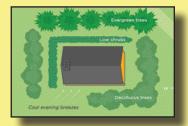


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# Join us at our 85th Annual Meeting April 6

Please join us for Meeker Cooperative's 85th Annual Meeting April 6, at the Cooperative headquarters in Litchfield! This year's theme is: "Powering the Past; Empowering the Future."

While it may seem like a different world, but there are people alive today who remember what it was like not to have

electricity to read by, to cook a meal with, to keep food cold and better handle farm chores. When the Cooperative formed in 1935, it brought hope and excitement for a better, easier life in the rural households of our region. What was new then is often taken for

granted today because we can't imagine life without it.

Eighty-five years later we celebrate another first: VIBRANT Broadband. Members are just as excited about this fast, reliable internet service as members were 85 years ago about electricity. VIBRANT is making life better and easier for nearly 700 subscribers and counting. People have been able to ditch expensive cable subscriptions and are actually saving money. But even more, VIBRANT has opened up possibilities

that didn't exist before: working from home; online schooling; and streaming only the movies and shows they want to watch.

Welcome to VIBRANT U! Along with exceptional internet service, VIBRANT U offers education about all things internet. Want to learn more about VIBRANT Broadband? Are you "dreaming of streaming" but don't know where

to begin? You can get all your questions answered at a VIBRANT U session. Go from "install" to "know it all" through VIBRANT U!

A VIBRANT U session will be held during the Annual Meeting in the Community/Training Room from 6:00 p.m. to

7:00 p.m. Be sure to attend and bring your questions and your neighbors!

Look at the Annual Meeting Schedule below for the evening's events and make plans to come celebrate our 85th Anniversary and all things VIBRANT!

See you there!



Please take notice that the Annual Meeting of the members of Meeker Cooperative Light and Power Association will be held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 6, 2020, at Meeker Cooperative, 1725 U.S. Hwy. 12 E., Suite 100, Litchfield, Minnesota, for the following purposes:

- 1. Reading of, and acting upon, the unapproved minutes of the 2019 annual meeting;
- 2. Receiving and acting upon reports of officers, directors and committees;
- 3. Electing directors of the Cooperative to fill offices of those whose terms expire on April 6, 2020;
- 4. Considering any unfinished business and taking up such new business as shall properly come before the meeting and acting on such matters as necessary for the best interest of the Association.

Brad Donnay, Secretary

# Annual Meeting Agenda April 6, 2020

5:00 to 7:30 pm Registration

5:00 to 7:00 pm Dinner

5:30 to 7:15 pm Bingo Face Painting

6:00 to 7:00 pm VIBRANT Presentation and

Q & A Session. Bring your questions and learn more!

7:30 pm Business Meeting

General Manager's Report Financial Manager's Report Election Results, & More!

# Meeker Cooperative's 85th Annual Meeting

# Get to Know the Director Candidates

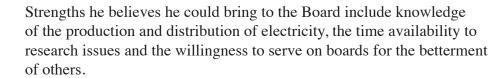
Pursuant to Bylaw Article III, Sections 8 and 9, candidates for the board of directors must submit an Application for Director Form at least 120 days prior to the meeting. The Board of Directors will appoint a Qualifications and Election (Q & E) Committee for the purpose of qualifying the candidates for the Board of Directors. The Q & E Committee will "have the authority to place qualified candidates on the ballot for election, and for any district in which there is only one candidate, waive the ballot

process and declare the candidate elected." For this election, only one candidate filed in District 1, District 2 and in District 6. These candidates were deemed eligible and declared elected and their bios were in the February Pioneer. Below are the candidates that filed for the District 5 seat. Members in District 5 will receive a mail ballot to cast their vote for one of these two candidates.

District 5: Fairhaven in Stearns; Southside, French Lake, Cokato in Wright; Dassel in Meeker.

## Thomas G. Petschl 1013 Sunrise Circle Dassel, MN 55325

Thomas G. Petschl has recently moved to the Meeker Cooperative service territory and has been a Co-op member for six months. He is currently retired from a career in the electrical construction industry after 43 years of involvement in all aspects. He currently holds a State of Minnesota Class A Master Electrician's license."



Leadership experience Thomas has includes serving on the HRA Board of Park Rapids as a Board member and Chairperson; serving as a Board member on the Library Board and Park Board of Park Rapids; and as a Commissioner on the Planning Commission of Park Rapids and Elk River.

Thomas believes the primary short-term goal of the Cooperative should be finding ways to bring down the cost of power to its members, whether through more efficient use of resources or through innovation. The long-term goal of the Cooperative should be to provide members with the most economical and environmentally-friendly means to generate and transmit power.

Thomas sees that wind and solar power generation are the wave of the future but that they still need refinement to become more economically viable. While Thomas doesn't believe in too much government control of the energy sector, he does believe that the environment needs to be safeguarded and that we should encourage members to self-generate power.

# **Stephen Plaisance** 26740 733rd Ave. Dassel, MN 55325

Stephen Plaisance has been a Cooperative member for 10 years and a Meeker Co-op Board member since being appointed in May 2019. He is recently retired from hospital administration.



Strengths Stephen believes he brings to the Board include his willingness and ability to look for long-term solutions and to listen to member concerns.

Leadership positions Stephen has held include the Chamber of Commerce as a Board member and President; Meeker Memorial Hospital as CFO and the MMH Foundation as CFO.

Stephen believes that short-term goals should be identified and viewed with long-term impact in mind.

Long-term goals of the Co-op should include providing stable power and stable pricing.

With regard to environmental regulation and climate change, Stephen believes we should be vigilant to make sure power companies are not contributing to the change and that any governmental regulation brought by the EPA must be followed.

At the same time, Stephen sees that the biggest concern facing the Cooperative at this time is the impact of renewable energy, such as wind and solar, on the future power sources and cost.

### **Board of Directors**

#### Karen Becker, President— District 2

Eden Lake in Stearns; Harvey, Manannah in Meeker

# Kevin Issendorf, Vice President-District 4

Litchfield, Greenleaf in Meeker

#### **Brad Donnay, Secretary** — **District 3**

Luxemburg, Maine Prairie, South Maine Prairie in Stearns; Forest Prairie in Meeker

## Karl Lundin, Treasurer — District 9

North Kingston, Kingston, Forest City in Meeker

#### Paul Bugbee — District 1

Roseville, Irving in Kandiyohi; Paynesville in Stearns; Union Grove in Meeker

### Stephen Plaisance — District 5

Fairhaven in Stearns; Cokato, Southside, French Lake in Wright; Dassel in Meeker

### Mark Larson— District 6

Harrison, Kandiyohi, Gennessee, Fahlun, Lake Elizabeth, E. Lake Lillian in Kandiyohi; Cosmos, Acton, Danielson, Swede Grove in Meeker; Brookfield, Boon Lake in Renville

### K. Bruce Krueger — District 7

Collinwood, Cedar Mills in Meeker; Stockholm in Wright; Acoma, Hutchinson in McLeod

#### Larry Huhn — District 8

Darwin, Ellsworth in Meeker

Chad Felstul — Attorney

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## Meeker Cooperative Mission Statement

"To enhance the quality of life of the Cooperative's Members and Customers by providing safe, reliable, competitively priced energy and other value-added services, while practicing environmental stewardship."

# **VIBRANT Broadband saves** money and gives better service

"We were struggling with satellite internet that cost us \$109 per month. It was slow and if heavy clouds or a storm passed by, we would lose signal, which was very frustrating.

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"I can't get over the economic benefits VIBRANT will bring to our community and area. It's huge!"

> **Hugh Wagner Watkins**

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A full 2-1/2 inches of polyurethane foam insulation minimizes heat loss; there's only a 5 degree loss over 24 hours! Water stays hotter so you can use less. You save energy and money.

PLUS, if you put your Marathon water heater on Energy Management, you can heat your water with an electric rate nearly half of the regular rate. That saves even more!

Our REBATE of up to \$800 on a Marathon makes owning the industry standard much easier!

Is there any reason why NOT to own a Marathon?



This light-weight poly construction means hot water for life!

# Air Source Heat Pumps cut energy costs as much as 72%

eat pumps represent the best of both worlds: One air source heat pump can provide both cooling and supplemental heating while using 72% less electricity than conventional air conditioners and furnaces.

What's more, heat pumps that are put on Meeker Cooperative's Energy Management (or load control) program earn the nearly half-price electric rate. Using less energy PLUS paying less for the energy you use can add up to significant savings to your pocketbook each and every year!

Now add to that a REBATE for putting your heat pump on Energy Management, and you've made one of the smartest decisions for your home and family.

# You qualify to use less energy, spend less on your electricity and earn a rebate up to \$630 if you:

- 1. Install an air source heat pump through a Qualified Installer (\$300 rebate if not QI installation)
- 2. Have (or install) an automatic back-up system such as a fossil fuel furnace or

storage heating unit that provides heat during periods of control

3. Put your ASHP on Energy Management and allow it to be controlled during periods of peak usage

SPECIAL PROMOTION! From April 1 to October 31, 2020, you can earn up to \$1,200 REBATE when you install an ASHP and put it on Energy Management!

Want to use heat pump technology but don't have ductwork in your home? A ductless ASHP is for you. These units use 60% less energy than standard home electric resistance-based heating systems because they:

- transfer instead of generate heat.
- Use sophisticated compressors and fans that can adjust speeds to save energy.

You can also cut cooling costs by 30% compared to conventional room air conditioners.

Call for more information on a traditional or ductless Air Source Heat Pump today at 320-693-3231.



An air source heat pump transfers heat from the outside into the home in the winter, and from the home outside in the summer. It's dual purpose and provides up to 300% efficiency to save energy and money. Call for details!



If you want efficient heat with an air source heat pump but don't have ductwork, this ductless heat pump is perfect for you and also qualifies for a rebate!



Deciduous trees can help keep your home cool in summer by blocking the sun, and help warm it by allowing sunlight in during the winter. Photo credit: Marcela Gara, Energy Efficiency Database.

# Landscape for energy efficiency

he decisions you make about your home's landscaping can help you stay cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter. With spring just around the corner, now is the time to plan your landscaping to save energy and money.

Direct sunlight hitting windows is a major contributor to overheating your home during summer months. By planting trees that block sunlight, you can improve comfort and reduce your air conditioning energy use. If the trees eventually grow tall enough to shield your roof, that's even better. The most important windows to shade are the ones facing west, followed by windows that face east. Morning and evening sunlight hits the home more directly than mid-day sunlight.

Because of our cold winters, planting deciduous trees that lose their leaves in fall will shield your windows in summer and allow sunlight in during winter to help warm your home. A simple approach that can deliver some shade the first year is to plant a "living wall" of vines grown on a trellis next to your home.

A solid wind break can cut harsh winter winds. The best solution for this is a solid row of trees (preferably evergreen) on the windward side of the home, with shrubs underneath the trees to keep the wind from sneaking through. Planting a row of shrubs a foot from your home can provide efficiency. By stopping air movement, it can form a dead air space around the home that acts as "bonus" insulation. While you're at it, you could add some foundation insulation if you have a home with a basement or if it's built on a slab. Because of our humid summers, however, leave several feet of space between landscaping



This is an example of a landscaping plan that can reduce energy use for summer cooling and for winter heating.



A row of low landscaping along the house can create a dead air space that provides an extra layer of insulation. Photo Source: Lynn Gallagher

and the home as air flow is necessary to avoid moisture-related home damage.

These are just a few ideas to help you get started. I should also note that as with any landscaping projects that require digging, remember to dial 8-1-1 to ensure all underground utility lines are properly marked and flagged before you start the work. Happy planting!

Adapted from article by Pat Keegan and Brad Thiessen of Collaborative Efficiency.

For more information on creating an energy efficiency upgrade checklist, please visit: www. collaborativeefficiency.com/energytips.

# **Industry News**

# Expanding bird habitat in the Twin Cities

noka County is growing rapidly, and that increased population has propelled development into areas that were once undisturbed natural wildlife habitat.

Fortunately, several local landowners have stepped up to protect important natural areas that provide needed shelter and food for a range of wild species. Recently the Minnesota Land Trust worked with one of these generous landowners, Great River Energy, to protect a beautiful 80-acre property adjacent to Carlos Avery Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

In an area of outstanding biodiversity and great importance to local wildlife, the property has maintained its natural character despite its proximity to the Twin Cities metro. Next to Carlos Avery WMA, which is public land managed by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the land helps buffer the WMA from development, which can hamper natural resource management and public hunting opportunities. The land also helps extend protected bird habitat in this Audubon-identified Important Bird Area. Numerous bird species rely on the WMA, including red-shouldered hawk, sandhill crane, and red-headed woodpecker.

"We've had this property since the 1980s, and we were looking for opportunities to ensure the property remains in its natural condition while providing excellent wildlife habitat for future generations to appreciate," says Rick Heuring, senior field representative at Great River Energy. "When Minnesota Land Trust approached us, we concluded that placing the land into a conservation easement was an ideal solution. As an electric cooperative that serves 28 member-owner electric cooperatives across the state of Minnesota, we make all business decisions with an eye to our triple bottom line - rates, electric reliability, and environmental stewardship."

~Minnesota Land Trust

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# Have a high bill than usual? Use SmartHub to check your usage. Keep a handle on your energy use with Smart Hub to see where your dollars are going!

heck your energy use history to see where spikes in energy use may have led to an increase in your bill.

### Have you:

- 1. Plugged in an electric space heater?
- 2. Added a heated pet or livestock water heater?
- 3. Entertained more guests than usual?
- 4. Noticed colder than normal temperatures?
- 5. Used a garage heater to work on your car or keep pets warm?

Sign up for Smart Hub and keep tabs on your energy use.

Go to www.meeker.coop. Click on the Smart Hub icon on the lower left of the home page. Put in your Account number, email and you will get a temporary password you can use to log in. From there, change your password and begin to experience greater control!

# **My Usage**

This My Usage section provides several tools for you to analyze your past and current usage, as well as plan and conserve in the future. Compare your use and costs, set markers to monitor changes in your usage over periods of time, and get energy saving tips. Click the tabs below to learn more about these tools.

## **Analyze Your Usage**

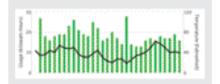


Usage Explorer gives you a detailed look at your past and current usage, all in one place.

View your usage and weather trends by month, or if available by day or hour.

Use the Usage Explorer tool

## Usage Comparison

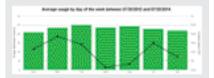


Usage Comparison lets you compare two bills worth of usage history side by side.

View the differences between this month last year, or other combinations to see how your bill varies each month.

Use the Usage Comparison tool

### Average Usage

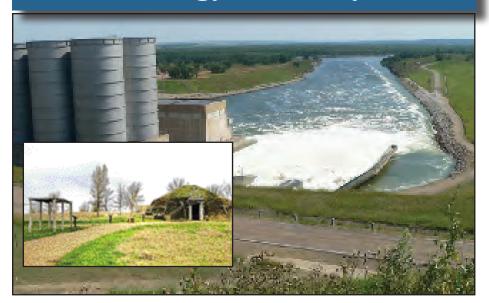


Average Usage show you what your typical or averge usage is for your selected time period.

For example, see your average usage on each day of the week (such as Tuesdays), or over the course of a year. Or see your typical usage in each hour of the day over the course of 2 weeks. Discover when you can save the most on your utility bill.

Use the Average Usage tool

# Join us for our 2020 North **Dakota Energy Tour July 15-17!**



njoy a three-day luxury coach tour to North ✓ Dakota's coal country July 15-17, 2020 to see how lignite coal is mined and turned into the electricity we need every single day!

This fun and educational trip includes the following highlights:

- Tour the Freedom Mine near Beulah and see the gigantic equipment used to supply 8 million tons of lignite each year.
- Tour Antelope Valley Station power plant and learn why this plant is vitally important to our generation needs.
- Tour the one-of-a-kind Synfuels display and discover how synthetic fuel is created.
- Visit North Dakota Historical Center Museum, a popular stop!
- Two-night stay at the all-suite

StayBridge Hotel in Bismarck with pool, spa, theater room, in-room kitchens, plush bedding, and nearby shopping.

Most meals are included in this trip, with the exception of fast food/coffee stops during the bus trip to and back from North Dakota and any restaurants you may visit during your free time.

Children 10 and older are welcome with an adult.

Cost: \$175 per person single or double

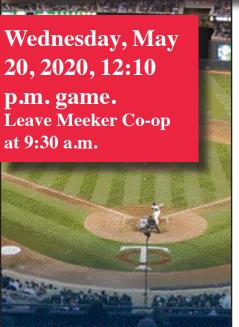
Deadline: June 19 or when seats are filled!

We'll send a letter two weeks before with details and schedule.

NOTE: The location and dates of the Energy Tour have changed since we advertised it in the February Pioneer. Please make a note of this on your calendar and plan to join us to visit Basin Cooperative Electric's Antelope Valley and Freedom mine near Beulah!

# **Energy Tour Reservation** \_\_\_\_ places for the Energy Tour on July 15-17, 2020. Please reserve Name(s): \_ Account Number: Number of Reservations at \$175 each\_\_\_ Total \$\_ **DEADLINE JUNE 19** Return to: Meeker Cooperative, 1725 US Hwy. 12, Suite 100, Litchfield, MN 55355, ATTN: Becky Sorenson. Persons listed above will share a room.

# Minnesota Twins vs. Baltimore **Orioles at Target Field!**



njoy an action-packed day at the ballpark and leave the driving ✓ to us! See the Minnesota Twins battle the Baltimore Orioles. Game time is 12:10 p.m. We'll leave the Meeker Co-op parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to enjoy time to shop for souvenirs and grab some food before the first pitch.

Reserve your spot on the bus by sending in the sign-up slip (below) by Wednesday, April 22, 2020, along with your check.

#### Cost: \$45 per person.

Includes a light snack and beverage on the bus. Food at the park is on your own. We hope you'll join us!

Meeker Cooperative Bus Trip: Twins vs. Baltimore Orioles at Target Field! -12:10 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

Bus departs from Meeker Co-op at 9:30 a.m.
Name(s):
Acct #:Phone:
# of reservations: @ \$45 = \$ Deadline: April 22
Make checks payable to Meeker Cooperative. Clip and send this form to:
Meeker Cooperative, 1725 US Hwy. 12, Suite 100, Litchfield, MN 55355
Attn: Becky Sorenson

# **Club Cracker Cookies**

Barb Hagemeier of Eden Valley submitted this month's winning recipe for **Club Cracker Cookies** (Favorite Cookie Recipe). She will have \$10 credited to her account.

## Club Cracker Cookies

Club Crackers 1 cup chopped pecans 1 stick butter

1 stick margarine 1/2 cup white sugar

Cover a cookie sheet (with sides) with Club crackers, single layer (the darker the pan the better). Sprinkle pecans over crackers. Melt butter, margarine and add sugar. Bring to a boil and boil one minute, stirring constantly. Pour over the crackers and pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 8 minutes or until golden brown. Let sit no longer than 1 minute. Remove with a fork onto a rack covered with waxed paper. Cool. Keep in covered container. Note: I made these with all butter, too, and they are great!

# For April, submit your favorite **Cake Recipe to:**

Meeker Cooperative, ATTN: Becky Sorenson, 1725 US Hwy 12, Suite 100, Litchfield, MN 55355

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## For Sale - Miscellaneous

- Antique triple wood and iron barn pulley lift. \$69. 952-239-9945.
- Craftsman 21-in. single-stage snow blower. Elec. start, exc. cond. \$200.320-699-0082.
- Carhardt insulated bibs, worn once \$30; London Fog parka \$15. 320-275-0120.
- Baffin Snogoose felt-lined ladies snow boots, sz. 10. 320-626-3148. • RCA VCR/Magnavox 19" color TV. 320-626-3148.
- Sun-Mar Excel composting toilet, elec., used 3 seasons. \$200. 612-968-3283.
- 1990 Indy 400. Runs great. Studded track. \$500/obo. 320-290-2818
- Antique "Sew Gem" sewing machine/cabt. Works. 29" H x 17" D x 33"W. 320-275-2529.
- · Wurlitzer home organ w/bench. 35" H x 44" W x 23" D. Works.
- 320-275-2529. • Pool table slate (3 pieces), abt.
- 52"x34"x1" each. Make offer. 320-905-6597. • Estate 825 snow blower, 2-stage,
- elec. start, tire chain, cab. Gd. cond. \$200/obo, 320-453-8963.
- Productive land; 2 parcels, 74 acres total. 320-296-6829.

 Antique fireplace log holder. Best offer. 952-938-8269.

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- NordicTrack ski machine, great cond. \$100. 320-493-5080
- White self-clean Whirlpool Gold dbl. oven, 5 burners. Works great. 320-583-9918.
- · Harley boots & helmets, black leather jackets for man/woman. Gd. cond. 612-968-2508.
- Electric motors (used) 10 hp Baldor, 5 hp Ballor, 5 hp Leeson. 320-979-6313.
- 2005 Arctic Cat ATV w/plow. Runs great, low miles. \$2,500/obo. 320-693-8136.
- Country Living grain mill for making bread. \$200. 320-493-5080.
- 5.5 cubic foot chest freezer. 320-380-4884.
- Sport trading cards, 1000+'90s. 320-339-5014.
- Siphon-feed paint spray gun, new in box. \$30. 320-339-5014.
- HB microwave 900 watt, exc. cond. \$30 320-339-5014.
- Sisco fold/roll cafeteria table, 60". \$150, 320-275-4059.
- · VEEP folding coatrack, opens to 76", rolls for storage. \$125. 320-275-4059.
- Ltd. Edition print "Memories" by Rose Edin; 1900s print of Dassel elevator, \$75. 320-275-4059.

### • Buzz saw blade, 28" diameter. \$30. 320-857-2909.

## For Sale - Agricultural

- 1936 Twin City MM tractor, strong runner, nice. \$2,150. 320-276-8575.
- 24-ft. free-standing corral panels w/1" rods. Watkins. \$250/ea. 320-764-2558.

## Wanted

- Spike tooth harrow. 320-293-1395.
- Six-man dome tent. 320-310-6998.
- · Wood bunk beds or single beds with good mattresses. 320-453-7615.
- 5 or 10 acre plot to build a storage shed. 320-221-0337.
- Ice fishing spears, old or new. 651-323-8337.
- · Collecting Lake Superior Agates. 320-493-7555.

### **Give Away**

· 2 goats: 1 female Boer, 1 male cross, both to same home. 320-980-1759.

## **Services**

- Interior painting, wall paper removal. Insurance, references. 320-583-6210.
- A & F Painting, restoration. We do it all-interior/exterior. Insured. 763-200-3970.



# **Energy Efficiency** Tip of the Month

Placing hot food in the refrigerator makes the appliance work harder than necessary, using more energy. Allow food to cool down before you place it in the fridge.



# Find your location number

Four location numbers have been hidden within this Pioneer. If you find your number and claim it by calling Meeker Cooperative by March 27, you will have \$10 credited to your account! If you find your number and your information is correct in our system, you'll receive a bill credit equal to one month's output from a Member Solar panel. Good luck!

