### Bon Homme Yankton Electric Cooperative Connections

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> Office Hours: Monday through Friday 7:30am - 4:30pm

To pay by phone, call: 1-888-395-5315

To report an outage, call: Local call from Tabor, Tyndall and Yankton: 605-463-2507 Toll Free in South Dakota: 1-800-925-2929

**NOTICE:** Electric bills must be paid by 10:00am on the 20th of each month to avoid a \$10 late fee.

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#### Co-ops in the Classroom

# **Avon and Tabor Elementary Students**

Co-ops in the Classroom is a program offered by Bon Homme Yankton Electric's wholesale power provider, East River Electric Power Cooperative. Jennifer Gross, Education/Outreach Specialist for East River, travels throughout East River's service territory in eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota to teach children about electrical safety, generation, conservation, and economics.

In April, Gross brought this energy education to two elementary schools in the Bon Homme Yankton Electric service territory. Gross visited Avon 5th and 6th graders on April 14th and Tabor 4th and 5th graders on April 20th.

During the course of the 60-minute presentation, Gross took the students on the journey of electricity at the atomic level, all the way to the hundreds of miles it travels from the power plant to our homes.

A variety of hands-on demonstrations engaged the students. A Van de Graaff electrostatic generator demonstrated the movement of electrons with some hair-raising results. Another device that invokes a lot of excitement is the Pedal Power bicycle generator. Students are asked to become power plants as they provide the energy that produces electricity for lights and small household devices.

The Pedal Power turns the concept of electricity from something abstract into something tangible. By providing the energy needed to make a light bulb turn on, the students are able to quantify just how much more energy an incandescent light bulb requires than a compact fluorescent light (CFL). It takes four times more energy to power the incandescent bulbs with the same lighting output.

Gross also hooked up a fan and heating element to the human powered generator. The students first assume the fan takes more power but the heating element makes the bicycle almost impossible to pedal. *Continued on page 10* 



#### YOUTH NEWS

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

July Issue Deadline: June 1, 2020. Email your classified ad to: jarens@ byelectric.com. Members can post one free ad per year. Repeats or longer ads are \$1/column inch.

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom apartment. Tabor Manor. Contact Gary at 605-463-2209 or Ron at 605-463-2256

Beseda Hall, Tabor, SD for rent for any special occasion such as weddings, anniversaries, graduation or birthdays! For more information contact Linda Bares at 605-661-6220 or snlbares@gmail.com.

FOR RENT: Tabor Self Storage. Call 605-660-0274 or 605-660-3497.

NEW-Chrome Grill for 2005 Jeep Grand Cherokee, paid \$300 will sell for \$200.NEW-4 Douglas M&S 215/60R17 tires, paid \$280 will sell for \$210. 605-665-3441.

#### **Energy Efficiency** Tip of the Month

A dirty filter causes your air conditioner to work harder than necessary. Remember to change your air filter every month (or every two months) to prevent dust buildup. which can lead to even bigger problems.



#### **FREE Classified** Ad Service

Members can submit classified ads for the following categories: Giveaway, For Sale, For Rent, and Wanted Ads. All ads must be received by the first of the month to be included in the following month's issue. Ads will run one time unless resubmitted. Bon Homme Yankton Electric reserves the right to edit content or exclude ads due to space restrictions. Email ads to Jaclyn Arens at jarens@byelectric.com.

## Co-ops in the Classroom Cont.

By the end of the presentation, students had developed a new understanding and appreciation for electricity.

The Co-ops in the Classroom event is a nice complement to other available

education programs offered by Bon Homme Yankton Electric. In addition to Co-ops in the Classroom, we have a Powertown display that is great for safety demonstrations at 4-H camps, fairs, and other youth events. We also have access to a hotline trailer that provides a powerful demonstration of what can happen when a human body comes into contact with electricity. Contact Jaclyn Arens our Marketing and Communications Coordinator at (605) 463-2507 or jarens@byelectric.com for more information on energy education opportunities.





Jennifer Gross at Avon Elementary