



Sac Osage Electric Cooperative

News

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINT GENERAL MANAGER AND NEW DISTRICT DIRECTORS



The Board of Directors appointed Aaron Ash to succeed Jim Davis as General Manager after his retirement. The board believed Aaron had the experience and background to perform the duties required to keep Sac Osage on firm footing while going through a period of transition and growth with the fiber project and the retirements of long-time employees.

Aaron has deep roots in the community. He grew up outside Lowry City where his parents were members of Sac Osage Electric Cooperative. He moved to Cedar County prior to high school and graduated from El Dorado Springs R-2. He returned to El Dorado permanently with his wife Jill in 2005 when the Cooperative hired him as the Member Services/Marketing Representative.

Aaron is a graduate of William Jewell college and spent a semester abroad at Hong Kong Baptist University. Prior to working for Sac Osage, Aaron worked for an at-risk youth home in Denver, as a high school teacher, and for the State of Missouri.

For the past seventeen years, Aaron has worked for Sac Osage Electric Cooperative. His commitment to cooperative principles and to the communities that Sac Osage serves has only deepened over that time. Aaron stated, "I'm humbled that the board has chosen me to follow Jim into the office of the General Manager."



New District 3 Board Director Maranda Spangler Missouri Farm Bureau Agent



New District 7 Board Director Shannon Tucker Business Owner Iconium General Store



Sac Osage Employees celebrated Christmas by having their annual lunch with the Board of Directors on December 15, 2022.









Sac Osage Donates to area Christmas Baskets from Operational Roundup

Since 2007, Sac Osage Electric Cooperative members have been able to participate in the Operation Round-Up Program.

Members can choose to have their monthly bills rounded up to the next whole dollar amount, allowing the additional amount paid to be donated to local charities.

Director Ray Huesemann and District 6 Board Director Gene Brockus present a check to Margie Weaver with Rivers Crossing Life Center in Osceola, MO.



District 5 Director Gary Ashby presenting a check to Barbara Long with the Community Outreach Program in Nevada, MO

In 2022, Operation Round-Up awarded \$300.00 cash donation to the Christmas Fund in Stockton and Nevada, the El Dorado Springs Christmas Basket, and the St. Clair County Senior Center in Osceola.

If you are interested in participating in Operational Round-Up, you can fill out a form that can be found on our website at sacosage.com under Sac Osage Programs.



District 8 Director Ken Hacker presenting a check to Steve Wiseman for the El Dorado Springs Christmas



District 9 Director Brian Hubbard and District 3 Director Maranda Spangler presenting a check to Michael Tunnel with the Stockton Christian Church for the Christmas Basket program.



Cornhole Set Operational Round-Up **Drawing**

Drawing will be held April 4, 2023

All current and new Operation Round-up Members are eligible.

Employees, Board Members, and Immediate Family of the Cooperative are excluded.

Sign-up for Operation Round-Up ASAP to get entered into the drawing by finding the form on our sacosage.com website.

https://sacosage.com/operation-round



Sac Osage Electric participated in the El Dorado Springs Christmas Parade on December 10, 2022







SAC OSAGE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE YOUTH AND CYCLE **TOUR 2023**



WHAT IS YOUTH TOUR?

Each year Sac Osage Electric sponsors an application process to select area High School Juniors to represent the Cooperative on the National Rural Electric Youth Tour -- an exciting, all expenses paid trip to Washington D.C. in June! The Sac Osage Electric delegate will travel with more than 100 students from across Missouri for a week of sightseeing, learning, and fun June 12-18, 2023. The night before leaving for D.C., Missouri delegates and their parents attend an evening banquet in Jefferson City.

NATIONAL YLC PROGRAM

Each year while in Washington DC, Missouri selects one of its Youth Tour delegates as the Youth Leadership Council (YLC) representative who then travels around the state and nation meeting new people, speaking at conferences, and representing our State for a whole school year. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity!

WHAT IS CYCLE?

Sac Osage Electric's Youth Tour 2nd place runner-up will attend the all expenses paid, three-day Cooperative Youth Conference & Leadership Experience (CYCLE) in Jefferson City July 19-21st 2023. At this conference you will learn leadership skills, Missouri Government, & the Cooperative form of business in a FUN, FAST, & FRIENDLY atmosphere!

COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

Each contestant is required to submit an application to Sac Osage Electric Cooperative. Applications can be found on sacosage.com. All finalist will participate in an interview process at the cooperative in El Dorado Springs after being selected.

DEADLINE: March 10, 2023

FIRST PLACE WINNER Receives Trip to WASHINGTON D. C. June 12-18, 2023

SECOND PLACE WINNER Receives Trip to Jefferson City, MO July 19-21, 2023

SAC OSAGE COOPERATIVE FINALIST (3) students receive a \$50.00 gift card

TEACHER INCENTIVES Each teacher that has a student picked as a finalist from their class will receive a \$50.00 gift card.

PLEASE MAIL OR DELIVER TO:

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Any questions??? Feel free to call Chance Cyr at 1-800-876-2701 ext. 5213 or 417-876-2721.



2022 YOUTH TOUR WINNERS

Oliva Bryson El Dorado Springs Christian School

> Elise Murguia Osceola



2022 CYCLE WINNERS

Charity Middleton **NEVC** Megan Trautweiler Osceola









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