

Growing up, Alex M. learned to bake from one of her neighbors. Alex grew up north of Havre, Montana, in a rural area where neighbors were few and far between.

"They were 3 or 4 miles down the road, but they were our closest neighbors," said Alex, Gas Operations Supervisor in Bozeman, Montana. "They're more like grandparents to me."

Alex's neighbor Janice is famous for her pies and shared all her pie recipes with Alex.

"They are my favorite pies to make and share with anyone who will have a slice," Alex said.

The crust is excellent.

"It's just really light and flaky," Alex said. "It's not greasy at all."

Of all Janice's pies, cherry pie is Alex's favorite.

At NorthWestern Energy, Alex schedules new natural gas construction projects, manages crews and makes sure our natural gas system is in compliance in terms of leak testing and other measures.

Alex's favorite thing about her job is spending time in the field.

"I enjoy spending time out with crews and getting to learn from them," she said.

Alex interned with NorthWestern in 2017. She graduated from Montana Tech with a degree in petroleum engineering and worked for two years in the California oilfields. Alex joined NorthWestern in November.

Alex's Cherry Pie

INGREDIENTS

Pie Crust (makes 3 pairs of pie crusts): 4 ½ cups all-purpose flour 1 tsp salt 1 tsp baking powder 1 Tbsp sugar 1 lb lard

- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 tsp vinegar
- 1 egg, beaten

DIRECTIONS

sifter. Mix all dry ingredients together.

Cherry Filling:

¹/₈ tsp salt

1 cup sugar

dark sweet

1 egg, beaten

1 Tbsp sugar

2 1/2 Tbsp tapioca flour

2 14.5-oz. cans drained

21-oz. can rinsed Duncan

1/4 tsp almond extract

Hines brand cherry pie filling

Oregon brand cherries, tart or

OBlend lard into dry ingredients using a pastry blender or L fork and knife until mixture clumps are about the size of small peas.

 \mathbf{O} In a separate bowl, combine water, vinegar and eqg. Add Owet ingredients to dry ingredients and mix until dough forms, blending well.

4 Divide into 6-8 balls. Roll out on flour sack cloth or parchment paper to prevent sticking of dough to surface. Note: If the house is warm, use ice water instead of cold water to keep lard from melting as dough is rolled and worked. Dough may also be frozen for future use.

For filling, mix tapioca flour, salt, 1 cup sugar, cherries and Dalmond extract together in a bowl. Let sit for 15 minutes.

Roll out and lay pie crust in bottom of 9-inch pie tin and Ocut around pan leaving about 1 inch overhanging the edae.

7Pour filling into bottom pie crust. Place top crust over filling and cut to about ¹/₄ inch overhang.

QFold bottom crust over top and pinch crusts together into Othe typical pie crust triangle edging.

OUsing pastry brush, brush beaten egg over top crust. Jincluding edges. Sprinkle 1 Tbsp sugar on top.

Ocut several slits in top pie crust to allow venting. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes with tin foil wrapping crust edging.

1 Take tin foil off and continue baking another 20 minutes until crust is golden brown.

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Outpouring of support during major storm

On Thursday, May 12, a strong line of thunderstorms raced across our service territory, bringing down trees and power lines and causing substantial damage for many property owners. These storms produced wind speeds of more than 100 miles per hour.

The storms left about 9,500 customers without power. The strong winds brought down more than 50 power poles.

As soon as they were able to do so safely, our crews responded and began working around the clock to repair broken poles and downed lines.

Their efforts were met with an outpouring of community support. Messages poured in on social media thanking our line crews for their hard work.

"Thank you all!! You are all amazing! There are not enough words to adequately express our families' gratitude!!" one Facebook user wrote.

"Thank you all so much for your continued efforts to get power restored so quickly," another said.

Our crews also encountered lots of kindness while they

were working. Customers offered snacks, drinks and words of gratitude.

Community Relations Manager Tom Glanzer reached out to Ryan's Hanger in Huron, South Dakota, around 8:30 p.m. Thursday and asked the restaurant to make 50 burgers for our crews. The burgers were delivered by 9:15 p.m.

The Huron McDonald's made sure our crews had a good breakfast Friday morning.

Friday at lunch, Pack and Play travel bought pizza for our entire team! Walmart donated an entire pallet of water to help keep crews hydrated.

By Friday evening, power had been restored to all but about 300 customers. By 4 p.m. Sunday, every customer once again had power.

We want to extend a huge thank you to all our crews who worked to get the power back on. We are also extremely grateful for all the support we received during the storm. We are honored and blessed to serve such caring communities!

Bob Glanzer Generating Station coming online

The Bob Glanzer Generating Station in Huron came online last month. The 58-megawatt natural gas plant will be an important generation asset to help mitigate capacity deficits like those we experienced in February 2021, when we had to ask customers to conserve energy in order to prevent rolling blackouts. The new plant will provide on-demand electric capacity and also support the variability of wind and solar generation. These on-demand resources are critical until longerduration, carbon-free resources are developed and cost effective.

The Bob Glanzer Generating Station in Huron is named in honor of the late South Dakota State Rep. Bob Glanzer. Bob was a high school teacher and coach before becoming the manager of the South Dakota State Fair in 1975. He went on to a successful banking career, retiring in 2012.

An important aspect of the process of building this plant included ongoing dialogue and sharing information with a wide variety of stakeholders, including consumer, environmental, conservation and community groups.

Hear what they have to say:



NorthWestern Energy has always been a strong supporter of our community. The new Bob Glanzer Generating Station represents a huge investment in the future energy needs of Huron and the surrounding area. On behalf of the citizens of Huron, I'd like to thank NorthWestern not only for their continued support but their willingness to wisely invest in their future.

Gary Harrington, Mayor of Huron

From a community perspective, NorthWestern Energy is the type of dedicated business that all communities wish they would have. Their dedication to the community, both monetarily and from a volunteer standpoint, is treasured. The economic impact they have had on Huron with the construction of the Bob Glanzer Generating Station has been immeasurable. They are looking forward to the future of energy for our region and being fiscally responsible with the investment in clean energy. The environmental awareness and the value that the plant and the energy produced there will provide to Huron and other communities will have great impact for many years to come.

Laurie Shelton, President/CEO, Huron Chamber of Commerce

The Bob Glanzer Generating Station represents an investment by NorthWestern Energy that will benefit the City of Huron for decades to come with a reliable and affordable source of locally produced clean energy. The project being located next to Huron's newest industrial park, Vantage Business Park, will provide new or expanding businesses with the assurance that their time lost to electrical outages will be virtually non-existent. NorthWestern Energy has always played a vital role in Greater Huron's economic development efforts and we look forward to partnering with them on future business expansion efforts.

C Ted Haeder, President/CEO, Greater Huron Development