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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."

Mike served as secretary on the Rice Lake Hockey Association Board of Directors. He was also the assistant coach for Rice Lake Youth Hockey. Mike also serves as secretary on the Board of Directors for the Field of Dreams Hunt Program. The program is designed to provide disabled sportspeople with the chance to pursue their outdoor dreams. The program includes a variety of outdoor activities including fishing, hunting for deer and bear, and various Big Game Dream Hunts for trophy whitetail deer, elk, red 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.
