

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

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LANE-SCOTT **ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

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In Case of an Outage

If your electricity is off for more than a few minutes, call 800-407-2217. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. After-hours calls will be answered by the dispatch and standby personnel.

24-hour Electrician Service

If you are without electricity or have an electrical emergency on vour side of the meter, we have a master electrician on staff available 24 hours a day.

Lane-Scott Selects New Manager

Lane-Scott Electric Cooperative President, Richard Jennison, announced on November 8 that the Board of Trustees has named **ED WILTSE** as the cooperative's General Manager.

Wiltse began his duties on December 3, 2012. Since 2009, he has served as manager of Ninnescah Electric Cooperative in Pratt. From 1987 to 2009 he served as Manager of Member Services for Pioneer Electric Cooperative in Ulysses.

Experience with electric cooperatives provides a solid understanding of utility operations and maintenance, customer and member services, and financial management.

Jennison said that the Lane-Scott board selected Wiltse following a national search conducted by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association management consulting group.

"Ed brings a wealth of experience to Lane-Scott at a time when we are experiencing load growth opportunities," Jennison said. "We look forward to having Ed join the outstanding team of employees that keep the lights on for our cooperative members every day."

Wiltse currently serves as treasurer of the Kansas Electric Cooperative board, board member of Pratt County Community College, Pratt County Economic Development Corp, and has served on the boards of Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance and numerous civic and religious organizations including



former mayor and councilman of the city of Ulysses. He also serves as President of the Kansas Committee for Rural Electrification (KCRE), a political action committee that promotes rural electrification issues.

"I am honored to be selected for this position," Wiltse said. "There are exciting opportunities ahead for Lane-Scott, and I look forward to working with the staff and cooperative members. Lane-Scott is a solid cooperative, and Lisa and I are pleased to soon become a part of the community."

Wiltse is a native Kansan growing up on a family farm near Chanute, and graduating from Pittsburg State University with a B.S.B.A., Business Administration degree.

He and his wife, Lisa, have two grown children. Daughter Adriane, married to David, and son Michael.



Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

Lane-Scott Electric wishes our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Our offices will be closed December 25 and January 1 in observance of these holidays. Have a safe and happy holiday!

Linemen Complete Pole Top Rescue



Kasey Jenkenson scales the pole to retrieve the dummy.

Every year linemen practice the technique of rescuing a disabled person from atop a pole.

Recently Lane-Scott Electric linemen ventured to the Lane County Fairgrounds to practice this annual event. The photos on this page show



Dal Hawkinson carefully releases the rope to guide the dummy down the pole.

them in various stages of the task.

A life-size dummy is attached to a pole and the lineman must climb the pole with only his usual tools and a hand line and lower the 175 lb mannequin to the ground safely.

Anyone who has ever practiced this rescue hopes they never have to use the skill, but it is good to know that fellow workers have the ability to get someone down if something were to happen.



Chris Terhune preparing to ready his rope for the rescue.

Truck for Sale



Lane-Scott Electric is selling a 2000 Ford F-550 standard bucket truck.

- ► Vin #1FDAF56F2YED68329
- ▶ 185K miles
- ▶ 7.3 diesel motor
- ► Automatic transmission
- ► AL 32 Altec Unit

Sold as is, no guarantees. It can be viewed at our office at 410 South High Street in Dighton.

Bids may be sent to Lane-Scott Electric, P.O. Box 758, Dighton, KS 67839, and will be excepted until 5 p.m. on December 28, 2012. We reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

Thank You Notes

Thanks for being a part of Showdown on the Plains BBQ Challenge & Air Show! Our community came together and backed this event like only Scott City can. Our



gratitude for your contribution of time and resources for the Showdown is unending!

> Scott City Area Chamber of Commerce & Showdown Committee

Thank you for placing an ad in the 2013 Dighton High School Yearbook. By placing an ad, you help keep our yearbook up and running.

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Thanks for all the business and friendships you've shown me over the years. I'll miss you all.

Charles Modlin