



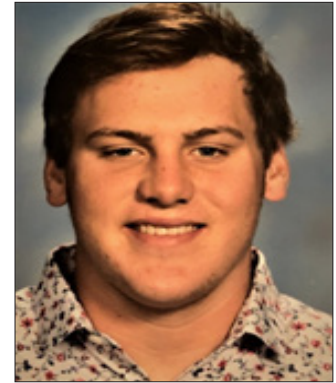
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Isaiah Thiessen
Corn Bible Academy



Seth Spady
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Brett Griffith
Arapaho-Butler High School



Isabel Sutteer
Riverside Indian School



Dawson Willard
Cordell High School

Teens Win Youth Tour Contest

Hard work has paid off for four high school juniors. Each student earned a \$1,000 scholarship and an iPad through CKenergy's Youth Contest.

Lakin Green of Weatherford High School, Gabrielle Miles of Hobart High School, Isaiah Thiessen of Corn Bible Academy, and Seth Spady of Hinton High School took top honors in the CKEC Youth Tour Contest.

Lakin is the daughter of Bobby and Robin Green of Weatherford. Gabbi is the

daughter of Justin and Tracy Miles of Gotebo. Isaiah is the son of Aaron and Carillion Thiessen of Cordell and Seth is the son of Ken and Kimberlee Spady of Hinton.

Runners-up in the contest were McKaegan Gregory of Binger-Oney High School, Brett Griffith of Arapaho-Butler High School, Isabel Sutteer of Riverside Indian School and Dawson Willard of Cordell High School. The runners-up receive a \$500 scholarship.

In order to reach the finals, the contestants had to be one of the eight highest scores on a written letter/essay. Contestants were required to write and a letter of 500 – 750 words in length. The letter can be to anyone of importance on a topic that is important to them. The contest concluded with each student presenting their letter in speech form through a video. Three judges scored the students' videos on speaking ability, pacing, poise, voice, enunciation, and projection.



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Winning CKEC Members

John Cagle
Nelda Fagan
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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.



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.

CKenergy Awards \$500 Scholarships

CKEC is pleased to announce the recipients of twelve \$500 scholarships for 2021.

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.

Congratulations to all of these students on a job well done. We wish the best for each and every one of you in your future endeavors!



Savannah Alldredge
Binger-Oney High School



Kaci Anderson
Hobart High School



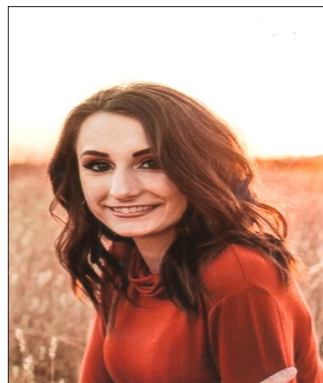
Brance Bolden
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Vivian Dietrich
Carnegie High School



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Taloga High School



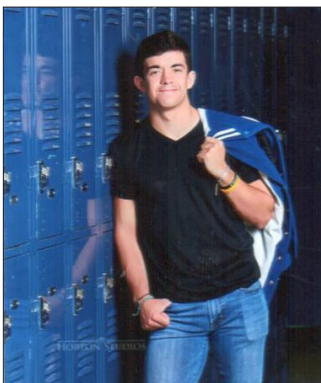
Emma Gilliland
El Reno High School



Nataly Gonzalez
Hinton High School



Raydon Kuehne
Cordell High School



Brendan Miller
Corn Bible Academy



Cheridan Shepherd
Arapaho-Butler High School



Jillian Stinson
Fort Cobb-Broxton High School



Hannah Strickler
Weatherford High School

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.



**OPERATION
ROUND UP**
THE POWER OF CHANGE

Small change
Big Difference



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.



CKEC Lineman, Kyle Eldridge trims trees

Tree Trimming Improves Reliability

One of the things I love best about our community is the natural beauty that surrounds us. We are fortunate to have so many trees that offer beauty, shade and a habitat for all sorts of birds and other wildlife. We know that you appreciate our community for many of the same reasons.

At CKenergy, we strive to balance maintaining beautiful surroundings and ensuring a reliable power supply by keeping power lines clear in rights of way (ROW).

While we recognize and appreciate the beauty of trees, there are three main benefits to tree trimming in ROW areas. However, before touching on the main reasons, let me explain what a “right of way” is and how it may impact you. A right of way is the land we use to construct, maintain, replace or repair underground and overhead power lines. Rights of way enable the co-op

to provide clearance from trees and other obstructions that could hinder the power line installation, maintenance or operation. ROW areas are typically on public lands or located near a business or home. Regardless, CKenergy must be able to maintain the power lines above and below the ROW. The overall goal of our vegetation management program is to provide reliable power to our members while maintaining the beauty of our community. Proactive vegetation management benefits co-op members in three tangible ways.

Safety

First and foremost, we care about our members and put their safety and that of our lineworkers above all else. Overgrown vegetation and trees pose a risk to power lines. For example, if trees are touching power lines in our members’ yards, they can pose grave danger to families. If children can access those trees, they can

potentially climb into a danger zone. Electricity can arc, or jump, from a power line to a nearby conductor like a tree. A proactive approach also diminishes the chances of fallen branches or trees during severe weather events that make it more complicated and dangerous for lineworkers to restore power.

Reliability

Of course, one of the biggest benefits of a smart vegetation management program is reliability. Strategic tree trimming reduces the frequency of downed lines causing power outages. Generally speaking, healthy trees don’t fall on power lines, and clear lines don’t cause problems. Proactive trimming and pruning keeps lines clear to promote reliability.

We also use data to maximize the efficiency of our operation. This includes our vegetation management plan.

Affordability

As you know, CKenergy is a not-for-profit cooperative, and that means we strive to keep our costs in check in order to keep our rates affordable. This extends to our approach to vegetation management. If trees grow too close to power lines, the potential for expensive repairs also increases. Effective tree trimming and other vegetation management efforts keep costs down for everyone.

Our community is a special place. We appreciate the beauty trees afford, but we also know our community depends on us to provide reliable energy. Through vegetation management, we are better able to keep the power lines clear, prepare for future weather events and secure the reliability of the grid.



Is it Time to Replace Your HVAC System?

Is your unit 15 to 20 years old or has continued service issues? It may be time to consider installing a new, efficient Energy Star® system. Considering replacing the heating, ventilation and cooling system in your home (HVAC) system? Make the right decision with resources from your trusted energy advisor at your local Cooperative. We have a list of questions to consider before purchasing your new home HVAC system. By asking the right questions, you will be able to select the HVAC system that best fits your needs.

SHOULD I REPLACE ALL OF MY EQUIPMENT AT THE SAME TIME?

Yes. You want to be sure that all the parts of your HVAC system work together properly.

Replacing only an indoor or an outdoor unit of an HVAC system may appear to save money, but it could contribute to service problems and energy costs down the road.

A mismatched system can lead to poor performance and not deliver the expected comfort and efficiency. If an older part of the system—such as an outdoor unit of a heat pump, ductwork, piping or a furnace—is replaced, it's important to match the new part as closely as possible to the existing system.

Seal the duct work or replace, if needed. Ask your contractor to thoroughly inspect and pressure test your system for leaks to repair or replace, as needed.

WHAT'S MY HOUSE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

Before you decide on an HVAC unit, look at making energy improvements to your home. Tuning up the home not only reduces operating costs but can mean a smaller, less expensive HVAC system can do the job. Your HVAC system **MUST** be designed to fit your home. The size, construction, orientation and location of your home affects the size of your HVAC system. But first, make sure your home is air tight with caulking, sealing/weather

stripping and is properly insulated. Use local building codes as your guide.

WHAT SIZE SYSTEM DO I NEED?

To ensure that your new HVAC system operates efficiently, ask your contractor to properly size your new system for your home using industry sizing methods.

An HVAC system that is too small can not deliver adequate heating or cooling in extreme weather.

A system that is too large costs more and provides poor temperature and humidity control.

Consider using variable speed units to deliver great comfort year-round and to lower your heating and cooling bill.

WHAT TYPE OF SYSTEM SHOULD I BUY?

You have many choices when it comes to selecting an HVAC system. Here are some things to consider:

- An electric split-system heat pump is a common choice for year-round heating and cooling. Other options include a heat pump with a backup boiler or furnace in colder climates.
- The efficiency of a cooling system is expressed as a SEER (Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio) number. The higher the SEER (Cooling) rating and HSPF (Heating) rating the lower the operating cost. Use the Energy Star® efficiency as your guide. <http://www.energystar.gov>

- Ductless or mini split heat pumps are a great choice, where possible.

- Systems with higher SEERs and HSPFs cost more initially, but have lower operating costs. Split-system heat pumps with an ENERGY STAR® label have SEERs of 14.5 or higher and HSPFs of 8.2 or higher.

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. \$5900. 580-445-6152 or 937-286-9897.

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

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

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.

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

Business

Mooters hay and cattle hauling. 405-668-0213 Dirt work, land clearing, stumps, ponds. Fletchers backhoe. 405-519-2718.

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 insections. 580-550-0545.

Mainstreet 420 Shop. Medical cannabis. 405-687-5004.

Mainstreet 420 Shop. 417 W. Main, Binger. Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Sun. 1 p.m.-7 p.m. 405-687-5004.

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.

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.

Circle category:

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____

CKEC Acct # _____

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.

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

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 mattress, 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.

Real Estate

FOR RENT: Foss Lake, house weekends or weekly. 5bd/2 1/2ba for party barn, great

for reunions, both cool, fully equipped. 580-214-0178. www.bigretreat.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.

For Rent: 2 lg bd, lg kitchen, living room, den, 1/2ba, washroom, alarm & internet, carport. No Pets. \$600/mo. 580-302-3051.

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.

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.

Events

Clinton Country Jamboree: Showtime 7:00 p.m. 1st Saturday every month. Admission \$10.00. Concession available. Family Entertainment. I-40 ext 71, Clinton, OK. 580-331-8377.

Memorial Day Potato Salad

Ingredients:

4 large baking potatoes
1/2 large onion chopped
1 cup slice green olives
with pimentos
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. turmeric
1/4 tsp dried mustard
powder



Directions:

1. Quarter the potatoes and place in a large pot. Cover with water and bring to a boil over medium high heat. Boil for 15-20 minutes until a fork pieres the potato easily. Drain and let cool.
2. In a large bowl, combine the mayonnaise, salt, turmeric and mustard powder. Add the chopped onion and olives. Peel the potatoes and then cut into small chunks. Add to the bowl with everything else. Stir and refrigerate.