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Welcome to Southeastern, Chad!

As your next Southeastern Electric Cooperative (SEC) CEO/GM, I'd like to start my first monthly column by offering my sincere thanks to you, the member/owners, as



Chad Kinsley
CEO/GM

well as to the Board of Directors, and to the employee team for the warm welcome that's been extended to my family and I. Sundy, my wife, and our four kids continue through the relocation process but are excited to soon be settling into our next home, starting a new school year, and meeting new friends.

Since I just joined SEC a short time ago, I thought I'd share a few initial observations. The first observation that stands out above all else is the outstanding and

dedicated Board of Directors and employee team that are truly focused on serving you, the member/owners, through our mission of being "Member Focused, Member Driven". I've been impressed by all the exciting work occurring to better serve you such as extending electric services to many new members, replacing aging parts of the electric distribution system, visiting with members at County Fairs and the State Fair, expanding our Sioux Falls office, and many more initiatives underway, all aimed to better serve you with safe, reliable, and cost-effective electricity.

At SEC, our top priority continues to be safety. In fact, it's been great to see signs at each SEC office/warehouse reminding us to "do your job safely, one job at a time". I'd also highlight that September 17-23 is National Farm Safety and Health Week this year and the theme is "No One Can Take Your Place". It's a great reminder since the fall harvest season is quickly approaching and statistics show the agriculture sector is one of the most dangerous in the U.S. with 573 reported fatalities in 2019. So please pause and think about how you keep safety #1 in your farm business and family.

Last but not least, I'd like to congratulate your prior GM, Brad Schardin, for being inducted into the SD Association of Cooperatives Hall of Fame on August 7th. It's a very well-deserved recognition of Brad's 41 years of dedicated service to both SEC and the broader cooperative family. Congratulations and thanks, Brad!

Handing over the Cooperative Keys



Back in July of 1990, Velmer Wire handed over the keys of your Electric Cooperative to Bradley Schardin in front of the Marion office in Marion, South Dakota.



At the regular monthly Board Meeting on July, 26, 2023, Bradley Schardin handed the keys of your Electric Cooperative to Chad Kinsley in front of the Marion office in Marion, South Dakota.

Sanford AirMed Visit



At a recent safety meeting, the Sanford AirMed 9 was invited to our Sioux Falls Area office for landing zone training. This type of training is important for us should they ever be needed at accident scenes or in the event of natural disasters.

Southeastern Electric line crews and office staff also train for the event that we hope never happens should one of our own need assistance in an emergency. We always hope that that day never comes, but we also need to be prepared for when help is needed.

Thank you to the Sanford AirMed crew for their help with this training and for what you do to help save lives every day!.



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No One Can Take Your Place

National Farm Safety and Health Week Sept. 17-23, 2023

The 2019 data for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates that the agricultural sector is still the most dangerous in America with 573 fatalities, or an equivalent of 23.1 deaths per 100,000 workers.

Fall harvest time can be one of the busiest and most dangerous seasons of the year for the agriculture industry. For this reason, the third week of September has been recognized as National Farm Safety and Health Week.

This annual promotion initiated by the National Safety Council has been proclaimed as such by each sitting U.S. President since Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1944. National Farm Safety and Health Week is led by the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (NECAS), the agricultural partner of the National Safety Council.

Did you know?

- Rural roads pose special dangers especially during harvest season. Watch out for slow-moving farm vehicles and be informed, aware, and patient while sharing rural roadways.
- Farm stress is real, and many things like weather events, tragedies, market uncertainty, or diseases can tip us out of our comfort zone.
- Every day, about 33 children are seriously injured in agricultural-related incidents.
- Hazardous gasses on farms can be found in silos, manure storages, grain bins, and other confined spaces. Be in the know about hazardous gasses and where they can be found on farms.

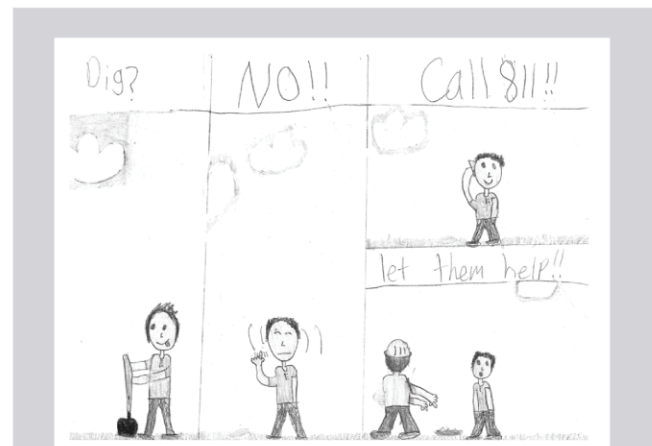
Farm and ranch life can be demanding and stressful. Over the past several years, it has reached a critical stage for the folks who grow America's food with COVID-19 pandemic impacts on top of natural disasters, extreme weather events, financial pressures due to fluctuating commodity prices, labor shortages, trade disruptions and a

long list of other factors. Given these ongoing challenges, it's no surprise that more farmers and farm families are experiencing stress and mental health concerns.

Today, safety professionals still use this promotional week to remind those working in our nation's most dangerous industry to be careful. Agriculture's death rate is why farmers and ranchers must use safe farming practices during harvest and throughout the year.

South Dakota's electric cooperatives urge our agricultural producers to make better safety and health decisions this harvest season and during the next year. Join us in promoting safety during the 80th annual **National Farm Safety and Health Week Sept. 17-23, 2023**.

During this time, please encourage others to adopt safe practices and behaviors as we prepare to prevent injuries during this harvest season.



Call 811!

Evey Hinrichs, Age 9 3/4

Evey Hinrichs advises people it's not safe to dig before calling 811. Evey is the daughter of Kelby and Carrie Fey from Aberdeen, S.D., members of Northern Electric Cooperative.

Kids, send your drawing with an electrical safety tip to your local electric cooperative (address found on Page 3). If your poster is published, you'll receive a prize. All entries must include your name, age, mailing address and the names of your parents. Colored drawings are encouraged.

DIPS AND SPREADS

SPINACH DIP

Ingredients:

- 16 oz. sour cream
- 1 cup mayonnaise (must be mayo)
- 1 pkg. frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 1 can water chestnuts, chopped
- 1 tbsp. minced onion
- 1 tsp. season salt
- 1/2 tsp. Accent
- Dash of Worcestershire sauce
- 2 dashes of hot sauce

METHOD

Serve with Club or Ritz crackers.

Linda Hubbard
Rapid City, S.D.

CREAMY CINNAMON DIP

Ingredients:

- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
- 1 container (8 oz.) sour cream
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tbsps. milk
- 2 tsps. ground cinnamon
- 1 tsp. all natural pure vanilla extract

METHOD

Beat all ingredients in medium bowl with electric mixer on medium speed until well blended. Spoon into serving bowl. Cover.

Refrigerate until ready to serve. Serve with fresh fruit slices, cookies or pound cake or angel food cubes.
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CARAWAY CHEESE SPREAD

Ingredients:

- 1 container (12 oz.) Cheddar cheese spread, at room temperature
- 2 tsps. minced onions
- 1 1/2 tsps. whole caraway seed
- 1/2 tsp. Lawry's® Seasoned Salt

METHOD

Mix cheese spread and seasonings in medium bowl. Cover. Refrigerate at least 2 hours to blend flavors.

Serving Suggestion: Serve with assorted vegetables such as celery sticks, cherry tomatoes, jicama sticks, carrot sticks, endive leaves, and/or assorted crackers.

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Please send your favorite recipes to your local electric cooperative (address found on Page 3). Each recipe printed will be entered into a drawing for a prize in December 2023. All entries must include your name, mailing address, phone number and cooperative name.

Patronage Capital Credit Refunds

Watch for a Credit on your Electric Bill

We are pleased to report that your Board of Directors has authorized a \$2,800,000 general refund of patronage capital credits for 2023. If you are eligible, your portion of the refund will appear as a credit on your August electric bill due in September.

On behalf of your Board of Directors and the employees, thank you for your patronage and your support of Southeastern.

In theory, patronage capital credit refunds return to our members the little extra (margin) they paid in prior years to ensure that Southeastern had adequate reserves to fund the day-to-day operations of the cooperative.

By returning those dollars after the fact, we have (in essence) provided electric service in prior years to our members at cost. As a non-profit electric cooperative, Southeastern strives to demonstrate the benefits of cooperative philosophy and the principles that have made, and continue to make, cooperatives such a successful business model.

Cooperative Benefits:

- Owned and democratically controlled by the members – the people who use the cooperative’s services or buy its goods – not by outside investors.
- Cooperative members elect their board of directors from within the membership.
- Return surplus revenues (income over expenses or margins) to members proportionate to their use of the cooperative, not proportionate to their investment or ownership share. This is the patronage capital credits program.
- Motivated by service, not profit – to meet the members’ needs for affordable and high quality goods or services.
- Exist solely to serve the members.

If you would like more information to help you understand patronage capital credits and cooperative principles and philosophy, please visit our web site at www.southeasternelectric.com.

It’s Fair Time!



It’s that time of year again when we spend a lot of time at the local fairs in our service area. We were recently at the Union County Fair in Alcester with Union County Electric, Clay-Union Electric, and East River Electric. We talked to the kids about electricity safety and watched them explore and learn about electric vehicles

Board Summary Report

July - 2023

The Board of Directors of Southeastern Electric Cooperative met in Marion on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, with all directors present.

Also, present were Managers Brad Schardin and Chad Kinsley, Attorney Mike Nadolski and staff members John Euchner, Todd Nelson and Jon Wunder.

Manager Schardin reviewed with the board the following items:

1. Reviewed the Basin financials and Basin's bylaws related to deferred revenue levels.
2. Discussed carbon pipelines, large loads, RUS environmental changes, new director orientation and the Sioux Falls office addition.
3. Reviewed the circulation folder and various member-related issues.
4. Managers Schardin and Kinsely attended the Basin Manager's meeting.

CFO Jon Wunder reviewed his written report, including the preliminary financial report, IRS Form 990, KWH tax payments, proposed capital credit retirements and an update on the unclaimed capital credit project.

Member Services and IT Manager Todd Nelson reviewed his written report, annual meeting planning, Verizon AMR conversion, fair season, disconnects, past due accounts, IT projects, cybersecurity and load management.

Operations Manager John Euchner reviewed his written report, which included any close calls, recent safety meetings and outages. He also talked about future services, the construction work plan and the Federated Commitment to Zero program.

Attorney Nadolski updated the board on CO2 pipelines and next steps for the cooperative.

The board acted on the following motions:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda, along with additions. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to grant Kinsley access to the USDA Rural Development Data Collection System. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Board Resolution #2023-06, Corporate Authorization. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Board Resolution #2023-07, RUS Form 675. The resolutions are updates to signatories at various banks and lenders used by the Cooperative. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to set the 2024 annual meeting date to June 6, 2024. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to increase the outstanding balance that may be retired in full on inactive accounts to \$50.00 or less. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve a donation to sponsor the Sioux Metro Growth Alliance Growth Summit. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to select Ostraat as the voting delegate at the Basin Annual Meeting. Motion carried.
- A motion was made and seconded to set the September board meeting for Thursday, September 21, 2023, at the Marion office. Motion carried.

The next regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at the Marion office.



INVASIVE SPECIES

State run boat checks and washing stations aim to reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species, such as zebra mussels, in South Dakota.

Zebra Mussels and Their Impact on the Missouri River

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The Missouri River in South Dakota, renowned for its outstanding recreational areas, fishing holes and scenic campgrounds, draws a wide swath of tourists from around the world. However, these welcoming public waters have become the home of one unwelcome intruder—the infamous zebra mussel.

Endemic to southeastern Europe, the zebra mussel made its journey to the United States Great Lakes in the '80s as an unlikely stowaway, clinging to the hulls of large ships and barges. Since their arrival, the mussels have proliferated across the Midwest, spreading from one river system to the next.

So how can a mollusk, merely the size of a fingernail, inflict millions of

dollars in economic damage to local recreation, agriculture and hydroelectric power generation? Martin Goding, Gavins Point Dam maintenance and operations manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, explains that one zebra mussel can spawn more than a million eggs in a season, overrunning the local ecosystem. Once established, the mussels latch onto every viable surface in the water—they envelop pipes, ruin beaches and disrupt hydroelectric dams.

In 2015, local governments detected South Dakota's first infestation of zebra mussels in Lewis and Clark Lake. Goding says this discovery ignited a fierce battle against the invasive species.

“We are in the war to eradicate the zebra mussel, but I don't think we're ever going to completely eliminate them,” said Goding. “They are multiplying faster than we can get rid of them.”



Zebra Mussels completely envelop Gavins Point Dam's water gates, adding up to an additional 30 tons of weight.



With few effective treatments at their disposal, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has been forced to adjust to operating within a river infested with mussels. The change has significantly

increased the maintenance costs associated with running Gavins Point Dam. Pipes, essential for cooling the dam as it produces electricity, now require routine disassembly and cleaning. Over the course of six months of warm weather, the dam's lakeside gates collect an additional 30 tons of weight from the relentless accumulation of zebra mussel shells and the debris they carry.

"We have spent a million and a half dollars over the last five years just in maintenance to deal with this invasive species—and that's not even counting the cost of materials," said Goding. "Zebra mussels have really impacted the operation and turned maintenance into a

nightmare."

Beyond maintenance, zebra mussels have also disrupted power generation. Outbreaks of zebra mussels within

the dam's infrastructure have resulted in unscheduled and forced outages, interrupting an energy source that has been historically reliable.

"One could safely say that Gavin Point Dam has lost a million dollars in power generation over the last five years," said Goding.

Since the initial invasion in 2015, some strategies have emerged to mitigate damage from the invasive species. The introduction of UV lights and the addition of strainers have curbed the presence of zebra mussels within the dam. Even still, the mussels have continued their spread northward through the Missouri River to Lake Sharpe near Pierre, S.D.

According to Goding, the experiences at Gavins Point Dam serve as a stark warning for dams and water systems yet to face infestation.

"Lewis and Clark Lake is beyond prevention," said Goding. "We have crossed that bridge and they are not going away."



Southeastern Crews at work



Incentives for Members

Whether you're building a new home, remodeling an existing home, or just looking to upgrade your heating and cooling system, Southeastern Electric Cooperative has a program designed to help. We also offer a great rebate program on lifetime tank replacement warranty water heaters. (see website for details).

Southeastern Electric Cooperative members can take advantage of the following rebates, rates and

Electric Heat Pumps - Residential (Single Family, Condos, Townhomes and Duplexes):

Air Source Heatpumps.....\$600.00 Rebate

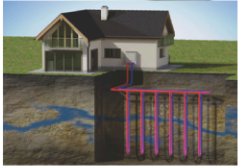
- Minimum Requirements: Equipment must be new electrical equipment, at least a 2 ton electric heat pump, and meet the DOE manufacturing standard for HSPF efficiency.

Geothermal Heatpumps.....\$800.00 Rebate

- Minimum Requirements: Equipment must be new electrical equipment, at least a 2 ton electric heat pump, and meet the DOE manufacturing standard for HSPF efficiency.

Reduced Electrical Rate 5.9 cents per KWH

- Electric Heating Systems are eligible for the reduced electrical rate on all energy used by the heating system.
- System will be submetered to determine usage.
- Heat pump installations are eligible for reduced rate year-round with airconditioning function controlled by load management system.



Lifetime Warranty Water Heaters:

Southeastern Electric will pay a rebate of **\$7.00 per gallon** of the water heater's volume for new residential electric water heaters meeting the following requirements:

- Equipment must be new electrical equipment with a Minimum 50 gallon capacity
- Must be installed in a residential dwelling
- Has an energy factor of at least .90 and carry a manufacturer's 'lifetime' tank replacement manufacturer's warranty against tank leakage.
- There has not been a rebate paid on a 'lifetime' tank replacement warranty water heater at the location in the past 10 years
- All water heaters receiving rebate payments must be controlled by the East River load management system
- \$4.00 Monthly electric bill credit on non-submetered water heaters on load control

Southeastern Electric sells Marathon water heaters priced as follows after the \$7.00 per gallon rebate has been applied:

Size	Cost
50 gallon	\$700 + tax
85 gallon	\$805 + tax
105 gallon	\$835 + tax



Residential Five percent (5%) Interest Rate Loans for Southeastern Electric Members:

Heat Pump Loan:

- Available for either Air Source or Geothermal Heat Pump installations
- Loan funds will be made available to cover the cost of eligible electric heating equipment, wiring, materials, installation and other associated work.
- Loan funds cannot be used for the purchase of fossil fuel equipment

Weatherization and Energy Efficiency

- For weatherization and energy efficiency improvements made to a member's residence
- Improvements must be recommended in a qualified Energy Audit

Terms of the Loans

- Loan amounts not to exceed \$10,000.
- The interest will be 5 percent annually on the unpaid balance.
- The maximum length of the loan will be 84 months.

For More Information, please call our office at 800-333-2859 or visit our website www.southeasternelectric.com



Drone Spraying

A Modern Tool in Today's Agriculture

Scott Waltman

As modern agriculture continues to evolve, drones are one of the newer tools farmers can use to help their land and crops.

The hovering, unmanned aircraft can be handy for small areas and places it's difficult for traditional spraying options to get to, according to those who offer the service to those in the ag sector.

Drones aren't the weapon of choice to spray chemicals on 1,500 acres of corn or soybeans, but that day is likely coming, said Derek Ver Helst, who operates Dakota Unmanned Aerial in Brandt.

Closer to the coasts, drones are already used for a multitude of purposes that aren't just fun and shooting videos. They are only going to become more prominent in ag-heavy states like the Dakotas, he said.

"The possibilities are pretty much

just limited by your imagination," Ver Helst said.

He said his background as an agronomist piqued his interest in spraying with drones. Dakota Unmanned Aerial is a side hustle he started about two years ago. He works as a senior conservation agronomist for AgSpire.

Nick Williams had a background in agriculture working for CHS Cooperative and selling farm equipment before starting Williams Drones southeast of Parkston in August 2020. Business has been good, he said, estimating that it has doubled each year.

"It's really taken off, it continues to grow," Williams said.

He and Ver Helst agree that farmers have been receptive to the relatively new option, willing to give it a try when the project isn't too big.

Williams said he does mostly ag-related work. In late July, he was staying busy with fungicide applications.

Drones are great near shelter belts and around wet areas. Those are places



that are hard for a land rig or spray plane to get to. Drones work better because they are smaller and more agile, he said.

A route is mapped out and the drone reads that information and flies mostly autonomously, Williams said.

He sets the height, speed, gallons of application per acre and swath width. Once a drone is in the air, it does almost all of the work, though Williams said he can control the height a little, if needed.

Drones have sensors and other features so they don't run into trees, equipment, wind turbines or structures, he said.

Depending on the amount of land to be sprayed, it can take longer to map a field than to spray it, Ver Helst said.

His drones carry 10 liters, but others have a capacity of 40 liters, he said. When a drone runs out of chemical, it returns back to the operator, who puts on a new tank, changes the battery and sends it back out, Ver Helst said. The drone will pick up spraying right where it left off, he said.

In 2016, land-grant university researchers and educators started work to increase the use of drones in agriculture, according to information from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

That work continues today. It includes identifying and evaluating the most user-friendly and cost-effective drone platforms and sensors, according to the USDA.

Some drone operators offer swarm spraying, Van Helst and Williams said.

For instance, there could be five drones programmed to follow the same grid over a field, pasture or slough working in unison, Van Helst said. As one runs out of spray, it returns for a new tank of chemical and battery until the job is finished.

Van Helst said he doesn't do a lot of spraying. Most of it is on pastures.

But, he said, he has done some work in orchards and vineyards where grapes are grown.

Williams has branched out a little more. Last year, he said, he was hired to do a dust-control project at the Sanford Underground Research Facility in the Black Hills. That is the former Homestake gold mine near Lead.

And both men say drones can be used to combat one of South Dakota's least-popular commodities – mosquitos.

Drones can be used to spray for skeeters on fairgrounds, when there's a big city gathering and even in a residential area.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, they were even used to shower stadiums with antibacterial spray, Van Helst said.

One drone operator in Texas was contacted to see if drones could be used to drop fish food into a pond, Williams said.

He said his drones can cover about 20 acres an hour, though some can do 30 hours an acre. And he expects the new drones released next year will be able to spray 40 hours in an acre.

For large fields, a land rig or a spray plane is still a better bet, Williams said. A traditional ground sprayer can probably cover 70 acres an hour, he said.

Van Helt said his T-40 drone can handle about 100 acres a day.

One challenge in getting started is getting all of the licensing needed from the Federal Aviation Administration.

He spent about two years testing and writing exemptions and working through the legalities.

Commercial drone operators need a remote pilot certificate from the FAA. Another license is needed to dispense chemicals from a flying aircraft, Van Helst said.

He said he has procured 14 FAA exemptions and will need two more next year.

That's why some drone operators hire a business to navigate that process. That's the route Williams took.

Being a drone operator can be fun or frustrating, just like any other job, he said. He just checks the forecast and hopes it holds. Trying to spray when the wind is 20 mph or more just isn't going to work, he said.

Even so, Van Helst said, drones are a fantastic tool. Ground rigs and spray planes will always be needed, and drones are just one more option for farmers to tap.

"There's a right time and a right place for everything," he said.



ELECTRIC BUS



SHIFTING GEARS

The Viborg-Hurley School District's new electric-powered school bus is expected to arrive in September.

South Dakota School District Powers Forward with New Electric Bus

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The shift from gas and diesel-powered vehicles to electric alternatives is gaining momentum across the U.S., encompassing cars, semi-trucks, and even school buses. Among these making the change is the Viborg-Hurley School District, which is preparing to modernize one of their classic yellow school buses.

The initiative began when Viborg-Hurley School District secured a grant through the EPA's Clean School Bus Program earlier this year, enabling the purchase an electric school bus to join the school's fleet. Using nearly \$400,000 from the grant, the school bought their bus and accompanying charging station from Lion Electric,

a Canada-based electric vehicle bus manufacturer. Southeastern Electric, a local South Dakota cooperative,

was instrumental in encouraging the school district to apply for the grant, according to Matt Jensen, the Viborg-Hurley School District business manager.

"We have community members working at Southeastern who are always looking out for the school's best interests," said Jensen. "They keep us informed about opportunities like this."



Set to arrive in September, the new bus reimagines the classic yellow school bus for a greener future. Its entirely electric engine doesn't require any traditional fuel and instead relies on an electric motor and a charged battery to transport students. To comply with the grant, the school district will have to retire one of their existing diesel engine busses, phasing out the old technology for something new.

According to Jensen, the introduction of new electric technology into the school district's bus fleet has elicited a few questions

and some skepticism from the local communities. With a top speed capped at 60 miles per hour and a range of up to 155 miles, the bus comes with its own set of limitations. However, Jensen explained that the vehicle's primary purpose will be for everyday local bus routes, rather than long-distance extracurricular travel.

"There was, and maybe still is, some hesitation because it's something new," said Jensen. "That being said, there's still a lot of excitement and hope that this becomes a more efficient and cleaner way to operate our bus fleet."

The school district will not

be without support during this transition. Lion Electric offers complete after-sales support for their vehicles and nearby services providers have the capability to service the vehicle as necessary.

"What drew us to Lion is that their buses are climate tested, which is important to us in South Dakota," he said. "They are specifically designed for harsher climates. I think it will just take some getting used to but I think the community, our students and bus drivers, are excited for the new opportunity."



REGISTER TO WIN!

Bring this coupon and mailing label to the Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives booth at Dakotafest or the South Dakota State Fair to win a prize!

Your Phone Number: _____

Your E-mail Address: _____



To have your event listed on this page, send complete information, including date, event, place and contact to your local electric cooperative. Include your name, address and daytime telephone number. Information must be submitted at least eight weeks prior to your event. Please call ahead to confirm date, time and location of event.

SEPT 3
Sioux Falls American Legion Post 15 Pancake Breakfast
8:30 a.m.
1600 West Russell St at the SD Military Heritage Alliance Building
Sioux Falls, SD

SEPT 4
Hidewood Valley Steam Threshing Show
Steam Whistle Blows
1 p.m.
47236 183rd St
Clear Lake, SD

SEPT 8-10
James Valley Threshing & Tractor Show
World's Largest Steam Traction Engine
Andover, SD

SEPT 9-10
Old Iron - Fall Harvest Festival
Delmont, SD

SEPT 10
10th Annual Black Hill Beer Run
Spearfish Campground Pavilion
Spearfish, SD
605-642-7730

SEPT 10
100th Anniversary of Little Brown Church
11 a.m.
Service, Potluck & Auction
West of Hayes
Hayes, SD

SEPT 16
Health Connect Festival
11 a.m.
Sioux Falls Arena
Sioux Falls, SD

SEPT 17
St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
Church Bazaar
12 p.m.
Hoven, SD

SEPT 22-24
Coal Springs Threshing Bee
Meadow, SD
605-788-2229

SEPT 23
Springfield Dakota Senior Meals Fall Festival
9 a.m.
Springfield Community Building
Springfield, SD

SEPT 30
Day of Wellness
10 a.m.
Sturgis Armory
Sturgis, SD

SEPT 29-30
Junkin' Market Days
Ramkota Exhibit Hall
Sioux Falls, SD
605-941-4958

OCT 6-7
Holman Acres Pumpkin Fest & Vendor Show
Philip, SD
605-441-1060

OCT 7
Spirit of Dakota Award
Huron Event Center
Huron, SD
605-352-6073

OCT 7-8
Benson's Flea Market
Expo Building
W.H Lyons Fairgrounds
Sioux Falls, SD
605-332-6004

Note: Please make sure to call ahead to verify the event is still being held.