

Save the Date!



Your monthly report from Your Socorro Electric Cooperative, Inc.

A familiar scene - Members attending a past SEC Annual Meeting at the Macey Center at NM Tech Campus

Let's Get "Reacquainted" at SEC's 77th Annual Member Meeting - See you on April 23, 2022!

After the most unusual couple of years, we are hoping to see all of our Members in person on April 23rd! We are planning to hold our 2022 Annual Member Meeting on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at Macy Center on the New Mexico Tech campus.

Registration and voting for Trustee positions will take place between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. with the Business Meeting starting at 3:00 p.m.

As you may remember, in 2020 we had to cancel this event completely due to the public health orders surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19. In 2021 we held our first ever "virtual" meeting but no election was held as the number of declared eligible candidates equaled the number of open seats for the respective Districts, it was declared that balloting be dispensed and the eligible candidates be elected by acclamation. This year, we will have a Trustee election, as three districts have Trustee terms expiring, with two Trustee seats being contested.

At this point, per the current New Mexico health orders, we plan to conduct the meeting at the Macey Center allowing for all who wish to attend to do so. Please note! - the administration of NM Tech / Macey Center strongly encourages the wearing of face masks and social distancing for all attendees and requests that if you have symptoms of COVID-19, you are asked to not attend the meeting.

Please remember that an election ballot will be mailed to all active Members of SEC so that all may participate in the Trustee elections, even if they are unable to attend the Member Meeting in person.

The unaudited financial statements from 2021 will be presented along with reports from Officers of the Board and the General Manager. Each will reflect on the achievements and accomplishments of the Staff, Management and Board of Trustees during the past year. The Credentials and Election Committee will also provide a report regarding the election of three Trustee positions, one from District 1 – area around Polvadera and north; one from District 4 – area around Luis Lopez then south and east; one from District 5 – area around Datil and west plus area south of Magdalena including San Marcial; each for a three (3) year term.

As a Member of Socorro Electric Cooperative, you have the opportunity to attend the most important meeting of the year for YOUR Cooperative - the Annual Member Meeting. This is our opportunity to inform you of the current state of affairs of the cooperative, upcoming changes, progress on past concerns, opportunities and obstacles of the present, and the direction for the future.

Come visit with your neighbors, pickup your registration gift, and hear the latest cooperative news from the General Manager and the Board of Trustees.

Spotlight on TEAM SEC - Meet our Staff, Your Neighbor

Brandon Snowball, Apprentice Lineman, joined SEC in August 2021. He was born and raised in Rancho Cucamonga, California, graduating from Etiwanda High School. Brandon's sport of choice during high school was baseball where he played 4 years as an outfielder and middle infielder.

After high school, he obtained his Commercial Drivers License and spent some time pursuing a career in law enforcement. He also worked several years at a metal fabrication shop where he gained skills in welding and operating a CNC machine using plasma cutting equipment. Deciding he preferred a career working outdoors, he decided to attend the Northwest Lineman College in Orville, California and graduating in 2021.

While Brandon and his wife both grew up in southern California, his wife spent a few years of her youth in Belen. He actually learned of the opportunity at SEC from a childhood friend of his wife whose husband also works at SEC! We are excited that a small-town friendship has brought Brandon and his wife to the SEC Cooperative family and we look forward to his service to our Members!



Brandon Snowball
Apprentice Lineman

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February 2022 Board Report - the Board met in person....

- and approved the purchase of a new pressure digger truck.
- and received the report from the February 15, 2022 meeting of the Credentials and Elections Committee.
- and set the next Board Meeting for March 23, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

2022 SEC Annual Safety Coloring Contest Winners

Each year the SEC Foundation sponsors a Safety Coloring Contest Poster in an effort to help elementary age children learn about the dangers of electricity.

Each year the poster has a different safety message including "staying off of electrical equipment" or "not touching wires laying on the ground" or "to be mindful of wires running through trees they may be climbing".

As an incentive to participate, the Foundation provides the top 3 finishers with cash awards!



Pictured above (left to right) are the 2022 winners

1st place, \$100 - Tracer Montoya

3rd grader - Cottonwood Valley Charter School

2nd place, \$75 - Harlie Holland

3rd grader - Magdalena Elementary

3rd place, \$50 - Zayla Armijo

3rd grader - San Antonio Elementary