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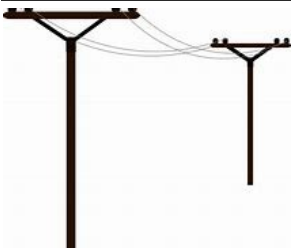
**MID-YELLOWSTONE
ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC.**



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ALONG THESE LINES . . .

By Jason Brothen



MYEC UPDATES—NOMINATING COMMITTEE & ANNUAL MEETING

The Nominating Committee will meet February 9th at MYEC. The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to select candidates for the board of trustees. The cooperative members will have an opportunity to vote for candidates at the next annual meeting. The Nominating Committee will consist of two members from the Hysham Rural District and the Howard District along with one member from each of the other 5 districts. The committee will nominate candidates for the two seats that are up for reelection. The present trustees holding seats in these districts are Jim DeCock, Hysham Rural District (District #7) and Steve Nile, Howard District (District #4). Nominating Committee members were picked by the board of trustees at the January meeting and are posted. If you are a member of Mid-Yellowstone Electric Cooperative, reside in the Hysham Rural or Howard District, and are interested in becoming a candidate for the board of trustees, contact one of the Nominating Committee members and ask to be considered for nomination. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please call the office for assistance.

We are in the planning stages of our annual meeting and discussing what options we have. Other cooperatives and organizations are having these same discussions and we are using any information available to make the best decisions for our cooperative.

"Neighbors helping neighbors. That's the electric cooperative tradition."

...Glenn English, CEO, NRECA

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This helps Montana residents faced with energy emergencies meet their needs and move toward self-reliance. Eligibility for Energy Share is not determined solely on income but also on the extenuating circumstances a household is facing. Energy Share is primarily funded by State-mandated Universal System Benefits Program (USBP) charges, donations from private individuals and corporations, and repayments by previous recipients. Energy Share of

Montana may also assist with replacement of an inefficient refrigerator or a non-working water heater. Refrigerator requirements—household member 60+ years of age or disabled by Social Security standards, own your home and have an older, inefficient refrigerator. Water heater requirements—own your home and have a non-working water heater.

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How to save energy in the winter

1. **Inspect your attic.** The most common culprit for heat loss is low quality insulation.
2. **Install a smart thermostat.** A smart thermostat adapts to your personal habits and preferences and knows when to turn the heat on, and when to keep it off.
3. **Hunt for holes.** Check the gap between your door and your threshold. Check to see if a window needs new caulking. Check to see if an electrical cable or plumbing pipe that runs through a wall needs better insulation.
4. **Manage your hot water heater.** Most home hot water heaters come preprogrammed to run at 140 degrees Fahrenheit. Turn it down to 120 degrees so it doesn't have to work as hard over the winter months.
5. **Turn off appliances that are not in use.** Even when turned off, many appliances continue to use power. For example, your phone charger continues to use energy, even if your phone is no longer charging. Unplug any device you are not using.
6. **Draw the curtains.** Curtains, especially thick curtains, can help keep the heat in and cold out.
7. **Choose your light-bulbs wisely.** Replace your light bulbs with LED bulbs. These newer, longer-lasting bulbs are designed to save energy and require much less electricity than traditional ones.

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