

HIGH WEST ENERGY



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Annual Reports are On the Way!

As we look back on 2021, we can say that High West Energy is in a financially stable position. 2021 continued to throw new issues our way but with the perseverance and diligence of our employees and our members, we remained strong. 2022 promises to continue to bring a whole new set of challenges. Rising costs and supply chain problems are just two items that we are confronted with.

High West Energy's 85th Annual Meeting is virtual this year. Please plan to join us June 16, 2022, at 6pm as we wrap up 2021 and share our thoughts and plans for 2022. Any member that logs into the meeting will receive a \$20 credit on their electric bill. Verified members/attendees will also be eligible for the door prizes, which will be drawn after the meeting.

To register for the meeting please go to HighWestEnergy.coop and click on the Annual Meeting banner.
We hope to "see" you there!

—Turn the page to recognize our 2022 scholarship recipients.—

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High West Energy Awards Scholarships for the 2022 School Year

Once again, High West Energy is proud to announce our 2022 scholarship recipients. As we have all been witness to a time that has been both unknown and unsettling, it is refreshing to see the achievements that our young people have accomplished. The world these students have been thrown into is a world that we struggled to help them with because we all found ourselves in uncharted territory. Yet, they not only survived, they also thrived! It is with great honor that we award these scholarships.

High West Energy would like to thank everyone that had a hand in raising these young adults, helping them along the way, making them into the people that they are today. There is no better gift that we can give the future than a stellar group of achievers and leaders. Of course, we would also like to thank the panel of judges. They had the lofty task of reviewing an overwhelming number of incredible applications.

GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL!



Carson Rabou
University of Wyoming
\$1,000



Cassidy Weibel
University of Wyoming
\$1,000



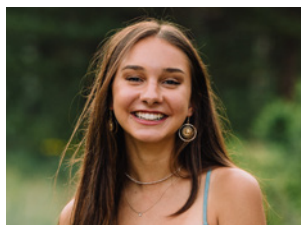
Chloe Berger
Grove City College, Grove City, PA
\$1,000



Daniel Bashtovoi
University of Nebraska
\$1,000



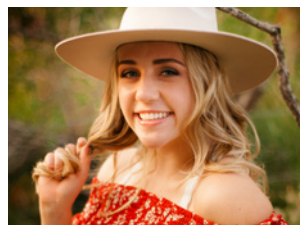
Emily Keiter
University of Wyoming
\$1,000



Kaya Pillivant
University of CO, Colorado Springs
\$500



Kylie Gallegos
University of Wyoming
\$500



Layne Burnett
Texas Tech University
\$1,000



Mackenzie Faircloth
University of Wyoming
\$1,000



Ryan Fogg
University of Wyoming
\$1,000



Virginia Herboldsheimer
University of Wyoming
\$1,000

Meet Thomas Gleason

UAV OPERATOR



In 2018, High West Energy began using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), more commonly referred to as drones, to inspect our communication assets. Today that program has expanded to the point where we inspect our substations, transmission and distribution lines regularly using these high-tech UAVs. We use UAVs to assist our line crews in the field and to find outages after a storm. This program allows High West Energy to expand on its commitment to ensuring that we deliver reliable service to our growing membership.

Our current UAV operator, Thomas (Tom) Gleason, has spent the better part of the last four years operating UAVs for utility companies across the United States. Tom has over 1,000 hours operating a variety of drones and takes pride in his effort to prevent outages. We are so fortunate to have him on our High West Energy team.

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Why are you looking at my property?

» We are only taking photos of our utility assets to make sure they are in good working order.

Q

Where are the pilots when the UAV is in the air?

» Our pilots are on the ground and can always see the UAV when the device is in the air. They'll be near a clearly marked company vehicle most of the time.

Q

What if I want to ask the UAV pilot questions?

» Our pilots enjoy interacting with our members and answering questions. Please know that they will be unable to answer your questions while they are flying. To ensure a safe operation the pilot must focus only on the drone while it is in the air.

Q

How will I know if it is a High West Energy UAV?

» Our pilots are only interested in taking pictures of our assets, such as utility poles and lines, therefore the drones will typically be flying over or beside the power lines. The pilot and/or their vehicle will typically be close to where the drone is operating. Our dispatch team also makes a concerted effort to reach out to you, our members. We use an auto dialer as well as email blasts to let you know when to expect drone operations in your area. Please reach out to us so we can make sure your contact information is up to date.

Q

Should members be concerned with UAVs around livestock?

» Our pilots are aware some livestock may be unsettled by the drones. If the pilots see that livestock is unsettled by the drones they will stop flying.



JUNE 14 **FLAG DAY**
JUNE 16 **HIGH WEST ENERGY ANNUAL MEETING**
JUNE 19 **FATHER'S DAY**
JUNE 21 **FIRST DAY OF SUMMER**



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Exciting News!

BRINGING EVERYONE TOGETHER



Jared Routh
CEO / General Manager

Hello, Members.

It's hard to believe we've made it to June and we're halfway through 2022. We have some exciting news to share with you. After an exhaustive evaluation with our board, leadership team and employees, we have decided to bring our wiring (High West Wiring) and information technology (High West Digital Solutions) companies back under our main organization, High West Energy.

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WIRING



HIGH WEST
DIGITAL
SOLUTIONS

HIGH WEST ENERGY



If you have worked with High West Wiring or High West Digital Solutions in the past, you will still be greeted with the same great people and provided exceptional service, all operating as part of High West Energy.

There are a few reasons that we decided to combine our companies into one. We felt it was important to recognize the great reputation High West Energy continues to represent in the communities we serve. This change will also deliver cost savings in multiple ways, ranging from reduced administration costs to improved logistics for the services offered under the wiring or information technology divisions. In return, we can pass along those cost savings to our membership through the wiring and

information technology work being performed. This change will also build on our cohesiveness across our entire employee team.

As we start this transition, all services will display our High West Energy logo, and we will further communicate this change to our members and customers.

We look forward to continuing to serve our members and customers, who entrust us to provide improvements to your homes and businesses with electrical or information technology services. As always, our primary goal is to serve our members and communities by providing safe, reliable and competitively priced energy and services.

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