

Safety Above All Else

Safety is a universal word that is mentioned often and used loosely. Communities large and small as well as companies across all industries are committed to safety. Sports leagues, at every level, take safety seriously. Unfortunately, when it really counts, steps to keep the public, workers, athletes and loved ones safe are often ignored in the interest of expediency or convenience.

However, safety is a serious issue, especially when it comes to electrical safety. For CKenergy, it's the number one priority. This is not empty talk. Over time, CKenergy has created a culture of safety by putting our employees' safety and that of the community above all else. At its essence, CKenergy's mission is to provide safe, affordable and reliable electricity to its member-owners. At the end of the day, we strive to deliver affordable and reliable electricity to our member-owners, but equally important, we want to return our workers home safely to their loved ones. To do this requires ongoing focus, dedication and vigilance.

Following leading national safety standards

Working with electricity is an inherently dangerous job, especially for lineworkers. CKenergy has a safety team whose focus is keeping employees and the community safe around electricity. We established and follow safety protocols based on leading national safety practices for the utility industry. We require our lineworkers to wear specialized equipment when working next to or with power lines. There are specific protocols that our lineworkers follow when dealing with electricity. Our safety team has regular meetings where they discuss upcoming projects from



a safety perspective. They monitor and track near-misses of accidents in order to understand them, share "lessons learned" and improve in the future.

As importantly, we encourage all of our crews to speak up and hold each other accountable for safety. By cultivating a culture of openness and transparency, we promote problem-solving with regard to safety, rather than defaulting to a blame game. We examine the information and data gleaned from near-misses and accident reports to discern patterns and use safety metrics to improve in those areas where we have fallen short. As appropriate, we brief contractors on our safety protocols and set expectations for their engagement.

Keeping the community safe

Because we live and work in the community we serve, we care about our neighbors. CKenergy conducts electrical safety demonstrations in schools and for community events. We also provide

electrical safety information in our monthly newsletter, on our social media pages and we have information available on our website as well.

May is National Electrical Safety Month. According to the Electrical Safety Foundation, each year thousands of people in the United States are critically injured and electrocuted as a result of electrical fires, accidents and electrocution in their own homes. Many of these accidents are preventable. There is much you can do to keep yourself and your community safe around electricity.

Don't attempt electrical DIY projects or overload your outlets. Report downed power lines, unlocked substations or padmount transformers that look amiss. Contact CKenergy for additional electrical safety tips. If you would like us to provide a safety demonstration at your school or community event, please contact 405-656-2322. Be mindful when it comes to electrical safety. Pause and take the extra time to plug into safety.



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MAY

Winning CKEC Members

Charlie Swanson
Matthew Ligon
Adam Bieberich

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 Devin Whittington, Communications Specialist, CKenergy, PO Box 70, Binger, OK 73009, email: editor@ckenergy.coop.

CKEC Linemen Receive Certification

Here at CKenergy, our linemen are committed to continuing their education along with providing safe and reliable electricity.

On April 2, 2018, Tyler Green and Billy Patterson were both recognized at the OAEC - Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives annual meeting for completing the Journeyman Certification Program. This a four-year program that meets both national and state certification requirements.

This is a program that takes a lot of time and effort to complete. We are proud to have such hard working and dedicated employees on our team. Congratulations, Tyler and Billy!



Pictured L-R: Safety Coordinator- Johnny Jones, Construction Superintendent- Jimmy Hedrick, Tyler Green, Billy Patterson, & CEO- Clint Pack.

2017 Youth Tour Delegate Attends Annual Meeting



Pictured L-R: Kimberly Fulton, Laryn Schemmer, Tyler Wedel, Congressman Frank Lucas, Madison Daugherty, & Gabe Webb.



OAEC Youth Liaisons panel session.

On April 2, 2018, Tyler Wedel, a 2017 Youth Tour delegate, represented CKenergy as a Youth Liaison for the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperative's Annual Meeting.

Tyler spent the day with fellow Youth Tour delegates from other Oklahoma

cooperatives assisting OAEC staff at the meeting and speaking on a panel about how to communicate with their generation as future members and employees.

Delegates also had the opportunity to interact with Congressman Frank Lucas, board members, managers,

and employees from cooperatives all across the state and were able to learn more about electric cooperatives and how they differ from other businesses.

Tyler is a senior at Cordell High School and is a former Energy Camp attendee along with being one of last year's Youth Tour winners.

CKenergy Awards \$500 Scholarships

This year, CKEC is pleased to announce the recipients of twelve \$500 scholarships. We'd like to congratulate all of these students on a job well done. We wish the best for each and every one of you in your future endeavors!

The program is open to any graduating

senior who attends high school in our service territory, and whose parents or guardians are members of CKEC. Students were asked to submit two letters of recommendation, the scholarship application, and an essay stating why they wish to continue their education.



Scholarship



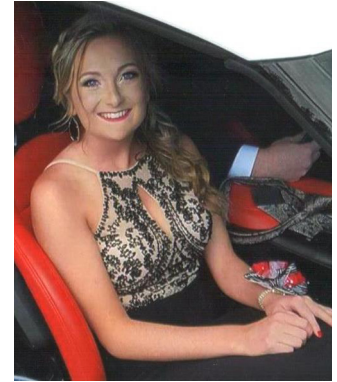
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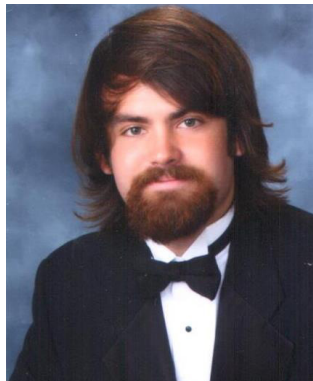
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MaKenzie McDaniel
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Tyler Wedel
Cordell High School

CKenergy Electric Foundation Update



Approved grants:

Eakly Home & Community.....	\$5,000
Cement Vol. Fire Dept.....	\$4,000
Mt. View Emergency Mgt.....	\$1,390.05
Weatherford Food & Resource Center.....	\$2,000
Crow Roost Fire Dept.....	\$4,000
Green Acres Vol. Fire Dept.....	\$2,000
Individual Grants.....	\$3,000

Total Grants.....\$21,390.05

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*Small Change, **Big** Difference!*

On Tuesday, April 3rd, 2018, the CKenergy Electric Foundation Board approved a total of **\$21,390.05** for grants this quarter. Those funds will be used to improve the livelihood of individuals, fund school programs, they will 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 year-round 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.

Operation Round Up funds are used to address important local needs. Local charities, youth groups, schools, fire departments, senior citizen's 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-coordinators are Boyd Lee and Devin Whittington. 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 **July 5th, 2018**. Any applications received after the due date will be on the agenda for the next quarterly scheduled meeting.

Look Up for Hazards During Harvest

After working in a field on a neighbor's farm, Jim Flach parked his equipment and stepped out of the vehicle. Sadly, Jim did not realize his equipment was touching an overhead power line, and he became a path for the electrical current as he placed his foot onto the ground. Jim received a severe electric shock that ultimately resulted in his death a few months later. Safe Electricity urges farmers to take the proper precautions when working around power lines.

“The rush to harvest can lead to farmers working long days with little sleep,” cautions Kyla Kruse, communications director of the Energy Education Council and its Safe Electricity program. “It is important to take time for safety. Before starting work, make sure to note the location of overhead power lines.”

To stay safe around overhead power lines, Safe Electricity urges farm operators and workers to:

- Use a spotter when operating large machinery near power lines.
- Use care when raising augers or the bed of grain trucks around power lines.
- Keep equipment at least 10 feet from power lines — at all times, in all directions.

- Inspect the height of farm equipment to determine clearance.
- Always remember to lower extensions when moving loads.
- Never attempt to move a power line out of the way or raise it for clearance.
- If a power line is sagging or low, call CKenergy.

If contact is made with a power line, stay on the equipment. Make sure to warn others to stay away, and call 911. Do not leave until the utility crew says it is safe to do so. The only reason to exit is if the equipment is on fire. If this is the case, jump off the equipment with your feet together, without touching the ground and vehicle at the same time. Then, still keeping your feet together, hop to safety as you leave the area.

Some additional safety tips from Safe Electricity include:

- Do not use metal poles when breaking up bridged grain inside and around grain bins.
- Always hire qualified electricians for any electrical issues.
- Do not use equipment with frayed cables.



“You need to double check, even triple check, to see what is above you,” says Marilyn Flach, Jim’s widow. His son Brett adds, “Be conscious of your surroundings. You need to keep your eyes open and beware of overhead lines.”

For more electrical safety information, visit SafeElectricity.org.



SAVE THE DATE
2018 Annual Meeting is July 27th!

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

When streaming online content, use the smallest device that makes sense for the number of people watching. Avoid streaming on game consoles, which use 10 times more power than streaming through a tablet or laptop.

Source: energy.gov

Automotive

I buy junk cars & farm equipment. 405-641-3344.

WANTED- Hood, tail gate for 1949-52 Studebaker. 405-641-3344.

'88 Jeep Wrangler YJ. Hard & soft top. Transmission has < 500 miles on it. After-market carburetor professionally installed. \$4,500. 580-303-1483.

'59 Cessna 172 Airplane. Always hangered. \$29,000 firm. Shown to qualified pilots only. Too old to fly anymore. 405-631-1505.

'29 model A Ford- 2 dr coupe, rumble seat. Insurance & tag up to date. \$20,000. 580-726-2189, leave a message.

'01 Fleetwood, 27 ft., Fifth Wheel. Terry Lite, queen bed, 1 slide with couch, air and heat. \$6,500. Plus extras. 405-687-0125.

Farm/ Equipment

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

New Holland 3930. \$12,300, MFWD 55hp, loader, low hrs. Day- 580-355-3065, Eve.- 580-536-1331.

Antique farm machinery- 14ft chisel, rotary hoe, springtooth, etc... 405-638-0145 or 405-933-1360.

2600 Ford Tractor. 38 HP, front loader, gas, power steer, new tires, 3pt, no dents, needs paint. 580-331-7304. \$5000 Firm.

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. **ONE** ad per member.
- 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.

360 Long Tractor \$800 OBO, 405-641-3344.

Classic Farmall Tractors: 1950M, 1950H, & 1953 Super H. All in good condition. Call 580-302-2710.

1345 Hesston Disc Cutter. 12' cut, field ready. \$7,000 OBO. 405-213-4147 or 405-966-2690.

Livestock/Pets

Genetic Superior Bulls, for more Profit! Low birth wts, like angus but more muscle, growth, & better disposition. \$2,200- \$2,800. John Kusel Limousins. 580-759-6038. Rebates & delivery.

Reg. Limousins- Polled, FB + Blk PB. Bred heifers & cows. 405-457-6554 or 405-542-7291.

Registered American Angus Bull. 4yr old, gentle, his calves on site. \$2,300. 405-392-4936.

Beefmaster Bulls for sale. 18 mo. to 24 mo. Some polled. 405-352-4451 or 405-313-2307.

Business

Piano Tuning & Repair. Western OK. 580-254-0817 or 580-799-4485.

Tractor & truck repair, welding & fabrication, muffler & exhaust service. 405-638-1158.

Slagell Lawn & Tree- offering basic lawn and tree care, tree removal, stump grinding. 580-302-1455.

Heavy Equipment Hauling. 80k lbs or less. Driveway gravel, debris haul off. All your trucking needs! C and K Trucking. 405-395-7758.

Hooked on Antiques, 209 W Main, Binger. Wed. 9:30 a.m- 5 p.m. Thurs. 9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Call 405-202-6563 for more info and additional open days.

Tree trimming, hedges, concrete, brick work, lawn care, handyman. 580-660-0402.

Career Opportunity

Highland Vet Clinic- Accepting applications for Veterinary Assitant in large mixed animal clinic. CVA certification available. Send resume to alvinbaumwart@yahoo.com.

Hay/ Wood

2017 sprayed & fertilized Blue Stem, Bermuda, & Native Grass. Lg round bales. 580-550-0334.

Seasoned split Oak firewood- 20" cut. In Anadarko, \$85.00 per rick. Delivery will be extra. 405-638-1158.

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 405-656-2912. One ad per member unless there is additional space available.

Circle category:

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

CKEC Acct # _____

Miscellaneous

Metal Garage Door. 18ft wide x 8ft tall. All hardware included to install. \$150. 405-313-0714.
Gold's Gym Treadmill. \$100. 580-726-5045.

Real Estate

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

528 S. Spencer, Hinton. Completely remodeled. 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/patio. basement, storage shed, fence, updated throughout. \$199,900. 940-395-1370.

Gracemont: Quiet, small, rural acreage w/ 3b, 1 1/2 ba brick home. Attached garage, storm shelter, shop building, 2 car carport, old barn, water well, close to town, paved road. Reduced to \$79,900. 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.

Cedar Lake Cabin (lot 821). Dock space, 2 bed, 1 bath. 1048 sq. ft. \$65,500. 405-295-2401.

Two acres south of Carnegie. 3 bed, 2 bath trailer. Living room, den, 2 car garage, shop, storage shed, garden shop. 2 cellars. \$75,000. 580-654-2202.

2 adjoining cemetery plots by pond with fountain. Resthaven OKC. \$7,000 OBO. 405-517-2624.

36 acres- surface land, scenic Wichita Mts. 4 miles West of Meers, OK. Bids begin at \$4,200 per acre. Amenities available. Email: Wayne Orrell@gmail.com

120 acres available for oil lease in Washita County- section 6-8-14. 405-794-4612.

Ft. Cobb Lake- 2 story, 5bd, 2lr, 2ba, garage, fireplace, vaulted ceilings, open concept, newly remodeled, furnished, backs up to lake. 405-222-0636.

Rainbow Lake between Minco & Binger. Best kept secret. Secluded in back part of lake. Have your own shooting range & hunting. 40ft trailer, new deck remodded. \$10,000 or trade. 405-371-2317.

Beautiful home in Eakly. 3 bd, 1 ba, 2 living rooms. New carpet & tile throughout plus a new stove. Move in ready. Large back yard & a 2 car carport. \$43,900. 405-627-4176.

Grandad's Hideout (Trailer Park) in Butler. 16 working hook-ups with 30 to 50 amp electric. 580-214-1731 or 580-664-3921.

16x80 MH Crow's Roost addition. 3bd, 2 bath, 60x120 lot, #35,000 OBO. 405-664-2662.

20x50 MH 2 bath, 3d, CH&A, \$15,000 firm. Crow's Roost addition. 405-601-0382.

3 bed, 1 bath, home for sale in Eakly. Attached garage & extra lot. Call Eagle Realty at 580-772-8300 to make an offer!

20 acres of grassland. 5 miles southwest of Woodward. \$60,000 OBO. 580-473-2224.

2 story house on one acre, 2 1/2 car detached garage, 3.5 miles west of Bessie. \$35,000. 903-783-1146.

Fort Cobb Lake Lots- Crow's Roost area. 3 lots recently cleared & levelled off. 192' wide x 120' deep, 2 water wells, & septic. 405-694-0625.

Time to get out of the city? This beautiful 2600 sq. ft. home with basement on 40 acres will be a great investment. This estate comes with pipe fencing; pnd and private drive perfect for cattle or horses. Located south of Anadarko. Email williamska72@yahoo.com for more info.

FOR RENT: Quiet, country living north of Weatherford. 2 bd/ 2 ba apartments with all appliances including washer & dryer. Horse facilities available. \$900/mo, \$50/horse. FMI call 580-772-4855.

70 acres, surface only, 1 mile west of Lookeba on Sickles Rd. 405-495-1658.

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.

Creamy Chicken Ritz Casserole

Ingredients:

3 cups cooked shredded chicken breast meat
1 can (10.75 oz) cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup
1 cup sour cream or plain greek yogurt
2 sleeves of Ritz crackers, crushed
1 stick (1/2 cup) butter, melted
2 tbs poppy seeds (optional)



Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly spray a 2.5 – 3 quart baking dish. In a large bowl, mix the soup and the sour cream until well blended. Fold in the shredded chicken. Turn into prepared pan. Top with cracker crumbs and poppy seed (if using). Drizzle melted butter over the top of the crumbs. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until crumbs are golden brown and casserole is hot and bubbly in the center. Serve with a green vegetable. (Try with fresh steamed broccoli)