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July 2021

SUMMERTIME *Blues* of the Berry Best Kind



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PRICE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ANNUAL MEETING GOES VIRTUAL



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While we hope to meet in person for next year's annual meeting, the 81st Annual Meeting was once again held virtually on June 10.

Board Chairman Randy Kunsch and Attorney Jessica Shrestha hosted the virtual meeting on the Perigon live platform. There were 179 members registered for the meeting and 117 members attended the virtual event.

There was another great turn out for our director elections this year, with

a total of 705 ballots cast for director candidates in Districts 4, 5, and 6. Directors in District 4, Randy Kunsch, and District 6, Karen Newbury, ran unopposed and both received 645 votes, retaining their seats. Douglas Rasmussen and Mitchell Meives ran for the seat in District 5, recently vacated by long-time director Michael Zierer. Mitchell received 490 votes and Douglas received 189.

There was no rate increase in 2020

and none planned for 2021. The co-op retired \$800,000 in capital credits.

All members who attended the virtual meeting received a \$25 bill credit as a attendance gift. The winner of the grand prize drawing was Andy Pilch Jr. and Christine Pilch, who won a \$250 bill credit.

Thank you to all members who attended the virtual meeting and who voted in the election!



THIRD-GRADERS LEARN ABOUT ELECTRICAL SAFETY

Price Electric participated in Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association's statewide safety poster contest, open to third-grade students, to celebrate Electrical Safety Month in May. Price Electric provided electrical safety activity packets to local third-grade teachers to aid the students with useful safety tips. It is important for children to learn about electrical safety and recognize when there is danger. The posters that were submitted definitely showed the students have a good understanding of that now. All students who participated received a \$5 Subway gift card and our first-prize winner received a \$25 Visa gift card. Thank you to all the students who participated!

1st Prize - Noah Gladson

\$25 Visa Card, Price Electric Water bottle, scented colored pencils.

2nd & 3rd Prize - Kendra Nikkila, Colter Kevilus

\$5 Subway Gift Card, Price Electric Water bottle, scented colored pencils

Member Survey

Did you attend this year's Virtual Annual Meeting?

Yes No

Do you prefer the online or in-person platform?

Online In-Person

Was the registration process for the meeting easy to follow?

Yes No

Any other comments regarding the annual meeting or election process?

Name _____

Account No. _____

Phone _____

Please return to Price Electric Cooperative,
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P.O. Box 110, Phillips, WI 54555

CONGRATULATIONS

PRICE ELECTRIC AWARDS \$18,500 IN SCHOLARSHIPS!



Congratulations to the following students, who have each been selected to receive scholarships from Price Electric. All students will receive \$1,000 to continue their education and the Electrical Distribution scholarship is worth \$2,500! Scholarships are funded through Price Electric's Federated Youth Program. Funds in this program come from members who wish to donate or those who forfeit their Capital Credits.

Again, congratulations and best wishes to the class of 2021!

Butternut High School

Rib Lake High School



Gwenyth McCorison

Future Plans: Wisconsin
Indianhead Technical College
(WITC)

Major: Early Childhood Education



Hayden Bebeau

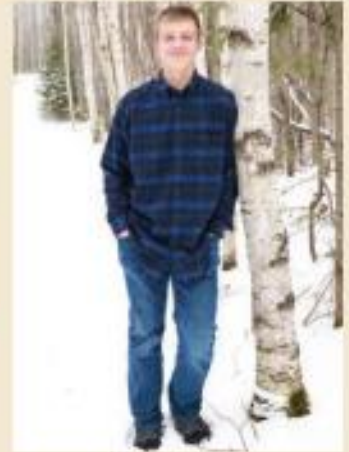
Future Plans: UW-Superior and
ROTC Air Force Program
Major: Computer Science



Carter Scheithauer

Future Plans: Northcentral
Technical College (NTC)-
Wausau

Major: Automotive Technology



Ryan Patrick

Future Plans: UW-Eau Claire
Major: Business

Chequamegon High School



Thomas Mineau

Future Plans: UW-Madison
Major: Electrical Engineering
Minor: Physics



Dylan Marose

Future Plans: UW-Madison
Major: Electrical Engineering



Alexis Podrez

Future Plans: UW-Stevens Point
then on to UW-Madison
Major: Chemical and Nuclear
Engineering

*Phillips
High School*



Anthony Kaster
Future Plans: UW-Whitewater
Major: Accounting, Education
or Environmental Science



Jacob Yanich
Future Plans: Northcentral
Technical College (NTC)
Major: Automotive Technology



Zoe Peterson
Future Plans: UW-Stout
Major: Special Education



Paige Moore
Future Plans: Northcentral
Technical College (NTC)
Undecided



Hannah Slachetka
Future Plans: Northcentral
Technical College (NTC)
Undecided



Rebecca Slachetka
Future Plans: UW-Stout
Major: Business

*Prentice
High School*

At Large Scholarships



Katie Peters
(Omro High School)
Future Plans: UW-Madison
Major: Civil Engineering
Minor: Environmental Studies



Nelson Wahl
(Cadott Jr./Sr. High School)
Future Plans: UW-La Crosse
Major: Accounting

Electrical Distribution Non-Traditional



Mitchell Holmstrom (Mercer K-12)
Future Plans: Moraine Park
Technical College
Electrical Distribution



Kaarin Lind
UW-Stevens Point
Major: Accounting



LAST CALL FOR PHOTOS:

Members have until **July 31** to submit photos for our 2021 Member Photo Contest! Winning photos will be included in our 2022 calendar and may be used in future newsletters or cooperative publications.

Photos must be taken within the Price Electric Cooperative service area, and they should capture life in northern Wisconsin (seasons, wildlife, landscape, people, etc.)

Contest details, including downloadable entry forms and photo release forms, are available on our website at www.price-electric.com. Forms can also be picked up at the PEC office, or emailed upon request.




SUMMER STORM SAFETY TIP

Strong summer storms can create dangerous situations. Always, avoid downed power lines—the wire could be live, which could be deadly for those who cross that line and even those members who are nearby. Quickly report downed power lines to Price Electric Cooperative by calling 715-339-2155 or 800-884-0881.




Price Electric Cooperative's office will be closed Monday, July 5, in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe and happy holiday weekend!

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