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## Energy savings for every season

for members of CKenergy Electric Cooperative



While saving money through greater energy efficiency may be a year-round objective for many consumers, the way to achieve this goal will vary by season. There are a number of factors that impact energy efficiency, including

weather, the age and condition of the home, and desired comfort levels. During fall and winter months, when the outdoor temperature is chilly, consumers desire a warm home and seek to keep the cold air out. Conversely, in the spring and summer, the focus is on keeping the hot air from infiltrating cool abodes.

### Fall & winter: keeping heat in

To maintain a warm indoor environment in chillier weather, there are simple steps you can take to increase energy efficiency. Fall is a great time to examine seals on doors and windows to check for air leaks. Caulk and weatherstrip as needed to seal in warm air and energy savings. Similarly, examine outlets for air leaks, and where necessary, install gaskets around the outlet to prevent drafts. During the day, open curtains or drapes on south-facing windows to enable sunlight to heat your home naturally. Close curtains or drapes at night for an added layer of window insulation.

As the temperature drops lower with the onset of winter, schedule a service appointment for your heating system to ensure it is operating at an optimal level. Low-cost or no-cost steps for energy savings include taping or affixing heavy, clear plastic to the inside of your window frames to create an additional barrier against cold air. Ensure that the plastic is tightly sealed to the frame to help reduce infiltration. Use a programmable thermostat to set the temperature as low as is comfortable when you are home (ideally around 68 degrees). When you are asleep or away, turn the temperature down 10-15 degrees for eight hours. This small adjustment can help you save approximately 10 percent a year on heating and cooling costs.

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### Spring & summer: keeping cool

During warmer months, energy savings and efficiency will require different measures, many of which are inexpensive. If you live in a climate that is cool, open your windows in the evening and turn off your cooling system while sleeping. In the morning, shut the windows and blinds to hold in the cool air. Where practical, plant trees and shrubs that provide shade in warm months and sunlight in winter.

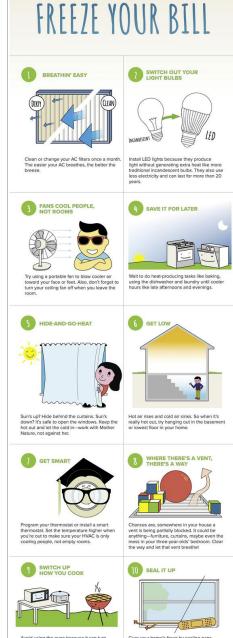
### Well placed trees can take heat gain from the sun and provide needed shade by creating a canopy for the house.

In extremely hot weather, your cooling system works harder to close the gap between the high outdoor temperature and the cool indoor thermostat setting. To lessen the difference in temperature between the two, and to keep costs low, set the thermostat as high as you can while maintaining your comfort level. Moreover, using a ceiling fan in conjunction with your air conditioning can allow you to increase the thermostat setting to approximately four degrees with no reduction in comfort levels.

Also, be sure to replace any remaining incandescent bulbs with LEDs. The waste heat from the old bulbs impacts energy use and creates wasteful and unwanted heat. A SUPPLEMENT TO OKLAHOMA LIVING

Reminder: Youth Tour applications

are due February 10th by 5:00 p.m.



wold using the oven because it can turn our house into an oven. Instead, use the ticrowave or a slow cooker, or step outside nd use your grill.



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### FEBRUARY

### Winning CKEC Members

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

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## 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.

## New rate effective within 1st quarter of 2017

Kenergy Electric Cooperative recently had an independent utility consulting firm analyze the co-op's current rate structure. The cost of service study reviews the co-op's current rates to determine if they are fair and equitable to all classes of consumers, and sufficient to cover rising costs in the future.

Many things come into play that can affect rates. Many of these are unplanned and can be tied to storm damage and stricter environmental compliance requirements. CKenergy promises to do our best to minimize the impacts of these issues by being proactive in planning for your future energy needs. We work hard to anticipate any potential issues that could escalate the costs of energy. Although we must raise our price to cover the costs of doing business, we are committed to ensuring this occurrence has the smallest possible impact on you.

When CKEC was formed, we communicated that rates will go up in the future, but the consolidation would minimize the increases. Without the consolidation of Caddo Electric and Kiwash Electric, we communicated last year electric rates could begin climbing as early as 2016 and were predicted to increase by 16 percent. During the 1st quarter of 2017, CKEC will implement our first rate adjustment with a system-wide average rate increase of 2.41%. The percentage of increase differs slightly from class to class of consumers, but the overall increase

for all classes is a little over 2%. The consolidation between Caddo Electric and Kiwash Electric lessened the rate increase significantly. We value you as a member owner and place a strong emphasis on providing you with exceptional service. To maintain the quality, reliability and integrity of the services we provide, it is necessary for us to adjust our pricing structure.

The 2.41% system-wide average rate increase is based on numerous factors, the largest of which is purchased power. CKEC joins together with other electric cooperatives through Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) to secure generating resources. Recently, WFEC announced it would be increasing its costs to compensate for additional costs to purchase power. As a result, CKEC's operating costs will increase also. No one likes electric rate increases, however as our member owner, we have to ask you to share in these costs. Maintaining dependable service at the most affordable price possible remains the cornerstone of our business. To accomplish the goal, we must also protect the integrity and financial stability of our organization.

We are committed to providing you with reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible electric service. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the implementation of this rate adjustment, we encourage you to call our offices at 405.656.2322. We will do our best to answer your questions.

## **Rate Change FAQ's**

### How did you determine how much to raise rates?

CKEC worked with R.E Wilson Consulting Services, to fully analyze all of the co-op's expenses and allocate costs appropriately across the various rate classes. The goal is to ensure our rates produce revenue sufficient to maintain the co-op's strong financial condition and to make sure that each rate class is being charged a "fair and equitable" rate.

### How is this rate increase good for **CKenergy members?**

CKenergy is a member-owned cooperative. By making sure that the cooperative is in a strong financial position we are able to continually improve our electric distribution system reliability. A strong financial standing enables us to continue to receive favorable finance rates for long-term commitments and maintain our overall service at high levels.

### How can I reduce my electrical bill?

Watching your electrical usage and taking advantage of new energy efficient technologies such as LED lighting are two means to reduce your electrical usage and therefore your bill. Please refer to our website or give us a call about Energy Service programs that may benefit you.

### Why are the rates changing?

There are several key elements driving the need for the rate adjustment for CKenergy. The dominant driver is regulation. Energy regulation is rarely welcomed, but sometimes it's necessary to improve the status of energy delivery. Regardless of your political stance on regulation, current U.S. regulatory policies. require rural electric cooperative's to make adjustments.

Two years ago, Caddo Electric & Kiwash electric regulatory changes than CKEC and other boards recognized the coming changes and looked at consolidating into a larger, more stable cooperative. A study showed that, with

a few small changes, the two could become one very strong cooperative— CKenergy. It also showed that some existing rate classes weren't recovering costs of service. This would require CKenergy to make rate changes within the first couple of years.

Another factor is that Western Farmer's Electric Cooperative (WFEC) issued a new rate for distribution co-ops. WFEC faces more distribution co-ops. Taking this into account, our recently completed rate study shows CKenergy needs an increase of 2.41 %.

The new rate design allows CKEC to allocate the proper costs to each rate class, from barns and fence chargers, to oil and gas facilities. The impact on each rate class may differ, with some realizing costs less or greater than 2.41%.

CKenergy anticipates 2017 to be a great year for the cooperative; one where the true impact of consolidation is realized. Thanks to the patience and understanding of our members, CKenergy will face the future head on as a much stronger energy provider.

# College is just around the corner, are you ready?

By Devin Whittington, The Buzz Editor

re you ready for college? Do you even feel like you're ready for college? I can tell you right now that you are, even if you don't believe it. Going off to college can seem intimidating right now, but just know, once you're there it'll all be worth it!

There's a lot that goes into prepping for college. You've got to apply to schools, scholarships, find a roommate, get your books and supplies, etc.

Here are a few tips that are hopefully helpful as you prepare to take on the next chapter of your life.

- When you're picking out what schools to apply for, think about what they have to offer that makes you feel the most comfortable. It could be the town it's located in, the class sizes, 2 year college vs. a 4 year university, how far away from home it is, etc. The more comfort factors you find in a college, the more likely you are to enjoy the time spent there.
- Think about what kind of classes you would like to take. You don't have to pick a major right off the bat, but having an idea of what you would like

to study will help you figure out what you'd like your major to be after your first semester or year.

- Once you decide on a school, or even before, go visit the campus. Get a feel for the place where you are looking to spend the next 2-4 years of your life. If you familiarize yourself with your surroundings it won't feel as foreign and your anxiety will drop ten fold, promise.
- Apply for as many scholarships as you can. There are more scholarships available than you'd ever believe. Talk to your school counselor about all the options available to you. Here at CKEC we offer scholarships to seniors in our service territory. Check out the sidebar for more information!
- The most important piece of advice that I can give you is to not worry. Applying for college and scholarships is a piece of cake. Yes, you have to actually sit down and work to get them done, but it's worth it in the end.

Hopefully these tips will be as useful to you as they were to me. Good luck in all of your endeavors, Seniors!

### \$500 Scholarship Contest

- To enter, students must complete either an essay or video entry.
- The topic for this year's contest is to imagine that your are running for our Board of Trustees, persuade your peers to vote for you.
- Essays must be at least 300-700 words and doublespaced. Provide a cover sheet with your name, contact information, & the name of your high school.
- Videos must be a commercial at least 1-3 minutes long. No copyrighted music or videos previously used in any other promotions are allowed. (Be creative!)
- All entries, essays & videos, must include a recent photograph and all the necessary applications & consent forms.
- All essays and videos are due by March 1, 2017.

### For more information contact:

Lisa Willard at 580-832-3361 or Devin Whittington at 405-656-2322.



## Youth Power Energy Camp Energizes Teens

A four-day action-packed adventure for eighth-graders, Energy Camp helps develop leadership skills and promotes teamwork while teaching about cooperative enterprises, the rural electrification program and electrical safety.

Each year, CKEC sponsors two students to the camp, which will be held May 30-June 2, 2017 at Canyon Camp, near Hinton, Okla.

While Energy Camp offers many traditional summer camp activities like swimming, hiking, basketball, and a ropes course, teens also have the unique opportunity to climb a utility pole, ride in the basket of a bucket truck, tour one of the largest electricity generating facilities in the state and watch a co-op crew at work. They'll take home a new-found confidence and a host of new friends—like minded peers from all over Oklahoma.

Students currently enrolled in the eighth grade within CKEC's service territory are eligible to compete for a spot at Energy Camp.

For contest details, visit www.ckenergy.coop or call 405-656-2322.

## 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.



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.

## Plunging temps cause higher bills

Heating systems battle to maintain comfort during cold spells

Proversional text of the idea of paying less for utility bills, but resolving to use less energy requires a commitment.

With winter in full swing, now is the perfect time to make energy efficiency a priority in your home.

For some CKenergy members, winter heating costs can be higher than summer cooling costs. That's because the laws of nature dictate how heat behaves on Earth. Remember, heat moves to cool.

On a cold winter day, the heat generated by a heating source is moving through building materials, cracks around doors and windows, unsealed holes created by electrical and plumbing installations, and poorly installed and inadequate insulation.

Futhermore, winter usually doles out a larger temperature difference between the indoor thermostat setting and the outdoor temperature. The greater that temperature difference, the more energy is required to maintain the desired temperature inside your home. So how do you know if your home is energy efficient? Here's a simple way to find out, based on your average monthly utility usage. Simply multiply the square footage of your home by 10 cents. For instance, a 1,500-square-foot home multiplied by 10 cents (.10) equals \$150.00. A 2,000-square-foot home multiplied by 10 (.10) cents equals \$200. And so on.

Next, calculate your total electric bills for a one-year period. If you heat with natural gas or propane, be sure to add those bills into the total.

Next divide the total by 12 months to establish your monthly average. If your monthly average exceeds the squarefootage multiplied by 10 (.10) cents calculation, you could probably benefit from some energy efficient improvements.

You can find easy-to-follow energy saving suggestions and podcasts at www.smartenergytips.org, or take the energy-saving home tour at www.togetherwesave.com



It is important to be weather aware and ready to respond to severe or disastrous weather conditions.

Winter ice storms and spring tornadoes can cause massive outages. CKEC has upgraded our phone handling capabilities to avoid busy signals.

CKEC's local phone numbers to the area offices are limited by the by the number of incoming lines. The lines can only handle five to twenty callers depending on the office, so busy signals are likely.

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

## How to Estimate Your Home's Energy Efficiency

To estimate your home's energy efficiency, take you average electric bill and divide it by the square footage of your home. For example, an 1,800 square-foot home with a \$260 electric bill will cost \$0.14 per square foot. \*

> <u>\$260</u> 1,800 sq. ft = \$0.14/sq. ft.

This home would benefit from some energy saving improvements. Calculate your home's cost per square-foot and see how it ranks on the scale to the right.

\**Calculations are based on an all-electric home without a pool or hot tub.* 



## Energy Efficiency **Tip of the Month**



Did you know that 90 percent of the energy used to operate a washing machine comes from using hot water? A

simple switch from hot to cold can save a great deal of energy! Also, consider air drying or even line drying to save even more household energy

Source: TogetherWeSave.com

### 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.

'95 GMC SLE 4x4 Ext. Cab, long bed, 115k miles, 454 motor, 5 speed, standard, gooseneck & reciever hitches, good tires. \$4000 OBO. 580-772-3223 or 580-774-8060.

### Farm/ Equipment

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

Ensign Repair Kits 580-846-5633

2 – 1/4 mi 5' Irr. Wheel moves. Good Condition. \$1,250 each. 405-797-3232.

JD 80 Series Front End Loader. Fits JD 870 or 970. 405-681-4500 or 405-596-5353.

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.

## Swap'N Shop

For Sale or Trade

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

### Hay/ Wood

Cedar Posts & Stays & Oak fire wood. Call 405-437-7612

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

Barrel Saddle, 14", beautiful leather w/ silver. \$500. 405-788-2334 or 405-373-4328.

Beefmaster Bulls for sale. 18mos to 2yrs. Some polled. Call 405-352-4451.

Registered Angus Bulls. 13-18mos, semen tested, docile, & ready to work. 405-352-5025.

Hereford & Angus Bulls- Breeding age & semen tested. 580-280-2855.

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.

### 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.

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#### **Business**

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

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

McCormack's Affordable Quilting, T-Shirt quilts, custom quilts, & quilt repair. 405-229-4933.

Saw 'N Cedars, cedar tree cutting & pasture recovery. 405-247-9686.

Chisholm Trail Bed & Breakfast. 3366 SW Clayton Rd, Minco, OK. 405-352-4994 or 405-642-3760.

\$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**

Gravity Inversion System. Defy gravity. \$75 OBO 405-256-0270.

2 Mongoose Pavers. Aluminum, one needs brakes. Nice bicycle. \$75 or \$45 each. 405-659-2744.

Sears Kenmore Side by Side Refridge/ Freezer. \$300 405-439-7571.

Yamaha Spinet Piano. Not a scratch. 405-308-6726.

### **Real Estate**

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

Crow's Roost- 3bd, 1.5ba, LG living, family room, & kitchen. Central H/A. Shop & wood shed w/ electric. Fruit trees. 3 lots fenced. \$89,900 405-638-7111.

Swan Lake Area- 1 bd, 1 ba, metal home with 3 lots. Needs some work, great hunting/fishing cabin. \$17,000 OBO. 405-643-9953.

Very Nice 4 bd/2ba home on .92 acres, in Cyril. Includes stainless kitchen appl., carport, & 30x40 shop bdlg w/ auto door. 136 acres SW of Hinton. Great hunting, deer, turkey, & hogs. \$3,000 per acre. 405-952-7382.

'02 Mobile Home 16'x60', Silvercreek. Bought new, bedroom & bath on each end. Solid floors & windows, has hitch & wheels. 580-464-2519.

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- 3bd, 2 ba, 3 lots, 2 big barns, 1 small. Lg den, 2 living rooms. Lg screened in porch. Needs some work. 405-656-2436.

Carnegie- 3d, 2ba. 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.

'02 16x60 Mobile Home. 2 ba - 2 bd. Non smokers, or animals lived in. Bought new. Solid floors & windows. Cement area. \$14,000. 580-464-2519. Price Reduced— For sale by owner, 1 acre commercial zoned on HWY 37 between Tricity & Tuttle, OK. 405-794-4612.

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

2 bd, 1 ba, new windows, utility room, storage shed, 4' chain link fence. Anadarko. 405-317-7483.

For Rent- 3 bd, 2 ba home. SW Binger. No pets. Call Wanda. 580-302-3051.

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

3 bd, 1 ba 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.

### Wanted

Gentle Horse for kids. 405-255-6657.

### **Reese's Nutter Butter Truffles**

#### Ingredients:

16 ounces Nutter Butter Cookies
8 ounces cream cheese
8 ounces Reese's Mini Peanut Butter Cups, each one quartered
12 ounces milk chocolate chips
3/4 tablespoon shortening
1 tablespoon sprinkles (optional for top)



#### **Directions:**

Blend the Nutter Butter cookies in a food processor until they are fine crumbs. Then break up the cream cheese into chunks and blend that together with the crumbs in the food processor until well blended. Remove blade or transfer dough to another bowl. Gently fold in the quartered Reese's peanut butter cups. Roll into 1 inch balls and place on a cookie sheet lined with waxed paper or parchment paper. Stick in the freezer for about 30 to 40 minutes. Melt the chocolate chips and shortening in a microwave safe bowl stirring every 30 seconds until smooth. Dip the frozen balls into the melted chocolate. Cover them completely with chocolate, then lift up and gently tap to remove the excess chocolate. Set back onto the cookie sheet covered in waxed paper. Immediately add the sprinkles before the chocolate sets up.

Makes about 35 to 40 truffles