



# PREMA

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Panhandle Rural Electric Membership Association

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## 79th Annual Meeting

**Where: PREMA Office Conference Room, Alliance**

**When: 2:00 PM, Wednesday, May 29, 2024**

The annual meeting will continue to be a basic format. We believe staying with the basic format is a wise use of the member’s money while providing an informative annual meeting.

- The meeting will last about 25 minutes and will consist of: introduction of directors, announcement of election results, and presentation of brief reports.
- In-person seating at the PREMA office will be limited.
- The meeting will be live on the Zoom remote meeting platform. Please check PREMA’s Facebook page or website [prema.coop](http://prema.coop) for a Zoom link and login information closer to the meeting.
- All names of in-person or Zoom attendees will be put into a drawing for an 40” Masterbuilt Electric Smoker.



## 2024 Youth Energy Leadership Camp

Nebraska State 4-H Camp, Cozad, NE

July 22-26, 2024

This camp is FREE to children of PREMA members who are currently in the 9th, 10th or 11th grade.

Please contact our office by May 24th for an application.



# ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!



\$379.99 Value



MAY 29, 2024 | 2:00 PM

All Attendees For The Annual Meeting, In Person & Via Zoom, Will Have Their Name Put In The Drawing For A Chance To Win A Masterbuilt 40" Digital Electric Smoker With Legs & 5PC Ultimate BBQ Kit .



Seven area students will receive scholarship funds from PREMA and its power suppliers. Zac Bryant, General Manager of PREMA, announced that Rayne Jespersen and Aiden Benda of Hemingford, Delaney Childers of Alliance, Karli Wagner of Arthur, Audrey Wilson of Lemoyne, Colton Archibald of Gordon, and Ayden Branson of Chadron will all receive scholarships from PREMA, Basin Electric Power Cooperative of North Dakota and Tri-State Generation and Transmission of Denver, Colorado.

# 2024-2025 Scholarship Winners

The Tri-State Scholarships, \$500 each, were awarded to Aiden Benda and Karli Wagner.



**Audrey Wilson**

**Audrey Wilson**, daughter of Mark and Sandra Wilson of Lemoyne, will be a Freshman in college this year. She plans on majoring in accounting with a minor in Business Administration.



**Aiden Benda**

**Aiden Benda**, son of Brian and Kim Benda of Hemingford, will be a freshman at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. While at the university he plans to obtain a Finance Degree.



**Rayne Jespersen**

**Rayne Jespersen**, daughter of Derrick and Cassie Jespersen of Hemingford, will be a junior at Chadron State College. She is getting her degree in Ag Education. Rayne will receive \$1,000 from Basin Electric Power Cooperative as well as \$500 from the Chadron State College Foundation Scholarship.

**PREMA** Awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Delaney Childers and \$500 each to Audrey Wilson and Colton Archibald.



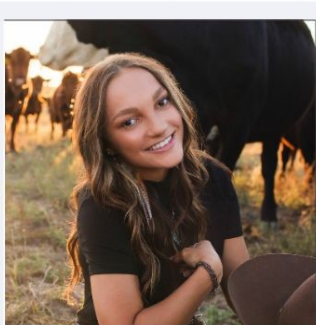
**Colton Archibald**

**Colton Archibald**, son of Alton and Bobbi Archibald of Gordon. Colton will be a freshman in college this fall where he plans on studying Electrical Engineering.



**Karli Wagner**

**Karli Wagner**, daughter of Randy and Julie Haynes of Arthur, will be a freshman at Eastern Wyoming College in Torrington, Wyoming. She is planning on getting her degree in Cosmetology.



**Delaney Childers**

**Delaney Childers**, daughter of Jim and Katie Childers of Alliance, will be a sophomore at Laramie Community College in Cheyenne, Wyoming. She is working towards obtaining a degree in Animal Science.



**Ayden Branson**

**Ayden Branson** is the son of Jeff and Jennifer Branson of Chadron. He was awarded the \$1,000 WNCC Powerline Scholarship, sponsored by PREMA. Ayden will be attending the WNCC Powerline School the end of May.



The PREMA, Tri-State and Basin Scholarship winners were chosen at random from 17 applicants who met all of the qualifications. All entrants are dependents of PREMA members or PREMA employees with the exception of the Powerline Scholarship. The scholarships are offered annually to students in PREMA's service territory.



## Notes from Load Management

The Load Management program is in place for the 2024 irrigation season. The control season begins May 1<sup>st</sup> and ends September 30<sup>th</sup>. Control hours are 12:35PM to 9:15PM. There is no control on Sundays and Holidays. Accounts dropping off in May will be charged a \$30 fee. Accounts can drop off and re-enroll for September with no penalty.

If you have any questions regarding Load Management, please call Tim or Nick in the office at 308-762-1311, after hours calls will be forwarded to dispatch.

Listed below are two options for participants in Load Management:

1. The RiCA program allows irrigators to remotely shut off a pivot. If interested in the RiCA program log on to [www.prema.coop](http://www.prema.coop) under the *Irrigation* tab, read the disclaimer and accept the risk.
2. Participants in Load Management can receive a text when PREMA is in active control. If interested in receiving the text, email Tim Sherlock at [tims@prema.coop](mailto:tims@prema.coop) or Nick Paradeis at [nickp@prema.coop](mailto:nickp@prema.coop).



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