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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.



During National Co-op Month, cooperatives celebrate who we are and who we serve —

Mor-Gran-Sou is proud to work alongside our members to support our community, power economic development and foster prosperity for the people we serve.

## 'BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY'

October is National Co-op Month

## We are Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative

With headquarters in Flasher and service centers in Mandan and Fort Yates, Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative is one of 16 distribution cooperatives in North Dakota that delivers retail electricity to about 250,000 North Dakotans through 196,000 meters. We also have transmission responsibilities.

Mor-Gran-Sou provides safe, reliable and affordable electric service to members in Morton, Grant and Sioux Counties. We currently serve about 6,150 members and provide electricity to nearly 9,916 meters. That power is supplied by Basin Electric Power Cooperative and Western Area Power Administration.

When you use energy, you are a consumer. When you pay your bill to a cooperative, you are a member because you are an owner. Read the October local pages of the *North Dakota Living* magazine to learn the significance!

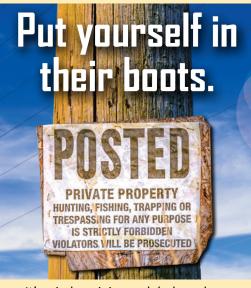
## Help Mor-Gran-Sou plan for the future

Mor-Gran-Sou works hard to provide safe, reliable and affordable electric service for you and your family. We also provide programs to help you use energy more efficiently.

To help us plan for the future and determine what programs will benefit you most, we need your help.

This fall, we will mail a random survey to some of our residential members. If you receive a survey, please complete and return it promptly. A postage-paid return envelope will be included for your convenience. The survey will also be available to complete online. Thank you.





It's windy, raining and dark, and linemen have to climb a pole with potential hazards to restore your power.

Attached objects like signs, birdhouses, basketball hoops, satellite dishes, flags and deer stands create tripping hazards for our linemen as they climb. And barbed wire, or staples, nails and tacks used to hang items, can puncture rubber gloves and other safety equipment, making lineworkers vulnerable to electrocution.

Lineworkers climb utility poles at all hours of the day and night, in the worst of conditions. Please think about what it could be like to step into their boots ... and refrain from hanging anything on a utility pole.



## Set those clocks

Daylight saving time ends Sunday, Nov. 3. "Fall back" one hour on Saturday evening before you go to bed.

## **HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**

Thursday, Oct. 31

## Also in the OCTOBER issue of North Dakota Living:

- Community support drives purchase of Flasher Fire Truck
- Board meeting minutes and more



## AN ALL-EXPENSE-PAID TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

- To enter the essay-writing contest, you must be a sophomore or junior in high school.
- You and your parents or guardian must be served by Mor-Gran-Sou Electric.
- Contact Julie Armijo at Mor-Gran-Sou with questions at 597-3301, 663-0297 or 800-750-8212 during regular business hours.
- The deadline is Jan. 31, 2020. E-mail entries to Julie at jarmijo@morgransou.com or mail a hard copy to: Youth Tour Essay Contest, Mor-Gran Sou Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 297, Flasher, ND 58535-0297.

## **ESSAY QUESTION:**

If chosen as a Youth Tour delegate, you will travel to Washington, D.C., to experience and learn about America's rich history. What moment in American history do you wish you had been a part of and what would you have contributed?

CHECK OUT THE ESSAY CONTEST GUIDELINES AT **www.ndyouthtour.com** 

## Sauter shares lessons in politics and history

If you could meet with our state's congressional delegates and convey a few issues of importance, what would they be?

During this year's Electric Cooperative Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C., North Dakota's 16 co-op representatives including Madalynn Sauter had the opportunity to visit with Congressman Kelly Armstrong.

Madalynn, Mor-Gran-Sou's representative on the tour, says the students voiced concerns about self presentation; how can we reduce trash and no



self-preservation: how can we reduce trash and pollution, and preserve the planet ... and what are you, our representative, doing to help?

The Youth Tour is a firsthand lesson in politics, and the importance of making your voice heard and casting your vote. Madalynn learned ... and would like to tell the Mor-Gran-Sou membership: Your investment in the program is worthwhile, and she is grateful.

In the October local pages of *North Dakota Living*, learn her tour highlights and how this cooperative-sponsored trip could help influence her career.