

UNITED NEWSLINE

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Building Tomorrow's Cooperative

Annual Meeting Features Director Election, Cooperative Update, Prizes, and More

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Safety Month
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for Memorial Day

Growth in every industry sector is a challenge United Power is facing as we work on “Building Tomorrow’s Cooperative,” the theme of the 78th Annual Meeting held on Apr. 18th. Nearly 850 attendees represented over 420 registered cooperative memberships at the annual member event held at the Adams County Fairgrounds. The evening included dinner, exhibit booths, entertainment, cooperative reports, and the election of directors.

Races for a seat in all four director districts were decided by a vote of the members. Incumbent Directors James Vigesaa and Ginny Buczek retained their respective seats. Director David Rose won the race

for his seat in the South District. Incoming director Tamra Waltmath won the seat in the Mountain district left vacant by the retirement of director Douglas Pryce.

Member registration opened at 4:30 p.m. in the Exhibit Hall and was followed by balloting in the annual director election and a full barbeque dinner. Members then visited informational exhibit booths and enjoyed live entertainment by solo guitarist Dave Connelly in the Waymire Dome. The business meeting began at 6:30 p.m. in the Waymire Dome, and was broadcast live in Exhibit Hall.

Board Vice President, Susan Petrocco from the south district, opened the business meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the invocation, followed by the presentation of the colors by the Brighton Fire Department Honor Guard and the singing of the national anthem by local Brighton High School graduate Lauren Rocha.

Board President, Brian McCormick, introduced the cooperative Directors and Executive Leadership team, and then Vice President Petrocco made a special presentation in honor of retiring director Doug Pryce, who has served on the United

Power Board of Directors for 27 years. (See Page 3)

McCormick then called the meeting to order, introduced the candidates running for board seats in 2017 and introduced the cooperative reports for the evening. First to report was Troy Whitmore, Director of External Affairs for United Power. Whitmore presented this year’s Youth Report which included a special check presentation to United Power’s 2017 scholarship recipients. Students receiving awards were recognized on stage by Asst. Secretary-Treasurer Ursula J. Morgan and President McCormick.

McCormick followed with the President’s report which included an overview of United Power’s vision, mission and guiding cooperative principles. McCormick then reviewed energy sales trends for United Power. McCormick wrapped up his report by introducing United Power’s Chief Executive Officer, Darryl Schriver and reporting that United Power remains in strong financial condition and committed to delivering excellent service and value to its members.

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Ursula J. Morgan took the stage to review the



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cooperative's financial report. Morgan gave a summary of the highlights of the 2016 Annual Report. The Financial Report is included in this issue. View the complete Annual Report at www.unitedpower.com/annual-reports.

Morgan reported operating revenues for the cooperative were up over \$11 million—up more than 5 percent from 2015, which is mostly attributed to higher energy sales for the year. Energy sales, which grew more than 9 percent last year, are up mostly due to new large oil and gas related loads. The cooperative's operating expenses totaled \$212.3 million in 2016, an increase of \$13 million from 2015, nearly all due to higher purchased power costs. Morgan reported that the cost of purchased power represents over 76 percent of United Power's operating costs.

After accounting for all revenues and expenses, United Power realized net margins of \$13.7 million, and based on this sound financial position, the cooperative board authorized the retirement of \$4.3 million in capital credits to the members in 2016. Morgan reminded the audience that the board evaluates the cooperative's financial position each year to determine if a retirement is warranted and announcements about capital credit retirements are published on the cooperative's website and newsletter, *United Newslines*.

United Power's Chief Executive Officer Darryl Schriver took to the stage after a brief video highlighting the substantial growth in United Power's service area. Schriver discussed some of the ways the cooperative is planning and preparing for an influx of members and new load on the distribution system. Schriver also discussed the operational changes that have been made since taking his position last April to make sure United Power's crews are proactively addressing system maintenance issues. He talked about how contract crews are being used to better meet new construction schedules.

Schriver went on to discuss the addition of 19.5 megawatts of renewable solar power that was energized on the United Power system in 2016. A solar farm in Fort Lupton is generating 13 megawatts



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of power and the Maverick solar farm in Mead is generating 6.5 megawatts. These new systems are powering more than 4,000 homes in the United Power service territory with local renewable energy.

"In the coming year I am challenging United Power employees in every operational area to look at the way they serve our members," said Schriver. "I want them to explore ways to streamline, improve and leverage technology to provide a better experience for our members."

Schriver then announced the purchase of a new building located in the west district of the cooperative's service area on I-25, just south of the Hwy 119 exit. Schriver explained that serving the entire membership from one location on the easternmost corridor of the territory is becoming problematic. This additional facility will provide a second location

for operations crews to respond more quickly to communities in the northwest corridor of the territory and to provide additional back up support to United Power's mountain territory. The facility will also offer members a full-service walk-in member services department.

President McCormick then moved to the member forum portion of the meeting. Prior to the start of the meeting, board members collected comments of general interest from members in attendance. A selection of those questions were addressed by the Board President and Chief Executive Officer during this time.

Election results for the 2017 director election were announced following the member forum. The meeting ended with door prize giveaways and a member gift for all in attendance.

Results of the 2017 Director Election

United Power members cast 5,730 ballots, and the following results were certified by the Election and Credentials Committee at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

The South district was the only contested race on the ballot this year and David Rose won that seat with 3,393 votes, beating out Keith E. Alquist who received 2,209 votes.

In the Mountain district, the retirement of Douglas Pryce left the seat open for candidate Tamra Waltemath, who ran unopposed. Waltemath received 5,093 votes.

Incumbent directors James E. Vigesaa in the East, and Virginia "Ginny" Buczek in the West ran unopposed and retained their seats with 5,065 votes for Vigesaa and 5,102 votes for Buczek.

EAST DISTRICT

James Vigesaa..... 5,065

SOUTH DISTRICT

Dave Rose 3,393
Keith Alquist 2,209

WEST DISTRICT

Virginia "Ginny" Buczek 5,102

MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Tamra Waltemath..... 5,093



United Power Purchases New Service Facility

United Power has closed on the purchase of a 130,000 square foot facility located on the west side of the cooperative's service territory to serve as the co-op's fourth location. The new facility is located on the east side of I-25, just south of Highway 119.

"The purchase of this building is a great step toward meeting some of United Power's strategic goals," said United Power CEO, Darryl Schriver. "As the territory becomes more populated, our ability to respond quickly and efficiently to our members is vital. This west office will allow us to dispatch trucks and personnel to the west and north sides of our territory quickly without the substantial drive time from the headquarters in Brighton."

The new facility will help the cooperative free up space in the Brighton headquarters to have more room for training and storage. Plans are also in place to lease part of the west facility back to United Power's primary contractor, Ward Electric. Ward Electric recently added United Power logos to their

trucks to help members quickly identify cooperative contractors in the field.

"This facility is a win for the cooperative, for Ward Electric and for our members," stated Schriver. "We've been able to negotiate a great financial deal on this purchase, in part because the seller appreciated the cooperative's profile in the community and sees us a valuable resource. Now we'll be able to better support the rapidly growing areas in our territory by having trucks and staff that can respond from both sides of our plains territory."

United Power purchased the facility for \$8.76 million and took possession on April 25th. United Power is also in negotiations to acquire an adjacent plot of undeveloped land. The additional property would allow for the addition of on-site material storage and expanded parking. The cooperative will continue to communicate updates about the new facility and how it will be used in future issues of the *United Newswire*.

POWER MIX

Wholesale power is purchased from Tri-State Generation & Transmission. Tri-State's portfolio of electric energy is derived from base load-serving coal generating units, intermediate load-serving natural gas, combined-cycle generating units and peak load-serving natural gas and oil combustion turbines, and renewable resources, including hydropower, wind and solar.

- 45%** Coal
- 22%** Natural Gas
- 15%** WAPA/Hydro Renewables
- 13%** Open Market Contracts
- 5%** Locally Generated Renewables*



LOCALLY GENERATED RENEWABLES

Locally generated renewable sources include utility-scale solar projects, individually owned rooftop solar, a methane landfill capture system and small wind generation.

- 47,541 kW** Solar
- 2 kW** Wind
- 3,200 kW** Methane



Director Pryce Retires



Douglas R. Pryce officially retired from the United Power board at this year's annual member meeting, stepping down from a seat he has held for 27 years. Pryce's board seat was filled by Tamra Waltemath in an uncontested race.

Pryce originally joined the board in March of 1990, in one of the two seats allotted to the cooperative's mountain territory. During his tenure at United Power he represented the cooperative at the Public Utilities Commission, the National Information Solutions Cooperative board, the Colorado Rural Electric Association board, and the Tri-State Generation and Transmission board.

In the 90s he served on the Sundance Committee, which was charged with helping the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and its associated organizations to coordinate their efforts to better serve cooperatives. He also served as a director to the national Touchstone Energy board, which oversees the marketing and programs of the national brand for participating cooperatives. He served as a member of NRECA's 21st Century Committee charged with developing recommendations for all cooperative's to plan their future direction. Even while Doug served in these various national and state positions, he still found the energy to serve the United Power board in various leadership capacities. He served as the cooperative's Vice-President for two years, as the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer for one year, and as the board President for five years.

Look Up, Stay Alert During Outdoor Work, Play

As the weather begins to warm up, kids and adults alike will soon head outside to perform winter clean-up and play. Before they do, remind them to look up and be alert for power lines and other electrical hazards, the best way to stay safe from electrocution—and even death.

For kids

- Never fly a kite on a rainy day or anywhere but an open space. A high point in the sky makes a kite a grounding point for lightning, and kites could easily become tangled in power lines.
- Don't climb trees that are near power lines and poles—evergreens can disguise dangers this time of year; leaves during the spring and summer.
- Stay far away from power lines lying on the ground. You can't tell if electricity is still flowing through them. If there's water nearby, don't go in it. Water is the best conductor of electricity.
- Obey signs that say "danger" and "keep out" around large electrical

equipment, like substations. These signs aren't warnings; they're commands to keep you safe.

- Never climb a power pole.

For adults

- If power lines run through your trees, call a professional tree trimmer with proper protective equipment that can trim branches safely.
- Remember that power lines and other utilities run underground, too. Call 811 to have utility lines marked before you start digging.
- Starting that winter cleanup yard work? Sweep dried leaves and debris from outdoor receptacles.
- If they're not already, consider upgrading your outdoor receptacles—or any outlets that could come in contact with water—to ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs). GFCIs immediately interrupt power flow when a plugged-in device comes in contact with water. Regardless, keep your outlets and cords dry and covered outside.

- Use only weather-resistant, heavy-duty extension cords marked for outdoor use.
- Don't leave outdoor power tools unattended for curious children or animals to find.

For more safety tips and information, visit SafeElectricity.org or www.UnitedPower.com.



Call Before You Dig

Power lines and other utilities can run underground, so remember to call 811 to have utility lines marked before you start digging.



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Call before you dig.

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UNITED POWER PRIDE



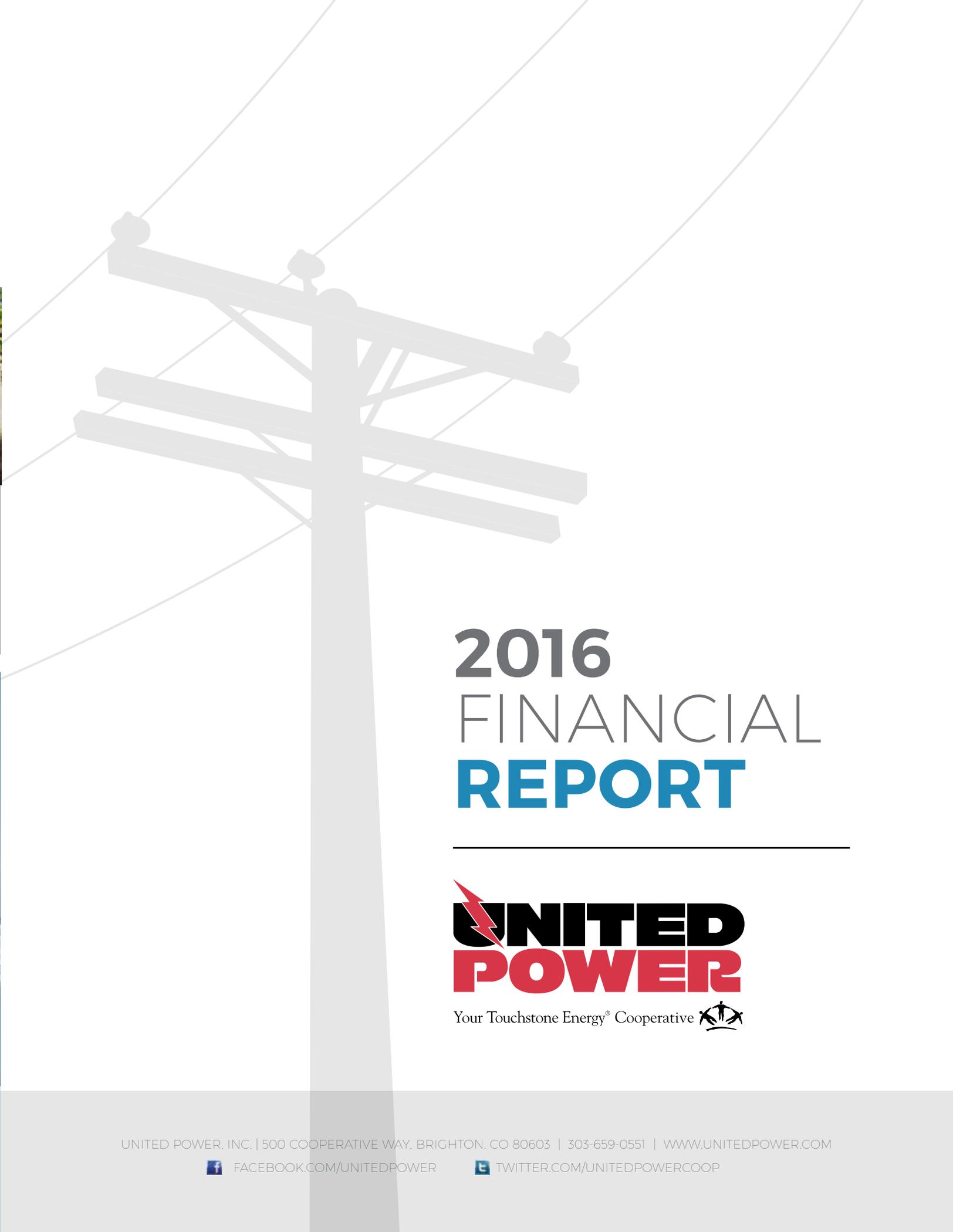
Marina Galasso of Brighton took her *United Newsline* on vacation to Cancun, Mexico in November 2016.

United Power Pride Photos

Snap a photo with the *United Newsline* and we'll send you a gift if we print it. Send your name, address, phone number, and a description of the photo to:

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2016 FINANCIAL REPORT



Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative 

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

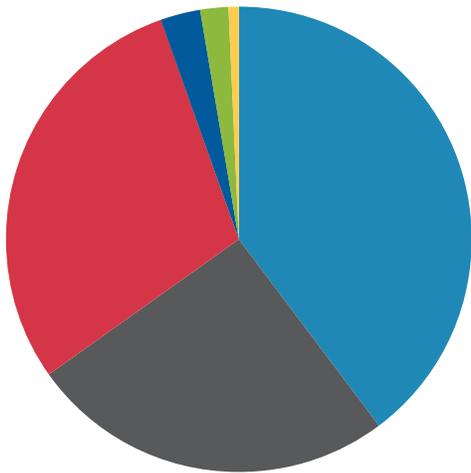
	2016	2015
ASSETS		
Utility Plant		
Electric Plant	\$302,292,676	\$309,352,202
less: Depreciation	82,138,925	81,989,633
Depreciated Value	<u>220,153,751</u>	<u>227,362,569</u>
Investments and Other Property	122,505,722	116,769,794
Current Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	5,034,008	5,639,394
Receivables	10,063,073	10,467,491
Materials	6,743,752	6,918,570
Prepayments and Other Current Assets	23,363,918	15,934,705
Total	<u>45,204,751</u>	<u>38,960,160</u>
Total Assets	\$387,864,224	\$383,092,523
LIABILITIES & CAPITAL		
Capital Equities		
Patronage Capital	\$180,774,379	\$171,166,548
Other Capital	(4,873,213)	(5,338,539)
Total	<u>175,901,166</u>	<u>165,828,009</u>
Long-Term Liabilities	155,065,212	163,469,342
Obligations Under Capital Leases	1,396,284	2,528,987
Current Liabilities		
Current Maturities of Long-Term Debt	7,881,929	7,855,550
Current Maturities Capital Leases	1,132,703	1,104,942
Notes Payable	18,000,000	14,000,000
Accounts Payable	15,305,709	15,486,667
Accrued Expenses	3,166,624	3,159,403
Accrued Taxes	5,835,704	5,600,762
Customer Deposits	1,130,114	1,109,026
Total	<u>52,452,783</u>	<u>48,316,350</u>
Deferred Credits	3,048,779	2,949,835
Total Liabilities & Capital	\$387,864,224	\$383,092,523

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS & PATRONAGE CAPITAL

	2016	2015
OPERATING REVENUE		
Operating Revenue	\$219,961,706	\$208,569,014
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Cost of purchased power	162,042,673	148,682,258
Operating expenses - transmission	-	-
Operating expenses - distribution	6,120,069	4,929,332
Maintenance of distribution plant	6,873,165	5,894,894
Consumer accounting and collection expenses	4,861,777	5,130,279
Other customer expenses	2,447,438	3,047,070
Administrative & general expense	9,146,506	8,732,622
Directors fees and expense	324,990	340,835
Depreciation	8,445,109	8,289,621
Property taxes	5,188,485	4,830,962
Interest on long-term debt	6,240,523	6,625,192
Other interest expense	197,087	358,490
Other expenses	407,196	340,219
Total Operating Expenses	<u>212,295,018</u>	<u>197,201,774</u>
Operating Margins (Loss) Before Capital Credits	7,666,688	11,367,240
G&T and Other Capital Credits	6,032,580	8,282,369
Operating Margins	<u>13,699,268</u>	<u>19,649,609</u>
Interest revenue	200,042	175,909
Other revenue (expense)	(181,095)	(120,727)
Nonoperating margin	18,947	55,182
Net Margins	\$13,718,215	\$19,704,791
PATRONAGE CAPITAL AND OTHER EQUITY		
Net Margins	\$13,718,215	\$19,704,791
Beginning of Year	165,828,009	150,662,243
Subtotal	<u>179,546,224</u>	<u>170,367,034</u>
Retirement of Capital Credits and Other Contributions (Net)	(3,645,058)	(4,539,025)
Patronage Capital & Other Equities End of Year	\$175,901,166	\$165,828,009

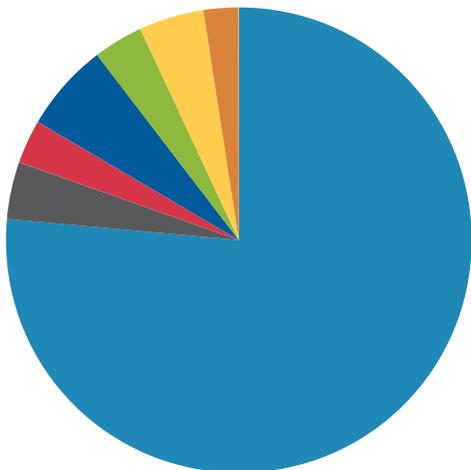
SOURCES OF REVENUE

(OPERATING & NON-OPERATING)



Residential	\$89,841,849	39.8%
Small Commercial	\$57,438,859	25.4%
Large Commercial	\$66,464,944	29.4%
Other Operating Revenues	\$6,233,939	2.8%
Tri-State Allocations (non-cash)	\$4,427,925	2.0%
Other Allocations & Income (non-cash)	\$1,604,655	0.7%

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES



Cost of Power	\$162,042,673	76.4%
Depreciation (non-cash)	\$8,445,109	4.0%
Interest	\$6,437,610	3.0%
Operations & Maintenance	\$12,993,234	6.1%
Consumer Accounts & Info	\$7,309,215	3.4%
Admin, Gen'l & Other	\$9,553,702	4.5%
Taxes	\$5,188,485	2.4%

NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS



2012	70,101
2013	71,985
2014	74,146
2015	76,629
2016	79,966

MILES OF LINE



2012	5,704
2013	5,740
2014	5,771
2015	5,800
2016	5,857

TOTAL REVENUE (THOUSANDS)



2012	\$151,279
2013	\$158,650
2014	\$179,892
2015	\$208,569
2016	\$219,962

TOTAL ASSETS (THOUSANDS)



2012	\$321,987
2013	\$339,728
2014	\$372,824
2015	\$383,093
2016	\$387,864

ENERGY SALES - KWH (THOUSANDS)



2012	1,371,103
2013	1,410,521
2014	1,645,719
2015	1,965,198
2016	2,150,654

TOTAL PLANT INVESTMENT (THOUSANDS)



2012	\$266,222
2013	\$281,560
2014	\$308,718
2015	\$309,352
2016	\$302,293

Town of Frederick Utility Illegally Builds into United Power Territory

United Power Seeks Resolution on Behalf of Cooperative Membership

United Power sent official notice to the Town of Frederick that they breached their agreement with the cooperative, and violated Colorado State Law by building into United Power's service territory. In the letter dated April 17, 2017, the cooperative states it is seeking a resolution within 15 days, or it will seek further action against the town.

"We originally attempted to make a good faith effort to resolve this illegal action by the Town of Frederick, but they have refused to address our concerns," said Darryl Schriver, United Power CEO. "By building in United Power's territory the Town violated not only state law, Frederick violated a prior agreement we have with them to supply wholesale power to the Town; we have no alternative but to seek an appropriate settlement on behalf of the entire cooperative membership."

United Power and the Town of Frederick have a Wholesale Power Agreement, in effect from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2021, allowing the cooperative to provide power to the municipal utility serving approximately 2,000 customers. In the agreement the Town of Frederick promised to respect and honor United Power's property interest, and that all facilities and customers outside of the Town's "old town" boundaries are

always United Power members. The fact that the Town of Frederick built in United Power's territory to provide service to a facility located within the cooperative's boundaries is a clear breach of the contract. Additionally, the Town of Frederick has violated a Colorado State Statute that defines the terms of any exchange of territory between municipal utilities and cooperatives. The law was designed to make sure that cooperative members are fairly compensated for any loss of membership and revenue when there is an agreement to relinquish territory.

"It is important to note that this illegal action affects every member of our cooperative—individuals and companies who have a stake in this operation," stated Schriver. "As a cooperative we are owned by our members, and this action is a threat to the interests of every home and business that receives power from the cooperative."

United Power is committed to providing timely communication about this issue to our members, so look for updates in future issues of *United Newslines*. Additionally, United Power members can access the latest updates through a special website developed to help communicate about issues involving the Town of Frederick at www.MyPowerMyCoop.com.

RECIPES



Warm Cheesy Dip

1 cup frozen chopped onion
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
1 cup mayonnaise

Coat an 8-inch by 8-inch baking pan with cooking spray. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Mix the ingredients, spread into pan and bake for 30 minutes. Serve with crackers.

Susan Egan, Golden

CALL FOR RECIPES

Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share with your fellow United Power members? Submit your recipe to *United Newslines* to be part of one of our most popular newsletter sections. If your recipe is published you'll also receive a free gift!

To enter, mail your recipe to United Power Recipes at PO Box 929, Brighton, CO, 80601 or visit www.unitedpower.com under the 'Member Benefits' tab.

More Hours to Serve You



United Power's Brighton and Ft. Lupton offices will offer expanded hours beginning on May 1st. Both offices will now be open from 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday–Friday to serve walk-in members with account changes and in-person payments. United Power's Brighton office is located at 500 Cooperative Way along the I-76 frontage road in Brighton, and the Ft. Lupton office is located at 1200 Dexter Street in the Safeway shopping center in Ft. Lupton. United Power's Coal Creek office hours will stay the same, offering walk-in services and payments from 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday–Friday and we will continue

to offer 24 hour dispatch for outages and emergencies.

Walk-in payment locations are one of many convenient options for United Power members to make a payment and access account information. Members can pay 24 hours per day over the phone and online through SmartHub. In addition, United Power members can also make cash payments at any MoneyGram location. Check out all of our payment and billing options at www.unitedpower.com.

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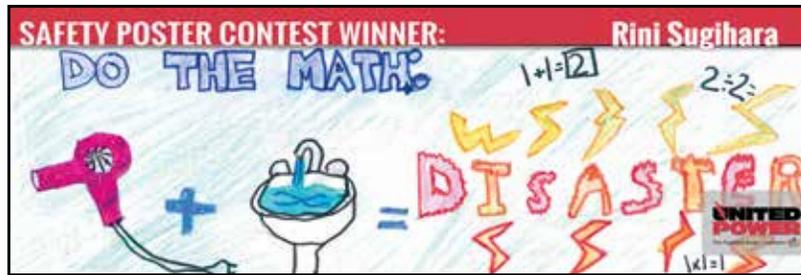
ELECTRICAL SAFETY POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

United Power recently enlisted the help of elementary students to spread the word on the importance of electrical safety through an electrical safety poster contest. Kids in grades kindergarten through fifth were asked to create electrical safety posters that would be used throughout the service territory in May, which is recognized as National Electrical Safety Month. United Power employees voted in early April to select the winners.

Congratulations to all of our winners, and thank you to all of the students who entered their creative safety messages. Look for the winning safety posters to appear in newspapers and on bus benches throughout the cooperative service territory through May. All of the winning posters can be viewed online at www.unitedpower.com or shared on social media at [Facebook.com/UnitedPower](https://www.facebook.com/UnitedPower).



Zariah McPherson,
Henderson
Elementary



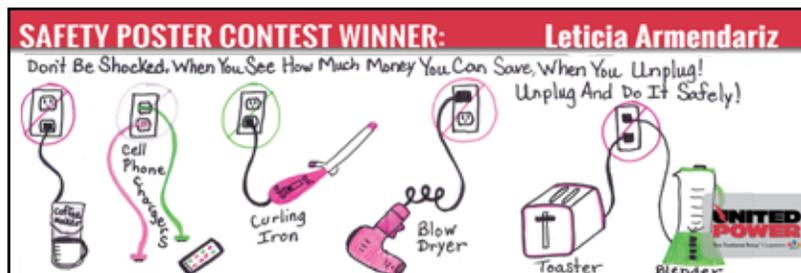
Rini Sugihara,
Turnberry
Elementary



Sofie Archer,
Landmark
Academy



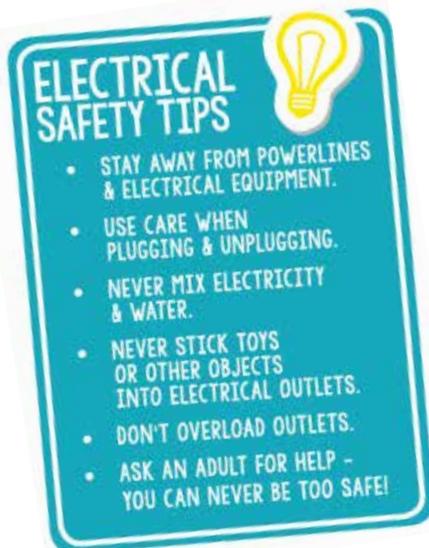
Daniel Weber,
Black Rock
Elementary



Leticia Armendariz,
Southeast
Elementary



Analisa Nygaard,
Pennock
Elementary





2017 United Power Scholarship Recipients

United Power proudly announces the 2017 scholarship recipients. Sixteen scholarships were granted for a total of \$18,500. United Power awards the scholarships each year to outstanding students served by the cooperative. The United Power Scholarship Committee gives these awards based on grades, test scores, extracurricular participation and a short essay. Applications are made available at the end of each year. Visit www.unitedpower.com for more information.

Basin Electric Power Cooperative \$1,000 Award



Riley Juenemann is a senior at Frederick High School and plans to major in Computational and Applied Mathematics in the fall. Riley is very active at her high school, serving on the Academic Advisory Council, Link Crew and the Athletic Leadership Council, just to name a few. In her spare time she enjoys volunteering on various projects in her community. She is also an accomplished guitarist.

Lois Lesser Education Scholar \$1,000 Scholarship



Clarissa Shelley will graduate from Legacy High School and has been awarded the Lois Lesser Scholarship for her interest in pursuing a degree in Elementary Education. Clarissa is very active at her high school and is the Student Body President. She has volunteered for many organizations that focus on children.

Tri-State G & T \$1,000 Scholarship



Caitlin B. is very active in sports at her high school and has been awarded many academic awards during her four years of high school. Caitlin volunteers countless hours in her community and is still deciding on her future plans.

United Power Youth Leadership Scholarship \$1,500 Award



Samuel Escamilla from Weld Central High School has been awarded the Youth Leadership Scholarship for his dedication to his community and his involvement in his high school. Samuel was awarded the Youth of the Year Award at the Shopneck Boys & Girls Club in January 2017. He plans to attend college and major in mathematics and secondary education.

Bill Berens Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 Scholarship



Lindsey Hamblin has been awarded the inaugural Bill Berens Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for students pursuing a degree in the engineering field. Lindsey attends Skyline High School. She is a member of both the National Honor Society and the National Art Society. She plays tennis and has competed in robotic competitions. Lindsey will attend the University of Colorado in the fall majoring in chemical and mechanical engineering.

United Power Colorado College Scholar \$2,000 Scholarships



Elena DeAndrea will graduate from Ralston Valley High School and plans to attend the University of Colorado in the fall, where she will major in Biochemistry and Business Management. At her high school she is active in Student Government and Choir. She is a member of the National Honor Society. Elena has also volunteered at Lutheran Hospital for the past three years.



Jacob Kriska plans to study engineering at the University of Colorado after graduating from Eagle Ridge Academy. Jacob is in student council and is the Study Body President. Jacob strives to be a leader at his school and works hard to make all students feel accepted.

United Power Book Awards - \$1,000 Scholarships



At-Large: **Tiana Linkus** attends Erie High School where she plays varsity soccer and is a cheerleader. She will attend Montana State University in the fall to major in Cell Biology and Neuroscience to become a trauma surgeon.



Brighton High School: **Caitlin O'Callaghan** will graduate from Brighton High School in May. Caitlyn has been awarded a coveted Daniel's Fund Scholarship and this scholarship has been reawarded to another student.



Brighton High School: **Denise Ocampo** is a senior at Brighton High School and plans to pursue a career in Nursing. Denise has received many academic awards and volunteers at her church. She is still deciding on her college.



Eagle Ridge Academy: **Chaz Okada** will graduate in May from Eagle Ridge Academy. He plans to pursue a career as a pilot. Chaz plays baseball and is an accomplished musician.



Ft. Lupton High School: **Gerardo Millan Jr.** plays basketball and soccer and is a member of the Robotics Club and Outdoors Club. Upon graduating from Fort Lupton High School, he plans to study to work in the Computer Science field.



Frederick High School: **Alicia Orr** is active in the National Honor Society and has received the Presidential Award all four years. She is a volunteer tutor at Thunder Valley Elementary. Alicia plans to work in the Atmospheric Sciences.



Mead High School: **Sydney Blackburn** will be attending the University of Northern Colorado to major in Elementary Education. Sydney is active in 4H and the National Honor Society. She plays volleyball and has received academic letters.



Mountain Territory: **Benjamin Hoppes** will be attending the Colorado School of Mines upon graduation from Summit Academy, to study Chemical and Biochemical Engineering. Benjamin is on the swim team and plays piano.



Prairie View High School: **Andrew Her** plans to pursue a degree in Biology and will graduate from Prairie View High School. Andrew is a member of the National Honor Society and HOSA. He has been on the Principal's Honor Roll multiple times.



Weld Central High School: **Lesli Calderon** will pursue a Pre-Med degree at the University of Northern Colorado and plans specialize in Pediatrics. Lesli is on the Student Council and member of LULAC and FCCLA.

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2017 United Power Annual Meeting Re-Cap & Results



Nearly 850 members attended the United Power Annual Meeting. They learned more about the operation, how the cooperative is performing financially and learned how United Power is "Building Tomorrow's Cooperative."



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Scholarship Recipients

United Power has awarded \$18,500 in scholarships to area high school seniors.

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- 2nd Place:** Geraldine Scott, Longmont
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