



FALL RIVER FLASHES

March 2024

Committed to safely and economically provide reliable energy and other services which bring value to its membership.

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SAVE THE DATE



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE IS MARCH 22

As reported in our January newsletter, more than \$75,000 is available to graduating high school students whose parents or guardians are members of Fall River Electric Cooperative.

Scholarship applications will be accepted in-person through March 24, 2024, or postmarked by that date.

Each scholarship is valued at \$2,400 and will be disbursed over a four-year period. More information and applications can be found at www.fallriverelectric.com/scholarships. Scholarships are funded by unclaimed patronage capital.

Fall River is also pleased to announce the availability of a \$2,400 yearly scholarship offered to a person interested in a utility career as a lineman. This scholarship will be awarded to only ONE person who plans to enroll in a lineman college. Unlike the scholarships mentioned above, the lineman college applicant can be either a member of the Cooperative or someone whose parents or guardians are members of Fall River Electric.

Applications for Lineman College will be accepted at any time and are also available by application on Fall River's website.

2024 Energy Expo Set For June 8 In Driggs

Mark it on your calendar! Fall River Electric's annual Energy Expo will be held in Driggs at Teton High School on Saturday, June 8, beginning at 8 a.m. with a scrumptious FREE breakfast. A wide variety of vendors will be on-hand with free and helpful information. Don't miss dozens of FREE prizes that will be given away and the annual business meeting of the Cooperative. Following the annual business meeting at 10 a.m., Fall River will also announce the new board members.

Watch for complete details and election information that will be mailed to each member in May.



Become A Fall River Electric Board Member Three Board Seats Up For Election In 2024



Back Row: Doug Schmier, Jeff Keay, Anna Lindstedt, Jodi Stiehl, Dede Draper, Travis Markgard
Front Row: Brent Robson, Georg Behrens, Husk Crowther, Bryan Case

One of the seven guiding principles of Fall River Electric is democratic member control wherein our Co-op is controlled by you, our members, through an elected board of directors. This nine-member board sets policies and makes decisions regarding the future of your Co-op.

The elected representatives of Fall River's board are accountable to the membership and this year, three of those nine seats are set for election. The seats up for election include District 1, the Rexburg and Rigby areas, presently represented by Husk Crowther; District 5, west Driggs and Teton, where Brent Robson currently serves; and finally, District 6, the Ashton area, currently represented by Dede Draper.

If you are interested in being a candidate for director, you may submit your name along with fifteen signatures of other members from within the district in which you reside. Those names and signatures must arrive at the Ashton, Idaho, office of Fall River Electric by April 12, 2024, in order to be considered for placement on the official election ballot. Remember, to be a qualified candidate, you must live in the district you are seeking election to.

North Fremont HS Receives Top Award

The senior class of North Fremont High School in Ashton received the top award of \$1,000 in the Co-op's first-ever high school food drive challenge. The 43-member class collected nearly 27 pounds each for a total of 1,160 pounds of non-perishable food that was then donated to the North Fremont Food Pantry.



Pictured, left to right: Senior class president Alyssa Hill, class vice president Ella Paini, student body president Allie Marsden, Fall River CEO Bryan Case, and NFHS Principal Goulding.



Where Service Matters

800-632-5726
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ASHTON

1150 North 3400 East
Ashton, ID 83420

DRIGGS

1605 N Highway 33
Driggs, ID 83422

WEST YELLOWSTONE

436 Madison Ave
West Yellowstone, MT 59758

All Our Offices Are Open

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Husk Crowther
District 1
Rexburg/Rigby
Vice President

Travis Markegard
District 2
West Victor



Georg Behrens
District 3
East Victor
President

Anna Lindstedt
District 4
East Driggs



Brent Robson
District 5
West Driggs/Tetonia

Dede Draper
District 6
Ashton



Jodi Stiehl
District 7
South Island Park
Secretary/Treasurer

Jeff Keay
District 8
North Island Park



Doug Schmier
District 9, West Yellowstone

Bryan Case
Fall River Electric
CEO/General Manager



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Patronage Capital Summaries To Arrive In April

Beginning next month (April), each member of Fall River Electric Cooperative will receive a summary of the Patronage Capital they have earned annually since becoming an owner-member. Patronage Capital is your share of the "margins" generated. Unlike for-profit businesses that generate profit, any excess revenue collected by Fall River is called margins and is paid back to our owner-members. All Patronage Capital amounts earned are based on the amount of electricity you use. For more info on Patronage Capital, visit our website at www.fallriverelectric.com/patronage-capital under the "My Cooperative" tab or call a friendly Member Services representative during normal business hours, Monday through Friday at 800.632.5726.



Lineman Appreciation Day Is April 8



Youth Rally Applications Due April 19

Each year Fall River Electric invites high school sophomore and junior students to apply to attend a FREE, all-expenses paid, weeklong trip to the Idaho Consumers Utilities Association (ICUA) youth rally held near Boise.

This event provides participating students with life-long leadership skills, team building techniques, electric utility knowledge, and information about industry related careers. Fall River students join others from around the Pacific Northwest for a fun filled summer week.

Applications can be found at fallriverelectric.com/youth-rally. The deadline to apply is April 19, 2024. Each student selected will receive a \$500 scholarship for participating and will be eligible for additional scholarships at the youth rally.

