

Sierra Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Member Newsletter

July 2025

This Month's Topics:

- **2025 Scholarship Awards**
- **4th of July**
- **NMRECA Co-Op Champion Honoree**
- **Magic Cookie Bar Recipe**

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The Board of Trustees meets the third Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the Cooperative boardroom.

2025 Scholarships Awarded - Congratulations!

The SEC Education Foundation was established in 1990 by the SEC Board of Trustees, and since its founding, we've proudly awarded \$311,400 in scholarships to support the academic dreams of students like you. On May 22, 2025 Sierra Electric honored awards to 10 scholarships totaling \$19,000. Additionally, 10 students who reapplied for the Sierra Electric Scholarship for the 2025–2026 college semesters receive a combined total of \$30,000 in continued support.

We are also pleased to announce that Tri-State Generation and Transmission, our power supplier, awarded one \$1,000 scholarship to a deserving student.

This years recipients shown below starting in the left: Kelton Henderson, CRS, Kerianne Apodaca, Branden Baca, Hayli Bagwell, Shiloh Cano, Monique Garcia, Megan Jensen, Genevieve LaFont, Odessa LaFont, Alexandra Gonzales, Luz Gonzales, Member Service Supervisor. Not pictured Beth Garay.



This years winner of the Tri-State Scholarship of \$1,000.00:

Alexandra Gonzales

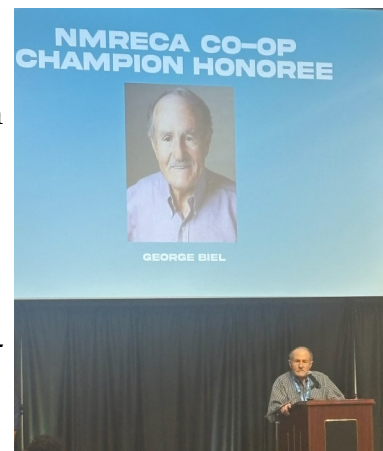
We would also like to congratulate our retuning scholarship recipients who reapplied: Matthew Aguirre, Conner Roberts, Colton Montoya, Mokena Cravenock, Destiny Ragsdale, Alicia Gonzales, Juan Montoya, Hunter Armijo, Preston Wood, and Jacob Felts.

Wishing you a safe and happy Independence Day
From Our Sierra Electric Coop. Team!!
SEC Closed Friday July 4th



Retired SEC Board of Trustee George Biel Named NMRECA Co-op Champion Honoree

In 2025, and for the first time ever, the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperatives Association created a Cooperative Champion Award in honor of Kevin Groenewold, who was a longtime CEO and General Manager of New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperatives and a “true, authentic leader” for coops in NM. This award was presented at the 2025 NMRECA Annual Meeting, and our own George Beil, who served for many years on the NMRECA board and Sierra Electric Cooperative’s Board of Trustees was presented with this new honor. Congratulations George!



Eagle Brand Magic Cookie Bars

Ingredients

- 1 stick butter
- 2 cups crushed graham crackers
- 12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 12 ounces butterscotch baking chips
- 14 ounce can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 1 cup pecans chopped



Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350 F. Melt stick of butter in 9 X 13 inch pan. Sprinkle graham crackers crumbs evenly over melted butter, mix and press evenly into pan.
- Pour can of Eagle Brand sweetened condensed milk over unbacked crust.
- Sprinkle baking chips, coconut and pecans evenly over milk.
- Bake for 20 minutes. The edges will be golden brown when the cookies are done.
- Let Cool before cutting. (Enjoy)



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