



# Our EV Chargers are Up and Running!

Our chargers in Pine Bluffs and Potter are ready to go. Make sure to have the correct application and a \$5.00 balance added to the application. Also, make sure to have the latest version of the application and to clear your cache if it's not working. Scan the QR code and then start charging!

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### Scholarships Available!

OUR 2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN!

We also have lineworker scholarships if you are interested in being a lineworker. Scholarship applications are due February 2, 2023, or postmarked by January 26, 2023 and you must have at least one legal guardian who is a member of High West Energy.

Applications can be found at highwest.coop

### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**



- SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
- ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT
- COPY OF COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM
- --- ESSAY
- APPLICANT APPRAISAL

Scholarship applications can be dropped off at either of our locations in Pine Bluffs (6270 CR 212) or Cheyenne (3302 I-80 Service Rd). They can also be mailed: High West Energy Scholarships, PO Box 519, Pine Bluffs, WY 82082

CONTACT SCHOLARSHIPS@HIGHWEST.COOP FOR MORE INFORMATION

## **Youth Camp Information**

The Nebraska Rural Electric Youth Energy Leadership Camp is free to students. It will be held July 9-13, 2023 at Camp Comeca, Cozad, Nebraska.

### TO BE ELIGIBLE, YOU MUST:

- 01 CURRENTLY BE IN 9TH, 10TH, OR 11TH GRADE
- 02 LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST BE A HIGH WEST ENERGY MEMBER
- 03 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM AND RETURN IT TO HIGH WEST ENERGY

THE APPLICATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT HIGHWEST.COOP

IF YOU ATTEND ENERGY CAMP,
YOU WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR YOUTH TOUR IN
WASHINGTON D.C. NEXT SUMMER!















## Holiday **Efficiency Tips**

Use a timer to manage outdoor and indoor lights. Set the timer to automatically turn lights off or on.

To maximize fireplace efficiency, close the damper when a fire is not burning.

Make the switch to LED holiday lights. These are energy efficient, brighter, and cool to the touch.

Use smaller countertop appliances to save energy.

**PEARL HARBOR DAY DEC 07** 

**DEC 18 HANUKKAH BEGINS** 

**DEC 21** WINTER SOLSTICE

**DEC 25 CHRISTMAS** 

**DEC 26 KWANZAA BEGINS** 

**DEC 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE** 

**OUTAGE CALLS** 24 HOURS A DAY (888) 834-1657











**CHEYENNE SERVICE CENTER** 3302 I-80 SERVICE ROAD **CHEYENNE, WY 82009** 

MONDAY-THURSDAY • 8 AM-5 PM **CLOSED ON FRIDAYS** 

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## Caring for Our Communities



Jared Routh
CEO / General Manager

Merry Christmas from everyone at High West Energy! We appreciate our members and hope this season brings many blessings to you all. This year has been full of blessings for High West Energy, and this was not possible without our wonderful members. Thank you for always supporting us and providing us with feedback, as well as trusting us as your local cooperative. Because of you, we can focus on how to better serve our communities and provide safe, reliable and competitively priced energy and services.

With this being the giving season, our members also served many families in need in our communities this

past year through Operation Round Up®. This

program assists those going through hard times and we cannot thank you enough for caring about our communities. This past year has been difficult for many, and it is amazing to see how our communities come together to help one another out.

While we all continue to serve our communities, it is important to recognize those who help this cooperative operate. Thank you to our Board of Directors for overseeing our cooperative this past year. We appreciate the time and effort you put in to making sure our members and employees are taken care of. Thank you to our employees as well for their hard work and dedication to High West Energy. We appreciate everything they do, and our team is what makes it so special to be part of a cooperative. While High West Energy continues to focus on our members, the next year will have some exciting changes.

With 2023 approaching, we are always looking for new and improved ways of better serving

our members. As a gift from us to you, High West Energy is excited to bring Sparks directly into your home. Beginning in January, we will be mailing a newsletter to you with your bill to keep you updated on what is happening at High West Energy and what to look forward to. This newsletter will entail employee highlights, updates on your cooperative, and even recipes!

For members who do not receive a paper bill, the newsletter will

be sent to you electronically.

The newsletter will also be available on our website at highwest.coop, as well as shared on our social media channels.

We want this new experience to be beneficial and interactive for our members.

We will be asking members to send in recipes, thoughts/questions about the industry, as well as accomplishments throughout the community. We would also like to feature members throughout Sparks, focusing on their skills, talents, or even occupations. Please email sparks@highwest.coop for any ideas you would like highlighted in our newsletters. Our members are our focus, and we would like to highlight the members that make up High West Energy.

We hope this change rings in the new year and brings beneficial information to our members. We appreciate your support throughout the year, and we look forward to continuing to serve you. Have a merry Christmas and happy New Year!

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Michael Lerwick	District 11	(307) 630-1277
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Ed Prosser	District 13	(307) 630-8364
Jerry Burnett	District 14	(970) 895-3386
Damon Birkhofer	District 15	(308) 235-7296
Kosha Olsen	District 16	(307) 214-4940
Kevin Thomas	District 17	(308) 879-4396

Meetings are typically held on the fourth Monday each month.

### **LEADERSHIP TEAM**

CEO & General Manager	
Chief Information Officer & HWDS Manager	
Chief Financial Officer	
Engineering Manager	
Operations Manager	
Member Services Manager	
Employee Services Manager	
WAFB Operations & HWW Manager	

# We are looking for students to join our Junior Advocacy Group!

High West Energy is wanting to begin a junior advocacy group where high school students from surrounding areas meet once a month at our Pine Bluffs Headquarters.

During this time, students will learn the history of High West Energy, information about co-ops, as well as learn about different departments or career opportunities in the co-op industry.

This group will also allow students to bring concerns to us, provide feedback, and collaborate with High West Energy leadership to contribute to solve industry concerns or problems.

### WHY JOIN THIS GROUP?

- Gain experience for scholarship applications
- Gain information about internships at High West Energy
  Learn about co-op schooling and career opportunities
- Learn about future career opportunities at High West Energy

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Juniors or Seniors
- Meet once a month in Pine Bluffs
  - Lunch will be provided if scheduled during that time

If you are interested in this program, please contact Brooke Darden at 307-245-3261.