



### 🏂 Sac Osage Electric Cooperative

# News

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## SAC OSAGE ELECTRIC WELCOMES NEW EMPLOYEES

In 2023, Sac Osage Electric welcomed Becky McConnaughey and Jayce Vantellman to the cooperative family.



Becky was hired in April and comes to us from Cottey College, where she worked as the Student Accounts and Accounts Receivable Clerk. Prior to Cottey College, she worked at Community Bank in El Dorado Springs for 37 years.



Jayce Vantellman was hired in January as a lineman. He comes to Sac Osage from the City of El Dorado Springs Electric Company.

In 2022, Christie Hull and Chance Cyr joined Sac Osage the cooperative family as well.



Christie was hired in October as a cashier. She was previously employed at Dairy Concepts for 15 years as the Accounts Payable Clerk.



Chance was hired in October as well as the Member Services and Marketing Representative. He previously owned Station 3 Pizzeria and has a background in law enforcement.





## FIBER LINE SHOT

We want to remind everyone to be aware of electrical lines and the new fiber internet lines when hunting or shooting firearms.

Please do not attempt to shoot birds that are sitting on these lines as it can cause outages for electrical services and internet.







#### WINNER! WINNER! AND MORE WINNERS!

Operation Round-up Cornhole Board Winners are JJ and Janet Jones.

They said their family really enjoys playing the game washers and can add cornhole to the list as well.

You can visit our website at sacosage.com/operation-round to find more information about Operation Round-up and how to sign up.



**SAC OSAGE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ANNUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER** 12TH, 2023



We completed our final interview process on March 16th, 2023 to determine the winners of the Youth Tour and CYCLE program.

The six finalists were asked various questions and were evaluated by three judges from different cooperatives.

After deliberation, the judges selected Trevor Johnson as the Youth Tour winner and Jude Wyant as the CYCLE winner.

Trevor will experience a week-long trip to Washington D.C. and Jude will experience a three-day trip to Jefferson City.

All finalists interview really well and made this a difficult decision for our judges to come to this conclusion.

We want to say thank you to all the finalists for taking the time to complete the application and to the teachers for assisting us with getting the information to the students.

Youth Tour Winner: Trevor Johnson of Stockton High School

CYCLE Winner: Jude Wyant of El Dorado Springs High School

Finalist: Breann Reason of El Dorado Springs Christian School

Finalist: Preston Listerud of Osceola High School

Finalist: Jodie Yates (not pictured) of El Dorado Springs Christian School

Finalist: Myka Barger (not pictured) of El Dorado Springs High School

If your shool is in our 9 county area, we would like to visit your high school junior class next year to provide them this same opportunity.

For more information about the Youth Tour and CYCLE Program visit https://moyouthtour.com or contact Chance Cyr at 800-876-2701 ext.







#### LINEWORKER APPRECIATION DAY

Electric cooperatives in Missouri celebrated Lineworker Appreciation Day on April 15th and National Lineworker Appreciation Day on April 18th.

The celebration included a visit to the Missouri Capitol for 15 lineworkers who volunteered to bring electricity to unserved parts of the world through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association International Program.

Since 1962, the NRECA International Program has provided access to safe, reliable, and affordable electricity to more than 160 million people worldwide. The International Program has helped establish more than 250 electric utilities and electric cooperatives in 48 countries.

The Missouri Legislature recognized the work accomplished by these volunteers from Missouri's electric cooperatives who have traveled internationally to build power lines for those who would otherwise go without electricity. They worked in Liberia, South Sudan, Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala and Bolivia.

Their visit included being recognized during the House and Senate sessions. They also met with Gov. Mike Parson, who thanked them for their volunteer efforts and acknowledged the difficulty of their task.





BRIAN FUGATE



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JAYCE VANTELLMAN





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