



CKEC's Annual Meeting is set for July 31

Join us for an evening of family fun

Did 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 registration 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 CKEC to bring together members of our communities.

While rural Americans probably do a better job of staying connected to our neighbors (in part because we need to), 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. 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 is Friday, July 31, 2020 at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center in Weatherford. The meal begins at 5:00 p.m. Entertainment will follow at 5:30 p.m. and the business meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.



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MAY

Winning CKEC Members

Mark Attebery
Floyd Mace
Bryan Vail

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, 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.

Youth Tour Winners Receive Scholarships and Ipad

Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association canceled all activities through June 24. In lieu of the week-long, all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. this summer, the four Youth Tour winners – Kaci Anderson from Hobart High School, Gabby Giblet of Cordell High School, Kaitlyn Roehr from Weatherford High School and Hannah Strickler from Weatherford High School – will receive scholarships and iPads.

“We are disappointed about Youth Tour getting canceled,” said CKEC Communications Director Lisa Willard. “There is no substitute for the Youth Tour experience, but we hope the scholarships and iPads will ease the students disappointment. We value our young people and consider them part of the co-op family. We will continue to honor their achievement in any way possible.”



Kaci Anderson
Hobart High School



Gabby Giblet
Cordell High School



Kaitlyn Roehr
Weatherford High School



Hannah Strickler
Weatherford High School



Farley and Willard named Energy Camp winners

Congratulations Ellie and Kloee

Ellie Willard (left) and Kloee Farley (right) of Cordell were recently named 2020 Energy Camp winners. Energy camp, a four-day, action-packed camp held at Canyon Camp and Conference Center near Hinton, brings together approximately 90 incoming high school freshmen from across the state to learn about co-ops, form their own co-op, learn teambuilding and grow their leadership skills. The students wrote a short essay about what a day without electricity would be like.

Unfortunately, Energy Camp, organized by the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives, is canceled this year in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In lieu of the four day camp, each camper received a Lenovo smart tablet. An alternative, virtual camp is also in the works.

CKEnergy is as disappointed as the students. Energy Camp is a fun filled four day camp that brings a new-found confidence and a host of friends. We hope the smart tablet will help the students in their future and bring some fun over the summer.

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 at 405-656-2322.



AT A GLANCE

Operation RoundUp

- Round up your monthly electric bill to the nearest whole 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.



**OPERATION
ROUND UP**
THE POWER OF CHANGE

Small change
Big Difference



Let's Talk

CKenergy is here to help as your trusted energy advisor

The energy industry is undergoing rapid change, and technology is paving the way for innovation in the way energy is used, produced, stored and shared. Consumers are interested in more green energy alternatives while smart homes and apps make managing energy use and paying your electric bill more convenient.

While the changing energy market has created more options for consumers, it has also resulted in more utility scams and misleading information surrounding solar installations in particular. That's because of two factors.

Utility scams are common because of the vast number of utilities that exist, and consumers are understandably anxious with the threat of disruption to their electric, heating or water service. Second, new products and services in the energy industry provide an opening for scammers and pop-up companies to provide misleading information or shoddy products and services.

Avoid Phone Scams

A common phone scam typically begins

with a phone number that appears to be from a valid utility company. The scammer will claim you have a past due account and threaten to disconnect service or take legal action. The scammer will typically demand that you use a prepaid debit card or money order, often within a very short, urgent time frame to pay the "past due" amount.

You can combat this scam by being aware of the status of your account. Never give your banking or personal information over the phone to someone you did not call. If you have a question or concern about your energy bill, call us directly at 405-656-2322. Do not use the phone number given by the scammer.

Steer Clear of Shady Solar Deals

Another scam we see from time to time is connected to rooftop solar. Homeowners with rooftop solar may receive a sales call offering an accessory, upgrade or extended warranty to their solar array. The calls could be from crooks claiming to represent a solar company, promising to replace faulty or broken parts or improve efficiency. Again, if you are not expecting the call, don't be fooled. These

calls offering misleading information are likely a scam. Call CKenergy or the company that installed the solar array if you think there may be a problem. Other than occasional cleaning, rooftop solar (if installed correctly) is virtually maintenance-free.

Use Trusted Sources

If you're considering solar for your home, make sure you are working with a reputable company. Because this is still an emerging industry with evolving technology, there has been a proliferation of pop-up companies in the market to make a quick buck. Representatives of rooftop solar companies may have more sales experience than knowledge of the energy industry, and their primary goal could be making a sale and moving on to the next prospect.

CKenergy can offer a candid assessment to determine whether rooftop solar is right for you. After all, CKenergy has a different "bottom line" that is not directly tied to the sale of a product or service. We take a more holistic, objective view of how to achieve energy and cost savings for our members, and that may or may not include rooftop solar.

In this ever-changing environment, it's important to remember you have a trusted energy advisor. We are a community-focused organization that works to efficiently deliver affordable, reliable and safe energy to our members.

Remember, we're just one call or click away, so please reach out with any questions about your electric service or bills – we're here to help.



Thank you to the anonymous donor who donated approximately \$4,000 to past due accounts in the Mustang area. In times of uncertainty, your kindness and generosity are appreciated!



Beat the Heat

Don't let summer heat burn your budget

One of the easiest ways to save energy and substantial money on your energy bill is to turn the air conditioning up slightly before you leave the house for an extended period.

- If you're going out for a few hours in the evening or leaving for work in the morning, nudge the thermostat up a couple of degrees. It won't take long for it to get back to normal once you return and turn the dial down a bit.
- People can adjust to an indoor temperature that's slightly less cool in the summer and less warm in the winter. If you usually set your a/c at 72, for instance, push it to 74 for a few days until that begins to feel normal. Then, nudge it up one degree a week for a few more weeks and see how far you can go and still feel comfortable.
- The U.S. Department of Energy estimates that if you set the a/c just one degree warmer before you go to bed every night you can reduce your cooling bill.
- Avoid cranking the a/c way down when you get home from work or from a vacation. Instead, set it back to your normal temperature and let your equipment take time to cool the air. It won't take long and it will waste less energy than forcing a surge of cold air into the house.
- Use your ceiling fans when the a/c is turned on. The fans help the cool air circulate, which make the room feel more comfortable. Then you can turn the a/c temperature a couple of degrees higher.
- A programmable thermostat will do all of the resetting for you. Program it to set the a/c up a few degrees at bedtime and return to normal half an hour before the alarm goes off. You can also "tell" it to keep the temperature constant on weekends but to save energy on work days.

For more energy saving tips visit www.CKenergy.coop.

2020 CKenergy Surplus Auction

CKenergy is taking sealed bids on vehicles and other surplus items.

Bids are due by **10:00 a.m.** on **June 23, 2020**. Bid sheets are available at all CKenergy offices. Members seeking more information on the auction or for a complete list of items contact **Jerid McAdoo** at **405-656-2322** or visit www.CKenergy.coop.



Automotive

1952 Chevy pickup. Needs restored. Two complete engines and drive trains. Good title. \$3,700 cash. 405-818-9011.

1965 Chevy two door post 350. Four speed transmission. New paint, wheels, and tires. \$28,000 cash. 405-818-9011.

2008 Ford Explorer Sport Trac XLT. 100,000 miles. V6, \$10,250. 405-694-0625.

2009 Ford Explorer Eddie Bauer. 89,900 miles. Moonroof, leather seats, rear air. \$8,500. 405-659-9737.

Farm/ Equipment

16 ft. flatbed bumper pull trailer. Nice condition. 405-227-3817.

Need cans, a case or a 20 lb. tank of R-12 freon. 580-450-4708.

Newly baled wheat (pasture mix)hay. Large round bales (5x6); net wrapped; fertilized. \$60 per bale. 405-640-9980.

Wanted: Experienced person loading hay with two tiers. 405-643-9980.

Wanted: Basic yard work: trim, edge, weed eat, weed small flower bed. 405-643-9980.

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.

12 Corsican cross sheep. 4-6 months \$100 each of 12 for \$1,000. 405-596-8405.

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 services, 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

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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.

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.

Circle category:

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

CKEC Acct # _____

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

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 ½ 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/2½ba for party barn, great for reunions, both cool, fully equipped. 580-214-0178. 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. Call or text 580-243-8697.

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.

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, ½ba, 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.

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.

Beef Kabobs

Marinade Ingredients:

½ cup olive oil
⅓ cup soy sauce
3 tbs red wine vinegar
¼ cup honey
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 tbs minced fresh ginger
freshly ground black pepper

Kabob Ingredients

1 ½ lb top sirloin steak, cut into 1 ½ inch cubes
1 large bell pepper
1-2 medium red onions
½ to a lb button mushrooms
20 bamboo or wooden skewers

Directions:

Mix the marinade ingredients together in a bowl and add the meat. Cover and chill in the fridge for at least 30 minutes, preferably several hours or even over night. Soak the wood or bamboo skewers in water for 30 minutes before grilling. Cut the vegetables into chunks. Thread the meat and vegetables on double bamboo skewers. Paint the kabobs with the remaining marinade. Grill for 8-10 minutes on high, depending on how hot your grill is, and how done you like your meat, turning occasionally.

