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*We are committed to the well-being of our members and employees to provide safe, reliable power and maintaining the company's financial strength.*

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## Scholarships Available

Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Tri-State Generation and Transmission, and Garland Light & Power are offering college scholarships to students in our service area. The scholarships are for the 2021-2022 school year.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative, to which we are a member, located in Bismarck, ND, offers one \$1,000 scholarship to a qualifying senior whose family is served by Garland Light & Power. Tri-State Generation and Transmission, our power supplier in Denver, offers two \$500 scholarships. Garland Light and Power offers several scholarships ranging from \$500-\$1,000 to qualifying seniors and returning college students. Trade school applications are also accepted.

The scholarship program recognizes and encourages the academic achievement of students in Garland's area. It also serves as an investment in the economic future of rural areas. The scholarships must be used for educational costs, and the student must enter college in the fall of the school year for which the scholarship is given.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens and dependents of member system consumers or employees. Applicants also must be students enrolled or planning to enroll in a full time undergraduate or graduate course of study at an accredited, two or four year college. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on a combination of SAT/ACT scores and overall grade point average, work experience, participation in school and community activities and a brief essay question.

Applications will be accepted until February 19, 2021 and winners will be announced by March 15, 2021. Your application must be returned to the Garland Light & Power Office. You can pick up applications at our office or Powell and Cody High Schools.



## WREA Offering Lineman Scholarship

As a member of the Wyoming Rural Electric Association (WREA), Garland Light & Power will be accepting applications for a Lineman Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 to be awarded by WREA.

The scholarship was developed to promote and educate lineworkers for enduring and rewarding careers with Wyoming's electric cooperatives. It is available to all qualified applicants, recent high school graduates and older "non-traditional" students interested in a career in the electric industry.

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The WREA will be awarding one or more scholarships each year. Scholarship applications must include an application form, resume of education, work experience, three letters of recommendation and a transcript of grades. A transcript will not be necessary if the candidate has not attended an educational institution in the three years prior to submitting the scholarship form.

Applications can be submitted throughout the year. The board may choose one or more qualified candidates for the scholarship.

The WREA Board of Directors may award an alternate scholarship if the original applicant selected is unable to use the scholarship.

You can pick up applications at our office. Completed applications must be returned to the Garland Light & Power office.

## DAR HACKWORTH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Dar Hackworth Lineworker Scholarship was created in 2006 in memory of Dar Hackworth. Hackworth was born and raised in Ohio. In August 1997, he moved with his family to Powell, Wyoming where he became an electrical lineworker for Garland Light & Power. He became superintendent in 2000. He had been interested in music since he was young and became a talented musician, playing banjo and guitar with the bluegrass Gospel band, "Witness." Hackworth loved spending time with family and friends and time in the mountains, hunting, fishing, and riding horses. He loved his job and was highly respected by his peers in the industry. Hackworth lost his life in the summer of 2005 in a non-utility related accident while enjoying some of those things he loved most.

One scholarship will be awarded each year to a Wyoming resident interested in a career in the electric industry. The amount of the scholarship will be \$1,000.

You can pick up applications at our office. Completed applications must be returned to the Garland Light & Power office by the March 15, 2021 deadline.

## NEIL ADKINS LINEWORKER SCHOLARSHIP

The Neil T. Adkins Scholarship was set up in memory of Neil T. Adkins. Neil was 20 years old and had attended Bismarck State College in the Lineworker Program. He had begun his career with 3-C Construction in Bismarck when he was killed in an automobile accident. In memory of Neil, this scholarship was created to help a deserving student become successful in the Lineworker Program.

One scholarship will be awarded each year to a Wyoming resident interested in a career in the electric industry. The applicant must plan to attend an approved regional lineworker training program. The amount of the scholarship is \$500.

You can pick up applications at our office. Completed applications must be returned to Garland Light & Power office by the March 15, 2021 deadline.

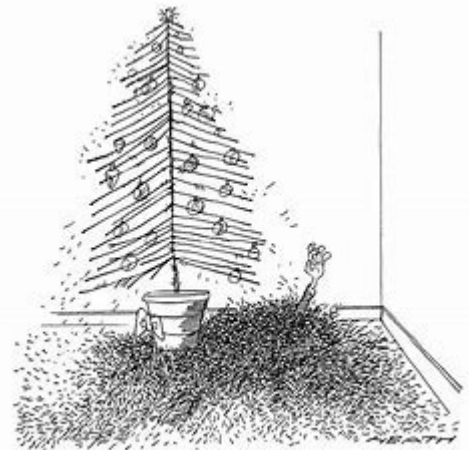
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## DRY TREE EQUALS FIRE RISK

If you bring a live Christmas tree into your home every year, you're in good company: The National Christmas Tree Association estimates that up to 30 million households celebrate the holidays by decorating a fresh fir or pine.

The downside is that tree needles can dry out, fall off, turn brown or even catch on fire. Here's how to keep your Christmas tree looking good, smelling fresh and out of harms way all season long:

- The freshest tree is the one you cut down yourself. Consider making a day trip for your family to a local tree farm. You'll do something good for the environment: tree farms are sustainable, which means the farms plant a new one for every one that someone chops down.
- If that's too much trouble, ask the manager of the nursery, store or tree lot when the tree you choose was cut down. If nobody knows, try another store.
- Inspect the tree before you buy it. Needles should be flexible, not dry and breakable. The fresher your tree is when you buy it, the longer it will last in your home.
- Ask the lot manager to make a fresh cut across the bottom of the tree's trunk, and dunk the tree in water within a couple of hours.
- Water the tree every day so it never dries out. Keeping the base constantly immersed in water will slow the drying process.
- Although adding corn syrup or sugar isn't proven to keep a tree looking young, those who do it swear by it. It can't hurt.
- Locate your tree away from sunny windows, heating vents and fans. Consider setting up a humidifier near the tree.
- Ditch your old tree lights in favor of new LED versions, which stay cooler, significantly reducing the risk that they will catch your tree on fire.





**DECEMBER IS  
NATIONAL SAFE  
TOYS & GIFTS  
MONTH**



Garland Light & Power will be closed for the Christmas Holiday on December 24th & 25th. We will also be closed for New Years on January 1st.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



## **2021 CALENDARS ARE HERE STOP BY THE OFFICE TO GET ONE**

### **LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE**

This program provides assistance for winter heating bills. It is available for the months of November through May. The State of Wyoming accepts applications from October 1st through February 28th each year. Benefits are based on household size, income and type of fuel used as the primary heating source.

Crisis Assistance-This is a one time per program year benefit available to persons who are facing an energy emergency. The benefit amount is based on the amount needed to resolve this crisis, up to a maximum of \$400. Crisis funds can be used for deposits on new accounts, LP tank sets, and back bills. Crisis assistance is available from October through the middle of April. Back bills prior to October 1st are the clients responsibility.

For a LIEAP application, call 1-800-246-4221.

