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Crawford Electric members invited to co-op's annual meeting on Thursday, Sept. 14

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BOURBON – Members are invited to the 77th annual meeting of Crawford Electric Cooperative, which is set for Thursday, Sept. 14, at the co-op at 10301 N. Service Rd., between Bourbon and Sullivan. This is the first time in recent memory that the meeting will be on a Thursday.

All co-op members received official notice of the meeting in their September *Rural Missouri* magazines. Vehicles will park in fields on the co-op's 60-acre campus, and shuttles will transport attendees to the garage where the meeting will be held.

There will be no access to the meeting venue from the front customer parking lot. Members attending the meeting should enter at the American flag at the east delivery entrance and follow directions of the employees helping with parking and registration.

Registration of members will start at 8 a.m.; the meeting will convene at 10 a.m. Blake Beckett, an award-winning singer from Bourbon High School, will perform around 9:45 a.m. and will lead the National Anthem at 10 a.m. The Sons of Britches band from Branson will entertain in the afternoon.

The annual meeting offers members the opportunity to elect fellow members to the co-op's board of directors and to learn more about the cooperative utility they own. The special guest speaker this year is John Richards, CEO of the co-op's power supplier, Sho-Me Power Electric Cooperative. Richards has worked at Sho-Me for 42 years, starting his career as an accountant then serving as the co-op's chief financial officer since 1979. He became CEO in 2016. He is an expert on wholesale power issues.

Business at the meeting will include the election of three directors who are unopposed in their re-election bids. There also will be a vote on a proposed change to the cooperative's bylaws. Both of these actions will occur by floor votes during the morning business session, which starts at 10 a.m. Additional information about the candidates and the bylaw proposition may be found on the co-op's website: www.crawfordelec.com. Just click on the annual meeting ad on the homepage.

Members registered at annual meeting will each receive a registration gift. They also will be eligible to win one of several attendance prizes to be drawn during the meeting. The grand prize is a \$200 electric credit. Registered members also will be served a lunch cooked by the Crawford County Cattlemen.

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