

## Barden Achieves Big Bend Milestone

On November 16, Dave Barden will become a 20-year employee at Big Bend Electric Co-op. Barden, the co-op's manager of engineering and power supply, came to Big Bend in 1987 after working at Homer Electric in Alaska.

Dave and his wife, Jacki, have two sons and two grandchildren.

Congratulations Dave! Big Bend Electric Co-op appreciates your dedicated service.

### Fitting and Showing Winners

The winners for Fitting and Showing at the Adams County Fair in September each will receive a \$50 savings bond from Big Bend Electric Co-op. They are:

**FFA Steers:** Billy Jacketta, Warden. **4-H Steers:** Henry Boersma, Othello.

**FFA Sheep:** Lindsey Thayer, Quincy. **4-H Sheep:** Christine Barth, Ephrata.

**FFA Hogs:** Jusdin Lynch, Othello. **4-H Hogs:** Jessica Gilbert, Othello.

**FFA Horses:** Tiffany Cobb, Ephrata. **4-H Horses:** Meghan Olsen, Othello.

### NRECA Youth Tour Program

The NRECA Youth Tour program is fast approaching.

If you are a high school junior and a member of Big Bend Electric Co-op or your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are co-op members at the time of application and selection, and would like to take an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. in June, there is good news.

Big Bend Electric Co-op

encourages you to get an application form, fill it out and return it to Big Bend by January 11, 2008, at 4:30 p.m.

This is a wonderful opportunity to find out more about co-ops, see our nation's capital, and visit special memorials and historical sites most people only can see in a book or on television. This opportunity will also help students as they apply for scholarships during their senior year. Think of it as a resume enhancer!

Past Youth Tour participants have returned with wonderful stories about the fantastic historical places their group visited.

To get an application, call Big Bend Electric Co-op at (866) 844-2363 or (509) 659-1700, and ask for Dale Anderson, or check with your school counselor.

Big Bend Electric Co-op encourages participation in this great opportunity.

### Scholarship Program

It is again time to think about the Big Bend Electric Co-op scholarship program.

To qualify, a candidate must either be a member of Big Bend Electric at the time of application, or have parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who are co-op members at the time of application and selection.

The value of the scholarship is \$500



for four consecutive years, for a total of \$2,000, which will be awarded to three qualified applicants chosen by three judges not affiliated with Big Bend Electric Co-op.

If you are an eligible senior or know of a student who is eligible to receive a scholarship, get an application form from Big Bend Electric Co-op. Just call (866) 844-2363 or (509) 659-1700 and ask for Dale.

You can also contact your school counselor in charge of scholarships. Scholarship applications are due February 1, 2008.

### Correction

In a previous page 25 article in Ruralite, two linemen were incorrectly identified. The photos below include the correct identifications. ■



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