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We Are Plateau. Full Speed Ahead!

Plateau celebrates National Co-op Month

Over 40,000 cooperative businesses serving 120 million people nationwide are celebrating National Cooperative Month in October; a time when cooperatives across the nation engage in efforts to make more people aware of the advantages of the cooperative business model. The theme for this year's celebration is "Co-ops Commit".

As member-owned and member-controlled businesses, cooperatives commit to meeting the needs of their members and communities, rather than generating returns for distant investors.

Consider these ways that co-ops commit:

Cooperatives Commit to Community

Cooperatives work for the sustainable development of their communities through employee involvement in local organizations, through charitable contributions to community efforts and through support for schools. As a member-owned cooperative, Plateau takes great pride in supporting communities through financial investments in the future of the area and through programs that encourage youth, education, economic development and enhanced quality of life. Your Cooperative has a long standing tradition of such work.

Cooperatives Commit to Jobs

Cooperatives generate jobs in their communities, keep profits local and pay local taxes to help support community services. Cooperatives often take part in community improvement programs, ensuring that everyone has

an opportunity to benefit from the cooperative experience.

Cooperatives Commit to Trust

Most co-ops strive to adhere to seven key cooperative principles, which combine to help build trust between the co-op, its members and the community. For example, the first principle is *Voluntary and Open Membership*, which means that Plateau is a voluntary organization open to all people who are able to use its services and are willing to accept the responsibility of membership. The second principle, *Democratic Member Control*, gives members a voice in the cooperative's policies and decisions. Through the fifth principle, *Education, Training and Information*, we enable members to contribute to the development of our cooperative.

Cooperatives Commit to a Better World

Through all of these ways, cooperatives continue to build a better world. For over 67 years, Plateau has lived up to these values and remains steadfast to their commitment. We Are Plateau. Full Speed Ahead!



September Board meeting highlights

The Cooperative Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, September 28. Highlights of that meeting follow:

- The Board approved the applications of 50 new members to the Cooperative.
- Board member Jim Lyssy and CEO David Robinson reported about their participation and attendance at the recent NTCA Fall Conference.
- The Board approved the date and location of the 2018 Annual Membership Meeting as April 28 at Santa Rosa High School, subject to the availability and scheduling of local facilities.
- Board members reviewed several thank you notes from county fair junior livestock sale add-on recipients.
- A construction status report was presented to the Board and included:
 - ~ Conversion of members from copper cable to the new fiber-optic network in the El Valle exchange (along I-25 in the Ilfeld and San Jose area) continues.
 - ~ Construction continues on a new fiber-optic network in the Bernal area.
 - ~ Construction continues on a new fiber-optic network in the Tecolote area.
 - ~ Construction on a new fiber-optic network in the Ribera area is complete.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Clayton exchange is complete.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Corona exchange is complete.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Mosquero exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Fort Summer exchange continues.
 - ~ Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction in the Trementina exchange continues.
 - ~ Two additional Rural Fiber Expansion Project construction jobs are underway in the Clayton exchange.

The next regular monthly meeting of the Cooperative Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, October 26 at the Cooperative's offices north of Clovis.

Monthly survey winners

Customers receiving a \$25 gift certificate in this month's survey drawing include:

- Ray Nails, Tucumcari, N.M.
- Trevor Chafin, Clovis, N.M.
- Hildegund Steel, Los Lunas, N.M.
- Jared Kummerer, Clovis, N.M.

All completed surveys are eligible for the monthly drawing.

Seven Cooperative Principles

Voluntary and Open Membership - Cooperatives are voluntary organizations, open to all people able to use its services and willing to accept the responsibilities of membership, without gender, social, racial, political or religious discrimination.

Democratic Member Control - Cooperatives are democratic organizations controlled by their members, one member-one vote, who actively participate in setting policies and making decisions.

Members' Economic Participation - Members contribute equally to, and democratically control, the capital of the cooperative. This benefits members, in proportion to the transactions with the cooperative, rather than on the capital invested.

Autonomy and Independence - Cooperatives are autonomous, self-help organizations controlled by their members. If the cooperative enters into agreements with other organizations or raises capital from external sources, it is done so based on terms that ensure democratic control by the members and maintains the cooperative's autonomy.

Education, Training, and Information - Cooperatives provide education and training for members, elected representatives, managers and employees so they can contribute effectively to the development of their cooperative. Members also inform the general public about the nature and benefits of cooperatives.

Cooperation Among Cooperatives - Cooperatives serve their members most effectively and strengthen the cooperative movement by working together through local, national, regional and international structures.

Concern for Community - While focusing on member needs, cooperatives work for the sustainable development of communities through policies accepted by the members.

Mission statement

Our mission is to provide our members with universal access to high quality, reasonably priced, progressive communications services that enhance the quality of life and economic development of our service areas.

We will work for the attainment of this mission through investment in, and efficient management of diverse communication related ventures, which will provide financial and other value.

We will strive to achieve this mission by deployment of appropriate technologies, and empowering and equipping our employees to deliver customer satisfaction.



Classified ads

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Ads run on space available basis. The Netlink reserves the right to edit and/or refuse any advertisement submitted for publication.

Payment for all classified advertising must accompany order. Checks and money orders should be made payable to Plateau.

For Sale – 134 Paisano, Newkirk. Just over 7 acres in Ranchos Lake Conchas addition west of Conchas Lake. 1-bedroom, 1-bath home with 1-bath guesthouse. Phone and electricity available. \$34,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Used Aluminum Irrigation Syphons – Double bend, 5” x 96”, 26 tubes at \$28 each or 10 for \$250. 5” x 120”, 3 tubes at \$38 each or 3 for \$100. In Logan. Call 1.925.683.8095 messages or text.

Wanted! Your Farms and Ranches – Broker has over 40 years of experience in production agriculture and is a farm owner/operator. Serving all of Eastern New Mexico. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Custom Welding – Gates, fences, window guards, plasma cutting, fabrication and farm equipment. JC Welding, <http://www.jc-welding.net>, 1.505.429.6038.

For Sale – 0000 Boat Dock Drive. One and one-half acre lots. Water frontage at high level. Utilities nearby. \$49,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 2002 GMC Yukon XL, 5.3 liter engine, power windows and locks, leather, under 97,000 actual miles. \$8,500. Front Line Equipment Company 1.575.456.1000 or 1.575.760.5461.

Vacation Rental, Ute Lake, Logan, New Mexico – 3-bedroom house, lake view, all the amenities. <http://www.utelakevacationlodging.com>. 1.505.980.7925.

For Sale – On Big Mesa Avenue at Conchas Lake, New Mexico. Improved lot very close to water. Just over ¾ acre. \$98,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Small Ranch for Sale – Trujillo, New Mexico. Off the grid. 647 Acres with 2-bedroom, 2-bath house. Community well. Million dollar view! Above Canyon Largo. Motivated seller, all reasonable offers considered. Call 1.713.468.8495.

For Sale – 1997 New Holland 8870 MFWD tractor. New rear duals, power shift. \$39,500. Front Line Equipment Company 1.575.456.1000 or 1.575.760.5461.

For Sale – 204 Conchas Place, 2-story, 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom weekend getaway in the Hooverville addition close to the water. Two car garage and open RV storage. Low maintenance and beautiful wood accents inside. Upper deck with fantastic views of the lake and surrounding mesas. \$179,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – Kinze Row Crop Planter. 16R30, stack fold, lift assist wheels, gauge wheels, monitor. \$12,500. Front Line Equipment Company 1.575.456.1000 or 1.575.760.5461.

SOLD! – 613 Bullhead Drive, Conchas, New Mexico, 2-bedrooms, 2-bathrooms with 3-bay boat shed and storage building on two lots, totaling just under 3/4 acre. \$39,500. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

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For Sale – 300 Marshall in Grady, New Mexico, 3-bedroom, 2-bathroom home on just over one acre. Covered horse stalls and pens. Village water. \$65,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Oh, Shoot Gun Shop – 120 E. 3rd St., Roy, N.M. We offer gunsmithing, firearms and ammo sales. Visit us at <http://www.ohshootgunshop.com> for hours and to shop our online store. Call 1.575.485.0074.

SOLD! – 192 Green Place, Conchas, New Mexico, 2-bedroom, 2-bath mobile home with permanent foundation on 3 lots. Attached 20’x20’ carport, covered rear deck and 32’ x 36’ barn. \$149,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

For Sale – 7543 NM 104, Conchas, New Mexico, 3-bedroom, 2-bath double-wide with sunroom on 2.91 acres, detached garage, carport, outbuildings, chain link fence with remote gate. Highway frontage with commercial potential. \$135,000. Big Mesa Realty, 1.575.456.2000, Paul Stout, Broker, NMREL 17843, 1.575.760.5461, <http://www.bigmesarealty.com>.

Career Opportunities – For the latest career opportunities at Plateau, visit us at <http://www.plateautel.com>.

Have something to buy, sell or trade? Reach countless numbers of Cooperative members and even more through our website every month for as little as \$3 per month for a 15-word classified ad. Simply complete this form and RETURN WITH PAYMENT to Netlink Classified Advertising, P.O. Box 1947, Clovis, N.M. 88102-1947 or call 1.575.389.4241 or email jrj@plateautel.com.

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Upcoming Events

October 13 and 14 10th Annual Mesalands Community College Grand Canyon Region Intercollegiate Fall Rodeo

– The Quay County Rodeo Arena in Tucumcari, New Mexico hosts some of the best collegiate rodeo teams in the region. For more information, visit <http://www.mesalands.edu> or call 1.575.461.4413, ext. 138.

October 19 Julie Fowlis – Authentic Gaelic singing voice of Julie Fowlis fills Marshall Auditorium in Clovis, New Mexico as part of the Clovis Community College Cultural Arts Series. For more information, call 1.575.769.4031 or visit <http://www.ClovisArts.org>.

October 19 and 20 Progressive Agriculture Safety Days – The Curry County Events Center in Clovis, New Mexico hosts third-grade students from all over eastern New Mexico and the Texas Panhandle for two days of hands-on safety lessons. For more information, call 1.575.763.6505.

October 26 Board of Directors Meeting – The regular monthly meeting of the Cooperative Board of Directors takes place at the Cooperative's office north of Clovis.

October 27 to 29 New Mexico High School Rodeo – High school rodeo contestants from across the state converge on the Curry County Events Center in Clovis, New Mexico for some of the best high school rodeo action around. For more information, call the Events Center at 1.575.935.7000.

October 30 National Candy Corn Day – Candy Corn has been around for more than 100 years. Visit <http://www.candyusa.com> for more information about the popular Halloween confection.

October 31 Halloween – In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III designated November 1 as All Saints' Day or All Hallows, so the evening before was known as All Hallows' Eve and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween evolved into a secular, community-based event characterized by child-friendly activities such as trick-or-treating, costume wearing and parties.

November 4 Corona Crafts Fair – Get an early start on that Christmas shopping list in Corona, New Mexico. Takes place at the high school rec room with lots of Christmas handmade items. Booth space still available. For more information or to reserve a space, call 1.575.520.9732.

November 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends – As the old saying goes, "Spring forward; fall back." Time to move those clocks back one hour.

November 11 Veteran's Day – This day marks the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I and sets aside a day of remembering all the men and women who served this country in the armed forces.

November 16 Michael Martin Murphey – Multiple Grammy nominee, Michael Martin Murphey returns to Clovis, New Mexico with a 7 p.m. performance in Marshall Auditorium. For more information, call 1.575.769.4031 or visit <http://www.ClovisArts.org>.