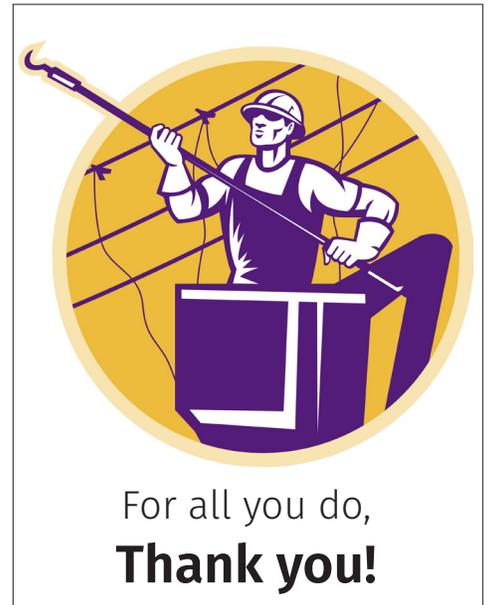


April 10th is Lineman Appreciation Day



America's electric cooperatives have designated the second Monday of April as National Lineman Appreciation Day.

On April 10, 2017, CKenergy will honor the hard working men who often work in challenging conditions to keep the lights on.

The full text of the resolution, which the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Board adopted unanimously, follows:

“Whereas linemen leave their families and put their lives on the line every day to keep the power on; Whereas linemen work 365 days a year under dangerous conditions to build, maintain and repair the electric infrastructure; Whereas linemen are the first responders of the electric cooperative family, getting power back on and making

things safe for all after storms and accidents; and Whereas there would be no electric cooperatives without the brave men and women who comprise our corps of linemen;

Therefore be it resolved that NRECA recognize the Second Monday of April of each year as National Lineman Appreciation Day and make available to electric cooperatives, materials and support to recognize the contributions of these valuable men and women to America's Electric Cooperatives.”

We proudly recognize all electric linemen for the services they perform around the clock in dangerous conditions to keep power flowing and protect the public's safety.

Electric linemen do not often receive the recognition they deserve. They work

all hours of the day, often in hazardous conditions far from their families, going above and beyond to restore power to their communities. Our linemen, as well as linemen from across the nation, truly deserve this special day of recognition. We couldn't be more appreciative of our linemen!

Join us on April 10th in celebrating the hard work and dedication that our linemen put in year round. If you see any of the guys out and about, shake their hand, give them a pat on the back, or even a high five. They are very well deserving of it!

CKEC invites members to take a moment to thank a lineman for the work they do. Use #ThankaLineman to show your support for the men and women who light our lives.



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Winning CKEC Members

Brenda Robertson
Holly Hughey
Nacolh & William Riggs

If your name is listed above, please call us at **405-656-2322** to claim a \$25 credit on your electric bill.



Socialize with us!

Stay up-to-date with your co-op and your community by following us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. Get the latest news on co-op events, services, energy saving tips, and more. During a power outage, stay connected with us for updates on the restoration process.

Questions or comments about your newsletter should be directed to Devin Whittington, Communications Specialist, CKenergy, PO Box 70, Binger, OK 73009, email: editor@ckenergy.coop.

2017 Youth Tour Winners Announced

Ashlynn Karlin, Madison Scott, Kade Squires, & Tyler Wedel take top honors at CKEnergy's Youth Tour Banquet



Back Row L-R: Clint Pack CKEC CEO, Ashlynn Karlin, Kade Squires, & Tyler Wedel. Front Row L-R: Berkley Price, Morgan Morley, Madison Scott, Abbagail Agan, & Erika Stutzman.



Youth Tour 2017 Winners

Hard work has paid off for four high school juniors as they make plans to tour the nation's capital this summer. Kade Squires and Madison Scott of Lookeba-Sickles High School, Tyler Wedel of Cordell High School and Ashlynn Karlin of Weatherford High School took top honors in the CKEnergy Electric Cooperative Youth Tour Contest. Each of these winners will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. and a \$500 scholarship.

Kade is the son of Barry and Kim Squires of Carnegie. Madison is the daughter of Jon and Becky Scott of Hinton. Tyler is the son of Tim and Kathy Wedel of Cordell and Ashlynn is the daughter of Mike and Angie Karlin of Weatherford. Kade, Madison, Tyler and Ashlynn have an exciting fun filled week ahead of them during June 9-15. The four high school juniors will have an opportunity to become acquainted with other prominent young people from all across Oklahoma, as well as those from other states. Not only will they learn about rural electric cooperatives, they will have a better insight of American history and government. The students will meet Congressmen and Senators and tour historical sights in and around Washington D.C.

Runners-up in the contest were Berkley Price of Cordell High School, Morgan Morley of Cordell High School, Abbagail Agan of Weatherford High School and Erika Stutzman of Weatherford High School. The runners-up will receive a \$500 scholarship.

In order to reach the finals, the contestants had to be one of the eight highest scores on a written letter/essay. The contest concluded with a banquet at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center at SWOSU in Weatherford honoring the eight contestants and their families. The contestants were interviewed and then presented their letters in speech form. The contestants were scored on knowledge of subject, speaking ability, poise and personality and appearance.

The Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives has been an active sponsor of the Youth Tour since 1963. More than 3,200 students have been sponsored on trips to the nation's capital in the last fifty years. CKEnergy is proud to offer the Youth Tour Program to our area students.

Ashlynn Karlin

Age: 17
School: Weatherford
Activities: Volleyball, softball, STUCO, FCCLA, FCA, & NHS.



Kade Squires

Age: 18
School: Lookeba- Sickles
Activities: Baseball, Basketball, Showing, Speech, & Robotics.



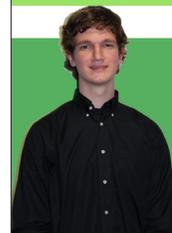
Madison Scott

Age: 16
School: Lookeba- Sickles
Activities: Softball, Basketball, FFA, FCA, & Competitive Cheerleading.

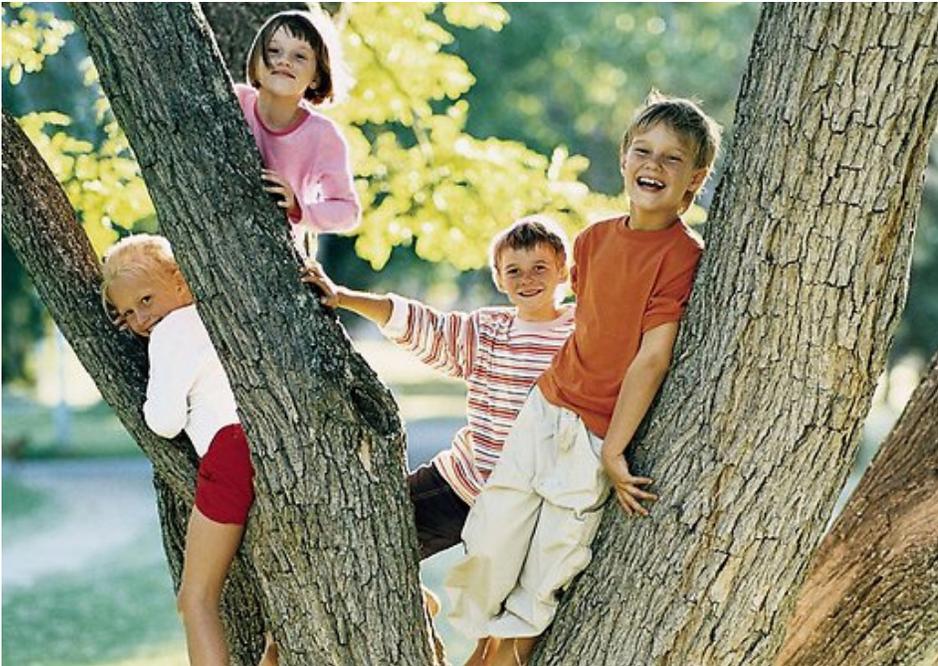


Tyler Wedel

Age: 17
School: Cordell
Activities: Cross Country, Basketball, Track, Academic Team, & STUCO.



Play Up Outdoor Electrical Safety to Children



Warm, sunny days beckon the child in all of us to head outside and play. CKenergy recommends that families review and stress to children to follow simple electrical safety rules for safe outdoor play.

Help keep your kids out of harm's way when they play outdoors. Children often do not understand the dangers of electricity. Make them aware of overhead power lines and electrical equipment, and emphasize they should never climb or play near them.

CKenergy recommends that children be taught to follow these rules:

- Never climb trees near power lines. Even if the power lines are not touching the tree, they could touch when more weight is added to the branch.
- Fly kites and model airplanes in large open areas like a park or a field, safely away from trees and overhead power lines. If a kite gets stuck in a tree that's near power lines, don't climb up to get it.
- Never climb a utility pole or tower.
- Don't play on or around electrical equipment.

- Never go into an electric substation for any reason. Electric substations contain high-voltage equipment, which can be deadly. Never rescue pets or retrieve a ball or toy that goes inside. Call CKenergy instead.

When designing an outdoor play area for your kids, do not install playground equipment or swimming pools underneath or near power lines. Protect all family members from serious shock and injuries by installing outdoor outlets with ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI). Use portable GFCIs for outdoor outlets that don't have them. Be careful using electrical appliances outdoor, even if plugged into GFCI equipped outlets.

Water always attracts kids, but water and electricity never mix. Teach older children to exercise caution before plugging in a radio, CD player, or any electrical gadget outdoors, and keep all electrical appliances at least 10 feet away from hot tubs, pools, ponds, puddles and wet surfaces.

Make sure all of your family members know to stay away from downed power lines and wires, and tell children to report to an adult any fallen or dangling wires.



Outage Reporting

CKEC has upgraded the two toll free numbers. 888-832-3362 and 800-868-8243 now have the capacity to handle over 2,000 calls as well as get the outage information into our outage system.

So remember to report outages to one of CKEC's toll free phone lines. You can also report an outage using the CKenergy app.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Dishwasher Efficiency Tip: Air dry clean dishes to save energy. If your dishwasher does not have an automatic air-dry switch, turn off the dishwasher after the final rinse and prop the door open slightly so the dishes will dry faster.

Source: U.S Department of Energy

Your Spare Change Can Make a **Big Difference** through Operation RoundUp[®]

Even during tough economic times, it's important that we continue to support our local communities. That's the philosophy behind Operation RoundUp, a charitable program governed, funded and supported by CKenergy Electric Cooperative members like you.

Here's how the program works: As a member of Operation RoundUp, the Cooperative will "round up" the amount due on your electric bill to the nearest dollar. These donations are placed in an account from which an independent panel of CKenergy Electric members makes grants to support various community projects across the Cooperative's service territory. This program has assisted a wide variety of organizations, including local food pantries, senior centers, fire departments and schools. We are happy to continue this program as CKenergy.

For more information call Boyd Lee or Devin Whittington at 405-656-2322.



**OPERATION
ROUND UP**
THE POWER OF CHANGE

Small change
Big Difference



AT A GLANCE

Operation RoundUp

- Round up your monthly electric bill to the nearest dollar.
- Contributions will range from \$0.01 to \$0.99 per month.
- Your contributions, pooled with those made by fellow Cooperative members, will help fund charitable projects in the community.
- You can cancel or resume participation at any time.

The Greening of Electricity



Aerial view of the new solar farm located at the Pine Ridge substation.
Photo Courtesy of Western Farmer's Electric Co-op.

The electric industry is undergoing a major transformation. Utilities, including electric cooperatives, are dramatically altering both the mix of fuels used to generate electricity and how electricity gets to co-op members – that's you!

Changes in technology and the market have contributed to making renewable energy more cost-effective. Co-ops are now purchasing and generating more renewable resources, bringing wind, solar and geothermal energy into the electric power system, meaning electricity is becoming "greener."

Nationwide, co-ops are responsible for 515 megawatts of wind energy. Our solar capacity is also rapidly increasing. Western Farmer's Electric Cooperative in Anadarko recently celebrated the ribbon cutting for 18 solar projects that will benefit electric cooperatives in Oklahoma, including CKenergy.

There will continue to be pressure at the federal and state levels to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Increasing the use of renewable energy can help meet these goals.

In addition to these resources, many co-ops rely on hydro-electric power (another renewable option) and nuclear power, neither of which produces greenhouse gases.

Electric co-ops across the country are exploring mutually beneficial ways to combine both renewable energy and load control programs, so that when the sun shines and the wind blows, we can fill up

our water heaters or charge our electric vehicles. Known as "community storage," this new concept holds great promise.

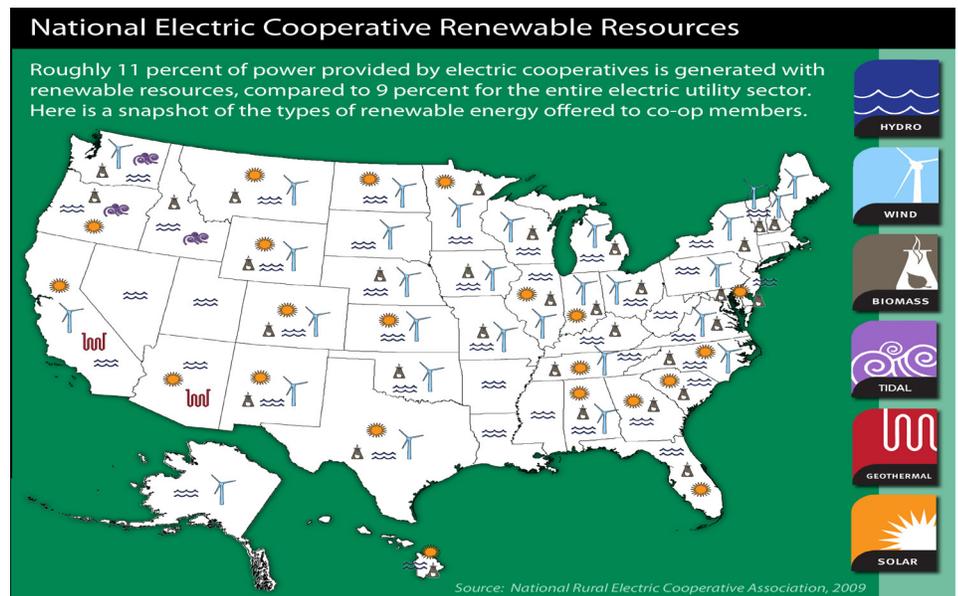
Electric co-ops believe this trend in the electric industry will continue, and even accelerate in the future.

What do these changes mean for co-op members? For one thing, the environmental impact of any electric appliance you buy today will actually get smaller over the lifetime of that appliance. In other words, the electric range you buy today could in one year – or five years or 10 years – be using electricity fueled by wind or solar – or a combination.

In California, which has ambitious goals for reducing greenhouse gas emissions, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab has asserted that "widespread electrification of passenger vehicles, building heating and industry heating [will be] critical to California meeting its GHG goals."

According to the laboratory's experts, "moving away from oil [diesel, propane] and natural gas and towards electricity is a key decarbonization strategy."

Even as electric co-ops continue finding ways to improve the reliability of your electric service, we are looking ahead. And to an electric co-op, the future has the potential to be sunny indeed.



Automotive

I buy junk cars & farm machinery, call 405-641-3344 for more information.

Hilltop Small Engine Repair, 3 mi north of Gracemont, 1/2 mi west on CR 1230. 405-638-0325.

Carburetor Rebuilding- 30 yrs experience on all carburetors. 1000's in stock with 1 year warranty. I'll save you time & money! 541-515-2933.

'79 Chevy Z 28 Camaro, pretty complete. '77 Pontiac Firebird body, parts or restore. \$19,50 for the pair. Cash only. 405-818-9011.

'98 Chevy 1 ton Dually Crew Cab. \$3,000. 405-638-1379 or 405-638-1333.

'52 Studebaker Pickup. All original, no rust. '51 cab on Chevy suspension, Rat rod 454 engine runs & 350 trans. All for \$5000. 405-376-0236 or 45-641-3344.

Farm/ Equipment

Marrow's Tractor Tire Repair, Sales, & Service 405-668-0248

2 Types Generator, both run- need service. 2 brands. 405-643-2836.

Swap 'N Shop

For Sale or Trade

Note: CKEC does not endorse or guarantee any of the products or services in these ads.

'05 New Holland D-85 Dozer. Cab & air, 820 hours. New batteries, oil, & injectors. Diesel pumps overhauled, under carriage like new. 6 way blades. 580-550-2270.

2 Lilliston Peanut Combines. Barn Kept. \$500 each. 405-542-7612 or 405-797-3827.

Hay/ Wood

Net Crop Native Grass Hay- Lg Bales, net wrapped. 405-638-0620 or 405-206-8126.

Clean Bermuda Grass Hay 4x5 bales \$45/ bale. Please call King Sod Farms 405-797-3323.

Cowpea Hay- 150 5x6 bales, 10% protein, \$50/ bale. 405-668-2679.

Good Bermuda Grass Hay, Large Round Bales. 6X6. \$60. 405-306-1538.

Walnut Firewood, Split \$80/rick for pickup. \$100/rick for delivered. 405-352-5242

Alfalfa Hay- Round & Square bales. Will load. 405-933-0132.

Grass Hay 300 Native Grass, 80 Switchgrass, Large Round Bales, Net Wrapped, \$50/Bale, Weatherford, Will Load, Delivery Available, 405-542-6713, 580-774-4942

Midland 99 Bermuda Grass Hay. 4x4x8 segmented bales. 5'x4' Rd bales, small sq. bales. High protein, clean horse hay quality. 580-774-5477.

Livestock/Pets

Charolais Bulls for Sale. 6- 30mth, 12-18/24mth. 580-774-9989.

80 Big Stout Limousin Bulls. Easy calving, gentle, high growth. Best for Xbreeding to increase weaning wts & profit. Kusel Limousins. 580-759-6038 or 405-643-2884.

2 Sim/Angus cross 2yr old bulls. 1 Sim/Angus cross yearling. 405-788-2614.

Business

Alterations & T- Shirt Quilts. 405-831-0593

Cooks Septic Service & Repair 580-550-0545, toll free 877-369-7305.

The Shop Thrift Store, 124 E Main. Ft. Cobb. 405-687-1164. Mon. 10-4, Tue. thru Fri. 8-4, Sat. 10-3.

Fresh Raw Goat Milk \$6/gal. Basic Goatcheese \$5/lb. 405-643-9948.

Swap 'N Shop Ads are continued on page 8

You may submit classified ads, businesses, or services to Swap 'N Shop, P.O. Box 70, Binger, OK 73009, ads@ckenergy.coop, or fax to 405-656-2327. One ad per member unless there is additional space available.

Circle category:

Autos Farm/Equip Furn/Appl Hay/Wood Livestock/Pets Misc
Real Estate Wanted-Notices Business

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

CKEC Acct # _____

Swap 'N Shop is a classified advertisement service that we provide to our members at no cost.

- Members are able to submit written ads through the mail, fax, drop off, or by email.
- Ads are NOT taken over the phone.
- Ads need to be received by the 10th of each month to appear in the next month's issue.
- Ad space is limited to a 25 word maximum.
- Contact the editor at 405-656-2322 for information about availability of ad space.
- CKEC reserves the right to reject any ad deemed inappropriate.
- Ads will automatically run for 2 months, additional run time must be requested before the 10th of the month.

\$100 Agreed Divorces, JNK Paralegal Service. 405-376-2206

Hooked On Antiques, 209 W Main in Binger. Wed 9:30- 5, Thurs 9-5. Call for more info. 405-202-6563.

Abbot Electric, OK #1648, no job too small. 405-933-1780

BackWoods Welding & Construction- Farm & ranch welding, pipe fencing, steel buildings, metal roofs, pole barns, state certified & insured. 405-320-8379.

Miscellaneous

For sale or trade- 12 ft. x 24 ft. Cojack building on skids, also iron wagon & plow wheels. 580-660-0024.

20 x 37 Green Mountain (Jim Bowie) pellet grill-smoker. Stainless steel lid, great condition. \$450. 405-638-0049.

Older 5hp Roto-tiller \$50. Gas powered sidewalk edger (Like new) \$40. Aluminum loading ramps \$25. 2 older chain saws- both \$30. Wagner electric pain gun \$25. Air impact tools all for \$30. 405-933-0783.

Furniture/Appliance

5 Piece Cherrywood Bedroom set, queen size. Triple dresser with wing mirror amorie. 2 night stands. Asking \$550. 405-458-0091 or 580-637-2258.

GE Upright deep freeze. \$200 or would trade for small working refrigerator. 405-797-2915.

Real Estate

2 Story Home Cedar Lake Hinton School Dist. 1,152sq ft., 2 car garage, out building, 6ft fence, could come fully furnished, \$30,000 OBO. 405-284-6806.

Crows Roost- 3 bed, 2 bath, 3 lots, 2 big barns, 1 small. Lg den, 2 living rooms. Lg screened in porch. Needs some work. 405-656-2436.

Carnegie- 3 bed, 2 bath. 2200sqft. Country Home. w/ finished basement that could be bdrm. LG living room and separate den. 2 car garage. New H&A. 1 acre of land. LG shed in back yard. \$130,000. 580-654-2422.

16X80 3 bed 2 bath, Mobile Home on 64X120 lot. 2 yr old central H&A, new carpet, new hot water tank, new pressure well. Covered porch. 14X30 pole barn, \$41,500. 405-601-0382. Call for info.

House & Barn on 3 acres in Eakly at 624 N Church Ave. Double car garage, 3 bd, 2 ba, basement & large barn 54x90. 405-779-0025.

2 bed, 2 bath, brick home. Basement, 2 car garage, storage bldg. Nice backyard w/ patio. In Eakly. \$85,000. 405-687-0375.

15'6 x 72 Fleetwood Velocity 2014, 3+2 shingle roof, hardboard siding, to be moved. \$32,000. 405-863-4557.

3 brd, 1 bath brick home. Newly updated windows, doors, roof, water heater, central H&A, & more. Attached garage, fenced back yard, sprinkler system, covered porch & Storage shed. In Anadarko. 405-265-8456.

Irrigated Farm- West 1/2 of section 28 1 16. Washita county. 2 irrigation wells, 2 center pivots, 307 acre crop land. Call Gerald Nabors, 580-660-5360 or 940-262-3522.

480 acre grass, 2 live creeks- good hunting. 160 acre w/ 145 acre cultivated & pivot irrigation- between Eakly & Hydro. Call 405-388-1827 or 405-570-4893.

2 bed, 1 bath, new windows, utility room, storage shed, & 4' chain link fence. 606 E Central, Anadarko. 405-317-7483.

Ft. Cobb Lake House- Crows Roost area. 2 bed, furnished. 2 lots, new metal roof, garage& carport. Also, Waverunner & Seadoo

on double trailer. \$62,000. 405-623-4231.

12x60 3bd, 2ba, partially furnished, mobile home. \$30,000. Crow's Roost Edition. 405-601-0382.

Rainbow Lake- between Binger & Minco. Back lot seeded, 40ft trailer, new deck very good condition. \$19,900. 405-543-6012.

20 Acre Horse Property. 4250sqft home, barns, arena, pipe & cable fence, bermuda, 14X80 mobile home, 20 min from OKC. El Reno area. \$695,000. 405-410-5222.

Nice Brick Home in Eakly. 2 bd, 2 ba. Nice storage, basement, 2 car garage, front porch, back porch w/ patio. Building in back yard. \$85,000/negotiable. 405-687-0375.

1 Acre Commercial Zoned. 4 3/4 E of Tuttle on HWY 37. 405-794-4612.

Hunting Lodge- sleeps 6. Rent by week or month with all amenities, all appliances, & new beds. \$500/week or \$1,800/month. Close to Fort Cobb Lake.- Call Wanda. 580-302-3051.

Ft. Cobb Lake (Flying Inn #2) 3 bd, 2 ba, 1456sqft. 30x50 shop. Less than 500ft from water (boat dock), open floor plan, formal din, kit din,lg covered ft & bk porches. Excellent condition. \$134k 580-772-4663.

No Bake Strawberry Icebox Cake

Ingredients:

- 19 oz graham crackers
- 2 pounds fresh strawberries
- 3½ cups heavy cream
- 1 banana, sliced thin
- ½ cup powdered sugar
- 2 tsp vanilla
- ¼ tsp salt



Directions:

Cream powdered sugar, vanilla, and salt with the heavy cream in the bowl of a stand mixer. Beat until the cream mixture holds stiff peaks. Spread a thin layer of heavy cream mix in a 9x13 pan just to coat the bottom. Layer 5 graham crackers across the center of the pan, then 2 more, breaking them as needed to fit around the top and bottom edges. Spread a thick layer of heavy cream mix over grahams and top with a hearty layer of sliced strawberries. Place graham crackers on top of strawberries, then heavy cream mix, then layer of thinly sliced bananas. Repeat the graham-strawberries-cream layers 1 more time (3 times total) and you should reach the top of the pan. Refrigerate for at least 4 hours or overnight until the graham crackers have softened completely. Top with a few sliced strawberries or whole strawberries if you desired. Serve chilled.