



A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

MIDSTATE CONNECTION

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Touchstone Energy® Co-op Connections® Update

The Co-op Connections Card is a money-saving member benefit program that provides valuable local and national discounts. The most widely used benefit of the card, the pharmacy discount, has saved members over 1 million dollars since June 2009.

For more information call 541-536-2126, option 5.

SmartHub - The Center of Member Engagement



Manage your electric account 24/7 by accessing SmartHub at www.mse.coop.

With SmartHub, you can:

- Pay your bill online
- View billing history
- Monitor energy use
- Receive notifications via email or text message
- Report outages and track outage restoration progress
- Check MECs newsfeed



Board Districts 3, 4 and 6 Up for Election in 2022

Director positions on the Board of Midstate Electric Cooperative for Districts 3, 4 and 6 are up for election at the Annual Meeting on May 14, 2022:

DISTRICT 3: Current Director – Gordon DeArmond

District 3 (Crescent) is described as: North boundary is the Deschutes County and Klamath County line, including the ODOT Tunnel at Willamette Pass. West boundary is the Douglas County and the Klamath County line, and a portion of Lane County to include the ODOT Tunnel. South boundary is a line running east and west one mile North of Highway 58 Junction. East boundary begins 4.3 miles due east of Highway 97 on the Southern boundary. The boundary continues due north for 9 miles to a point just north and west of Crescent Butte, then 1.5 miles due west until intersecting Highway 97. Continuing northerly along Highway 97 about 2.6 miles then heading due north about 7.75 miles to the point of beginning.

DISTRICT 4: Current Director – Ron Sommerfeldt

District 4 (Gilchrist) is described as: Beginning at the intersection of the Klamath, Deschutes and Lake County lines then heading due west along the North boundary of the Klamath County line for about 16.7 miles. Then heading due south for about 7.75 miles until intersecting Highway 97. From that intersection heading in a southwesterly direction along Highway 97 about 2.6 miles. Then heading due east for about 1.5 miles to a point just north and west of Crescent Butte, then heading due south for 9 miles until reaching the Southern boundary. The South boundary is a line running east and west one mile north of Highway 58 Junction for 16 miles. Then heading in a northerly direction along the East boundary of the Klamath and Lake County line, back to the point of beginning.

DISTRICT 6: Current Director – Bud Kendall

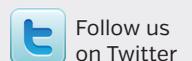
District 6 (La Pine) is described as: North boundary is the north line of Township 21 South, which is about 1.5 miles north of the intersection of State Rec Road and Highway 97. West boundary is the Lane County and Deschutes County line. South boundary is Burgess Road (and its extension east and west.) East boundary is six miles east of East Lake.

MEC 2022 Events Calendar

Jan 31	Washington D.C. Applications Due
May 9	Scholarship Applications Due
May 14	Annual Meeting
May 30	Memorial Day – Office Closed
June 1	Calendar Photo Contest Opens
Aug 15	Calendar Photo Contest Deadline
Sept 5	Labor Day – Office Closed
Nov 24	Thanksgiving Day – Office Closed



Friends Stay Connected



2022 Annual Meeting

The 2022 MEC annual membership meeting is planned for Saturday, May 14. We are hopeful for an in-person meeting this year. We will keep you updated.

District 3 [Crescent], District 4 [Gilchrist], and District 6 [La Pine] are up for election this year. Candidates to represent those districts may be nominated for director by filing a petition signed by at least 15 members of the cooperative who reside in that district. Petitions may be obtained at MEC's office and must be filed on or before Thursday, March 3.

For more information about the qualifications and duties of directors, call 541-536-2126, option 5. For detailed descriptions of districts 3, 4, and 6, see page 8.

Dear Member:

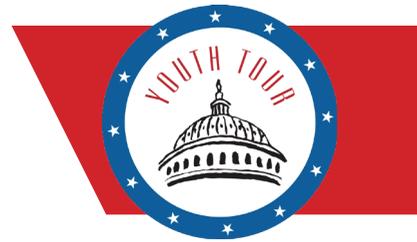
Happy New Year! The year 2021 is behind us and we are moving forward. As we prepare for 2022, I am pleased to report your board of directors approved a 2022 working budget.



Last Call - Washington D.C. Youth Tour

MEC will send one student delegate to represent MEC at the Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. June 18-24, 2022. This all expenses-paid trip is a unique opportunity for a high school sophomore or junior whose parents are MEC members.

Call [541] 536-2126 option 5, for additional information. The deadline to apply is Monday, January 31, 2022.



Operation Round Up®

Midstate Electric's members have the opportunity to be a part of a program called Operation Roundup® that gives back to their local communities. Funds gathered by the program are allocated for many types of worthy projects in Midstate Electric's service area in Deschutes, Klamath, Lake and Lane Counties. Operation Roundup® is administered by the Midstate Electric Charitable Trust, a committee of directors from Midstate Electric's service area, who serve on a voluntary basis.

The electric bills of those members who choose to participate are "rounded up" to the next higher dollar each month. The extra cents collected from each member go into the "Round Up" fund. The average participating member will contribute about 50 cents per month.

Contributions to Operation Roundup® are tax deductible, and we'll note your year-to-date contribution on your December, January, and February electric bill each year. We'll keep you informed in your member newsletter and the Ruralite magazine on the activities of the Midstate Electric Charitable Trust and provide updates on monies awarded. All Operation Roundup® funds stay right here in our communities. Guidelines for awarding this money address special needs for community educational and charitable projects. Political campaigns and issues will not be considered for funding, nor will the funds be used for electric bill relief.

To participate in Operation Roundup®, please call our Member Service Department. [541] 536-2126 or [800] 722-7219

Applications for grants can be downloaded from our website at: www.midstateelectric.coop/operation-roundupr and dropped off at our office or mailed to: Midstate Electric Cooperative, PO Box 127, La Pine OR 97739. You can also contact the Administrative Assistant for more information [541] 536-7241.

Jim Anderson
General Manager

