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Get to Know Your Chief Power Supply Officer



Jim Heneghan, Chief Power Supply Officer

Years at DMEA: 14

Education/experience:

Mechanical and Petroleum Engineering degrees

What is DMEA/Elevate doing that you're most proud to be a part of?

Our efforts to transform how we get power for our cooperative members: Our recent change in wholesale power supplier enables us to get more local, renewable generation (with potential local economic benefits). We have positioned the co-op well as the major change in electricity generation and transmission continues to move to more distributed generation and renewable resources.

What motivates you to work hard?

I went to Catholic school. If I didn't work hard, there was a nun or two teaching me to be motivated! Seriously, providing electricity and broadband are two essential services that our communities rely on. It is very motivating to know people are relying on us (even if they don't have it in the forefront of their thoughts) to get it right.

What is your favorite family tradition?

Thanksgiving holiday – preparing and enjoying a vegan Thanksgiving meal.

Where would we find you in your free time?

I don't know; what's free time? Seriously, I enjoy cycling, running, hiking, and farming and/or gardening – growing plants is just fascinating.

If you didn't work for DMEA what would you be doing?

Volunteering for Engineers Without Borders.

What are you most thankful for?

The beautiful place we live and the family to enjoy it with.

What makes DMEA/Elevate special to you?

The people I get to work with.

If you had to describe yourself in just 1 word, what would it be?

Well, 'stifled' now that you asked me to come up with 1 word! But, I'll go with curious.



Create real CHANGE

With Operation Round Up

Volunteer to serve

The Operation Round Up Charitable Trust is made up of volunteer members, like you. We currently have two openings on this trust and are looking for members in the following districts to serve: District #2 and District #4.

WHAT DO OPERATION TRUSTEES DO?

Together with fellow trustees, you'll determine where to disburse the funds collected from DMEA's Operation Round Up program. Each month you'll meet to review applications from members in need and local non-profit organizations.

HOW MUCH TIME DOES IT TAKE?

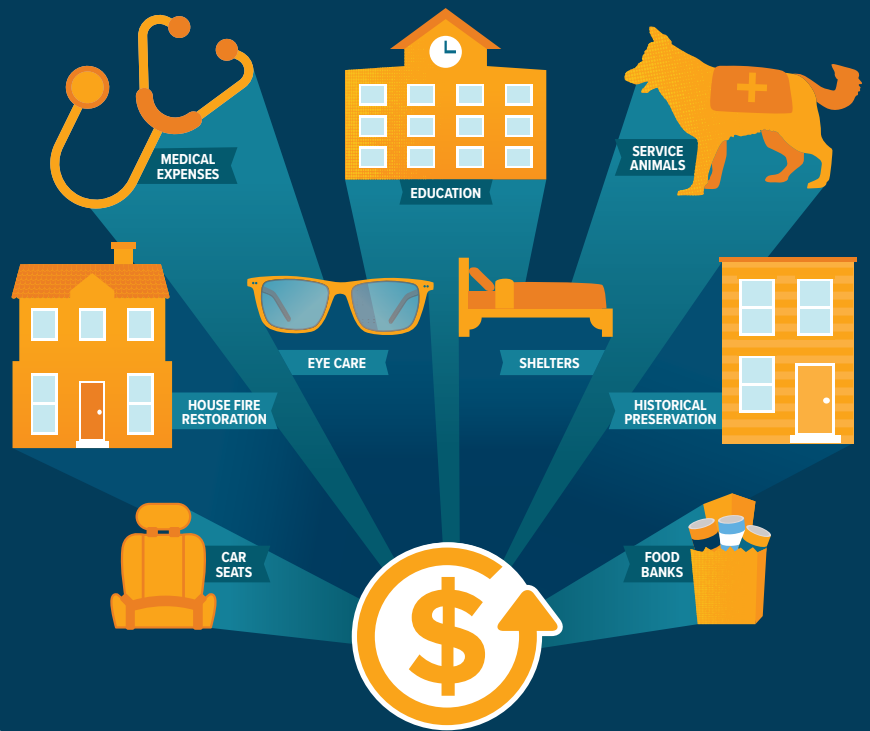
The trustees meet the third Tuesday monthly to review applications. These meetings typically last no more than two hours. Trustees serve three-year terms and are limited to a total of four terms.

WHEN WOULD I START?

Immediately! There are currently multiple vacancies and the trust is looking to fill these spots as soon as possible.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Interested members must be residents of District #2 and District #4. To submit your name for consideration, contact Karen Archey at karen.archey@dmea.com, (970) 240-1229, or complete the online form found at www.dmea.com/operation-round.



All about Operation Round Up

Operation Round Up is an easy and convenient way for DMEA members to make a difference in their communities.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Monthly electric bills of participating members are automatically rounded up to the nearest dollar. That money is donated to families and organizations in need throughout our service territory.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

From medical expenses and service animals to car seats and food banks, funds are put in a trust and donated monthly based on need and community impact.

To apply for funding or to start rounding up today visit www.dmea.com/operation-round.

FIRE PREVENTION PROCEDURES IN EFFECT

With the continued high temperatures and dry, windy weather, DMEA has put in effect its fire prevention procedures. This greatly reduces the risk of a fire being started by electrical equipment but does come with ramifications: DMEA members who may have grown accustomed to limited and relatively short outages may find that power outages last longer than under normal conditions.

It's especially important for members to report any issues or damage to DMEA immediately. DMEA asks members who observe anything that seems out of the ordinary concerning power lines or power equipment to do the following:

- 1) first and foremost—stay clear of the area in question;
- 2) call DMEA's main line at **877-687-3632** to report the situation. Please DO NOT report via social media channels or e-mail.

WE DO MORE

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HOW DO YOU CONNECT?

WHAT CONNECTS YOU TO THE CLASSROOM?

We all use the internet differently, whether it's for remote learning, entertainment, or just making our lives easier. No matter how you use the internet, you need a connection that's fast and reliable.

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DMEA Board Meetings are open to all members and are generally held on the 4th Tuesday monthly beginning at 3PM with the public comment period at 5PM. Call 970-240-1212 to confirm date, time, and location.

Recipes Info:

Submit recipes, including your name, address, and phone number to:
DMEA Newsletter
PO Box 910
Montrose, CO 81402

Or email your information to communications@dmea.com.

If your recipe is published, claim your prize by calling (269)598-9386 within 60 days.

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HOME COOKING



Sweet Potato Stuffed Mushrooms

Viva Kellogg, Paonia



Ingredients:

12 baby bella mushrooms
1 large sweet potato
½ c canned chickpeas
1 tsp ground cumin
1 tsp ground coriander
1 tsp smoked paprika
1 tsp chili powder
Salt and black pepper
½ c chopped spinach
¼ c chopped cilantro

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°. De-stem, rinse, and dry the mushroom caps. Microwave the sweet potato on high for 6 to 8 minutes, or roast it in a 425° oven for 30 minutes, until fork-tender. Let the sweet potato cool slightly. In a food processor, combine the cooked sweet potato, chickpeas, cumin, coriander, paprika, and chili powder. Pulse until the mixture is thick and creamy. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Stir in the spinach. Spoon the filling into mushroom caps, about 1 tbsp per cap. Bake the filled mushrooms for 30 minutes. Serve garnished with cilantro.

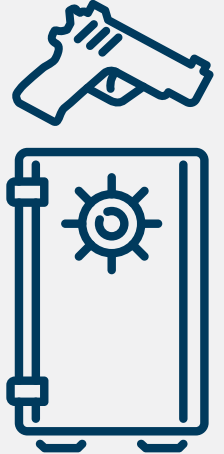
WE'RE IN NEED OF YOUR RECIPES!

Submit your best recipe, along with your name, address and photo of your dish, to communications@dmea.com

If we print your recipe, you win a \$25 gift card.

ALL ABOUT SMART SAFES

If you are a gun owner, you know the importance of properly securing your firearms so no one can get access to them. Technology has advanced so that smart safes now use your internet connection to give you more control. Vaultek and other companies offer smart safes with features like these to keep your firearms secure:



BIOMETRIC SCANNERS

Only the right fingerprints will open the safe.

APPS

Manage your safe from afar, and get automatic notifications if the safe is ever opened when you're not around.

SMART KEYS

Get access to your safe with a single button, and use the key as a panic button in an emergency.

HUMIDITY & TEMPERATURE SENSORS

Make sure the environment within your safe is always optimal for your firearms.

Do yourself and others as favor and take advantage of the smartest way to keep firearms safe. Your Elevate connection opens up a world of possibilities when it comes to properly storing and securing your firearms.