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LPEA Celebrates Bring A Kid to Work Day

DURANGO, Colo. - La Plata Electric Association (LPEA) proudly hosted its annual Bring A Kid to Work Day on April 25, 2024, providing an exciting opportunity for employees to share their workplace experiences with their children, nieces, nephews and friends. The day began with breakfast to fuel the young minds for the adventures ahead. Excitement filled the air as the children embarked on a tour of the office, gaining insights into the vital role the cooperative plays in powering the community. Throughout the day, the children had the unique opportunity to shadow their parents, gaining firsthand experience of their daily responsibilities and the importance of teamwork within the cooperative. From observing the inner workings of the office to witnessing the dedication of line crews, the children gained a deeper understanding of the diverse roles within LPEA.

"We are thrilled to have welcomed the next generation of leaders and innovators to our office," said Graham Smith, Interim CEO of LPEA. "It's essential to inspire and educate our kids about the people behind the light switch, and today was a fantastic opportunity to do just that."

Undoubtedly, the highlight of the day was the thrilling demonstration by the LPEA Lineworker Rodeo team. Children watched in awe as skilled lineworkers showcased their expertise with a pole climbing demonstration, highlighting the precision and agility required for their vital work in maintaining the power infrastructure.

Adding to the excitement, children had the chance to strike a pose at a specially set up photo booth, capturing family memories alongside a bucket truck. The laughter and smiles were contagious as the young participants embraced the opportunity to explore the equipment that keeps their community connected.

"This is a fantastic event that allows the kids to meet the employees and learn about the unique skills that we all bring to work here at LPEA. My kids look forward to this every year," said Dan MacVeigh a proud LPEA employee and parent. "It's not just about showing them what we do; it's about instilling in them the cooperative values of community, teamwork, and service."

LPEA remains committed to fostering a culture of learning and collaboration, ensuring a bright future for both its employees and the communities it serves. For more information about LPEA, please visit www.lpea.coop.

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