

John Villyard Retires

John Villyard knew quite a bit about SLVREC at a very young age. "One of my earliest memories was playing lineman on the balusters of the stairway with my twin sister Anne," John said. "We were about three years old. We would each get a belt and we would buckle it around ourselves like a lineman."

How did these two know about linemen at such a young age? John's father, Ray Villyard, was SLVREC's second General Manager.

Ray Villyard began working at SLVREC in 1941 as an easement solicitor. According to early SLVREC employee, Web Allison (first editor of the *Newsboy* and nationally-known cartoonist), Ray's job "included not only the signing up of members and persuading them to grant line right-of-way for what was called our 'D' and 'L' sections, but a number of other chores that were distributed about among the five or six employees."

With the start of the war, Ray joined the Army Air Corps and served in Montana and Canada as a weather observer for 3½ years. When he returned to the Valley in November 1945, he resumed work at SLVREC.

In 1947, Willard Johnson, SLVREC's first general manager, resigned to open a hardware store in the Valley with his brother. John said his father told him that he was one of two who applied for Johnson's job as general manager. "Back then, it wasn't a competitive environment like it is now," John said.

John remembered accompanying his father to Denver on trips associated with his father's job as the co-op's general manager. He said, "I remember one time when we stayed at a hotel in downtown Denver. I was about six or seven years old. A couple of the other managers, dad and I went to a movie. I started to panic before

John Villyard, SLVREC's CEO since 2000, will retire at the end of this year.



John and Jowanda Villyard. John said, "Jowanda is my high school sweetheart. She has been by my side every step of the way during my career at SLVREC. She is very interested in the co-op and the employees. She has been a very active member of the Colorado Women's Task Force and has helped to raise thousands of dollars for high school students, burn victims, and other projects the Task Force has taken on. She is amazing."

the movie ended because I was sure we wouldn't be able to find our way back to the hotel in the dark. We, and I mean all of us, including the other managers, left the movie early. Of course, in downtown Denver, there were streetlights so we had no problems finding our way. I remember being surprised at how bright it was when we stepped out of the theater. I learned a good lesson that night!"

It's a simple childhood memory, but it illustrates the way people from co-ops treated each other then—and now. "The employees at SLVREC that worked for dad and the people I met from other co-ops on trips to Denver treated each other like a big family. From co-op to co-op, employees stayed a long time and they really cared about each other," John recalled. "It's still like that," he added. "Look what our employees have done for their co-worker Dale Valdez. When the chips are down and some-

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Ray Villyard



First and foremost, I would like to thank the members, board and staff at SLVREC who have extended such a warm welcome to my wife and me. It's a great feeling to know that we have moved to such a cordial community. I look forward to meeting more and more of the cooperative's members, community leaders and civic groups as each week passes.

I also want to express appreciation to John Villyard for making my transition into the role as SLVREC's CEO a smooth one. He has graciously accompanied me to meetings, made introductions and helped bring me up to speed on many important issues facing the cooperative.

It is critical that I hit the ground running. I can see many challenges in my future. For example, the week I arrived in Colorado was the same week Xcel Energy announced they would discontinue their participation in the Southern Colorado Transmission Improvement Project.

While I am disappointed Xcel

Energy withdrew from the project, I would like to emphasize that this does not mean the project is no longer viable. I met with Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association, our power provider, in mid-November to talk with them about strategies and options.

Tri-State is working with SLVREC to determine the next logical step in improving power delivery and reliability for Valley residents. Our greatest concern is that this setback will adversely impact the residents of the Valley and the counties within the Valley.

I believe my experience as general manager at the Holland Board of Public Works will be a great asset to SLVREC and it's members. In Holland, Michigan, we were working to develop new generation facilities. Our greatest challenge: overcoming a not-in-my-backyard viewpoint. The stance I took on that project will be the same as the stance I take on the Southern Colorado Transmission Improvement Project. I am a fighter, and I will work hard for what is right.

SLVREC members deserve a reliable electric supply. Over and over, everywhere I have been, that's one message I consistently hear. Yes, costs are a concern. However, having power available when you need it is critical to farmers, to businesses and to families.

I encourage you to keep current on developments regarding the transmission line. You can sign up

for the project newsletter at www.socotransmission.com. Keep an eye on the day-to-day developments on this, and other Tri-State projects within the four-state area Tri-State serves, by visiting Tri-State's blog at www.poweringthewest.org.

In this issue of the *Newsboy*, you will find SLVREC's new rate schedule. Just before I arrived in Colorado, your directors voted to increase rates by half of one percent. Additionally, the board elected to pass through a rate increase from Tri-State.

I understand that rate increases pose challenges for many families and individuals. Please, if you can't pay your electric bill, contact the cooperative before you get behind. We can't help if we don't know you need help.

We are just a few short weeks away from the start of the new year. I would like to wish the members, co-op employees and staff, and my newfound friends in Colorado the best. I am excited about the opportunities that 2012 brings to me and my family and to this cooperative. Happy holidays!



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Board Meeting November 29, 9:30 a.m.
The Board of Directors meet the last Tuesday of each month unless otherwise stated. Members are welcome.

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New Meter Readers

SLVREC meter reader, Dale Valdez, has been battling cancer. To keep up with the workload while Dale is working on improving his health, SLVREC brought two part-time meter readers on board several months ago. As of mid-November, the positions were changed to full-time permanent meter readers. In a recent letter to co-op employees, Dale said he hopes to return to work sooner than expected. He will continue to remain off work while he completes treatment.



Michael Messier

Michael Messier has been reading meters for the co-op for close to a year. A San Luis Valley native, he attended Del Norte High School. His family lives in Del Norte. Michael graduated from Mesa Hot Line School and hopes to become a lineman. He worked as an apprentice lineman in Craig.

Jed Larsen also started reading meters for the co-op close to a year ago. Jed is from Mosca and he attended high school in Sangre before completing the line-worker program at Trinidad State Junior College. He and his wife, Kaitlyn, have a 10 month old daughter, Hadley. Jed also hopes to promote to an apprentice lineman job at some point in time. ☺



Jed Larsen



Open House!

Join SLVREC in wishing John Villyard well as he heads off into retirement and at the same time, join us in welcoming Loren Howard as the cooperative's new CEO.

December 8

2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SLVREC in Monte Vista

(2 miles west of town on the north side of the highway)

Refreshments will be served!

Co-op Connections: save money!

Are you taking full advantage of your Co-op Connections Card? As of October 31, the pharmacy discount program has saved a total of \$6,206 for 209 SLVREC members. That's close to a 39 percent savings over what those members would have paid without the card.

The pharmacy discount provides immediate discounts at participating pharmacies. Upon presenting your card to the pharmacist, you will pay the lower of a discounted price or the pharmacy's regular retail price. The card cannot be used in conjunction with insurance. It can be used to purchase prescriptions not covered by your insurance plans at a discounted rate.

Check the list of participating Valley businesses to see if your neighborhood pharmacy accepts the Co-op Connections Card. There is a quick link to all participating businesses in the "Breaking News" box on SLVREC's web site home page (www.slvrec.com). You can also find participating pharmacy locations at www.locateproviders.com.

Additionally, your Co-op Connections Card can save you money at many Valley businesses. The newest program participant: **Trujillos, A Dining Place** in Alamosa. Trujillos offers a 25 percent discount off the entire meal ticket.

Check the list of participating businesses and be sure to use your card to save on holiday shopping! Co-op Connections: one more way SLVREC is working for you! ☺

Creede Surge

On October 31, SLVREC crews were doing maintenance work on the south distribution lines out of the Creede substation. A conductor was moved too close to a transmission line, creating a short circuit condition which in turn caused a substantial power surge. Unlike a blink, when power flickers off and on, a surge is a burst of power that travels through distribution lines.

Many surge protectors performed well, protecting connected equipment. If you were affected by the surge and you have a surge protector with a connected equipment warranty, including those sold by SLVREC, you may be covered by the device's insurance policy. Whole-house surge protectors sold by SLVREC also performed well. Contact the co-op to learn more about these equipment-protecting devices.

Members with ETS heaters are encouraged to check their heaters. Those who are out of the Valley are encouraged to have caretakers check their home. It would also be a good idea to check GFI circuits, outlets and lights. Some appliances could also have been affected. Please contact SLVREC if you have concerns or questions.

Members in the affected area were contacted through the cooperative's IVR (interactive voice response) system. Members with ETS heaters received an additional phone call. Letters were also sent out. Be sure you have current phone numbers associated with your SLVREC accounts to be sure the cooperative can reach you. ☺

one needs help, everyone pulls together."

Under Ray's guidance, the co-op grew slowly but steadily. Originally, the cooperative was located in downtown Monte Vista. In the mid 50s, under Ray's leadership, the board purchased land and built a new building, which they moved into in 1958. This building served as the co-op's headquarters for the next 47 years—and is still in service! Under Ray, the number of meters increased fivefold, the distribution network grew from a single substation to 11, and the number of employees increased from 5 to 34. John watched it all.

Ray was in charge at the co-op—he served as the cooperative's general manager from 1947 to 1973, a total of 26½ years—when John left the Valley to earn a BS in accounting at Colorado University. Next, John went on to serve in the Air Force.

"I had ideas of getting into some type of aeronautics, a navigator perhaps, but I couldn't because of my eyes. I ended up using my degree and working at the Air Force Finance Center in Denver. I helped develop direct deposits all over the world. I spent 13 months in Korea doing the same type of work," John said.

After an 11-year career in the Air Force, John wanted to come home. He returned to the Valley where he had been raised and where he had met his high school sweetheart—and wife—Jowanda.

For the next 15 years, John worked as a CPA at Alamosa accounting firm, Wall, Smith & Bateman. When an opening came up at SLVREC, he knew that's where he wanted to be. "Because of my experiences as a kid, I knew that co-ops are great places to work. I wanted to be a part of the co-op family," John said. "I knew it was right for me."

John was hired as SLVREC's CFO (chief financial officer) in 1996. In 2000, when SLVREC CEO Charles Archer stepped down, the board of directors initiated a nation-wide search for the next CEO.

"They did the search, and ended up selecting a candidate from Colorado; however, he didn't accept the job," John said. "The board knew I was interested in the job. When they offered the position to me, they asked if I *really* wanted it, since, as they said, my dad was the last manager who retired from the co-op. I told them I wanted to be the next one to retire."



"The first two to three years were challenging for me," John said. "I worked to build a strong working relationship with the board, the employees, the staff and the community. At times, it was a struggle. Somewhere along the line, things changed. My relationship with the board became very cohesive. Our board is not ego-driven. They make excellent decisions for members. They really care. They are my bosses; but, I consider all of them my friends too."

In the late 70s, when Web Allison interviewed Ray Villyard, asking him to describe his career, Ray modestly said, "Just the normal trials and tribulations."

Like his dad, John takes the same modest approach in describing his career at SLVREC. When asked to talk about his accomplishments, John said, "It wasn't just me. 'I' didn't accomplish anything." He went on to talk about teamwork and concluded the topic by saying, "We've done really well at hiring people."

A scan of *Newsboy* issues since John became CEO shows that under John's guidance, SLVREC leaped forward. One of the more tangible accomplishments: the building project. Initiated in 2001, the project was broken into three phases, each independent of the others so that based upon current economic decisions, the board could postpone or stop work. That didn't happen.

As it was, timing for the building project could not have been more perfect. Construction was completed when interest rates were low, before construction material and concrete prices took a major jump upwards and before the economic slowdown.

Also under John's leadership, the cooperative:

- Implemented a cost-based accounting system that allows accurate tracking of each expenditure
- Weathered the fight over deregulation of the utility industry and oversaw unbundling of line items on electric bills to ensure charges accurately reflect costs
- Transitioned from paper-based mapping to computer-based mapping with GPS locations of all system assets
- Implemented aggressive work-plans to update the co-op's aging infrastructure which has resulted in a 34 percent decrease in outages and overtime costs
- Established the SLVREC Energy Foundation
- Improved the cooperative's safety program which in turn, has reduced insurance costs and saved the cooperative thousands of dollars each year
- Negotiated agreements with Tri-State Generation & Transmission and Humphries Hydro for the



Above: John with Representative John Salazar. Right: John accepts Adams State College's Willis Fasset Jr. Award on behalf of the membership of SLVREC. Right: John presents the keys to a vehicle the cooperative retired to representatives of the Kids Connection of Monte Vista.

purchase of renewable-produced power. These are just some of the highlights! Also while John was CEO, SLVREC expanded SCADA, implemented online bill payments, developed an avian protection plan, completed line reconstruction over Wolf Creek in conjunction with the highway department's tunnel project, implemented cost-effective after-hours dispatch, built the Oxcart substation, reconstructed several other substations, added a new lineworker scholarship and implemented a net metering policy for co-op members.

John characterizes his tenure at SLVREC as one in which politics moved to the forefront for the utility industry. "Of all the things I will miss after I retire," he said, "I won't miss the regulations we must deal with now. Nor will I miss all of legislative lobbying that characterizes our industry now."

"I am proud to have been a part of an era in which SLVREC was able to utilize technology and software developments to become more efficient. Coupled with the infrastructure improvements we made, the size of the organization has decreased over the past few years. We do more with less," he said.

John does have one regret. "The most challenging issue I have dealt with, and one that I am sorry I did not see through to completion, is the development of a new transmission line to serve the Valley."

The co-op began the push for a new transmission line into the Valley about two years before John accepted the CEO position. By 2003, the board's efforts to lobby Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association, SLVREC's power provider, to include a new line in their annual work plan began gaining ground. In 2007, Tri-

State did just that. Also in 2003, John started a campaign in the *Newsboy* to educate members about the need for the line. Disappointingly, last month, Xcel Energy, who had signed on as a partner in the project in 2008, withdrew from the project.

"There still is a strong need for a new transmission line to serve our members," John said. Tri-State agrees. "The need for reliable electric service across the San Luis Valley, south-central Colorado and northern New Mexico has not changed," said Joel Bladow, Tri-State's senior vice president of transmission. "Tri-State will examine all options to ensure reliable power for the region; it is premature to eliminate any options without further investigation."

While this may be a project that John didn't see to completion, it is a project he can be proud to have brought to the table and a project for which he won many supporters.

What's next? John and Jowanda will move to the retirement community near Parker, Colorado where they already own a condominium. "We know a lot of people on the Front Range," John said. "And the over 55 community where we will live is a great place. There, nobody cares what anyone retired from or how much they make. People choose to live there to have fun—and they do! For Jowanda and I, it's perfect."

John and Jowanda will return to the Valley at least once a month to watch nieces and nephews in sports and to attend bank meetings. John serves on the board of directors at San Luis Valley Federal Bank.

John said, "I'm going to miss a lot of people—the board, the staff, the employees and many of our members. I've met some great people over the years. Hopefully, I've made some lifelong friendships I can come back to."

As a parting message to members, John said, "I urge you, as a member, to be ever cognizant of what is going on in the energy industry. When the co-op needs your voice, don't be afraid to stand up and use it."

Is he sad to leave? "The closer it gets, the more I wonder about the decision I made to retire even though I know it's right for Jowanda and me. I really will miss the many fine people I've met and have worked with."

The sentiment goes both ways. John Villyard leaves a legacy that will be admired and remembered for many decades to come. ☺

SLVREC electric rates will increase effective December 11, 2011. Your January bill will reflect the new rates. The rate increase includes a wholesale power price increase of 3.8 percent from Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association and an SLVREC rate increase of ½ of one percent. For more information, or to find out how the increase will impact your monthly electric bill, contact customer service. ☺

It's Not Too Early

In 2012, director positions for Alamosa and Costilla Counties will be up for election. If you are interested in running for either position, please contact the cooperative to learn about the petition process. ☺

Can't Pay Your Bill?

Don't wait. Call SLVREC right away. Many energy assistance programs cannot provide payment for late fees or disconnection and reconnection charges.

If you can't pay your bill, call SLVREC to discuss your options before you incur any late fees. Members who are having difficulty paying their bill are also encouraged to contact the Colorado Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP). LEAP provides energy assistance from November 1 through April 30. County LEAP offices are listed in the local phone book. Energy Outreach Colorado may also offer help. Check www.energyoutreach.org or call 1-866-HEAT-HELP. ☺

Saguache Credit Union

The Saguache Credit Union is no longer accepting payments for SLVREC electric bills. Members who are accustomed to paying their bills through the Saguache Credit Union and its branches in Saguache, Mofat, Center and Crestone will need to find an alternate payment method.

Payments can be made online, through the cooperative's IVR (interactive voice response) system, at the cooperative's headquarters, through the mail, and via several other venues. Please contact SLVREC if you have questions about the best payment option for you.

The cooperative is actively investigating other payment avenues for members who live in Saguache County. ☺

San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. Rate Schedules Effective December 11, 2011			
Rate Name	Charge Type	Old Total	New Total
A-Single Phase	Wires & Maintenance Charge	\$ 27.50	\$ 27.50
	Energy Charge	0.118	0.123
A-Single Phase Time of Day	Wires & Maintenance Charge	31.50	31.50
	On-Peak kWh	0.140	0.144
	Off-Peak kWh	0.045	0.047
B-Three Phase	Wires & Maintenance Charge	37.50	37.50
	Energy Charge	0.110	0.115
B-Three Phase Time of Day	Wires & Maintenance Charge	42.50	42.50
	On-Peak kWh	0.140	0.144
	Off-Peak kWh	0.045	0.047
I-Irrigation Block Rate is 150 kWh/HP/Mo	Annual HP Charge	20.00	20.00
	Energy Charge (1st Block)	0.114	0.119
	Energy Charge (2nd Block)	0.083	0.087
	Energy Charge (3rd Block)	0.063	0.066
I-Irrigation (Demand) Block Rate is 200 kWh/HP/Mo	Annual HP Charge	20.00	20.00
	Energy Charge (1st Block)	0.114	0.119
	Energy Charge (2nd Block)	0.083	0.087
	Energy Charge (3rd Block)	0.063	0.066
I - Irrigation Time of Day	Annual HP Charge	20.00	20.00
	On-Peak kWh	0.170	0.181
	Off-Peak kWh	0.045	0.048
LP-A Large Power Less than 500 kW Rates 50, 55	Wires & Maintenance Charge	80.00	80.00
	Demand Charge	6.99	7.05
	Energy Charge (First 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.098	0.103
	Energy Charge (Next 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.068	0.071
	Energy Charge (Over 400 kWh/Billing kW)	0.038	0.040
LP-A Time of Day	Wires & Maintenance Charge	85.00	85.00
	Billing Demand Charge	6.99	7.05
	On-Peak Demand Charge	23.79	24.80
	Energy Charge	0.034	0.036
LP-B Large Power Greater than 1,000 kW Secondary Metered Rates 51	Wires & Maintenance Charge	325.00	325.00
	Demand Charge	9.27	9.27
	Energy Charge (First 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.086	0.090
	Energy Charge (Next 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.055	0.058
	Energy Charge (Over 400 kWh/Billing kW)	0.035	0.037
LP-B Large Power Greater than 1,000 kW Primary Metered Rates 52, 53	Wires & Maintenance Charge	330.00	330.00
	Demand Charge	9.00	9.00
	Energy Charge (First 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.083	0.087
	Energy Charge (Next 200 kWh/Billing kW)	0.052	0.055
	Energy Charge (Over 400 kWh/Billing kW)	0.032	0.034
YL Yard Light	Non-Metered	10.40	10.68
	Extra Charge for first additional 150 ft. or next 100 ft.	7.50	7.50
	Metered	5.20	5.25
Renewable Resource Surcharge	Per 100 kWh block, per month	0.40	0.40

Brown-Butter Creamed Winter Greens

¼ stick unsalted butter, divided
 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
 2 cups whole milk
 2 Tbsp. minced shallot
 1 bay leaf
 6 black peppercorns
 3½ pounds mixed winter greens such as collards, mustard greens, and kale, stems and ribs removed
 6 oz. bacon, diced
 1 cup finely chopped onion
 ½ cup heavy cream
 2 garlic cloves, minced
 1 tsp. dried red-pepper flakes salt and pepper

1 Tbsp. cider vinegar, or to taste
 Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a saucepan over medium heat, then add flour and cook, stirring, 1 minute. Add milk in a stream, whisking, then add shallot, bay leaf, and peppercorns and bring to a boil, whisking. Simmer, whisking occasionally, 5 minutes. Strain béchamel sauce through a fine-mesh sieve into a bowl, discarding solids, and cover surface with parchment paper.

Cook bacon over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until golden-brown but not crisp. Transfer to paper towels to drain, then pour off fat from pot and wipe clean.

Heat remaining half stick butter in pot over medium-low heat until browned and fragrant, then cook onion, stirring, until softened.

Increase heat to medium-high, then stir in greens, 1 handful at a time, letting each handful wilt before adding next. Add béchamel, cream, garlic, red-pepper flakes, about ¾ teaspoon salt, and about ½ teaspoon pepper and boil, uncovered, stirring, until sauce coats greens and greens are tender, about 10 minutes.

Stir in bacon, vinegar, and add salt and pepper to taste.

Slow Cooker Black-Eyed Peas

6 cups water
 1 cube chicken bouillon
 1 lb. dried black-eyed peas, sorted and rinsed
 1 onion, diced
 2 cloves garlic, diced
 1 red bell pepper, diced
 1 jalapeno chile, minced
 8 oz. diced ham
 4 slices bacon, chopped
 ½ teaspoon cayenne pepper
 1½ tsp. cumin salt, to taste
 1 tsp. ground black pepper

Pour the water into a slow cooker, add the bouillon cube, and stir to dissolve. Combine the black-eyed peas, onion, garlic, bell pepper, jalapeno pepper, ham, bacon, cayenne pepper, cumin, salt, and pepper; stir to blend. Cover the slow cooker and cook on low for 6 to 8 hours until the beans are tender.

Pork Roast

1 lean whole pork loin, 5 to 6 lbs., trimmed
 1 tsp. white pepper
 1 tsp. cayenne pepper
 2 tsp. black pepper
 2 tsp. kosher or sea salt
 2 teaspoons sweet paprika cooking spray
 3 large onions, sliced into wedges
 6 apples, cored and quartered
 1 cup brown sugar
 2 cups pomegranate juice

Preheat oven to 500°F. Mix peppers, salt and paprika together on a plate. Pat roast dry with a paper towel and roll in the pepper mix. Set aside.

Grease baking pan with cooking spray. Scatter the onions and apples over the bottom of the pan and sprinkle brown sugar over. Place the roast, fat side up, on top.

After 15 minutes, turn the oven down to 300°F and flip the roast

over. Cook until the internal temperature reaches 155°F, about 2½ hours. Baste with pomegranate juice as the roast cooks.

Vassilopita (Greek New Year's Cake)

A coin baked into the cake is said to bring luck to the person who finds it.

¾ cup of butter
 1½ cups of sugar
 6 eggs
 4 Tbsp. of brandy
 grated peel of 2 oranges
 4 cups of self-rising flour
 ¾ cup of evaporated milk
 1 coin wrapped in foil
 confectioner's sugar (optional)

Bring all ingredients to room temperature, and preheat the oven to 350°F. Cream the butter in a mixing bowl. Beating continuously, add in order the sugar; the eggs one at a time; and the brandy. Still beating, sprinkle in the grated orange peel to distribute evenly throughout the batter. Add milk, then flour, a small amount at a time.

Flour a round 12" to 13" diameter baking pan with 2-3" sides and pour in the batter. The cake will bake for a total of about 45 minutes, but halfway through, when it has started to set, insert the coin carefully into the dough, pushing it down just below the surface. (Inserting the coin when the cake is slightly firmed will prevent it from sinking to the bottom.) Insert it anywhere except the exact center of the cake.

Continue baking until done. Allow to cool for 5 minutes. Place a large plate over the top of the cake and invert it so the cake comes out on the plate. Take a second plate (for serving) and put it over the cake, inverting to get the cake right side up. Dust the top with confectioner's sugar. Allow the Vassilopita to cool for 4 hours before serving.

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