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SUMNER-COWLEY **ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Erin Struble

ERIN STRUBLE

SIX YEARS OF DEDICATION

This September, we were proud to celebrate **ERIN** STRUBLE'S

six-year anniversary with Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative! As our accounting assistant, Erin plays a vital role in our daily operations — managing accounts payable, overseeing the core cooperative function of capital credits, and serving as the right hand to our director of finance. Her attention to detail, steady presence, and commitment to doing things the right way help keep our co-op running smoothly every day.

What makes Erin's role even more meaningful is that in addition to being an employee, she's also a member of

the cooperative. That gives her a unique perspective on the importance of the work she does and the members we serve.

Outside of work, Erin is all about her family. She's a proud boy mom and a very loved grandma to three grandsons who keep her on her toes. She and her husband, Nick — her high school sweetheart enjoy traveling together, and we all love hearing about their annual family cruising adventures.

A familiar face in the community, Erin is also a devoted member of the Methodist Church in Wellington, where she actively serves and supports others with the same care and dedication she brings to our co-op family every day.

Thank you, Erin, for six years of excellence and care. We're lucky to have you!

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Now is the time to inspect your home for air leaks around windows. Leaks reduce indoor comfort and lead to higher heating costs. If you can see daylight around the edges of a window frame or if a window rattles slightly when touched, air is likely leaking. Caulking and weatherstripping are simple, effective methods for sealing windows. These materials are available in a variety of compounds and forms, each designed for different types of surfaces. Choose the right product and apply it properly to reduce heat loss, improve comfort and lower energy bills. SOURCE: NATIONAL RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION





This month, electric cooperatives across the country take time to celebrate National Co-op Month and reflect on the unique advantages of being part of a cooperative. It's also the perfect time to thank you — the members who make it all possible. For us, it's not just a celebration. It's a chance to reaffirm the values that guide everything we do.

As the CEO of Sumner-Cowley Electric Cooperative, I see purpose in action every single day. Unlike investor-owned utilities, our co-op doesn't exist to make profits for distant shareholders. We exist to serve you — our members, our neighbors and our communities. That purpose is what sets us apart. It's why we were founded, and it's what continues to drive every decision we make.

At its core, being a cooperative means we are member-owned and locally controlled. That's not just a tagline; it's the very heart of our business model. Members have a voice in how our co-op operates. You elect board members who live right here in our service area and understand the unique challenges and opportunities our communities face. Decisions aren't made in corporate boardrooms hundreds of miles away; they're made here at home, by people who care about the same things you do.

This local accountability means we can stay focused on what matters most: delivering reliable, affordable electricity and providing real value to the people we serve.

We do that by investing in essential infrastructure upgrades and technologies that strengthen our local grid and improve electric service. We work hard to manage costs and keep rates as low as possible — because we know how

much rising prices affect families and small businesses in our area.

But our commitment doesn't end at the power lines.

Co-ops were built to meet community needs, and that purpose extends well beyond delivering electricity. Whether we're supporting



Coni Adams

local schools, sponsoring youth programs, or partnering with volunteer organizations, we are always looking for ways to improve the quality of life in the places we serve. Community support isn't an afterthought — it's part of our mission.

We're also planning for the future. As electricity demand grows due to new technologies and economic development, electric co-ops are working to ensure we continue to meet those needs with a balanced, reliable energy mix. We know our members care about affordability and dependability, and we're committed to delivering both.

That's the power of the cooperative difference. That's what it means to be powered by purpose.

This National Co-op Month, I encourage you to take pride in your cooperative membership. You're not just a customer — you're an owner, a stakeholder, and a vital part of a larger effort to keep our community strong, connected and energized.

Thank you for the trust you place in us. We're proud to be your local electric cooperative.

> COOPERATIVELY YOURS. **CONI ADAMS, CEO**

























Help Us Locate Former Members

Sumner-Cowley has been unable to locate the former members listed below who have unclaimed capital credits refunds earned in 1998 and issued on Dec. 13, 2024. If you know any of these former members, please have them contact Erin by phone at 888-326-3356 or email erins@sucocoop.com.

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