OLUMBUS URRENTS **Congratulations Pete!**

Pete Sanchez, an employee with Columbus Electric Coop, has successfully completed one of the world's most comprehensive training programs for power line personnel. The Merchant Job Training and Safety Program is administered to line personnel in more than 40 states throughout the United States. Pete and the support staff at Columbus Electric Coop can be proud of their accomplishment. Each utility has an acting Training Coordinator assisting their Trainees by administering "closed book" testing. The coordinators manage their own people throughout the training process from rules set by the MJTS and the statewide association personnel.

Congratulations to Pete Sanchez, who completed the program distinguished with honors. He can look forward to a very rewarding lifelong occupation.



Pictured above: Line Superintendent: Daniel Lopez (left) Pete Sanchez (Right)

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Monsoon Storms Bring Power Outages

Columbus Electric Cooperative is aware of the many unplanned power outages in the past few weeks. The monsoon season has brought much needed rain, but it has also contributed to many of the power outages in our service area. Our crews are always working tirelessly to restore power as safely and quickly as possible to the affected areas. We apologize for the inconvenience the outages may have caused our members. We always encourage every member who experiences an outage to call our Outage Response Center available 24/7 at 1-800-228-0579.

Columbus Electric Cooperative Inc. EMERGENCY OUTAGE NUMBER 1 - 800 - 228 - 0579**Toll Free Office Number** 1-800-950-2667

Board Highlights

The Columbus Electric Board of Trustees met at their regular board meeting on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. The Board reviewed and approved the operations and financial reports for the month of July. A Scholarship Fund meeting was held prior to the beginning of the regular meeting at which the Board approved CEC's participation in the 2023 Government-In-Action Youth Tour, sponsored by the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Association. Two high school students - one from our east side service area and one from our west side service area will be awarded an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. More information to come.





Help us help you!

Members please be sure to notify us of any address, telephone number and email changes. This helps us serve you better. You can update your information through SmartHub, on your payment stub when paying by mail, give us a call at 1-800-950-2667 or through our website at columbusco-op.org



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Our faucets and appliances use a lot of hot water. You can lower your water heating costs by using less hot water in your home. Water heating accounts for a large portion of home energy bills.

To save energy (and money!) used for water heating, repair any leaky faucets, install lowflow fixtures and insulate accessible hot water lines. When it's time to purchase a new washing machine or dishwasher, look for models that are ENERGY STAR®-certified

Source: Dept. of Energy



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