

**Holiday Hours:** CKEC offices will close Friday, April 10, for Good Friday. We will return to normal hours on April 13.

**Mark Your Calendar:** CKEC's annual meeting - July 31.

April 2020

A SUPPLEMENT TO OKLAHOMA LIVING



Youth Tour finalists and winners gathered on February 24 for a special banquet in their honor, hosted by CKEC. Front row: Gabby Giblet (winner); Zoey Lewis (runner-up); Kaitlyn Roehr (winner). Back row: Austin Brothers (runner-up); Keeli Cox (runner-up); Kaci Anderson (winner); Clint Pack, CKEC CEO; Hannah Strickler (winner); and Gary Brewster, president of the CKEC board of directors. Not pictured is Justice Leal(runner-up).

Runners-up in the contest were Austin Brothers of Minco High School, Keeli Cox of Lookeba-Sickles High, Justice Leal of Binger-Oney High School and Zoey Lewis of Anadarko High School. Austin is the son of Scottie and Kasandra Brothers of Union City. Keeli is the daughter of Carolyn Gonzalez of Binger. Justice is the son of Chris and Brandie Leal of Gracemont. Zoey is the daughter of Brian and Kara Lewis of Anadarko. The runners-up 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 3,500 students have been sponsored on trips to the nation's capital in the last fifty-six years. CKenergy is proud to offer the Youth Tour Program to our area students.

## Local Teens Bound for Washington

### Youth Tour promises new insights and new friends

**H**ard work has paid off for four high school juniors as they make plans to tour the nation's capital this summer. Kaci Anderson of Hobart High School, Gabby Giblet of Cordell High School, Kaitlyn Roehr and Hannah Strickler of Weatherford High School took top honors in the CKEC Youth Tour Contest. Each of these winners will receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. and a \$500 scholarship.

Kaci is the daughter of Keith and Kimberly Anderson of Lone Wolf. Gabby

is the daughter of Kyle and Kim Giblet of Cordell. Kaitlyn is the daughter of Justin and Stephanie Roehr of Weatherford and Hannah is the daughter of Steve and Laci Strickler of Weatherford. 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 American government.





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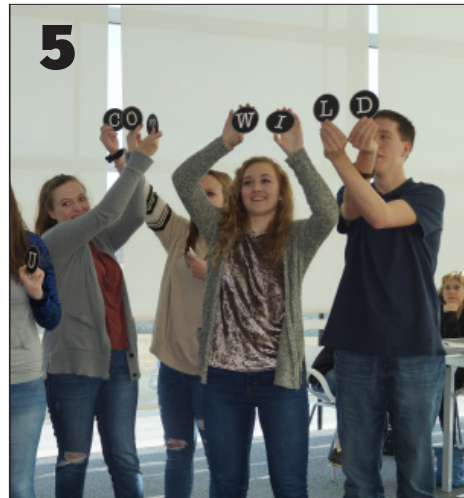
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## APRIL

### Winning CKEC Members

Larry Evanson  
Chuck Nickel  
Daryl Stafford

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



### Socialize with us!

Stay up-to-date with your co-op and your community by following us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and SnapChat. 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 Lisa Willard, Director of Communications, CKenergy, PO Box 100, Cordell, OK 73632, email: [editor@ckenergy.coop](mailto:editor@ckenergy.coop).





## Remember to #ThankALineworker

### National Lineworker Appreciation Day is April 13

**L**ineworkers serve on the frontlines of our nation's energy needs, and on April 13, 2020, CKenergy Electric Cooperative, along with other electric cooperatives across the country, will honor the brave men and women who work hard to keep the lights on.

Line crews work around the clock, sometimes in difficult and dangerous conditions, to keep power flowing to our local communities. Whether they're restoring power after a major storm or maintaining critical infrastructure

to our electric system, lineworkers are at the heart of CKEC. The job requires lineworkers to set aside their personal priorities to better serve their members and local community.

When a storm hits, they set aside their personal priorities because Mother Nature doesn't work around holidays, vacations and birthdays. A service-oriented mentality is one of the many admirable characteristics of an electric cooperative lineworker.

To perform their jobs successfully, lineworkers depend on their years of training, experience and each other to get the job done safely.

Equally important is their reliance on a strong support system at home. A line worker's family understands and supports their loved one's commitment to the greater community during severe storms and power outages.

This means in times of prolonged outages, the family and their lineworker may have minimal communication and not see each other for several days. Without strong family support and understanding, this challenging job would be more difficult.

In western and west central Oklahoma and across the country, electric co-op lineworkers' mission-focused mentality of helping others often extends beyond their commitment to their work at the co-op. Lineworkers are often familiar figures in the community. They can be found coaching youth sports teams, volunteering for local charities and serving on local advisory boards.

CKenergy is proud to honor the line workers that maintain 7,728 miles of power lines in our service territory.

CKenergy invites all co-op members to thank a lineworker for the important work they do. On April 13, you can use #ThankALineworker on social media to show your support for the brave men and women who power our lives.



## SAVE THE DATE

**JULY 31, 2020**

**CKEC Annual Meeting  
A Family Night of Fun**

# CKenergy Electric Foundation Update



**OPERATION  
ROUND UP**  
THE POWER OF CHANGE

## Approved Grants:

Hydro-Eakly Police Dept.	\$2,700.00
Cordell Senior Citizens	\$2,000.00
Mt.View Senior Citizens	\$2,500.00
Binger Volunteer Fire Dept.	\$1,800.00
Lakehoma Elementary Parent Teacher Org.	\$2,000.00
Friends of Mustang Public Libray	\$3,500.00
Individual Grants	\$8,700.00

**Total Grants                   \$23,200.00**

## CKEC Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors

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**Small Change, Big Difference!**

**O**n Tuesday, February 11, 2020, the CKenergy Electric Foundation Board approved a total of \$23,200.00 for grants this quarter. Those funds will be used to improve the livelihood of individuals, fund school programs, help local law enforcement better protect citizens, and so much more!

Giving to those in need is a great way to tap into the Oklahoma spirit and thousands of Oklahoma's electric co-op members do just that by donating funds through Operation Round Up.

As a member of CKenergy Electric Cooperative, you have the opportunity to participate in the Operation Round Up program. The program works by allowing co-op members to round up their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar amount. The spare change is transferred to CKenergy's Operation Round Up fund and dispersed to local charitable causes.

For example, let's say you have a monthly electric bill of \$84.62. The bill is rounded up to a flat \$85, with the additional 38 cents going into the Operation Round Up Fund. On average, a co-op member donates roughly \$6 each year. Seems like a small amount, right? It is, but when multiplied by thousands of other CKenergy members, Operation Round Up raises thousands of dollars for local causes and organizations.

Operation Round Up funds are used to address important local needs. Local charities, youth groups, schools, fire departments, senior citizens centers and food banks are just a few of the beneficiaries of Round Up funds. Funds are also used to help needy individuals and families pay for medical equipment and other needs.

CKenergy Electric Cooperative is passionate about the communities we serve. Together, electric co-ops with Operation Round Up programs in place have raised more than \$100 million since 1989.

Grants are decided by a twelve-member board of cooperative members who volunteer their time to oversee the program. CKenergy Electric co-op coordinator is Boyd Lee. Requests for assistance are reviewed and evaluated quarterly throughout the year.

We hope you will continue to participate in CKenergy's Operation Round Up. Your small change will change lives, and together we will make a big difference right here in Oklahoma.

Next quarter grant applications must be submitted no later than April 28, 2020. Any applications received after the due date will be on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

Visit [www.CKenergy.coop](http://www.CKenergy.coop) for a foundation application.





Teens from across the state attend Energy Camp every year

## Energy Camp Promises Summer Fun

Hurry, the deadline to enter is April 13

**C**Kenergy Electric Cooperative and the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives are busy preparing for 2020 Youth Power Energy Camp. The camp takes place at Camp Canyon near Hinton, OK. Slated for May 26-29, 2020, Energy Camp is designed to help students build leadership skills while having lots of fun.

By forming their own cooperative, students gain leadership and business skills while interacting with other eighth graders from across the state. Campers also have the opportunity to attend sessions on energy, electrical safety and rural electric careers. They also elect their own board of directors and operate a coke and candy cooperative. Safety demonstrations by cooperative linemen give campers a chance to try their hand at riding bucket trucks and climbing poles.

That's not all. Campers start the adventure out right by making new friends and taking part in fun activities including volleyball, swimming, ping pong, hiking and a special trip to Celebration Station.

CKenergy will select two teams of two students or four individuals to attend the camp based on a 100-word essay. One essay entry per team is allowed. The essay topic is "What I would miss the most without electricity and why."

Eligible students must be eighth graders currently attending a school in CKEC's service territory.

CKEC covers all expenses related to the camp including transportation to and from Camp Canyon. For more details, please visit [www.CKenergy.coop](http://www.CKenergy.coop) or contact Lisa Willard at 405-656-9174.



### 2020 ENERGY CAMP CONTEST RULES

Students must currently be classified as eighth grade students attending a school in CKEC's service territory. The students are required to write an essay of at least 100 words in length on the topic, **"What I would miss most without electricity."**

Essays are to be written legibly or typed, double spaced on only one side of the paper. Attach a cover page which includes name, parent's name, address, phone number, school, and shirt size.

1. Essays will be judged on the basis of knowledge of subject, 40%; originality, 30%; composition, 15%; grammar, spelling and punctuation, 15%.
2. Deadline for essays is April 13, 2020.
3. Dates for the 2020 Youth Power Energy Camp are May 26 - 29, 2020.

**Submit the completed essay and cover sheet to Lisa Willard, CKenergy P.O. Box 100, Cordell, OK 73632.**

YOUTH POWER 

**ENERGY CAMP**



## Sometimes Being Counted is Good

### It's important to participate in the United States Census 2020

Every 10 years the U.S. Census Bureau conducts a population count, most recently in 2010. Everyone should have received their Census 2020 invitations in the mail in mid-March. The counts from the 2020 Census will not only affect our communities, but will shape our future as Oklahomans for the next ten years. The results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets. Oklahoma has only gained two seats for the U.S. House of Representatives in the last 110 years. We have had five seats since 1980. It is time to move Oklahoma forward.

Your community could lose \$1,675 per person. \$1,675 is a large number, and then multiply it by ten. Every person that is not counted in your community will cause a loss of approximately \$16,750 over 10 years (if not longer) in potential funding and grant money.

Cities and towns across the great state of Oklahoma all need and depend on federal funding. The Census determines the funding and services our communities receive for roads, water lines, sewer lines, healthcare, education, after school programs, senior nutrition programs, housing and many others. In order to move our communities forward, we must count!

By law, the Census Bureau cannot share any of the respondents' information with the IRS, CIA, FBI, DHS, ICE or any other federal agencies or law enforcement. The information that you share is strictly confidential. The Census Bureau will never ask for your social security number, bank or credit card account numbers, money or donations, or anything on behalf of a political party.

Between April 8 -16, residents will receive a reminder letter with the Census questionnaire in the mail. The

questionnaire can be completed and returned in the mail or the census can be completed by phone with a 2020 Census representative. For the first time, the census is available online and available in English as well as 12 additional languages. If necessary, participants can also respond in person beginning in mid-May. Census takers will visit all households that have not yet responded.

Participating in the census is a civic duty. It's a way to contribute to the democracy and say, "I count."

When you receive your questionnaire in the mail, please take a moment to think about the programs that help your family, the Pell Grant, other federally funded grants that made it possible for a loved one to go to college or university or the infrastructure needs of your community and remember that EVERY PERSON COUNTS. More information can be found at [www.2020Census.gov](http://www.2020Census.gov). OK, let's count!

### Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



When the weather is nice, put your grill to use. During spring and summer months,

cooking outdoors is a great way to save energy and eliminate unwanted heat from cooking indoors.

Source: [energy.gov](http://energy.gov)

### Automotive

1978 Chevy pickup. 4 wheel drive, 3 inch lift, new tires, battery and blue tooth radio. \$7500 cash only. 405-818-9011.

1955 Chevy 2 door post 350 engine. 4 speed munci transmission, power steering, new paint, electric wipers. \$28,500 405-818-9011.

5th wheel hitch, 15K with rails and hardware. Fits Chevy and GMC trucks. \$600 cash. 405-410-1922.

### Farm/ Equipment

Miscellaneous farm equipment for sale. 405-929-7243.

567 John Deere Baler, string & net wrap, new PTO shaft, around 8,000 bales. \$10,000 firm. 405-542-7328.

FEMA trailer, 27x7'8. AC, five new tires, double doors and new floor. Use for tools, furniture, hunting cabin, storage. \$3,375 405-317-6683.

2014 JD tractor 5055E, 55 hp, 136 hrs. 240 loader, 4 wheel drive, MFWD, 9/3 transmission, like new. Always inside. \$26,900. 580-445-5511

# Swap 'N Shop

## For Sale or Trade

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

### Livestock/Pets

Registered black angus, spring bred heifers and cow for sale. 405-929-9205.

Gentle, genetic superior bulls. Easy calving, more growth and muscle. Make money with Kusel Limousin bulls. Call John, 580-759-6038.

Red angus bulls, service age, gentle, several A.I. sired. Call or text 580-450-1735.

### Business

Welding & fabrication, call Tony at 405-834-1128.

6:11 Welding & construction. Pipe fencing, metal buildings, farm equipment, & all your welding needs. No job too big or small. Bill Smith, 405-320-8379.

Harrison Auction & Realtor, David Harrison. Equipment- Real Estate- Minerals. 405-779-5792.

Custom quilts and quilting. Over 40 years

quilting experience. Longarm quilting, custom and edge-to-edge. Located in Crows Roost on the north side of Lake Fort Cobb. Quick turn around. Batting furnished. Call or text 405-229-4933.

Mooters water well serivces, water well drilling, pump installs, agriculture, residential and irrigation. 405-668-0213 or 405-668-2336. Mooters trucking, hay and cattle hauling. Call 405-668-0213.

Dirt work, land clearing, stumps, ponds. Fletchers backhoe. 405-519-2718.

Parking lot maintenance, crack asphalt sealing overlay, potholes, striping and signage. Discounts for churches. 405-245-6759.

### Miscellaneous

Chest of drawers 58x37x19. Dresser 69x30½x19 with mirror. Solid Oak \$300 each piece. Call 580-309-4621.

2016 Pontoon boat. Bass 18 buggy, DXL, cover trailer depth finder. Spare mercury 60 horsepower 4 stroke. Less tan 50 hours. 405-570-4324.

JNK Paralegal Service. \$100 agreed divorces. 405-376-2206.

**Swap 'N Shop Ads are continued on page 8**

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 5th of each month to appear in the next month's issue.
- Ad space is limited to a 25 word maximum. **ONE** ad per member.
- Contact the editor at 580-832-3361 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 5th of the month.

**You may submit classified ads, businesses, or services to Swap 'N Shop, P.O. Box 100, Cordell, OK 73632, ads@ckenergy.coop, or fax to 580-832-5174. One ad per member unless there is additional space available.**

#### Circle category:

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

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5th wheel Prowler ultra light. One slide out. \$5,000 or best offer. Ready for camping season. Free hitch. Call or text 405-789-6243.

New unopened albums. Boston, pop, country, and rock. \$7.50 580-450-2014.

### Real Estate

3bd, living room, dining room, kitchen, den, laundry room, & one bathroom, with garage. Almost 2 acres. Fort Cobb, OK. 405-933-3454.

Nice rural home 3bd/2ba, C/H&A, 2 car garage, storage shed. SE of Colony, OK. \$139,000. 405-777-3156.

Apartment/duplex (2 cabins) located on 1.625 acres, both 2bd/1 ba, that could be converted to 4bd/2ba near Ft. Cobb Lake. Close to Sunset Cove Marina. Stained concrete floors. Fully furnished. New metal roof. Built in 2008 on the North Lake Estates. All electric w/ water well. \$122,900. 580-772-0606.

Country living, close to town-3600sq' metal barn home, log cabin style w/ approx. 2100sq' wrap around porch on 3 sides. 3bd/2ba, office 23' ceilings in living room. Sits on 40 acres. Comes with 30x60 metal barn w/ lean to, insulated with living quarters, in ground cellar. 20 KW generator. Located 1/2 mile S of Burns Flat golf course. 580-799-7369.

5 acre tract of land, timber, wildlife, Minco, OK school district. Newer double wide trailers welcome. Financing available. 405-352-5190.

For Rent: 2bd/2ba north side of lake. \$500/month, \$00 deposit. No pets. 580-302-3051.

Country Living: 3bd south of Binger. 580-302-3051. No pets. \$600/month, \$500 deposit.

FOR RENT: Foss Lake, house weekends or weekly. 5bd/2 1/2ba for party barn, great for reunions, both cool, fully equipped. 580-214-0178. [www.bigretreat.com](http://www.bigretreat.com).

43 acres mol, Minco. Gorgeous 4,025 sq. ft. home, Geothermal HVAC, inground pool, shelter, 50x50 barn, gated entrance. Call Diane Denison, 405-919-7457.

For Rent: Vacation Cabins at Foss Lake. Quiet neighborhood, no smoking, no pets. 580-515-6452.

Vacation Rental Cabin. Fort Cobb Lake, right on the edge of the water. Room to park boat and trailer. Rent by week or day. 580-243-8697, call or text.

House for Sale: 904 N Broadway Avenue, Hydro, Oklahoma. 1650 sq. ft. 3bd/2ba, all electric. Wood burning fireplace, 10 ft. ceiling in living room, large walk-in closets, bay windows in dining room look out onto a beautiful shaded, fenced in back yard. Cellar on patio, large storage building. Corner lot with mature trees and a garden spot. Asking \$180,000. 580-816-0293.

Farm for Sale: 640 acres (section). Approx. 50/50 cropland/pasture, 4 ponds, water well, corral with chute. 2 miles west of Roosevelt. Referred to as the "Braun Place." Cell 214-802-2584 or home. 972-235-3682.

Want to run your own business? Roger Mills County's only newspaper is for sale! Thriving business with proven success. Be

your own boss. Call RE/MAX Gold Buckle Realty, 580-330-9090.

For Rent: 2 lg bd, lg kitchen, living room, den, 1/2ba, washroom, alarm & internet, carport. No Pets. \$600/mo. 580-302-3051.

For Rent: small 2bd/1ba, \$400/mo, \$300 dep. South Side Ft. Cobb Lake. 580-302-3051

LAND SALE- 111 acres NE OKC, 5 min to I-44, 25 min downtown OKC or Edmond on paved rd. 405-376-4460.

Cabin for Rent: Great hunting, fishing, and vacation cabin. Right next to water, plenty of room in front for trailer or boat. Call or text 580-243-8697.

### Events

Clinton Country Jamboree: Showtime 7:00 p.m. Country & Western 1st and 3rd Saturday every month. All Gospel 5th Saturday. Admission \$9.00. Concession available. Family Entertainment. I-40 ext 71, Clinton, OK. 580-331-8377.

## Crisped Rice Easter Egg Treats

### Ingredients:

nonstick cooking spray  
6 cups miniature marshmallows  
1/4 cup butter  
8 cups toasted rice cereal  
2 cups nestle toll house premier white morsels  
2 teaspoons vegetable shortening  
toppings, assorted sprinkles and/or sugars



### Directions:

Spray large mixing bowl with nonstick cooking spray. Heat marshmallows and butter in large saucepan over medium-low heat, stirring frequently until smooth. Remove from heat. Stir in cereal and 2/3 cup morsels. Transfer mixture into prepared mixing bowl. Cool for 5 minutes. Spray hands with nonstick spray. Press marshmallow mixture into a 1/3 cup measure; then form mixture into an "egg" shape. Repeat to make a total of 24 eggs. Microwave remaining 1 1/4 cups morsels and vegetable shortening and stir. Microwave an additional 10-15 second intervals if necessary. Dip top of each egg into melted morsels; shake off excess against side of bowl. Place each upright in muffin pan. Immediately sprinkle dipped end of each egg with assorted sprinkles/sugars. Refrigerate for 10 minutes or until set.