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KEM Electric Cooperative is dedicated to providing affordable, reliable energy and services that support and unite our member-owners.

We also aspire to meet the Touchstone Energy® Cooperative core values of integrity, innovation, accountability and commitment to community.

KEM Electric Cooperative, Inc., is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Farm Safety Day aims at raising awareness, reducing accidents

Partnerships make good things possible! On May 2, KEM Electric partnered with NDSU Extension in Emmons County to give an electrical safety presentation to area youth during Progressive Agriculture Safety Day. Steve Hildebrand, a member services



children how electricity is made, travels and is delivered — and most importantly, how to keep themselves safe around our power lines and poles.

Held at the Emmons County Courthouse, the event taught 86 fifth- and sixth-grade students from Hazelton-Moffit-Braddock, Linton and Strasburg about different aspects of farm and ranch safety. Topics included electrical, tractor, grain, roadway, animal, first-aid, sun and fire.



STAY AWAY ... STAY SAFE

Members, if you see downed or damaged electrical infrastructure, do not assume it is de-energized. Keep a safe distance and call KEM Electric Cooperative at 701-254-4666 or 800-472-2673.

Equipment for sale on bids

The following equipment is being offered for sale on bids by KEM Electric Cooperative, Inc.

The equipment is sold as is, with no warranty. KEM will be accepting bids for 30 days, from June 1-30. KEM reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

To see the equipment or for more information, read the June local pages of *North Dakota Living* or contact the cooperative office at 701-254-4666 or email kem@kemelectric.com.

Send bids to: KEM Electric Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 790, Linton, ND 58552. Each item listed will be sold in separate bids.

- ✓ 14' Boat and Trailer
- ✓ Onan Propane Generators: Two propane generators, 7.5 KVA, 120-240 volt, from the Basin Electric Power Cooperative cell tower building that have always been kept inside. KEM never used and has no additional information.
- ✓ Bombardier Snowcat: Year 1979, in-line six-cylinder Ford gas engine, automatic transmission, runs well but uses oil.

Holiday closing

KEM will be closed to honor the July 4 holiday. Line crews will be available in case of an emergency electrical outage on Wednesday, July 4.

Also in the June North Dakota Living local pages ...

- Luck of the Draw scholarships!
- Medora Touchstone Energy® discount
- Board minutes ... and more

Happy Father's Day June 17

"My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it."

~ Clarence Budington Kelland



ATTEND YOUR
Annual Meeting!
KEM Electric Cooperative
2018 annual meeting
June 21, 2018
Linton High School, Linton

Supper includes roast beef, buns, coleslaw, baked beans, chips, pickles and cookies.

For information on the candidates, financial statements, co-general managers' report and more, see the Annual Report that was mailed to members in June.

Program your Roomba® and head to the annual meeting!

By Victor "Chuck" Wald, KEM Board President

Greetings to all in KEM country.

If one can think back in time, there was a cartoon show called "The Jetsons." The cartoon was based on the future, where the family had flying cars that started and stopped on their own with no need for traffic lights. It was like the car had a brain. The Jetsons also enjoyed computer gadgets that would figure things out and keep people posted on daily happenings. The family also had robots that did the house cleaning, etc.



Chuck Wald

Now, think in real time. We have cars that can drive themselves, starting and stopping, almost like they have a brain. But the cars do not fly yet! We now have computer gadgets that keep people posted like cell phones and Facebook. And we do have robots that do the house cleaning. You must have a Roomba by now?!

It goes without saying that we do not know what the future holds for us, but it will keep moving forward in a fast pace. With that being said, electricity is in the same category — moving fast. Whoever thought water could be pumped by hooking wires to a solar panel that makes electricity? Or who would have thought that a big white modern-looking windmill can turn ever so slowly and produce energy to heat and cool our homes? Electricity is evolving at lightning speed, and we at KEM are given the duty of keeping abreast of the changes so we can adapt in order to maintain efficiencies for the member-owners. This is a daunting task.

So jump in your car equipped with GPS, and program your Roomba to vacuum while you join us for the KEM annual meeting on June 21, 2018, at Linton Public School starting with supper at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting at

ONE MEMBER, ONE VOTE: Fulfill the second cooperative principle — democratic member control — by voting to fill the board positions held by John Beck, District 1; and Carter Vander Wal, District 2.