



# CURRENT NEWS



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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.*

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## Hydraulic issue? WDUS can help.

Has your truck ever had an issue with hydraulics, and you tried to fix it yourself? After you started taking it apart, ran to town for parts, came home to a mess, and spent countless hours fixing and putting it back together — when you could have been doing 100 other chores — did you ask yourself, "Why didn't I just take the truck to town and get it fixed?"

Maybe you didn't know West Dakota Utility Services (WDUS) can help.

WDUS was started by Joe Meier in 2004. Created as a subsidiary of 3C Construction, WDUS was formed to service utility vehicles. It is now an independent business owned by Mor-Gran-Sou, Roughrider and Slope Electric Cooperatives.

WDUS is located in northwest Mandan at 4001 30<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.W. Meier. Meier and a staff of five certified technicians maintain utility trucks, and meet with contractors and customers who have vehicles that need hydraulic repairs or N.D. Department of Transportation certification. They also repair welders, engines and utility tools including crimpers and hydraulic tamps.

In the June local pages of *North Dakota Living*, learn why WDUS mechanics are experts on the working mechanisms of utility trucks, farm trucks and other large vehicles — and how Meier can order stand-by generation for co-op consumers who want to be prepared for the summer storm season and occasional power outage.



Mechanic Zachary Koper

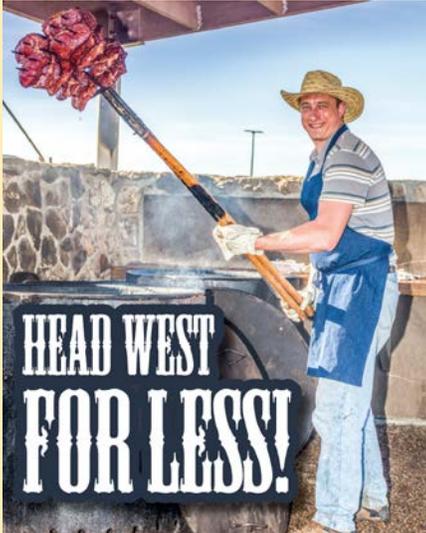
*WDUS is a cooperative-owned business that is providing a community service. If you have a vehicle or tool that could use a hydraulic inspection or repair, call 701-663-4365 or email [wdus@btinet.net](mailto:wdus@btinet.net).*

## Highway 21 Treasure Hunt: June 16-17

Discover treasures and have fun during North Dakota's 100-mile rummage sale, the Highway 21 Treasure Hunt. It will be held Friday and Saturday, June 16 and 17, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. MT.

Read about this year's event in the June local pages of *North Dakota Living*, or visit the Highway 21 Treasure Hunt Facebook page.





Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative is again partnering with area Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives to make vacationing more affordable.

Head west to Medora, where electric cooperative members are eligible for a **15-percent discount** on:

- Tickets to the Medora Musical
- The Pitchfork Steak Fondue
- Lodging at the Bunkhouse Motel, Badlands Motel & Rough Riders Hotel
- Bully Pulpit Golf Course

Call 1-800-MEDORA-1 for reservations and use the code **TOUCH2017** to receive your **15-percent savings**.

At the N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame, members also receive **20 percent off** by providing the discount code **TOUCH2017** at the door, and kid's admission is free Sundays and Wednesdays.

**Mor-Gran-Sou will be closed to honor the July 4th holiday**

**Mor-Gran-Sou line crews will be available in case of an emergency outage on Tuesday, July 4.**

- Also in the JUNE issue of North Dakota Living:**
- Safety Tip by Joe Meier
  - Local author seeing success
  - Happy Father's Day June 18
  - Board meeting minutes & more



From left: Journeyman Lineman **Blake Reis** (operating digger-derrick), Leadman **Clint Begger** (holding plumb bob), Journeyman Lineman **Brady Zachmann** (tamping dirt) and Leadman **Jason Jahner** (waiting to reattach power line, from bucket) worked the line hot to avoid disrupting power to the member.

This compromised distribution pole [inset, top left] would have eventually toppled and caused a power outage — or even worse — caused an injury. Thankfully, no one was hurt this time. A Mor-Gran-Sou lineman discovered the damage during routine line patrol and a four-man crew replaced the pole.

If you see a damaged or downed power line or pole, do not assume it is de-energized. Keep a safe distance and report it by calling 701-663-0297, 701-597-3301 or 1-800-750-8212, or emailing [safety@morgransou.com](mailto:safety@morgransou.com). Please include location information and a photo, if possible.

**WORKING TOGETHER ENSURES THE SAFETY OF ALL!**

## Attend — and vote — at the annual meeting

At the annual meeting on July 21, five Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative members will vie for one of three board director positions up for re-election. The three positions include: one for the Grant County position, one for the Mandan Area position, and one for the Sioux County position.

The board of directors set March 8 as the deadline for receiving members' completed declaration of candidacy forms. The Nominating Committee met for a final time on March 16 and 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 29, the Mor-Gran-Sou board of directors approved the following list of candidates:

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| <b>Grant County:</b><br>Casey Wells, Carson       | <b>Mandan Area:</b><br>Thomas Anseth, Mandan<br>Bob J. Leingang, Mandan | <i>A full biography of each candidate will appear in Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative's annual report, scheduled to be mailed later this month.</i> |
| <b>Sioux County:</b><br>Lance Froelich, Selfridge |   |  |

**Annual Meeting 2017**

**JULY 21, 2017**  
Fort Yates, N.D.  
Prairie Knights Casino & Resort

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