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DAN HODGKISS
 District 1 Director

Board Actions JUNE 2017

Approved the Department Production and Financial Reports.

Approved the addition of the Roth IRA option for employees.



Congratulations

to

Gary D Curry! Winner of the \$500 cash prize at the 76th Annual Meeting last month.



Power greeting Member-Owners at the 76th Annual Meeting of the Membership for Carbon Power & Light, Inc.

Your 76th Annual Meeting!!





Member-Owned Service Proud



[RUSSELL WALDNER, GENERAL MANAGER]



Stay safe out there!!

All cooperative businesses have at their foundation these seven cooperative principles to follow:

- 1. Voluntary and Open Membership**
- 2. Democratic Member Control**
- 3. Members' Economic Participation**
- 4. Autonomy and Independence**
- 5. Education, Training and Information**
- 6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives**
- 7. Concern for Community**

I was right! It was a **fantastic 76th annual meeting**, Thanks to all your employees that made it fantastic.

Your new Director representing District 2 is William "Bill" Sherwood of Elk Mountain. The newly elected officers are President Laurie Forster; Vice President Jerry Rabidue; Secretary Gary Jacobsen; Treasurer Dan Hodgkiss; Tri-State G&T representative Dick Clifton; Wyoming Rural Electric Association (WREA) Representative Jerry Rabidue; Western United representative Dan Hodgkiss and

alternate Clay Thompson. Tri-State reported that our overall generation mix for 2016 was 32 percent renewables, which puts us ahead of even California. Tri-State has been working

hard to meet members' expectations of renewable energy in our generation mix and the 32 percent is something we all need to celebrate. In 2015 (most recent data) nationwide was 13 percent. We are demonstrating our commitment to community. WREA reported on the progress made in legislative gains. As an example we learned about our influence in the U.S. House on the vegetation management bill. Representative Cheney mentions the WREA and the Wyoming co-ops as well as Tri-State and others in a home run speech in support of the bill. The bill passed the House by a vote of 300-118. We are in the final stages of our US Forest Service vegetation management project.



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— 76th Annual Meeting Recapped —



184 Members registered for this year's Annual Meeting for an approximate total of 400 attendees partaking in a complimentary smoked BBQ luncheon and participating in a game or two of bingo!

Members who joined the business meeting were informed about the costs associated with power costs, the financial position of the Cooperative *Arthur M Ingleby* and the present and future construction plans of Carbon's electrical system. The Members were also informed about the issues that may impact the Cooperatives' across the nation.

Attorney Hank Bailey announced that William "Bill" Sherwood was elected to serve 3 year term for District 2. Incumbent Directors, Laurie Forster representing District 1 and Clay Thompson representing District 3 ran unopposed and will serve another three year term.

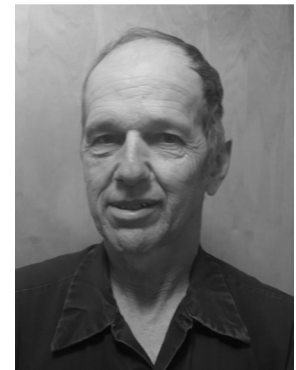
Many door prizes were distributed to many lucky winners with one really lucky winner, Gary D Curry, who walked away with \$500 in cash! Not a bad afternoon's pay.

Next year's Annual Meeting will be on Saturday, June 23, 2018.

MEMBER OWNED
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MEMBER SERVED

Please join us in **WELCOMING** Bill Sherwood as your **NEW** District 2 board member.

"I believe that I can represent all the members as Carbon Power moves into the future. I will be glad to listen to any concerns the members have with any part of this cooperative. "



Member Statistics Report	May 2016	May 2017
Financial		
Total Utility Plant	\$41,094,322	\$42,301,178
Cost of Purchase Power	\$560,849	\$1,213,843
Expenses Less Power Cost	\$452,097	\$459,129
Tax & Interest Paid	\$55,382	\$51,530.71
Interest Received on Investments	\$3,398	\$5,284
Energized Line & Consumers		
Miles of Energized Line	1,953	1,966
Consumers Per Mile	3.2	3.2
Meters		
Total Meters	6,177	6,227
Residential/Rural	4,959	4,972
Irrigation	51	52
Large Power/Commercial	1,112	1,142
Other	55	61
kWh Usage		
Total kWh	7,417,573	15,735,781
Residential/Rural	2,810,128	2,945,558
Irrigation	71,664	32,860
Large Power/Commercial	4,303,604	12,628,569
Other	303,841	128,794
Averages		
Avg. Residential kWh Used	928	592
Avg. Residential/Rural Bill	\$84	\$91

SUMMER ENERGY EFFICIENCY:

Myth vs. Fact

Myth #1:

When I'm not home, keeping my air conditioner at a lower temperature throughout the day means it doesn't have to run harder to cool my home when I return.

FACT:

To save energy, set your thermostat to a higher temperature during the day and lower it when you return home.

Myth #2:

Closing vents on my central air conditioning system will boost efficiency.

FACT:

Closing vents can cause the compressor to cycle too frequently and the heat pump to overload. You'll also use more energy.

Myth #3:

Time of day doesn't matter when it comes to running my appliances

FACT:

Time of day does matter when running electrical loads. For example, take advantage of the delay setting and run your dishwasher at night to avoid peak times of use and save energy.

Myth #4:

Bigger is always better when it comes to cooling equipment.

FACT:

Too often cooling equipment isn't sized properly and leads to higher electric bills. A unit that's too large for your home will not cool evenly and might produce higher humidity indoors.



Carbon welcomes any comments or questions members may have. If you have a question on any part of the cooperative business, please write or email the cooperative and we will see that your question is answered. Mail comments to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. P.O. Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN: Newsletter or email info@carbonpower.com.

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IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH YOUR POWER: Please check your breakers. If you can determine that your neighbors are also without power, call Carbon day or night at 307.326.5206 or 800.359.0249.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3
Gary Jacobsen	Robert J. Johnson	Dick Clifton
Laurie Forster	Jerry Rabadue	Clay Thompson
Dan Hodgkiss	Kenny Curry	Jim Rogers

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Rawlins National Bank	ANB	Bank of the West
202 5th St	3908 Grand Ave	302 N. 1st St.
Rawlins, WY	Laramie, WY	Saratoga, WY



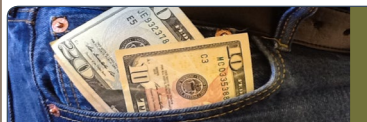
Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Setting your thermostat to a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy



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