

Holiday Closing

CKEC offices will close Monday, July 5 to observe Independence Day.

Mark your Calendar CKEC Annual Meeting is Friday, August 13.

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Electrical Safety During Wheat Harvest

Provided by Safe Electricity.org

heat harvest is a busy time for farmers, but safety, especially around electrical hazards, should always be a priority.

Modern farming equipment is larger than in the past and it helps farmers and workers cover more ground in less time. However, an expansive reach and height can put farm equipment too close to power lines.

"During harvest, as well as year-round, precautions are needed around power sources that include overhead and underground power lines, since once the electrical path is broken, stray electricity can cause serious injury or death."

Farm workers should keep an eye out for low-hanging lines when entering or leaving a field and at end rows and learn how to respond if their equipment contacts an overhead line.

Electrical safety should be included in regular safety briefings. Everyone on a farm including seasonal workers, family members and truck drivers should be aware of potential electrical hazards.

If farmers are concerned about power line clearance on their farm and surrounding roadways, they should contact their electric utility. If a line is sagging, call the utility provider. Do not try to move a power line out of the way or raise it.

Safe Electricity advises the following safety guidelines:

- Inspect the height of the farm equipment to determine clearance.
- Use a spotter when operating large machinery near power lines.
- Access a grain bin from the side without a power line or pole.
- Keep equipment at least 10 feet away from power lines.
- Lower extensions to the lowest setting when moving loads.

If equipment hits a power line, remain inside the cab unless there is smoke or fire. A downed powerline can electrify equipment, the cab, and the ground, or anything else in the area. Call 911, warn others to stay away, and wait for the utility crew to cut the power.

To exit the cab safely, stand or crouch on a cap step and jump to the ground keeping both feet together. Do not make contact with the cab. Hop at least 50 feet away, keeping both feet together and touching the ground at the same time. Hopping decreases the chances of stepping from one voltage to another, which can create an electrical path through the body causing severe burns, shock and electrocution.

For more information about safety around electricity, be sure to visit **SafeElectricity.org.**



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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.



Pictured is Senator Darcy Jech, CKEC CEO Clint Pack, CKEC employee Boyd Lee, Board of Directors Jack Sawatzky and Robert Travis, CKEC employee Brian Coker, Board of Director John Schaufele, and Blake Scott, CKEC employee.

Co-op Legislative Day

Cooperative employees meet with legislative delegates

n Wednesday, April 28, 2021, CKenergy employees and directors traveled to Oklahoma City to visit with our state legislators about the importance of electric cooperatives to our state and local communities.

CKEC representatives were able to meet with several members of the Oklahoma Legislature that represent us and the members in our communities. We are thankful for the chance to share the electric cooperative story and to discuss the

CKEC employees and board of directors visit with Rep. Anthony Moore.

continuing importance of electric co-ops in rural communities with our legislators.

One topic of discussion was the One Buck Deal, in the floor substitue to HB 1122. The Electric Cooperatives of Oklahoma support broadband expansion to unserved rural areas. The One Buck Deal is vital to this effort and to Oklahoma's rural communities.

The floor substitue sets a cap on pole attachment rates by rural electric cooperatives, provides an incentive for broadband providers to serve unserved areas, encourages fair treatment for attachers and protects existing contracts.

Support for this initiative will have a tangible positive impact for Oklahomans in unserved areas across the state, promoting and providing access to broadband in rural areas.

Oklahoma electric cooperatives are working with legislators to provide legislation that is fair and does not hinder the growth of broadband in the rural areas of our state.

As always, we appreciate the effort that our senators and house representatives put forth toward the betterment of our state and communities. We look forward to continuing to work for our members.



Rep. Todd Russ and Jack Sawatzky, CKEC board member discuss co-op related issues..



Cherokee Trading Post and Boot Outlet

CKEC Member Spotlight

ooking for western boots, work boots, Fire Retardant (FR) clothing, or specialized and unique gifts? You need to check out The Cherokee Trading Post and Boot Outlet, Ricks Boots and Outfitters, and Woodward's Occupational Footwear. These family-owned businesses have unique models and offer a huge selection close to home and are CKenergy Electric

Cooperative members.

The Cherokee **Trading Post** and Boot Outlet was originally established in West Virginia in 1948 by the Wilson family. In 1967, the business expanded to Oklahoma on Route 66.



Wesley Vercellotti and Jeanie Brinkley are the current owners. Wesley saw a different direction for the business in 2012 and closed the restaurant to expand the gift shop to include western cowboy boots, work boots, jackets and much more. The outlet currently has over 7,000 pairs of boots and shoes in stock. With 10,000 square feet of Cowboy and Indian wears,

> the inventory is split between western boots, western shoes, work boots, a new selection of western hats, Cinch clothing, Ariat and FR wear. The Cherokee Trading Post and Boot Outlet has approximately 30 brands of boots to choose from in all styles and sizes at good prices. The kids will love the souvenir and gift shop. Stop in and see Wesley, Joe, or any of the other helpful staff.

Ricks Boots and Outfitters is located inside the ASAP general store on Airport Road in Weatherford, OK. Ricks Boots and Outfitters opened in 2008 on the simple premise of being a great place to buy great boots at a fair price. The original company, Koch Oil, started in 1979.



Ricks Boots and Outfitters

The Koch family owns and operates the boot store, as well as 20 plus convenience stores, Lucille's Restaurant, and Holiday Inn & Suites Weatherford. Step inside the ASAP General Store and you will find a large selection of Justin Work and Justin Western boots for men and women. They offer Wrangler, Cinch and FR clothing as well as wallets, belts, socks, and other accessories. Ricks Boots and Outfitters serves as the largest Justin exclusive retailer in the state of Oklahoma with more than 1,000 boots in stock and will be adding Red Wing to their selection this summer. Stop by and check out the boot store, fuel up your vehicle, and have a tasty meal.

Based out of Cyril, OK., Woodward's **Occupational Footwear** is a family owned and operated business. Dwight Woodward started the original business, Woodward Boot Store, in 1952. The Woodward brothers and family no longer have the store fronts (once in Cyril, Carnegie, and Walters), however now own and operate three mobile units and travel statewide. The mobile units each carry 1,200 to 1,500 pairs of work boots and shoes. The units are climate



Ricks Boots and Outfitters

controlled and walk-in so you and your employees can browse and try on boots in comfort. They have all types and styles of work boots including steel toe, met guard, FR, and more. Contact Alan or Phillip

and invite them to your next safety meeting or employee event.

CKenergy recognizes these members for their ongoing service in our community. .





Suds and Savings

10 ways to save energy in the laundry room

our clothes washer and dryer account for a significant portion of energy consumption from major appliances, and let's face it--laundry is no one's favorite chore. Make the most of your laundry energy use! There are several easy ways you can save energy (and money) in the laundry room. The Department of Energy recommends the following tips for saving on suds:

- 1. Wash with cold water. Switching from warm water to cold water can cut one load's energy use by more than half, and by using a cold-water detergent, you can still achieve that clean you'd normally get from washing in warm water.
- 2. Wash full loads when possible. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up if you can.
- Use the high-speed or extended

- spin cycle in the washer. This setting will remove more moisture before drying, reducing your drying time and the extra wear on clothing.
- Dry heavier cottons separately. Loads will dry faster and more evenly if you separate heavier cottons like linens and towels from your lightweight clothing.
- Make use of the "cool down" cycle. If your dryer has this cycle option, you can save energy because the clothes will finish drying with the remaining heat in the dryer.
- Use lower heat settings to dry clothing. Regardless of drying time, you'll still use less energy.
- Use dryer balls. Dryer balls, usually wool or rubber, will help keep clothes separated for faster drying, and they can help reduce static..

- Switch loads while the dryer is warm. This allows you to take advantage of the remaining heat from the previous cycle.
- Clean the lint filter after each drying cycle. If you use dryer sheets, remember to scrub the filter once a month with a toothbrush to remove excess buildup.
- Purchase ENERGY STAR®rated washers and dryers. When it's time to purchase a new washer or dryer, look for the ENERGY STAR® label. New washers and dryers that receive the ENERGY STAR® rating use about 20% less energy than conventional models.

To learn about additional ways you can save energy at home, visit www.CKenergy.coop.

Automotive

1940 Ford convertible restored. Original drive train. New upholstery and top. New paint and tires. 580-331-7304.

1992 Cadillac Allante 69,900 miles. Pearl white with black convertible top. Tan seats. Excellent condition. One owner. Call for details and photos. 405-250-5396.

193,000 miles. Good solid car starts and runs great. \$1,000 405-315-0328.

83 Chev. van. New tires. 580-637-2520.

1973 Mustang 2 dr. 351 mtr. auto-power and air. Paint and interior excellent. Good rubber. \$15,000. 580-331-7304.

Farm/ Equipment

1941 John Deere, 1939 John Deere. Both restored. Spoke wheels and new tires. Original. \$7500 both. 405-834-0825.

2020 Trip Hopper. 3,000 capacity. Model #T-856. Like new. \$5500. 580-445-6152 or 937-286-9897

1950 For 8N Tractor. Completely restored. 580-483-8537.

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.

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

Better bulls. Add more porfit with big, stout bulls with low birth weights that will sire calves with faster growth and more muscle. Kusel Limousin and Limflex. Call John. 580-759-6038.

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

Four year old red angus bull. Leave message. 580-919-5490.

German wirehair pointers. 3 males. 2 females. Quail pheasant ducks. \$500. Ready May 21, 2021.

Business

Mobile welding and fabrication. Call Tony at 405-831-1128.

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

Free estimates. Call Bruce Hall at Liberty Paving Maintenance, 405-245-6759.

Cooks Septic Service. Septic tank pumping and insecptions. 580-550-0545.

Heavy haul of tractor dozers. backhoes, loaders, etc. 20 years of experience. 405-395-7758.

Liner replacement for semi end dump trailers, 405-638-1158.

Award winning decks, pergolas, outdoor kitchens, firepits, outdoor fireplaces, cedar fence. Design. 405-834-3411

Shook's Triple S Construction. Metal carports, awnings, and more. Free estimates, 405-413-7590

Miscellaneous

Heavy duty fire pits. Built out of propane tank ends. Free standing. 580-819-0695.

200 bales. 2020 wheat hay. 4x6 round bales avg. \$50 per ton. 405-320-0884.

Bales of grass hay. \$45 per bale. 405-613-5731.

Swap 'N Shop Ads are continued on page 8

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.

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C and K trucking heavy haul tractors, dozers, backhoes, trackhoes, loaders. 20 yrs. experience. 405-395-7758.

2018 Bighorn Traveler 39MB Fifth wheel. Four slides, fireplace, washer, drer, outside grill, central vacuum, excellent condition. Colony. 903-701-7888.

1986 Lincoln gas welder. S.A. 200. good leads, good machine. \$3,500. 405-929-9410.

Reclining living room set from Bob Mills. One year old. Excellent condition. No animals or kids on them. Blue gray color. Will sell couch and loveseat separate. \$1500. 405-256-0270

Inogen one porable oxygen conentrator with two double batteries, carry bag, all manual and plugs. less than one year old. \$1595. 405-659-9737.

Jeans and pants hemming and minor alterations. Tuxes, accessory sales and rentals. Settle Studio. 405-247-5142.

Silver parade, saddle, bridle, and chest strap. Black-cement. 817-229-5663.

Heavy duty fire pits. 24-48". Free standing. 580-819-0695.

2017 Nash 25C travel trailer. Boondocking ready with solar and batteries. Four season capable, enclosed underbilly. New queen matress, TV, radio with DVD player. 580-574-2741

Heavy Haul: tractor, dozers, backhoes, loaders, trackhoes. 20 years experience. 405-395-7758.

Winchester model 770. 30:06, good condition. Bushnell 3x9x50 firefly scope, strap, ammo, ready to go. \$600 OBO 405-213-4126.

55/55 chevy used parts bumper. Brake drums, chrome pieces, seats, misc. 405-828-9011.

Eastlake bedroom suit, circa 1800's. Paneled double bed, four drawer chest with jewelry/gloves boxes on top. Framed mirror. Call or text for pics. 405-256-0121.

2008 36' HH 5th wheel, four slides. Two

western jackets 46 R, three western hats 7 1/8. 405-919-0980.

Real Estate

FOR RENT: Foss Lake, house weekends or weekly. 5bd/2½ba for party barn, great for reunions, both cool, fully equipped. 580-214-0178. www.bigtretreat.com.

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. 580-243-8697.

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

Vacation cabin rental. Great for hunting, fishing at Ft. Cobb lake. Room for trailer and boat. Next to water. 580-243-8697. 20 acres (mol) with large custom home and barns. Private and secluded. www.goldbucklerealty.com 580-330-9090.

House for rent near Ft. Cobb lake. Two bedroom. 405-826-6376.

5-50 acre tract of land. Caddo Grady County Line frontage. Timber, wildlife, water available. Financing availabe. Minco school district, 405-574-2980.

Wanted-Notices

Old toys wanted 1950-1989. Hot wheels, GI Joe, star wars, super heroes, model car kits, old comics, and trading cards. 405-361-2227.

Grilled Pork Chops with Fresh Nectarine Salsa

Ingredients:

2 nectarines, pitted and diced 1 ripe tomatao, seeded and diced 1/4 cup diced onion 2 Tbs. chopped fresh cilantro 2 Tbs. fresh lime juice 1/4 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes salt to taste 1 tsp. ground cumin 1 tsp. chili powder 2 Tbs. olive oil 8 (4 oz.) boneless pork loin chops



Directions:

- 1. Preheat an outdoor grill for medium-high heat. Lightly oil grate, and set 4 inches from the heat.
- 2. To make the salsa, place the nectarines, tomato, onion, cilantro, lime juice, and red pepper flakes in a bowl; toss to blend. Season to taste with salt. Cover, and refrigerate 30 minutes to blend flavors.
- 3. Stir the cumin, chili powder, salt, and pepper together in a small bowl.
- 4. Place pork loin chops on the preheated grill. Cook untl lightly browned and juices run clear, about 4 minutes on each side. Place pork chops on serving plates, and top with a generous spoonful of salsa.