



5:30 P.M. REGISTRATION

- » Please bring this registration card to the meeting for express registration and for a registration gift
- » No meal will be provided

6 P.M. BUSINESS MEETING

- » To ensure the health and safety of all in attendance, it will be an abbreviated meeting lasting no more than 30 minutes
- » Vote on the proposed bylaw change
(Text for the proposed bylaw amendment will be on our website and in the annual report, published in the August Kansas Country Living magazine.)
- » Results of trustee election

WESTERN STATE BANK EXPO CENTER
11333 U.S. Highway 283 in Dodge City

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING



In accordance with Victory Electric's bylaws, each year the cooperative holds a meeting of the members to communicate the cooperative's activities and financial status for the past year. The meeting also brings the annual trustee election to a close. Members mail their votes prior to the meeting, and the results are announced at the meeting.

Purchasing electric power from Victory Electric gives you membership in the cooperative, and, as a member, you have voting rights. Your participation is a fundamental power that flows from you to your electric cooperative. You have the power to discuss issues with friends and

neighbors and elect your board representation. That democratic right – which includes one vote by every cooperative member – is one of several important differences between electric cooperatives and investor-owned electric utilities. This is your opportunity to have a voice in cooperative business affairs, the business you own.

The strength of our cooperative comes from you, our members. Informed and concerned members stay involved by electing those people who value their way of life and work to improve the quality of life in southwest Kansas. So, mark your calendars and plan to attend Victory Electric's annual meeting.

DISTRICT 2 JOHN LEIS
INCUMBENT | MINNEOLA



Being residents of rural communities, we all rely on our electric cooperative to provide the growing demand for electricity to meet current and future needs. Recent industry changes altered the way cooperatives generate, deliver and use electricity, and power supply and financing regulatory issues are growing more complicated all the time. Luckily, electric cooperatives are at the forefront of these changes, and we have the unique ability to identify and meet our members' growing needs because you are not simply customers — you are our members and owners.

The past several years brought positive changes for Victory Electric including streamlining costs, boosting cybersecurity protocols, restructuring long-term debt, and working with power suppliers to reduce the overall cost of wholesale power. My wish is to continue as your trustee to build upon my 15 years of experience, which has given me the knowledge necessary to be an effective board leader. With your support and vote, I intend to continue to help deliver quality electric service that is safe, affordable and reliable for years to come.

DISTRICT 4 JIM IMEL
INCUMBENT | BUCKLIN



Cooperatives across the U.S. are facing rapid industry changes, advances in technology, and challenges from state and federal regulations. Serving on the board of trustees involves an understanding of these issues and challenges and working together to come up with the best possible solutions for both Victory Electric and our members. Our job is to protect the institution of the cooperative, meet our members' needs, and accomplish our mission to provide safe, reliable electricity at an affordable price.

Since 1987, the members of district four have extended me the privilege of serving on the board of trustees and I take that role very seriously. I strive to be a good steward of your cooperative investment and take a balanced approach to all decisions. I also diversified my knowledge of the electric utility industry and advocated for our members by representing Victory Electric on the board of directors of our power supplier, Sunflower Electric.

It has been a great privilege to serve your interests and your vote would give me the opportunity to continue serving the members of Victory Electric.

DISTRICT 6 KENNY WEHKAMP
INCUMBENT | CIMARRON



In Victory Electric's 75th year, we celebrate the pioneering spirit of our founding members — people who knew success comes from creating a vision and having the courage, solidarity and work ethic to see it through. Although society, people and technology have changed since 1945, our mission of providing safe, reliable and affordable power will never falter. As the cooperative moves into the next 75 years, I am proud to be a part of a board dedicated to maintaining pride in our past and faith in our future, while upholding a promise to make decisions in the best interest of our members.

As a self-employed farmer, I am well versed in fiscal responsibility and business management. In my role as a Victory Electric trustee and Sunflower Electric director, I am dedicated to using those skills to maintain the financial stability of both cooperatives. It has been an honor to serve as the district six trustee, and I would be grateful for your vote and the opportunity to continue working to ensure Victory Electric is a cooperative of which we can be proud.

DISTRICT 10 RANDY QUINT
INCUMBENT | DODGE CITY



Thank you to the members of Victory Electric for the support, confidence and faith you entrusted in me as your representative on the board of trustees. The electric utility industry faced many challenges in recent years and changed at a rapid pace — and continues to change. In my nine years as a trustee, I've been there through the many tough decisions and conversations the board and management faced as we determined how to change and adapt to those challenges and industry changes. As your trustee, I strive to stay informed on any issues with the potential to affect Victory Electric's mission to provide safe, reliable and affordable electricity.

My 25-year background working for electric utilities, in combination with my wife Lynne and my experiences owning a local small business for 20 years, proves beneficial in the boardroom and gives me a unique perspective on the challenges facing Victory Electric. As we celebrate the cooperative's history, your vote would help me to ensure Victory Electric continues to serve our members for another 75 years.

CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**AN ELECTRIFYING PAST
A BRIGHT FUTURE**

VICTORY ELECTRIC CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

The year 2020 marks an important milestone for Victory Electric. For 75 years, more than poles and wire connect cooperative members in southwest Kansas. The cooperative is more than a place to pay your bill every month. It's people and it's passion. And that's something that hasn't changed over the cooperative's 75-year history.

In the beginning, local people banded together to form a cooperative to serve electricity to their rural homes and farms—so they built the service, and they used it—and we are still using it today under the same service-minded, not-for-profit philosophy.

The same passion that built this cooperative still pulses through the veins of its caretakers today. From the

board of trustees leading the way, to employees handling the day-to-day functions, and to the members who believe in the cooperative business model—the goal remains the same, to deliver safe, reliable, electric service at the lowest possible cost.

There was a time when the only light available was a faint glow from a kerosene lantern. A wood stove provided heat, as well as a means to cook food. We all enjoy having electricity in our lives today, and as we celebrate Victory Electric's rich history, we encourage our members to embrace what your cooperative is today and will be in the future. It has been an honor to serve our members over the past 75 years and we look forward to serving for another 75 years.

FUN FACTS

ABOUT PAST VICTORY ELECTRIC ANNUAL MEETINGS

- 1 FIRST MEETING HELD AT THE HOOVER PAVILION**
Over the years, the annual meeting has been held in nine locations.
- 2 PUT ON YOUR DANCING SHOES!**
In 1953, the meeting attendees enjoyed a dance with an orchestra.
- 3 SAFETY FIRST IN 1957**
Linemen built a miniature single-phase line for a hot line demonstration.
- 4 A GREAT YEAR FOR PRIZES**
In 1963, prizes included appliances like a water heater and clothes dryer.
- 5 A HEALTHY AFFAIR**
The first health fair was held prior to the annual meeting in 2007.

NOTE
The annual report will be published in the August issue of the Kansas Country Living magazine. It is also available to view on our website in English and Spanish.



For all your Victory Electric news and events and to stay in touch, we encourage you to visit us online. You can pay your bill, see outage updates, a calendar of events, energy efficiency and safety tips, and more.

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