being offered by our power supplier, Tri-State Generation & Transmission, for our members that have irrigation services. Members may sign up to participate in Irrigation System Assessments, which will be done by a civil engineer from Strike Consulting Group, based out of Lander, Wyoming. The assessment will focus on the three key components of an irrigation system – the water source, the pumping plant, and the

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sprinkler package. The goal is for all three elements to work together to ensure uniform water application at the lowest energy cost, while also maximizing water efficiency. After the assessment is complete, the member will receive a detailed report with any suggested improvements to the key components. The member is not required to make any changes, but if they choose to move forward with any of them, Tri-State will assist them in applying for grant funds to help with the costs. More information is on the following page – this program is free for Wyrulec members, so please give us a call if you're interested in signing up or have any questions. The assessments will need to be completed this summer, while the irrigation system is operating.

The following names have been drawn for a \$25 bill credit. Contact Wyrulec Company at 877-WYRULEC to claim your credit!

Robert Schaefer
Casey Stenson
Duane & Dorothy Packard
Terry Brown
John Goold



ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIP OF THE MONTH

Routine maintenance is important to keep your refrigerator running efficiently. Lint and dirt should be cleaned from the refrigerator coils every six months to a year, and more often if there are pets in the home.

When coils are coated with lint, dust or pet hair, your refrigerator works harder than it's designed to, which can prevent the appliance from cooling properly and efficiently. The additional work can increase the energy costs of the refrigerator by as much as 35% and shorten the life of the appliance.

Source: energy.gov



Serving Our Members Now and in the Future

When you signed up to receive electricity from Wyrulec Company, you became a member of the cooperative. Other utilities return their profits to investors or shareholders, but not us! Wyrulec is a member-owned not-for-profit cooperative, and we return the margins (profits) back to members like you in the form of Capital Credits.



Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative



It's Capital Credit Allocation Time!

Watch the mail in April for your Capital Credit Allocation notice for 2024.

What is a Cooperative?

A cooperative is a business that is owned and controlled by the members who use its services. Members share in the cost and benefits of operating the business.



What are Capital Credits?

Members invest in Wyrulec Company when they purchase power. Every year, after all expenses have been paid, any remaining margins are allocated to the members as capital credits based on patronage, which means how much each member paid in to the co-op during the year.

When Will I Receive the Payout?

When the co-op's financial condition permits, your Board of Directors will decide to retire, or pay out, the allocated Capital Credits, and you will receive a check in the mail. Be sure to notify us if your address changes!



ELECTRIFY AND SAVE®

INCREASE YIELD AND DECREASE ENERGY SPEND

SIGN UP FOR A FREE IRRIGATION ASSESSMENT:

- + WELL DRAW AND SCREENS
- + EVALUATION OF CROP, SOIL AND EQUIPMENT AFTER HARVEST
- + PERFORMANCE OF MOTOR(S)
- + PUMPING PRESSURE (FOR PIVOTS)
- + APPLICATION EFFICIENCY (ORIFICES AND NOZZLES)
- + IRRIGATION SCHEDULING

GET UP TO 35% OR MORE OFF A NEW PUMP AND VARIABLE SPEED DRIVE**

Through wholesale power supplier Tri-State, end consumers of members in our service territory have access to low or no cost irrigation assessments. The report you receive provides low and no cost measures to improve irrigation coverage along with more detailed recommendations. The report meets standards of USDA's Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) or Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) that provide financial incentives that can cover over 35% of improvement costs.

**Tri-State members' end consumers can receive approximately 35% funding for installation of irrigation upgrades when using Tri-State and federal funds.

NRCS ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM

www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs-initiatives/eqip-environmental-quality-incentives

RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM APPLICATION [see back for information]

www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/energy-programs/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency-improvement-guaranteed-loans

ADDITIONAL FINANCING

If there is a gap in implementation cost after receiving Federal funding and Tri-State and/or Wyrulec's rebates, you may be eligible for bridge financing through the Collective Clean Energy Fund (CCEF). Contact info@cccleanenergyfund.com for more information.

ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

Your power provider may also have low cost funding to complement the incentives and allow installation of measures with no upfront cost!

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THE PROCESS

- 1 Email onbill@tristategt.org or visit tristate.coop/programs to begin application
- 2 An irrigation assessor makes a 4-6 hour site visit
- 3 You receive a report in 2-3 weeks
- 4 We help you apply for federal funding
- 5 You receive your equipment. (Installation included in total project cost.)



**SIGN UP TO RECEIVE A FREE
PIVOT WATCH AND 1 YEAR
SUBSCRIPTION (\$600 VALUE)***

*Up to two pivot watches per member

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Discrimination is prohibited by Federal Law.



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89TH ANNUAL MEETING PHOTOS



Wyrulec members enjoying their meal and guest speakers



Tyrus, son of Wyrulec employee DJ Duffield, says "Don't mess with electricity!"



Guest speaker Dave Reher of Federated Electric Insurance Exchange



Kaye Erskine receives a round of applause as she is retiring from her position on the Wyrulec Scholarship Committee after 17 years.