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Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee nominated the following individuals as candidates for the Trustee positions whose terms will be expiring:

District 1, Position 1 (3 yr term)
Dale Keesecker – Washington

District 2, Position 2 (3 yr term)
Don Sutter – Oakhill

District 3, Position 3 (3 yr term)
Dan Pollock – Wamego

District 4, Position 2 (3 yr term)
Alice Kimble – Alma

The election of all candidates will be held by mail ballot in December. Each member will be mailed one ballot for the candidates in the district.

Ballots will need to be returned to the cooperative office by December 31, 2007.

Bluestem Office Closings

Happy Thanksgiving

Bluestem's offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23, for Thanksgiving.

Veteran's Day is November 11



Life-Support During An Electrical Outage

For some electric cooperative members, service is more than a convenience; it is a necessity. Bluestem Electric realizes that some homes are equipped with life-sustaining medical equipment that requires a reliable source of power.

Our commitment to you is to provide electric service safely and with as few interruptions as possible. Unfortunately, it is impossible to guarantee uninterrupted power 100 percent of the time. Each year, events – some beyond our control – occur and cause power outages.

If your health or well-being depends on electric supply, we offer the following suggestions and strongly encourage you to implement them:

1. Obtain a back-up source of power recommended by the manufacturer of any life sustaining or critical care equipment you may have in your home. For example, battery back-ups or standby generators can provide you with electric power if service from the cooperative is interrupted. If you have questions about double throw standby switches for generators, please call your appropriate Bluestem office.

2. Talk with relatives or

friends today and devise a plan whereby the individual who relies on this equipment will have somewhere to stay in the event of a major power outage, or even for just a few hours.

3. Have your physician write us a note explaining the situation. Upon receipt of this documentation, we can make a note of the medical need on the account. This way, our representatives will be aware of the condition in the event of an outage or if the account is scheduled for disconnection.

The presence of critical medical devices does not exempt service from termination due to non-payment of bill. Anticipated payment delays should be addressed through the cooperative's office.

Notifying the cooperative of your situation does not guarantee uninterrupted electric service, nor does it guarantee immediate attention to your individual service should the area experience a power outage. It does alert us to the situation.

Letting us know your specific needs allows Bluestem personnel to better serve you. This is just another way Bluestem Electric is looking out for you.

ATTENTION

High School Seniors

Apply NOW for the Bluestem Electric Educational Scholarship

See Your High School Counselor for Details!
Applications will be available after November 14, 2007,
for more information please call Bluestem Electric
Cooperative, Inc., at (785) 456-2212 or (785) 632-3111.

Application Deadline December 14, 2007

The Trustees of Bluestem Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be awarding six \$500 scholarships and four \$250 scholarships to high school seniors whose parents are members of Bluestem Electric Cooperative.

The scholarships will be awarded to the top 10 candidates that complete a two-stage process.

The first stage will include an application and test that must be completed and re-

turned to one of the Bluestem Electric Cooperative offices (in either Wamego or Clay Center) by the determined deadline.

In the second stage a panel of judges will interview finalist candidates in January 2008.

For more information contact your high school counselor after November 14, 2007, or the Bluestem Electric Cooperative, Inc., at (785) 456-2212 or (785) 632-3111.

The Gun of Choice in the Cold War



No permit required for this gun!

The cold war is on again. Frigid outside air is trying to find a way inside your snug, warm home. It is slipping in around windows, through wall outlets and pouring in around heating ducts.

You can stop this invasion dead in its tracks. It's as simple as some caulk and a caulking gun from your local hardware store. It's inexpensive and takes no special skills. Just load and shoot.

Right away you can experience a warmer home and lower electric bills. Take a shot at it now, before cold weather gets here.

Truck for Sale By Sealed Bid

A 1993 Ford Ranger Extended cab pick-up is for sale by sealed bid.

The truck has a 3.0 liter V-6 gas motor, and an automatic transmission. This pick-up has approximately 102,700 original miles.

It may be viewed at Bluestem's Clay Center office. Please call the Clay Center office at



2007, Board meeting.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse any and/or all bids.

(785) 632-3111 to schedule a time.

Sealed bids must be submitted to our Clay Center or Wamego office by December 14, 2007. Bids will be opened at the December 17,