

JULY 2017

CKEC offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4th, in observation of Independence Day. We will re-open at 8 a.m., July 5th.

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Plan for a safe and happy Fourth

The month of July has always been a favorite of many people. It's the middle of summer, the kids are out of school and of course, we celebrate Independence Day! Typically on the Fourth, we celebrate our nation's independence with grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, homemade ice cream and other sweet treats, and last but not least, fireworks. This is a time for fellowship with family and friends, but at CKenergy, we also want to make sure our members focus on safety.

To ensure you have the best Fourth of July possible, we would like to remind you about a few important safety tips from The American Red Cross.

Nothing says "Fourth of July" like a spectacular fireworks display! The safest way to enjoy this part of the celebration is to head to a local fireworks show. But, if you want to put on your own show at home, be sure to follow these safety tips:

• Always follow the instructions on fireworks' packaging and never give fireworks to small children.

- Keep a supply of water close by as a precaution.
- Make sure to wear protective eyewear when lighting fireworks.
- Light only one firework at a time and never attempt to relight "a dud."
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place away from children and pets.

• Never throw or point a firework toward people, animals, vehicles, structures or flammable materials.

Cookouts are a great way to bring folks together on the Fourth. Whether you are grilling in your back yard or at a community park, make sure your feast includes a generous portion of fun and a side helping of safety! We recommend the following safety tips:

- Supervise your grill at all times.
- Use the proper tools for cooking on a grill.
- Never add charcoal starter fluid when the coals have already been ignited.
- Always follow the manufacturers instructions when using grills.

Fireworks and cookouts wouldn't be complete without a sunny day. Here's hoping we have good weather, and if we do, make sure you are practicing sun safety:

- Use a broad spectrum SPF sunscreen and reapply often.
- Protect your eyes by wearing sunglasses.
- Drink plenty of water.
- Be on the lookout for signs of heat stroke (hot red skin; changes in consciousness; rapid, weak pulse; rapid, shallow breathing).

However you choose to celebrate, CKenergy wishes you a safe and Happy Fourth of July!

Fireworks Safety

The 4th of July is almost here and that means fireworks and celebrations galore! Although fireworks are a fun tradition this time of year, they can also be extremely dangerous. If you are going to be around fireworks, be sure to follow the tips below!

Make sure it's legal.

Call your local police station and check to see if you are allowed to shoot off fireworks. Fireworks are banned in certain areas, so be sure that you are in an area where it is legal.

Always have supervision.

Never let a child around fireworks without an adult actively supervising. Also be sure to use age appropriate fireworks. Even sparklers can burn up to 2000°.

Keep water nearby.

Always keep a hose or a large bucket nearby in case of an emergency. After you finish lighting off fireworks, pick up all of the leftover pieces and drop them in a bucket of water to make sure they are burnt out.

Get back.

After you light off a firework, move away quickly. Sometimes a firework will take a few moments before it goes off, so NEVER assume that it's a dud. Thousands of people are injured this way each year and you don't want to be one of them.

Wear the right gear.

Eye injuries play a huge part in the number of people injured by fireworks every year. If you are lighting fireworks wear a pair of safety goggles. The Firework Alliance Organization also recommends wearing long pants, covered shoes and cotton or denim clothing.

Read the directions.

All fireworks are different. Always read the directions on the label of each firework before you light it off.

Talk to your kids.

Fireworks are a fun way to celebrate the Fourth and can become a great family tradition. Teach your kids

the importance of safety around fireworks and the consequences of not following the rules. Happy 4th of July!



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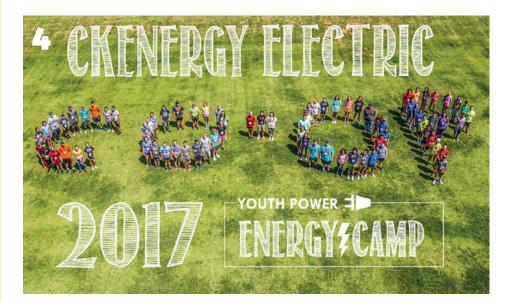
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Winning CKEC Members

Larry Kibbe Jessica Mullenix Jesse Bynum

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.

What you're missing at the annual meeting

id you know every cooperative is required to conduct an annual meeting of the membership? The purpose is to share important financial information, occasionally vote on other matters such as by-law changes and of course--the great door prizes!

CKenergy Electric Cooperative's annual meeting is a community gathering where neighbors can meet new neighbors—or catch up with old acquaintances. As our lives get busier with the "errands of life" and more of our interactions with others are online (via social media), we must renew the value of face-to-face human connections. Very few organizations are uniquely positioned like CKenergy to bring together all members of our local communities.

While rural Americans probably do a better job of staying connected to our neighbors (in part because we need too), it is not something we should take for granted. The simple act of smiling, saying hello and shaking someone's hand truly lifts both parties.

Our country and community face many challenges. Our economy feels like it has

been stagnant for years. Overcoming these challenges will only happen if we come together.

CKenergy's annual meeting is designed to take care of the important business of your co-op and the equally important business of building a real sense of community. All cooperatives serve both an economic and social purpose. While safe, reliable and affordable electric power is crucial to our mission, improving the quality of life for all members is at the core of what we do every day.

If you have not attended the annual meeting in the past or if it has been a few years, we urge you to take the time to be with your fellow co-op members.

We get out of life what we put into it. CKenergy is connected to you by more than just powerlines. We are your neighbors, and we look forward to seeing you at your annual meeting.

This year's annual meeting will be held August 11, 2017, in Weatherford, OK at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. Registration and the meal begins at 5:00 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

What to expect:

- Complimentary meal
- Registration gifts
- Musical entertainment
- Children's entertainment
- CEO update
- Cash prize drawing
- Kid's prize drawing
- Grand prize drawing

Registration and the meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. with the entertainment following directly after. Members are welcome to stay for the business meeting and for the chance to win prizes.

2017 Special Olympics Summer Games

Volunteers from 18 Oklahoma electric co-ops came together in Stillwater May 17-19 to assist with the Special Olympics Summer Games. Two CKEC employees, Keith DeVaughan and Donnie Freie, were among the 126 co-op volunteers this year.

More than 5,000 athletes from across the state participated in the Summer Games. During the 3-day event, athletes competed in track & field, bocce, bowling, golf, horseshoes, powerlifting, basketball, & softball.

Thank you to everyone who participated, volunteered, & organized this year's event. Like always, it was a huge success!



Local Winners Return From Energy Camp

he 2017 "YouthPower" Energy Camp was held May 30 through June 2. Eighty outstanding eighth graders attended camp and were chosen from across the state by their local rural electric cooperatives. This year, CKEC sponsored five students to attend Energy Camp. Blain Orrell, Justice Leal, Kylie Orrell, Allison Harvey, & Quinton Garner. The campers represented their co-ops at Canyon Camp, just east of Hinton, OK.

"We had a terrific time at the 2017 camp," said Stacy Howeth, OAEC Member Services Director and camp director. "The kids were very respectful and seemed to really appreciate the opportunity to attend this year's camp."

While at camp, the delegates attended sessions on leadership, electric safety and potential careers available at rural electric cooperatives. The campers elected directors to represent their districts during camp. The elected Board of Directors interviewed and 'hired' a manager and operated a coke and candy cooperative. Allison Harvey had a successful campaign and was selected to serve on this year's Board of Directors at camp.

Other special activities of the four-day program included hands-on electric safety demonstrations, including a pole-climbing demonstration and bucket truck rides from the linemen, a slip-n-slide kickball tournament, hiking, an energy battle tournament and a trip to Celebration Station for arcade games, go-carts and pizza. Campers were also able to enjoy a dance that Thursday evening that included not just dancing but karaoke as well.

The "YouthPower Energy Camp" is coordinated by the OAEC and sponsored by the rural electric cooperatives.





This year's campers, back row L-R: Kylie Orrell & Allison Harvey. Front row L-R: Justice Leal, Blain Orrell, & Quinton Garner.











Third party payment sites

Know who you are paying

hese days there are countless ways to pay your bills. A new trend that has come about is third party bill pay services. Some sites may appear to be affiliated with our co-op, but they are not.

Some co-op members have felt misled after unknowingly stumbling upon a third party service while searching for CKenergy's payment service.

While some bill pay services are legitimate, members who use these should be cautious to pick reputable companies.

Often, these third party sites charge additional service fees, and do not always make the payment the same day you pay them, which could result in your payment being late and your power being disconnected. Some of these sites/ companies include but are not limited to: doxo.com, prismmoney.com, and

Utility Scams 101

chargesmart.com. CKenergy also is not affiliated with any off-site payment kiosks.

Several of these sites use the co-op's name in the header of the webpage and specific company logos, giving it the appearance of an official payment site.

The use of CKenergy Electric Cooperative's logo or even the former Caddo Electric or Kiwash Electric logos is unauthorized and makes it appear that the service is affliated with CKEC when it is not.

CKenergy's official online payment services are located on our website (www.ckenergy.coop) and through our CKenergy App. There are NO additional fees associated with these programs. Any payments made through them are secure and reflected on your account immediately.

Utility phone scams typically involve callers claiming to represent a utility company attempting to trick people into paying them money by threatening to turn off their service. The scammer usually insists the victim pay immediately with a pre-paid debit card, which provides them easy access to your money.

Hang Up

If there's any doubt about the authenticity of a caller, hang up and call your utility provider directly to verify your billing and payment status.

Report It

Contact your local authorities and utility provider to report theft or attempted theft due to scams.

Beware

Never give out personal information, debit/credit card numbers or wire money as a result of an unexpected or unsolicited call if you cannot validate the caller's authenticity.

Get It In Writing

Customers will typically be contacted several times via U.S. Mail about past due bills before their services is turned off.

Know Your Options

Utilities provide many options for payment and NEVER require the use of a pre-paid debit card.



Secure Ways to Pay

We offer a range of direct payment options with no added fees.

Levelized Billing- CKEC offers a level payment plan for qualified members. Call us to find out how to qualify.

Bank Draft- This bill-paying system eliminates your need to write a check & mail your payment to CKEC. Your payment goes directly from your bank account to CKEC.

Secure Online Bill Pay- Use the Customer Service Portal on our website to make payments, view statements, report outages, & much more. You can also do all of this through our mobile app.

Automated Payment by Phone- Make a payment by dialing 1-800-868-8243 or 1-888-832-3362. You will need your account information.

Drop Box- Deposit a payment anytime at any of our offices at the convenient drop box.

Prepaid Service- Instead of receiving a bill once a month, your electric use and cost is calculated daily. You can check your balance several different ways and receive notices when your balance is low.

For details on these services, call or visit any of our offices:

Binger- 405-656-2322 Cordell- 580-832-3361 Mustang- 405-376-3983 Anadarko- 405-247-3041

Our office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Use caution near co-op equipment



s you find yourself spending more time outdoors this summer, CKenergy reminds you to exercise caution near electrical equipment maintained by the co-op.

Substations and power lines carry extremely high voltages, and if contact is accidentally made, the results can be dangerous—or even deadly.

Never climb trees near power lines. If you make contact with a tree that is touching a power line, your body could become the path of electricity from the line to the ground. If you encounter an animal trapped in a tree near power lines or inside a substation, do not attempt to remove it—no matter how furry and cute! Call CKenergy or 911 for assistance.

These days, we are seeing more remotecontrolled toys, like drones and airplanes, which can be a great way to have fun outdoors. But these gadgets also bring new safety concerns. Remote-controlled toys should never be flown near power lines, substations or other electrical equipment.

Remember these safety tips when flying a remote-controlled toy:

- Keep a safe distance from electrical equipment when you fly. If contact is accidentally made with a power line or a transformer inside a substation, many members of your community could be left without electricity.
- Keep the remote-controlled toy in sight at all times.
- Avoid flying if weather conditions are unfavorable. High winds could cause you to lose control of the remotecontrolled toy.

Here at CKEC, your safety is important to us. We hope you will share the message of electrical safety so that you and others can enjoy plenty of summer days filled with fun! Visit safeelectricity.org for more electrical safety tips.

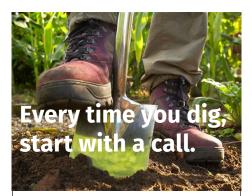


Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Let the sun work for you! Consider solar lights for outdoor lighting. Solar cells convert sunlight into electricity that

can be stored in a battery and tapped at night to make light. Check manufacturers' instructions to make sure your solar lights are situated to receive sufficient sunlight to recharge during the day. Source: U.S. Department of Energy



N o matter the time of year, always start your outdoor projects by having your underground utility lines marked. Not only could you be endangering yourself and your neighbors by digging without lines, but you may sever water, cable, natural gass, and electrical lines that are essential to you and your neighborhood.

To have your underground lines marked, dial 811, visit www.OKIE811.org or download the free app. Every method is quick, easy, and FREE to you! After you submit your request, wait two business days so that your lines can be marked and then begin your project! It's free, it's easy, it's the law.

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.

Apache Starter & Alternator- 2.5 miles N. of sale barn. Apache, OK 580-588-9284.

34ft Everest 5th wheel travel trailer. 3 slides, Ig. living area, kitchen, 1 bd, nice ba.. w/ Ig. shower. Central H/A, 15gal elect/gas hot water heater. Always kept in barn. 580-445-1234.

Forest River Flagstaff V-lite 21 WRS. King bed, power hitch jack, power stabilizers. Sleeps up to 6. 24' 7" in length. Lots of extras. 405-831-5484.

83 chevy blazer 4 X 4 good full size truck 3,900. 83 chevy parts truck 350/350 all or part 300.00. Cash only 405-818-9011

Tahoe Q45 '08. Boat runs good, lake ready. Serviced each year end of season. May need reupholstered. Only used on Fort Cobb lake. Seats 8. \$9,000. 405-538-9047.

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.



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

Farm/ Equipment

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

JD 1518 Batwing mower, good condition, low hours. Lemans Hydraulic bale spike, hooks to gooseneck ball. \$500. 405-668-0336.

2600 Ford Tractor, 3 point– gas– front loader. 4 new tires– power steering. \$5,500 firm. 580-331-7304.

Gleaner M2 Combine. 20' header, field ready. '67 white diesel 10 wheeler w/ lift, field ready. 20ft covered gooseneck stock trailer, new floor. 580-574-0254.

7ft. Brush Hog MX7. Almost new. Used very little. 2 tractors– 1- 1947 & 1- 1948, need TLC. 405-352-0827 or 405-613-5731.

'57 WD 45 Allis Chalmers tractor. Sheet metal good, stored inside. \$15,000. 405-352-4525.

Livestock/Pets

Saanan billy goat. 1 1/2 years old. Great

breed for milking. \$175. N of Weatherford. 580-613-1423.

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

Nubian/Boer mix goats for sale. Various ages. 405-284-6419.

3 1/2 year old, full blood, Black Angus bull. Not registered. Owner retiring. Good calf crop past 2 years. 580-574-0254.

Business

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

Hauling/moving of most anything. Will pick up old cars/and junk metal. 405-952-4993.

Welding & Fabrication work. Call Tony, 405-834-1128.

Miscellaneous

Portable Generator- black max subaru. 6560 max watts. 5250 running watts. \$400 OBO. 405-376-5678.

Red Hat Society- lG crochet afghan. Has several matching accessories. \$125/all. 405-643-9980.

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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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Miscellaneous Cont.

Generator, 7500 Watt. Electric start, like new. 3-4 hours of use. \$650. 405-623-8934.

Used: 170ft. 48" galvanized link fence. Rolled up and ready to load. 8 rails, 10 posts. \$200. 580-302-4175.

Furniture/Appliance

3 retail business show cases \$25 ea. Dining room table & chairs \$25 ea. Nice living room chair \$34. Nice glass shelves w/ storage in bottom \$30. Going out of business 402 E Central, Anadarko, OK.

Real Estate

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

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.

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 ½ 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.

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.

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 ¾ 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.

60x60 shop w/ living app. 3600 sq. ft. 3000 working, Complete shop with anything you could need. Has heat with 2 lifts. 580-331-7180.

4.5 acres W edge of Cordell. 4 bd, 3 1.2 ba, brick home. 40x60 barn, basement, new kitchen, carpet, tile, windows, roof, & fence. Must see. 940-395-1370.

5 acre tract of land. Timber, wildlife. Financing available. Minco school district. Electric & water available. new home site, no trailer homes. 405-352-5190.

1102 SW 8th, Anadarko. 3 bd, 1 updated ba, cellar in garage, fenced in yard. Great neighborhood. ABC Realty 580-515-1752.

528 S. Spencer, HInton. Completely remolded. Must see. 3 bd, 2 ba, utility room. Detached garage. 1,450 sq. ft. MOL. 405-306-1538.

2,128 sq. ft. home. 3 bd, 2 1/2 ba. Lg. living room. 5 walk-in closets. Metal roof, all electric.

Well kept–40x50 steel bdlg. on 5 acres. Gracemont. Serious lookers only. 580-515-4126.

3 bd, 2 ba brick home. XL lot west edge of Cordell. New Four Seasons sunroom/pation. basement, storage shed, fence, updated throughout. \$199,900. 940-395-1370.

Gracemont: small acreage w/ 3b, 11/2 ba brick home. Attached garage, storm shelter, shop building, 2 car carport, old barn, water well, close to town, paved road. \$85k. 405-402-0895.

Auto- transmission shop. All equipment w/ it. 60x60x14 building. 6 lots on corner. Built in 05. 580-331-7180.

1 acre commercial zoned. Between Tuttle & Tricity on highway 37. 4 3/4 mi east of Tuttle. 405-794-4612.

3 bd, 1 ba. Carport, storage building, fenced in yard, new kitchen, remodeled bathroom with wood, tile, & carpet floors and new windows. \$83,000, just have to see. 405-952-4171.

Two lots. Well, electricity, 2 metal buildings, 21 ft. Tahoe travel trailer. Used very little but needs repairs. Make offer. Swan Lake area. 405-681-6991.

Events

SAVE THE DATE: 2017 Women in Ag & Small Business Conference. Featuring keynot speaker– Farm Babe. Must see! 11/09/2017. www.thefarmbabe.com

Parmesan Chicken Roll-ups

Ingredients:

8 pieces of uncooked chicken tenderloins
1 can of refrigerated crescent dinner rolls
1/2 cup of mayonnaise
1/4 +3 Tablespoons of grated Parmesan cheese
4 slices of deli-style mozzarella cheese
3 Tablespoons butter
1 cup marinara sauce
salt and pepper

Directions:



Heat the oven to 375 degrees and spray a cookie sheet with cooking spray. Season each side of chicken with salt and pepper and melt 2 tablespoons of the butter in a skillet over medium high heat on the stove. Cook the chicken for about 10 minutes until each side is nicely browned, and set aside. In a small bowl, mix together the mayonnaise and 1/4 cup of parmesan cheese. This will serve as a wonderful coating for the chicken to give it an extra kick of flavor. Unroll each triangle of crescent rolls and place one piece of chicken at the wide end of each one. Spread a good layer of the mayonnaise mixture on top of each piece of chicken.

Divide the mozzarella slices in half to create 8 slices, and add to the top of each piece of chicken. Roll the crescent dough around each piece of chicken and place on the prepared cookie sheet. Melt the remaining tablespoon of butter in the microwave and brush over the tops of each crescent roll. Then sprinkle each roll-up with the remaining grated parmesan cheese.Bake for 14-15 minutes or until the roll-ups are golden brown. Serve with warmed marinara sauce. Enjoy!