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Electric Cooperative**

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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, employer and lender.

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Mor-Gran-Sou announces candidates seeking board of director positions

The pursuit to earn a board seat begins for five Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative members vying for one of three board director positions up for re-election in July. The board positions sought include: one for the At-Large position, one for the Morton County position, and one for the Sioux County position.

The board of directors set March 7 as the deadline for receiving members' completed declaration of candidacy forms. The Nominating Committee met for a final time on March 14. At that meeting, the committee declared that the candidates' names they received be forwarded to the board of directors for approval. Upon confirmation of eligibility at its regular board meeting on March 21, the Mor-Gran-Sou board of directors approved these candidates:

At-Large:

Mark Doll, New Salem
Tim L. Kuntz, Mandan

Morton County:

Bonnie Tomac, Mandan

Sioux County:

Chad Harrison, Fort Yates
Marcie Kahl, Solen

A full biography of each candidate will appear in Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative's annual report, scheduled to be mailed in late June.



Annual Meeting 2018

JULY 20, 2018
Fort Yates, N.D.
Prairie Knights Pavilion

Learn about co-op issues; cast your vote and elect members to serve on the board of directors; and enjoy a hearty meal.



Mor-Gran-Sou will be closed on Memorial Day, to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

MONDAY, MAY 28



Happy Mother's Day
May 13



Safety poster winners

Keep Loader buckets low near power lines

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Also in the May North Dakota Living local pages ...

- National EMS Week featuring co-op members who provide emergency services
- Board minutes available to Mor-Gran-Sou members ... and more

Safety posters

Read Mor-Gran-Sou's May local pages in the *North Dakota Living* magazine to see some colorful safety messages from area kids.

Pole testing scheduled

Mor-Gran-Sou will begin testing distribution poles within the Elgin, Grant, Cedar, Flasher and Sioux substation service areas sometime within the next several weeks.

The inspection will consist of team members accessing all cooperative distribution lines using four-wheelers, and testing each pole for rot/damage.

We thank our members for their understanding as we work to make the system as reliable as possible.

Idle services to be retired

Mor-Gran-Sou continues to retire idle services throughout the co-op's service area.

An idle electrical service does not make any payment to the cooperative, but continues to receive regular maintenance. Mor-Gran-Sou's procedure is to post a detailed list (below) in our communications material to keep members informed of those idle services that will be retired. This is the first notice of this particular group of idle services to be retired.

Prior to this detailed listing, Mor-Gran-Sou personnel have already contacted, or tried to contact, the property owner and affected property owners based on the information available. If someone comes forward and is willing to pay the line retention fee, we no longer consider it an idle service. However, if no one comes forward, the line is then put on a list and will be retired. The following idle services will be retired at the cooperative's convenience:

Grant County

T133 R85W Section 12 NE 1/4

Morton County

T134 R84W Section 3 NW 1/4

T139 R83W Section 28 SE 1/4

Sioux County

T130 R80W Section 12 SE 1/4

T130 R80W Section 14 NW 1/4

T131 R80W Section 27 NE 1/4

T133 R79W Section 8 NE 1/4

T133 R79W Section 11 SW ¼

T134 R79W Section 23 SW 1/4

T134 R79W Section 29 SW 1/4

T134 R82W Section 22 SE 1/4

Mor-Gran-Sou awards scholarships to graduates

Read Mor-Gran-Sou's May local pages in the *North Dakota Living* magazine to meet the 2017-2018 student scholarship winners.



Sam Dart



Autumn Bertch



Kyle Schulte



Katelyn Schmidt



Jaret Lennie



Jayce Archambault



Kathryn Slavick

Opt into the Operation Round Up program today

Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative is now offering Operation Round Up to its members. Operation Round Up is a program in which Mor-Gran-Sou members can voluntarily choose to round up their monthly utility bills to the next dollar and donate their pennies to the newly formed Mor-Gran-Sou Charitable Foundation, Inc.



The Foundation Board, who are also Mor-Gran-Sou members, will meet throughout the year and disburse funds in the form of grants to non-profit corporations, organizations or agencies. All of the money raised by members stays in our local communities.

On average, participating members donate about \$6 a year. For example, if a member's monthly electric bill is \$89.64, the amount would be "rounded up" to the next whole dollar, \$90. The most a member would ever contribute a month is 99 cents. The donation will be tax-deductible, and members who participate will receive a summary on their last billing statement of the year.

Mor-Gran-Sou does not receive monetary or in-kind reimbursement from the Operation Round Up Charitable Foundation. All rounded-up funds flow directly into the Mor-Gran-Sou Charitable Foundation, Inc., and are overseen by the board of directors. Mor-Gran-Sou personnel will administer the program as a complimentary service to the foundation.

We are excited to get started. Members, if you have any questions, please call the office at 663-0297, 597-3301 or 1-800-750-8212. To opt in, fill out the form below and return to the co-op. Every member's donation make a difference.

I wish to participate in Operation Round Up at Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Yes, I agree that Mor-Gran-Sou, through the Operation Round Up program, has my permission to round up my monthly electric bill to the nearest dollar. I understand I have the option to opt out with a 30-day written notice to the co-op.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Account #(s): _____

Email the form to jarmijo@morgransou.com or jlmler@morgransou.com; or mail to: Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc. / P.O. Box 297 / Flasher, ND 58535

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