

## April is Cooperative Employee Appreciation Month

*Thank You*

Join us in thanking our cooperative employees for their dedication to keeping the lights on!

## Co-op Kitchen

Members whose recipes are published will receive a \$5 bill credit. For June, share your favorite strawberry season recipes! Submit entries to [energy@heartlandpower.com](mailto:energy@heartlandpower.com) by May 20.

### Easy Energy Balls

*Submitted by Mary Martin, Orchard, IA*

#### Ingredients:

- 2 cups rolled oats
- 1/2 cup peanut butter
- Dash of cinnamon
- 1/3 cup honey
- 3 Tbsp mini chocolate chips

Mix together. Roll into small balls and refrigerate one hour. Can be frozen. A very simple, but very yummy healthier snack.



## Director Election Results

**Thank you for participating in your local cooperative!**

The 28th Annual Meeting of Heartland Power Cooperative was held at the cooperative's St. Ansgar office at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 26, 2026. During the business meeting, election results were announced, and two directors were officially confirmed for three-year terms. Roger Solomonson was re-elected to serve District 1, and Tricia Jaeger was re-elected to serve District 7.

Thank you to those who served on the Nominating Committee and voted. We appreciate your participation in the cooperative process!

## \$50 Bill Credit Ballot Prize Drawing Recipients

Keith Meitner, Osage  
Steven Smolik, Osage  
Douglas W Palmer, Forest City  
Jill Halvorson, Northwood  
Gladys Treichel, Charles City  
Tom Vorland, Northwood  
Jonathan Walberg, Joice  
Eugene Pettit, Charles City  
Zach Steffensen, Forest City  
Thomas Michels, Minneapolis  
Mary Ashley, Charles City  
Michael Murray, Buffalo Center  
Chad Eastman, Mc Intire  
Robert Olsen, Leland  
Susan Ross, Charles City  
Cordell Satre, Buffalo Center  
Dennis Jensen, Osage  
Dale Gerdes, Forest City  
Bryan Holst, Forest City  
Todd Dakken, Lake Mills  
Travis Rosenberg, Saint Ansgar  
Nathan Laugen, Lake Mills  
Joe Rowe, Manly  
Calvin Niess, Little Cedar  
Leona Helland, Lake Mills

Tom Cody, Little Cedar  
Mary Walk, Thompson  
Jerry Hegtvedt, Charles City  
Brian Monsen, Forest City  
Dan Tiedman, Lake Mills  
Brian Nelson, Northwood  
Jon Gisleson, Floyd  
Larry Beyer, St Ansgar  
Allan Hauge, Lake Mills  
Marvin Gudmonson, Leland  
Mildred Priem, St Ansgar  
Brian Peterson, Lake Mills  
Michael Thompson, Northwood  
Dean Balvance, Buffalo Center  
Beberly Schuler, Osage  
Larry Mathahs, Thompson  
Steve Knudtson, Joice  
Merlin Christensen, Osage  
Glenn Ahlf, St Ansgar  
Kirk Roe, Buffalo Center  
Foster Hartman, Lake Mills  
Dale Reineke, Forest City  
Bruce Pixley, Grafton  
K-Schwesters, Ames  
Dennis Meinders, Buffalo Center

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## MONTHLY QUIZ

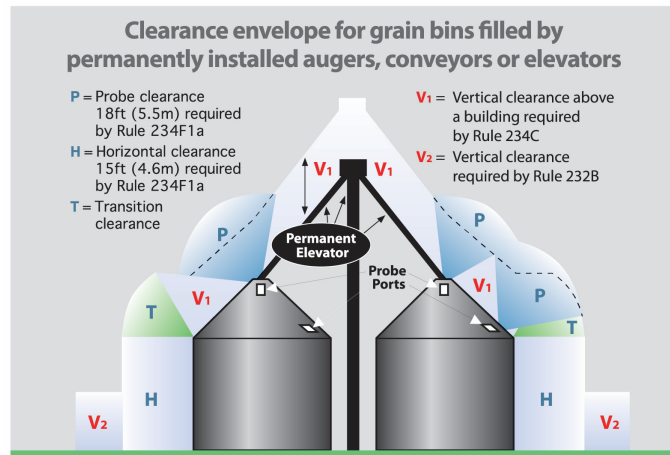
**\$25 BILL CREDIT WINNER**  
Renee Gildenmeister, Forest City

**THIS MONTH'S QUESTION**  
How many directors were recently elected for a three-year term?

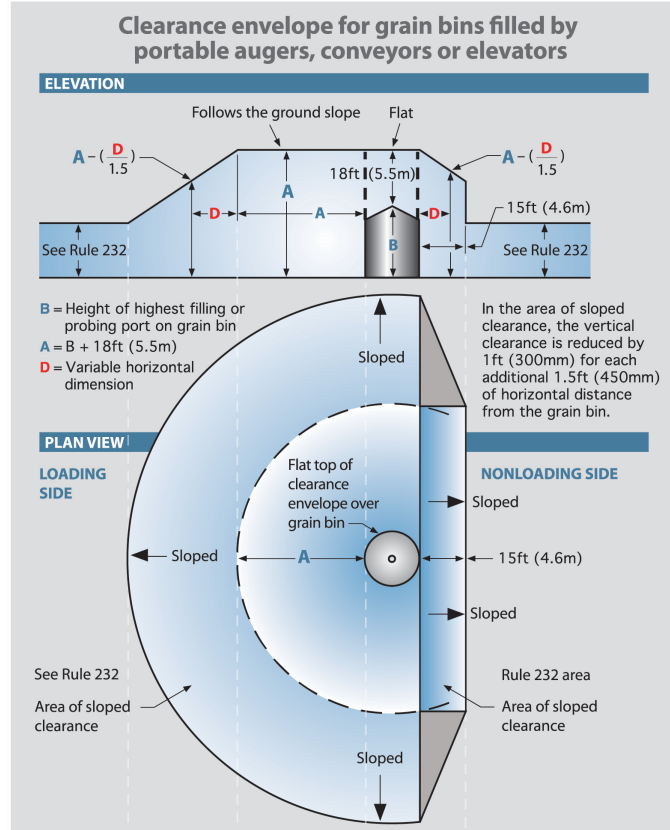
**QUIZ GUIDELINES**  
Each member who sends in the correct answer by the 20th of the month will be entered in a drawing for a \$25 bill credit. Mail or email quiz answers to energy@heartlandpower.com.

# Annual Grain Bin Notice

The state of Iowa requires specific clearances for electric lines around grain bins, with different standards for those filled by portable and permanent augers, conveyors and elevators. According to the Iowa Electric Safety Code found in Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 199 – 25.2(3) b: An electric utility may refuse to provide electric service to any grain bin built near an existing electric line which does not provide the clearances required by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) C2-2023 “National Electrical Safety Code,” Rule 234F. This paragraph “b” shall apply only to grain bins loaded by portable augers, conveyors or elevators and built after Sept. 9, 1992, or to grain bins loaded by permanently installed augers, conveyors, or elevator systems installed after Dec. 24, 1997. The Iowa Utilities Commission has adopted this language. Your local electric cooperative is required by the Iowa Utilities Commission to provide this annual notice to farmers, farm lenders, grain bin merchants and city and county zoning officials. The drawings on



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this page show the required clearances, but your co-op's policies may be more restrictive. If you have any questions concerning these regulations – or what needs to be done before you begin placing a new grain bin or moving an existing one – please call your electric co-op for help.

**NOTE**

These drawings are provided as part of the Iowa electric cooperatives' annual public information campaign and are based on the 2023 Edition of the National Electrical Safety Code. To view the actual drawings, refer to that publication. Every care has been taken for the correctness of the contents of these drawings. However, the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives and its member cooperatives accept no liability whatsoever for omissions or errors, technical inaccuracies, typographical mistakes or damages of any kind arising from the use of the contents of these drawings, whether textual or graphical.