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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.



Barb and Ray Hintz and Trisha Zimmerman are longtime volunteers with the Carson Food Pantry.

OPERATION ROUND UP

Grant helps pantry volunteers give people food, dignity

The shelves and freezer at the Carson Food Pantry were well-stocked the first week in October. Just days before, the pantry was nearly empty, and volunteers were digging into their own pockets to buy food for area residents who rely on the donations to get by.

Located on Main Street in Carson, the pantry used to be open once a month, but the time was extended to once every six weeks because there wasn't enough money to replenish the goods on the shelves.

"We serve more than 70 families some days, and when they come, they need it," says volunteer Trisha Zimmerman.

In October, the pantry was full, thanks in great part to an Operation Round Up grant bestowed by the Charitable Trust, on behalf of participating Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative members.

In the November local pages of *North Dakota Living*, read about the inaugural grant distribution for Operation Round Up, and how all of the money raised by members stays in and benefits our local communities.

Also in the NOVEMBER issue of *North Dakota Living*:

- Carrie Roth, nominee in #WhoPowersYou contest, powers New Leipzig community
- Mor-Gran-Sou celebrates Careers in Energy Week
- The holidays are around the corner ... consider giving a gift certificate from Mor-Gran-Sou
- Holiday closings for Veterans Day & Thanksgiving, and more



Heating assistance may be available with LIHEAP

The Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) can help eligible low-income households with home heating costs. Download and submit applications at www.communityoptionsnd.com or call Community Options at 1-800-823-2417 ext. 140.

Safety tips for kids

Fall presents a higher risk of home fires and electrical safety hazards.

Read the safety tips below and fill in the blank with the correct term from the word bank below.

The answers will be published in next month's newsletter.

1. Candles and _____ should only be used by adults.
2. An adult should always stay in the kitchen when something is _____.
3. Smoke alarms should be tested every _____ to ensure they are working. Batteries should be replaced at least once every _____ or right away if they start to "beep."
4. Make sure all _____ are blown out before leaving a room.
5. Keep any items that can burn away from the stove, toaster and other cooking _____.

WORD BANK

APPLIANCES ❖ COOKING ❖ YEAR
MATCHES ❖ CANDLES ❖ MONTH

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME REMINDER

Don't forget to fall back on **November 3!** Set your clocks back by one hour.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Trim your holiday energy costs by choosing energy efficient LED lights! LED holiday lights use less energy and can last up to 40 seasons. They're also easier to install - you can connect up to 25 LED strings without overloading a wall socket!

Source: energy.gov



“**COMMIT to speaking up, and responding to reported hazards.**”

— Mor-Gran-Sou Lineman **Brett Fleck**

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PERFORM

my job safely always

ACCOUNT

for my actions and those taken by my crew

COMMIT

to speaking up, and responding to reported hazards

ENGAGE

in job briefings, focus on the task at hand and take the time to do it safely, always!



JUNE 20 TO 26, 2020

HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES & JUNIORS

Win the Trip of a Lifetime!

North Dakota Electric Cooperative
YOUTH TOUR

2020 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour

Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative will sponsor another ambitious student on the 2020 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C.

From June 20 to 26, students nationwide will spend a week learning about history and American government; visiting with their state's congressional delegation; becoming more knowledgeable about the cooperative business model; and touring museums, national monuments and memorials. They will also develop leadership skills and a national network of peers.

To earn the trip, students must enter an essay-writing contest. To qualify, the winning student must be a sophomore or junior in high school, and his or her family or guardian must receive electric service from Mor-Gran-Sou.

The deadline to enter is **Jan. 31, 2020**. For information on how to apply, read the November local pages of the *North Dakota Living* magazine or call Mor-Gran-Sou at 701-597-1602, 701-663-0297 or 800-750-8212.

For more information on the tour, visit www.ndyouthtour.com.