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**After-Hours Outages and Emergencies:**  
**541-536-2165 or 800-752-5935**

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday  
7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
Closed Fridays and holidays

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Board meets the fourth Monday  
of each month at the co-op office.

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## Thank You to Our Veterans

Each year, on November 11, we celebrate Veterans Day to honor our military veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces. Words cannot express our heartfelt gratitude to our veterans for their patriotism and sacrifices in the name of freedom and democracy. Thank you for protecting and defending our homeland.

To further show our appreciation, Midstate Electric Cooperative has received approval from its board of directors to sponsor local World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War veterans on a trip to Washington, D.C., in September 2023 to visit national war memorials through Honor Flight of Central Oregon.

HFCO is one of 130 hubs across the United States whose volunteers coordinate these incredible all-expenses-paid trips for veterans to visit memorials, remember friends and comrades lost, and share their stories and experiences with each other. Because Honor Flight is a nonprofit organization, it is sponsorships like ours that make it possible for veterans to take part in this meaningful experience.

HFCO is accepting veteran applications for the September 2023 trip at [www.honorflightofcentraloregon.org](http://www.honorflightofcentraloregon.org). Please share the word about this opportunity to veterans in Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook counties and help them apply.



#### Washington, D.C., Youth Tour

In addition to sponsoring our veterans on a trip to the capital, MEC is sending one student delegate to represent our co-op at the Youth Tour in Washington, D.C., June 17-23, 2023. This all-expenses-paid trip is a unique opportunity for a high school sophomore or junior whose parents are MEC members.

We have an online application option at [midstateelectric.com/youth-tour](http://midstateelectric.com/youth-tour). The application deadline is Tuesday, January 31, 2023. Call 541-536-2126 option 5 for more details.

#### Winter Preparedness

It's time to prepare for winter weather. Make sure to stock your home with food, water, flashlights, batteries, lanterns, extra blankets and first-aid kits. Weatherproof your home, clean your chimneys and prepare your vehicle with an emergency kit. It is important to be prepared in the event of a power outage.

#### Happy Thanksgiving

Thanks to all who entered our 13 Days of Thanksgiving contest last month. The names of 13 lucky members will be drawn each business day until November 22 to receive a turkey.

Our office is closed Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, to observe the holiday. Our after-hours outage line is always available at 800-752-5935.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

#### CEO/General Manager Jim Anderson

*Your 2023 member calendar is included in this edition of Ruralite.*