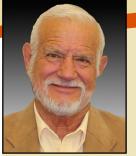


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October 2018



DICK CLIFTON
District 3 Director

Board Actions AUGUST 2018

Approved the Department Production and Financial Reports.

Approved the Work Order for \$124,076.62 for the BCR's Brewery.

Approved NRECA Region 7 voting ballot.

Approved Work Order Inventory #538 for \$240,418.78.

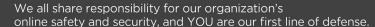
#### Date to Remember

Day Light Saving Time Ends November 4, 2018!



## October IS NATIONAL COOPERATIVE MONTH

# OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH



#### Think Before You Click

- Always hover over a link first to be sure it is safe.
- Report suspicious emails or emails from an unknown sender to your spam filter and delete them from your inbox.



#### **Defend Your Computer**

- The best defense against viruses, malware and other online threats is keeping your equipment up to date.
- Work with our IT staff (or provider) to keep your software, including your web browser, and operating systems current.



#### Lockdown Your Log-in

- Create long and unique passwords. Use familiar phrases or song lyrics you'll remember.
- When possible, use 2-factor authentication as a second layer of defense.
- Change passwords regularly, and do not share them.



#### **Protect Sensitive Information**

- Use encryption to protect sensitive data
- Limit the spread of any attack by only accessing files and folders you need.
- Do not put confidential information in emails, or instant and text messages.



#### Watch for Red Flags to Identify Potential Phish Attacks

 Phishing attempts seek to steal or compromise data and will often mimic a known sender.

#### Look for red flags:

- 1. the email is unexpected;
- 2. there is a sense of urgency conveyed;
- there is an offer that seems too good to be true; and/or
   there are typos

and misspellings.



#### Practice Good Cyber Hygiene On the Go

 Treat all public Wi-Fi networks as a security risk, and don't make financial or other sensitive transactions over public networks.



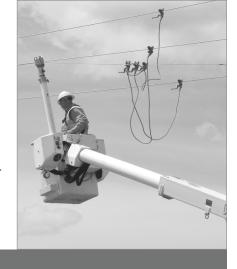


Want more tips to improve your cyber hygiene?

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### RUSSELL WALDNER, GENERAL MANAGER



WREA

Wyoming Rural Electric Association (WREA) had their annual meeting September 11-12, 2018 right here in Saratoga WY. We were happy to host the WREA annual meeting at the Platte Valley Community Center. We heard over and over again how fortunate Saratoga was to have a fantastic facility in a community of our size. We utilized The Saratoga Resort and Spa, Hacienda Motel, Rivera Lodge, Hotel Wolf, and I'm sure some even found other options. We did not hear one disparaging word about the accommodations in Saratoga during the meeting. I know some even ventured out to

shop and taste all that the valley has to offer. Saratoga, Encampment, Riverside and Ryan Park, Thank You!

Shawn Taylor and Robin Feezer of WREA did a great job of having the best speakers and content for the meeting. Kept everything moving along and never let us miss a meal. Scott and Michelle LLC, made sure everything was very tasty.

Erika, Valerie, Joe and Debbie helped with registration and audio visual presentations as well as any local informational questions. Thanks to all for a great WREA annual Meeting in Saratoga WY.

Should you have questions or suggestions please contact us.





## Jerry Rabidue

#### RESIGNS AFTER 50 YEARS OF SERVICE



50 OF SERVICE AT CARBON POWER & LIGHT, INC. Jerry Rabidue went to work for Carbon Power & Light in

1967. Then, after completing four years of Casper College Correspondence, he became a Journeyman Lineman. Jerry worked up to Line Superintendent and once was Acting Manager of Carbon Power & Light until the position was filled. Jerry left Carbon Power & Light's employment in March 1980 to pursue his family business in Arlington. \*M P Schmidt\*

In June 1980, Jerry was elected to Carbon Power & Light's Board of Directors. He has served as the Vice President from 1981-1991 and also from 1998 - 2018. He earned his Credentialed Cooperative Director in 2004. He has served as the WREA representative from 2009 until his resignation in June of 2018.







## Thanks for the years of service!

Member Statistics Report	July 2017	July 2018	
Financial			
Total Utility Plant	\$42,533,330	\$43,929,718	
Cost of Purchase Power	\$ 617,354	\$609,195	
Expenses Less Power Cost	\$448,500	\$533,375	
Tax & Interest Paid	\$52,144	\$56,704	
Interest Received on Investments	\$5,092	\$8,434	
Energized Line & Consumers			
Miles of Energized Line	1,967	1,970	
Consumers Per Mile	3.2	3.2	
Meters			
Total Meters	6,246	6,284	
Residential/Rural	4,985	5,030	
Irrigation	52	51	
Large Power/Commercial	1,148	1,142	
Other	61	61	
kWh Usage			
Total kWh	8,056,340	7,771,757	
Residential/Rural	2,375,823	2,355,643	
Irrigation	574,542	681,178	
Large Power/Commercial	4,932,717	4,554,375	
Other	173,258	180,561	
Averages			
Avg. Residential kWh Used	477	468	
Avg. Residential/Rural Bill	\$86	\$87	

Carbon welcomes any comments or questions members may have. If you have a question on any part of the cooperative business, please write or email the cooperative and we will see that your question is answered. Mail comments to Carbon Power & Light, Inc. P.O. Box 579, Saratoga, WY 82331, ATTN: Newsletter or email info@carbonpower.com.

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## **Energy Efficiency**Tip of the Month

Cooler temps will be here soon! No matter what kind of heating system you have in your home, you can save money and increase your comfort by properly maintaining and upgrading your equipment. Contact a licensed professional to inspect your system before the winter chill arrives.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy

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OCTOBER - APRIL

Monday - Friday ~ 8 AM - 4:30 PM

