

Sun River Electric Cooperative Ripples

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Be sure to check your breakers before reporting outages.

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Sabille Erickson wins the 2017 Washington Youth Tour essay contest

Sabille Erickson, a junior at Dutton/Brady High School, is the winner of the 2017 Washington, D.C., Youth Tour Essay Contest. Sabille is very involved in a lot of school and community activities, such as volleyball, basketball manager, speech and drama and church youth group. Sabille is an honor student and enjoys babysitting. She is the daughter of Dustin and Mary Erickson of Dutton.

Sabille will accompany 27 other essay winners from 19 Montana electric cooperatives June 10-16, 2017. The tour will include our nation's capital, memorials, monuments and



Sabille Erickson

museums. The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association headquarters and the Rural Utility Services also will be toured. Students also will have an opportunity to meet the Montana congressional delegation, plus take an active role in learning about cooperatives and our national government.

Congratulations Sabille!

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Watch out for overhead lines while seeding

Please remember to work safely around overhead power lines during spring seeding. Be aware of power line heights and locations. While moving machinery, know the height of it. A good rule is to stay at least 10 feet away from high-voltage power lines.



If your piece of equipment or tractor comes in contact with a power line, stay inside and call for help. Keep others away as well. If you must leave, don't allow your body to come in contact with the equipment and the ground at the same time, and jump as far away as possible. Once you're off, don't go back until co-op personnel tells you it's safe to do so. Always assume the power line is still energized.

In the U.S. every year approximately 60 farm workers are electrocuted. Play it safe, stay away from overhead power lines.

Also, while burning stubble this year, please be careful not to burn power poles. Every year a few power poles are burned to the point they need to be replaced. This cost will be passed on to the person responsible.



New apprentice lineman for Fairfield area

Sun River Electric Cooperative is pleased to announce the hiring of a new apprentice lineman for the Fairfield area. Scott Schlosser was hired back in August 2016 for summer help then hired full time in December 2016 to replace a lineman who moved on to another cooperative. Scott was born and raised in Conrad and graduated from Conrad High School in 2008, where he excelled in wrestling and was a three-time State Class B champion. He graduated from the Montana Tech Lineman Pre-apprenticeship Program, then worked for a short



Scott Schlosser

time for a power line contractor. Scott enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time. Welcome Scott to the Sun River Electric Cooperative family. 213325

Trivia Question

How many people across America receive electricity from more than 900 electric co-ops?

(Correct Answer is upside down on the bottom of this page)

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Answer to Trivia Question: 42 million people in 47 states, representing 18.5 million businesses, homes, schools, churches, farms, irrigation systems and other establishments.

Swap Column

FOR SALE: Set of new clothes-line poles, \$120; one piece of green metal roofing, 32"x16', \$20; Hoyer body-lift, chrome, manual operation, \$500; One piece of triple-wall chimney pipe, 6"x36", \$65; rectangular chimney cleaner, \$30; contractor's portable kerosene space-heater, \$100; security yard light, \$50; stainless steel kitchen sink, \$60. John Bushilla, 264-5990.

FOR SALE: 1984 Versatile 895, very nice tractor & low hours, \$37,000. Casey Kellogg, 459-2225.

FOR SALE: 2002 NH 688 round baler with bale command, 13,500 bales, twine only, 540 PTO, \$8,000; flat-bed for pickup, Omaha standard-badger, 110"x78", \$800. Larry Beerman, 463-2517, if no answer leave message.

FOR SALE: John Deere model 303 fertilizer spreader, no rust, good paint, good tires, ready to use. Toney Grossman, 463-2570.

FOR SALE: 40' X 50' turn key home in sunny Ajo, Arizona, \$39,000. Shirley Haynes, (406)264-5774 or (520)387-3952.

FOR SALE: Winchester model 75 target .22LR, good condition, extra mags & sight inserts, \$325; older Bill Anderson electronic varmit caller with remote speaker & 3 cassette tapes, \$45 obo, new TV antenna (in box) with 50' new cable, misc. TV connections, \$50; new Delta polyethylene dual-lid crossover toolbox for compact pickup, \$65; new Delta polyethylene wheel-well toolbox for a full-size pickup, \$50; used Petmate large dog kennel, \$40; used programable automatic dog feeder, \$40. Linda McCarthy, 472-3291 & leave message if we're not in, will call back.

FOR SALE: Site-Boss II survey unit, complete, new condition, \$250/offer; 4 custom chrome 18" GM wheels, \$200; Hurd casement windows, various sizes, ideal for garage, cabin, etc; used kitchen cabinets, white fronts & wood fronts; 2-16" custom aluminum turbine style wheels, used on Ford LTD & Mercury Marquis, \$50. Don Becker, 590-3557.

FOR SALE: New electric water heaters. 40 & 50 gallon \$250. 66 gallon \$350. Call Ross at Sun River Electric for details. 406-467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516.

FREE: Ludwig model upright piano, distributed by Wiley B. Allen Co., lovely voice, retains tune pitch, bench included. Margaret Eller, 264-5426, evenings.

If you would like to place an advertisement in the Ripples Swap column, please contact Sun River Electric at 1-800-452-7516 or 467-2527, or email Kathy at kscott@sunriverelectric.coop by the first of the month.