

Barron Electric Cooperative
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Photo by Lois Leis

News FOR YOU...

A Brighter Future



Timber Ford recently upgraded their lighting to more energy efficient LED fixtures and received a \$1,700 rebate check from Barron Electric. Visit barronelectric.com for rebate information.

At right: Kathy Robertson, Energy Management Specialist, presents a rebate check to Owners Amy and Curt Beilke of Timber Ford. Visit their store on Highway 63, Hayward or on the web at timberfordofhayward.com.



Save the Dates!

Barron Electric members are invited to the following Cooperative Month Events:

Tuesday, October 1
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Barron Electric's
Spoooner Warehouse

Thursday, October 3
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Mosaic Telecom, Cameron



Employee Spotlight

Working for our Members



Dee Abbott worked at Erickson Insurance Agency prior to starting at Barron Electric as a Member Account Representative in the Finance Department. She assists members with billing questions. She earned her Finance and Insurance Agent Degree from WITC and is a graduate of Cameron High School. Dee said, "I like working for Barron Electric because they genuinely care for their employees and members. I also enjoy working with my co-workers who help me learn something new every day!"

Cook's Corner

Cherry Salad

Susan Barta

Dissolve:

8 oz. Cherry Jello
1 ½ cup boiling water

Add:

1 can cherry pie filling
12 oz. Cola

Mix well and chill.



Win a Cookbook

Win a cookbook if your recipe is published in the *News for You*. Send recipes to memberservices@barronelectric.com or mail to
Attn: Member Services
Barron Electric Cooperative
PO Box 40
Barron, WI 54812

Enjoy the Convenience of Outage Texting



Barron Electric member-consumers have the opportunity to text in their outage and receive a message when the outage is restored. If your mobile number is included on your account information, you can sign up for outage texting by visiting our website at barronelectric.com and click on outage texting on the home page. If your mobile number is not listed on your account, please complete the form below or contact our billing department at 800-322-1008 to update your account information. Then, visit our website at barronelectric.com.

Name: _____

Barron Electric Account #: _____

Mobile #: _____

E-mail: _____

Everyone Can Save!

Switching to paperless billing and AutoPay can save money for all members!
See how the savings can add up!

- 1,845 of 18,735 Barron Electric accounts are currently enrolled in paperless billing.
- That is 9.8% of our total membership.
- For every one ton of paper recycled, 4,077 kilowatt hours of electricity are saved.
- If all accounts went paperless, it would save roughly 12,660 pounds of paper each year.
- It costs Barron Electric approximately \$.70 to create and mail one paper bill each month.
- If all members switched to paperless billing, it would save Barron Electric and its members more than \$165,672 per year!



Access My Account

Sign up for Paperless billing and Auto Pay at barronelectric.com.
Click on the SmartHub icon to sign in or create an account.

Service Above Self

Barron Electric Cooperative is proud to award Mike VanGilder with the Megawatt Community Service Award. He has been a member of the Barron County Sunrise Rotary Club since 1997 and served as President in 2002. Rotarians from all over Barron County take pride in making the community a better place for families. The Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self."



deer, and Russian boar. Mike remarked, "It is rewarding to help those who have a passion for the outdoors." Mike is also a certified National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) coach.

The program teaches middle school kids the proper techniques of archery as well as improving their educational performance. Mike was also involved in the Rice Lake Archery Park Committee, which raised money to build an archery park located at 3 Lindy Street in Rice Lake. Mike's engineering background was instrumental in the design.

Win a \$50 Electric Bill Credit

Barron Electric is led by members like you who understand and listen to the community. Nominate a member for the Megawatt Community Service Award. Each winner will receive a \$50 electric bill credit. Application forms can be found at barronelectric.com in the community area or by contacting the Member Services Department at 800-322-1008.



Congratulations to Mike VanGilder, Barron Electric's Megawatt Community Service Award Winner.

Monthly Photo Contest

Fall Landscapes

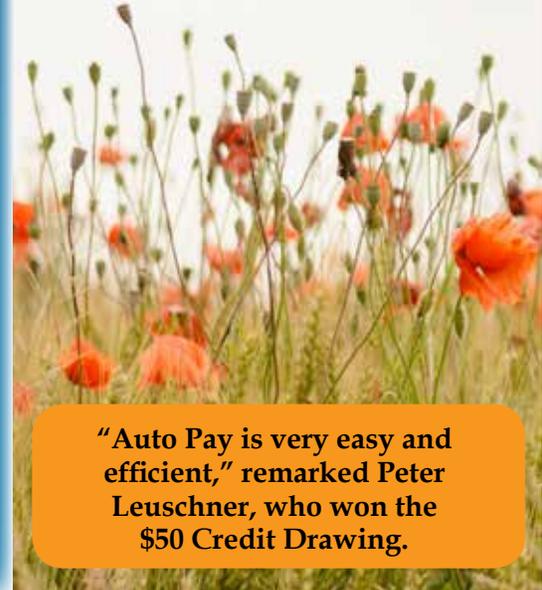
E-mail your fall landscape photos for our photo contest. Winning photos will be used on the cover of the *News for You*, and winners will receive a \$50 credit on their electric bill. Criteria for the photos include:

- Photos must have a horizontal orientation (landscape).
- Photos must be high resolution, at least 300 dpi.
- Member must own rights to the photo.
- E-mail your digital image to memberservices@barronelectric.com by August 5, 2019. Include your Barron Electric account number, address, and phone number.



Win a \$50 Credit

Auto Pay is a convenient way to pay your electric bill, saving you time and money. Members who sign up for Auto Pay will have their name entered into a drawing for a \$50 electric bill credit. Sign up for Auto Pay through SmartHub at barronelectric.com or by contacting the billing department at 800-322-1008.



"Auto Pay is very easy and efficient," remarked Peter Leuschner, who won the \$50 Credit Drawing.

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Director Notes

Richard Bol represents District 9 on Barron Electric's Board of Directors which includes the following townships: Chetek, Dallas, Sioux Creek, Dovre, Sampson, and Sand Creek.

Condensed Board Minutes

May 29, 2019



- Director Helm gave the treasurer's report, with comments by Manager Sloan. A report of vouchers for the month was presented as part of the board packet as follows: #96107 thru #96229 of CCF Bank was in the amount of \$560,056 and capital credit estate checks of \$10,947. Director Helm reported on activity of total receipts in the office - \$3,217,718; total receipts by wire and ACH - \$1,756,301; disbursements by ACH, EFT, wire - \$4,048,326; transfer of funds was made for payroll - \$189,559 and power bill paid 05/29/19 in the amount of \$1,881,240.
- Form 219 summarizing construction activity for the past month in the amount of \$221,971.09 was presented for approval, and included new services - (\$358.63) change jobs - \$778.40; miscellaneous - \$225,551.32 and 1 retirement. The Form 219 stood approved as presented.