

# Sun River Electric Cooperative Ripples

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## My Washington Youth Tour

By Sablle Erickson

Come home from a bad day, just lost a volleyball game. Father comes to my room and says

“You have mail.” Little did I know this moment was about to change my whole world, I said “OK” and went on with my day. The next day arrived, and mother said “Sablle, you have mail.” I said “OK” and opened it in some sort of crazy way. “Dear Sablle, Congratulations .....,”

“Mom is this some sort of spam?” “No Sablle this is from that essay — you’re going to D.C.”

I was so excited I clicked my heels! Little did I know in a few short months all I had thought about the nation was going to change. The new people I met from the farthest corner of North Dakota to the farthest corner of ol’ Montana were more than a

memory, they instantly became family. All of the amazing museums taught us something that could never come from a book. The endless pounds we lost walking extra steps just to experience a

different view of the various Memorials. The Holocaust Museum was filled with tears and solemn silence. The Marine Corps Museum taught me about a lifestyle they have to live that is so different from ours.

I would like to thank Steve Daines and Jon Tester for teaching us more about the coal issue and their favorite hobbies! I have a newfound appreciation for Sun River Electric Cooperative and the elec-

tricity they provide us. This trip opened my eyes to how fortunate we are not to be among the 1.5 billion people living without electricity. The most impactful memory of this trip that will always stay with me was Mike

Schlappi emphasizing that we all have a place in this world — “If you can’t stand up, then stand out.”

To other young readers: I encourage every student to apply for this trip! Not only does this opportunity offer a once-in-a-lifetime trip across the United States, but it will inspire you to help others and learn more about our amazing country.

Once again, I would like to thank Sun River Electric Cooperative for choosing me as its 2017 Youth Tour representative.

*Sablle Erickson, a junior at Dutton/Brady High School, is involved in school and community activities including volleyball, basketball manager, speech and drama, and church youth group. Sablle is an honor student and enjoys babysitting. She is the daughter of Dustin and Mary Erickson of Dutton.*



Sabelle Erickson with Senator Steve Daines.



2017 Youth Tour participants pose for a picture in Old Alexandria.

## New Grain Bin Construction

Are you planning to build a new grain bin? Before beginning construction, we ask that you check with us to get the correct specifications for distances from power lines. Please contact our offices at 406-467-2526 and ask for Chris, Brad or Robert.



## Swap Column

**FOR SALE:** 1997 Ford F-800, 24' moving/delivery van with 3,000 lb. lift gate, 5.9 Cummins Allison transmission, 159,000 miles, new tires on front; DR 3-point chipper/shredder, sells new for \$2,500, used once, asking \$1,250 with new extra set of blades. Lynn Preston, (509)760-1159.

**FOR SALE:** Club Car electric golf cart in good shape, kept inside and all new batteries last year, \$1,800. Lyle Shannon, 467-2468.

**FOR SALE:** John Deere 535 baler twine wrap, good condition. Cindy Hill, 463-2316.

**WANTED:** Small wood-burning Earth Stove or equivalent. Shirley Haynes, 264-5774.

**FOR SALE:** 1997 case IH 2188 combine, with 30' 1010 header with new pick-up reel, chopper, hopper topper & reverser, 1,845 rotor hours, 2,750 engine hours, new header trailer, excellent condition, \$55,000 obo; 2-1015 pick-up headers. Terry Nugent, 467-2221.

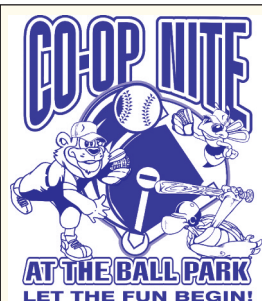
**FOR SALE:** 2 sets (4) custom 18" aluminum wheels, \$200 & \$400; Site-Boss II Survey unit, new condition, \$250 obo; kitchen cabinets (assortment); 2 aluminum 16" turbine wheels, fits Ford LTD or Mercury Marquis; Hurd casement windows (several). Don Becker, 590-3557.

**FOR SALE:** 1997 Ford F150, 87,800 miles, 4WD/V8, 3-door extended cab, well cared for, always garaged, \$7,000 firm. Joe LaRocque, 264-5703.

**FOR SALE:** Farm King 10"x50' swing-auger, \$1,000; John Deere 6404 diesel motor from 105 combine, \$2,000; Freedom Fountain hog-waterer, \$200; 1974 GMC 6500 grain truck with 17' dump box, \$5,000. John Silvernale, 470-2957.

**FOR SALE:** 2016 hay for sale, alfalfa/grass, fertilized & irrigated, 1st cutting 1,100-lbs. rounds & 2nd cutting, 1,400 lbs; 2017 1st cutting available soon. Only a few left. Gene Lewis, 590-2321.

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For your free tickets call Sun River Electric at 467-2526 or 1-800-452-7516.

## Energy Efficiency

### Tip of the Month

Setting your thermostat to a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense. 326652

Source: [energy.gov](http://energy.gov)



**Reminder:** Bills not paid by the 10th of the month will be charged a \$10 late fee.

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