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CO-OP NEWS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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Your cooperative is a proud member of these fine organizations



Join us at the Annual Meeting

One of our favorite events is coming up on March 30th, when Wyrulec Company will host our annual meeting for you, the members we proudly serve. We always look forward to this event because it's a great opportunity for our employees to talk with our members and hear what's on their minds. We hope you'll join us for the annual meeting, which will take place at the Rendezvous Center at the Goshen County Fairgrounds. If you aren't able to attend the meeting, please make sure to vote by sending in the absentee ballot that you receive in

the mail along with the annual meeting booklet. It's important that we get enough ballots to meet quorum requirements. We thank you in advance for getting involved - your participation means a lot to us!

During the annual meeting, we'll share a few brief business updates on financial reports and recent projects. But we'll have some fun too. We'll have two interesting and informative guest speakers, a delicious meal from Cottonwood Catering, door prizes, and cash drawings.

Spending time with you and hearing your take on our community's energy future is important to us. In fact, it's essential



because everything we do is shaped by the members of our community. As you know, the energy industry is in the midst of massive change. Consumer needs and changing technology impact nearly every aspect of how we manage and deliver energy to our members. We would like to hear from you as we navigate changes in the coming years. We strive to meet the long-term needs of all Wyrulec members.



Ryan Schilreff
General Manager

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GUEST SPEAKERS

We're excited to have two guest speakers at our annual meeting this year! Lyle Myler of the US Bureau of Reclamation will share information with us about the snowpack, reservoir levels, and water and irrigation outlook for the coming year.

And you may have heard Andy Schwab of the Northern Ag Network on the radio every day; he'll share information about the cattle industry and cattle markets. It's sure to be an informative and fun evening!

Andy Schwab, Ag Broadcaster Northern Ag Network

Andy Schwab grew up in Powell, WY on a small farm that produced race horses while he was a kid. He learned to ride horses, hunt, fish and take pack trips to the backcountry at very young age and has yet to lose the passion. Through his high school years at Powell, Andy competed in sports, FFA and started his own farrow to finish hog business. He would add many hats to wear after graduation as he jumped right into the work force, often times holding two to three jobs at a time. For nearly 10 years his main vocation was working in the retail world for a local co-op and farm and ranch store.

In that time, he would also add job experiences from the Wyoming Game and Fish as an AIS Tech and the US Forest Service as a backcountry trail crew foreman, spending three seasons with each department. He also became a bar tender for a local steakhouse in Cody, WY for three summers to prevent any boredom from setting in. But probably his favorite hat he put on was that from an auction business he started on his own and continues to operate after self-teaching himself how to be an auctioneer. "It's the one job that has taught me how to use my voice properly, and opened a lot of new doors, including the door to Northern Ag Network and sports broadcasting."

In May of 2019, Andy joined the Northern Ag Network as an Ag Broadcaster and one of his first interviews on air was with the Governor of Wyoming, Mark Gordon, while attending a mid-year conference held by Wyoming Stock Growers Association. Andy has since interviewed several more Governors from the Northern Ag territory, along with many other leaders and industry experts.



Lyle Myler, Area Manager

Bureau of Reclamation Wyoming Area Office

Lyle Myler received his degree in Civil Engineer with an emphasis in Water Resources from the University of Wyoming. Since that time, he has been employed by the Bureau of Reclamation's Wyoming Area Office located in Mills, Wyoming. Mr. Myler has 32-years of experience working for Reclamation in Wyoming and has been involved in reservoir operations and delivery of water to about 600,000 acres of irrigated lands, land and recreation management, Safety of Dams activities, and operations of 11 hydropower plants in the North Platte and Wind/Bighorn River Basins. Since April 2022, Mr. Myler has served as the Area Manager for Reclamation's Wyoming Area Office.



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WE TRIM TREES

The majority of power outages are caused by tree-related issues. It is our job to ensure trees, branches and limbs are a safe distance from power lines to avoid fire hazards and power interruptions.

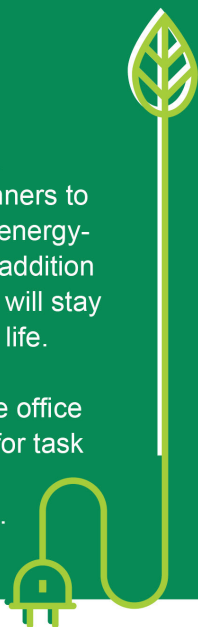
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Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Do you have a home office? Set equipment like printers and scanners to automatically switch to sleep or energy-saver mode when not in use. In addition to saving energy, the equipment will stay cooler, which will help extend its life.

Another way to save in the home office is to use energy efficient lamps for task lighting. Small lamps use less energy than whole-room lighting.



Safety Tip

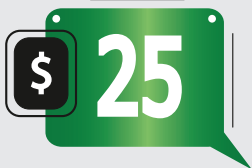
Do not trim trees/branches within 10 feet of a power line or pole. Only certified line clearance tree trimmers are authorized to trim near power lines.



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

- Bruce Laird
- Gayle Erskine
- Ramona Moody
- Loren & Melanie Osban
- Gilbert Ramirez Jr.



As you prepare for planting season, don't forget to plan for safety. There are many aspects to safety on the farm, but electrical safety is often overlooked. Keep these safety tips in mind as you prepare for planting:



TRAIN OTHERS

Train anyone working on your farm, including family members and seasonal workers, about electrical hazards.

SAFETY FIRST

Have daily meetings to review the day's work and discuss safety implications. Know and review where the power lines are, the clearance required, and the proper position of extensions as they are transported.



WAIT TO UNFOLD

Remind workers to fold or unfold extensions well into the field, not close to the field's edge where power lines are typically located.

USE A SPOTTER

When working in the vicinity of power lines, always have a spotter on the ground, who can direct you away from power lines or poles if you are getting too close.

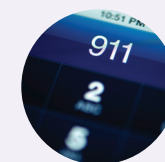


DO NOT EXIT YOUR CAB

If your machine or truck makes contact with a power line, pole, or guy wire, you could become electricity's path to ground and become electrocuted if you step out of the cab.

CALL 9-1-1

Call 9-1-1 to have your electric utility dispatched to deenergize the power source. Only exit the cab if your equipment is on fire. If that happens, make a solid jump out and hop away with feet together as far as you can.



For more information:

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You may be wondering if your opinion really makes a difference, and yes, it does! Gaining guidance and perspective from our members and board helps set priorities for the co-op and guide future decisions. At our annual meeting, we raise issues for voting consideration by the general membership (that's everyone who pays for electric service from Wyrulec Company.)

Our board of directors is made up of five members who live and work right here in our local service area, so they are in the best position to know where community investments are most needed. This local input means those closest to the community know its needs and priorities and help direct where co-ops dollars are spent. Every year, we invest funds to make updates to our system, which helps maintain reliability and grid resilience. By making these investments in our system, we can ensure you have reliable power for everyday life.

Most consumers likely don't equate active involvement with their electric company with helping their community. But Wyrulec Company is not an ordinary utility company. We're a co-op, and our business model is meant to serve the members and the community in which it operates. Our core purpose and mission are to provide reliable, affordable, and responsible power. But as a co-op, we're also motivated by service to our community, rather than profits. We hope you'll exercise the benefits of your co-op membership and join us for the annual meeting on March 30th. We look forward to seeing you!



AND CASH DRAWINGS!



We have lots of exciting door prizes to give away at this year's annual meeting, including:

- electric lawn mower**
- electric weed eater**
- electric chainsaw**
- electric blower**
- and more!**

