



# The Buzz

FOR MEMBERS OF CKENERGY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC

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A SUPPLEMENT TO OKLAHOMA LIVING

## You're in good company with co-ops

*Neighbors helping neighbors to create a better world*

A fair question people often ask is, "What's in it for me?" This makes sense, as we all need to act in our own self-interest every now and then. The cool thing about co-ops is that we answer the question, "What's in it for me?" with, "This is what's in it for we."

When the market refuses to offer a good or service, or does so at such a high price, co-ops step in to fill the void. Cooperatives identify members of the community who have the same self-interests and bring them together to make a cooperative decision.

Years ago, when our founding cooperatives Caddo Electric & Kiwash Electric, got started, the folks in our community shared at least one self-interest--they wanted electricity. In fact, many Americans who lived in rural parts of the country needed electricity, which is why electric cooperatives were formed. Individuals acted in their own self-interest, but that self-interest led to the community and economic development of the rural areas in which they lived. Today, rural electric co-ops serve over 42 million people in 47 states.

It is good to know that your friends and neighbor are also your co-owners of CKenergy Electric Cooperative, Inc. People coming

together to meet a particular need is at the heart of every kind of co-op. Local credit unions bring financial services to people that banks do not want to serve. In urban areas and college communities, housing co-ops offer people a safe, reliable and affordable place to live. Many agricultural co-ops started as a way to get their products to market, whether it was oranges (Sunkist), dairy (Land O'Lakes), grapes (Welch's), organic milk (Organic Valley) or any of the hundreds of other food products that co-ops bring to our table every day.

Many people who owned small businesses realized they too had a common self-interest: Stay in business. So they formed purchasing co-ops like Ace Hardware and True Value so they could compete with big-box stores like Home Depot and Lowe's.

Today, it is estimated that more than 40 percent of all residents in the U.S. are members of at least one co-op. Worldwide, well over a billion people are counted as co-op members.

So every time you turn on (or off) the lights, it can serve as a reminder that as a co-op member, you are in good company with your local neighbors--and with people all around the world.

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**Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month**



Electric bills increase during the winter for a variety of reasons – holiday gatherings, houseguests, and shorter days and longer nights. Small measures, like turning down your thermostat, replacing incandescent bulbs with LEDs and washing clothes in cold water can help control energy costs.

Source: [TogetherWeSave.com](http://TogetherWeSave.com)

Keep up to date with the latest happenings with the co-op and community events. We will also post updates in the event of an outage.



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**November Winning Account #'s**

**Congratulations!**  
 George Ridley  
 Candice Watson  
 Troy Francis

If you are one of the people listed above, call 405-656-2322, with your account #, to receive a \$25 credit on your account!

# CKEY YOUTH PROGRAMS



## ABOUT

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CKEnergy is committed to enriching the lives of our youth through activities that promote scholarly excellence and the development of leadership skills.

## PROGRAMS

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### YOUTH POWER ENERGY CAMP- 8TH GRADE

*May 30th- June 2nd 2017*

Youth Power Energy Camp is designed to help cooperative youth develop leadership skills, have summertime fun, and at the same time learn about one of rural America's most important industries - rural electrification.

### YOUTH TOUR- HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

*June 9th- 15th 2017*

Youth Tour is a week-long, all-expenses-paid educational trip to Washington, D.C. Students travel with 70+ delegates from Oklahoma to D.C. where they tour historic sites & national landmarks, meet Oklahoma's congressional delegation, and more.

### SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

*May 2017*

CKEnergy supports the educational goals of Oklahoma youth by offering scholarships to college-bound graduates and teens planning to attend technical school.

## HOW TO APPLY

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Information and application forms for any of our programs can be obtained from any of our offices & through our school visits. All forms are also posted on our website, [www.ckenergy.coop](http://www.ckenergy.coop)

## CONTEST TIMELINES

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### School Visits

**November 2016- February 2017**

### Application Deadlines

**Energy Camp- March 15th, 2017**

**Youth Tour- February 10th, 2017**

**Scholarship- March 1st, 2017**

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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AMERICA'S ELECTRIC  
COOPERATIVES

# FALL COLORING SHEET



Energy  
Explorers



# CKenergy Electric Foundation Update



## Approved grants:

Caddo Kiowa Tech.....	\$2,454.25
Maple Public School.....	\$2,000.00
Gracemont Public School.....	\$1,595.00
Custer City Fire Dept.....	\$4,695.00

**Total Grants.....\$10,744.25**

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*Small Change, Big Difference!*

On Tuesday, October 11th, 2016, Our foundation approved a total of **\$10,744.25** for grants this quarter. Those funds will be used to improve the lively hood 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 RoundUp.

As a member of CKenergy Electric Cooperative, you have the opportunity to participate in the Operation Roundup 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 RoundUp 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 RoundUp 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 RoundUp raises thousands of dollars for local causes.

Operation RoundUp 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 RoundUp 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 RoundUp 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 RoundUp. 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 by **January 4th, 2017.***



Spring is an optimal time of year to dream up and achieve your landscaping masterpiece, but in many parts of the country, planting shrubs in early fall gives the plants a head start at establishing roots in the season's cool, moist soil. Perhaps you're planning to build a new deck to enjoy those cool autumn evenings. If any of your fall projects require digging—such as planting trees or shrubs, or setting posts—remember to dial 811 first.

Underground utilities, such as buried gas, water and electric lines, can be a shovel thrust away from turning a fall project into a disaster.

Play it safe by dialing 811 to find out where utility lines run on your property. Your call will be routed to a local “one call” center. Tell the operator where you're planning to

dig and what type of work you will be doing, and affected local utilities will be notified.

In a few days, a locator will arrive to designate the approximate location of any underground lines, pipes and cables. These areas will be marked with flags or paint so you'll know what's below. Then the safe digging can begin.

Although many homeowners tackling do-it-yourself digging projects are aware of “Call Before You Dig” services, the majority doesn't take advantage of the service. A national survey showed that only 50 percent of homeowners called to have their lines marked before starting digging projects, according to the Common Ground Alliance (CGA), a federally mandated group of underground utility

and damage prevention industry professionals. CGA data also shows that an underground utility line is damaged every six minutes in the U.S. because someone decided to dig without first dialing 811.

Even simple tasks like installing a new mailbox post can damage utility lines, which can disrupt service to an entire neighborhood, harm diggers and potentially result in fines and repair costs.

Never assume the location or depth of underground utility lines. There's no need: the 811 service is free, prevents the inconvenience of having utilities interrupted and can help you avoid serious injury. For more information about local services, visit [www.call811.com](http://www.call811.com).

## What's Cookin'

### INGREDIENTS

6 slices bacon (about 6 oz.), cut into 1-inch pieces  
 3 tablespoons bacon grease or butter  
 1 cup diced onion  
 1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
 1/8 teaspoon dried thyme  
 2 cups low-sodium chicken broth

2 cups milk, warmed  
 1.5 pounds potatoes, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch pieces  
 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese  
 1/2 cup sour cream  
 salt and pepper

### INSTRUCTIONS

Heat a soup pot over medium-high heat. Add bacon pieces to a soup pot over medium heat and cook bacon until crisp and fat is rendered. Remove the bacon from the pot and set it aside. Pour off most of the grease, but do not clean the pot (3 tablespoons of bacon grease, should remain, otherwise use 3 tablespoons of butter). Add onion and thyme and sauté until onion is soft, about 7 minutes. Sprinkle the flour on top of the onion, and stir until combined. Saute for an additional minute to cook the flour, stirring occasionally. Stir in the chicken broth until combined. Add potatoes, milk and cooked bacon bits, bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low; simmer until potatoes are tender, 12 to 15 minutes. Stirring occasionally every few minutes so that the bottom does not burn. When the potatoes are soft, stir in the cheddar cheese and sour cream. Season with salt and pepper. Serve warm, garnished with desired toppings (crisp bacon pieces, cheddar cheese or green onion).



Creamy Potato Soup

# Swap 'N Shop

For sale or trade

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

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.

Circle category: Autos-Farm/Equip-Furn/Appl-Hay/Wood-Livestock/Pets-Misc-MH/RV/Boat-Real Estate-Wanted-Notices-Business

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

CKEC Acct # \_\_\_\_\_

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.

## 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.

**02 Chevys** 10w.350V8 \$1,000. **87 Chevy** 1/2 ton pickup 305 \$700. **92 Chevy pickup** runs, drives, parts only. 405-641-3344.

**'10 Harley Davidson Sportster 883.** 5490 miles. Tag up to date. \$4800 OBO. 405-687-1166.

**'14 Jayco Eagle Touring Ed. 5th wheel.** 31.5 ft, 3 slideouts, sleeps 8. Has small outdoor kitchen. \$40,000 OBO 580-524-1777.

**'92 Chevy Ext. Cab** Pickup, clean inside & out. 405-545-0182.

**'10 Trail Wagon 4x4,** few hours, winch

on front, runs great. \$4000 cash. 405-990-6478

**'13 Honda 50 scooter,** less 100mi. \$975. **Honda Rebel 250 cycle.** \$1275.

Both tagged & street legal. 405-933-0783

**'04 Mazda RX8,** 104K mi. good condition, new tires, great interior, A/C & heat. Runs great. \$4900 OBO. 405-933-2601 or 405-966-2556.

**'08 Mercury Milan.** 4d, leather, 1 owner, garage kept. 29k miles, 6 disc CD player,, excellent condition. \$9000. 405-834-5581.

**'04 Pontiac Van,** well maintained, 6 cylinder. Located in Eakly. \$2,500. 405-797-2915.

**'10 Lincoln MKZ** 55,000 miles, \$9,700 cash. 405-818-9011.

**'16 Chevy Malibu LS** 1 owner, 6,000 miles. \$19,500 cash. 405-818-9011.

## Events

**26th Annual Minco Honey Festival, Saturday December 3rd, 2016.**

## Farm/Equip

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

## Hay/Wood

**Cedar Posts & Stays & Oak fire wood.** Call 405-437-7612

**Net Crop Native Grass Hay-** Lg Bales, net wrapped. 405-638-0620 or 405-206-8126.

**Clean Bermuda Grass Hay** 4x5 bales \$45/bale. Please call King Sod Farms 405-797-3323.

**Cowpea Hay-** 150 5x6 bales, 10% protein, \$50/bale. 405-668-2679.

**Good Bermuda Grass Hay**, Large Round Bales. 6X6. \$60. 405-306-1538.

**Walnut Firewood**, Split \$80/rick for pickup. \$100/rick for delivered. 405-352-5242.

**Alfalfa Hay**- Round & Square bales. Will load. 405-933-0132.

**Grass Hay** 300 Native Grass, 80 Switchgrass, Large Round Bales, Net Wrapped, \$50/Bale, Weatherford, Will Load, Delivery Available, 405-542-6713, 580-774-4942

**Midland 99 Bermuda Grass Hay**. 4x4x8 segmented bales. 5'x4' Rd bales, small sq. bales. High protein, clean horse hay quality. 580-774-5477.

## Livestock/Pets

**Beefmaster Bulls for sale**. 18mos to 2yrs. Some polled. Call 405-352-4451.

**Registered Angus Bulls**. 13-18mos, semen tested, docile, & ready to work. 405-352-5025.

**60 Big Stout Limousin Bulls**. Easy calving, gentle, high growth. Best for Xbreeding to increase weaning wts & profit. Kusel Limousins. 580-759-6038 or 405-643-2884.

**Hereford & Angus Bulls**- Breeding age & semen tested. 580-280-2855.

**Charolais Bulls for Sale**. 6- 30mth, 12-18/24mth. 580-774-9989.

**3 Black Angus Bulls, 18 mos, 5 Black Angus Heifers, 16 mos**. 405-643-5224 or 405-668-0584.

**LGD English Mastiff Puppies**. Born 9/3/16-ready 10/8/16. 6 males brindle or fawn. Serious inquiries only. 580-660-1393.

## Business

**Alterations & T- Shirt Quilts**. 405-831-0593

**Cooks Septic Service & Repair** 580-550-0545, toll free 877-369-7305.

**McCormack's Affordable Quilting**, T-Shirt quilts, custom quilts, & quilt repair. 405-229-4933.

**Saw 'N Cedars**, cedar tree cutting & pasture recovery. 405-247-9686.

**Chisholm Trail Bed & Breakfast**. 3366 SW Clayton Rd, Minco, OK. 405-352-4994 or 405-642-3760.

**McLemore Pumpkin Farm**, wholesale, retail, schools & family fun on weekends. 405-929-7328/405-542-7419. www.mclimorepumpkinfarm.com

**\$100 Agreed Divorces**, JNK Paralegal Service. 405-376-2206

**Hooked On Antiques**, 209 W Main in Binger. Wed 9:30- 5, Thurs 9-5. Call for more info. 405-202-6563.

## WANTED

**6ft disc for 3pt tractor**. 405-247-5300 or 405-205-2162.

## Real Estate

**3 Bed, 2 1/2, 2 story townhouse**, Hobart, OK. Totally remodeled. Near hospital & quiet neighborhood. \$120,000. 580-515-1361.

**Ft Cobb Lake House Crows Roost Area** 2 bed furnished, 2 lots, new metal roof, Garage, carport, also Waverunner and Seadoo on double trailer. \$62,500 Call 405-623-4231.

**2 Bed, 1 Bath, Brick home**- South of Anadarko. 5 acres with pipe fence. 2 car garage, barn, shed, new storm shelter. Call 405-756-6708.

**Home for sale in Eakly by owner**. 2 bed w/ 2 lots. 405-545-0182.

**For Sale: 5 acre tract land**, Minco School. timber, dirt work & ponds available. \$5000 per acre, financing available. Shown by appointment only. 405-352-5190.

**Foss Lake Estates** for Rent, House. Weekends or Weekly. 5 bed, 2 1/2 bath. C H&A. 580-323-1975 or 214-0178.

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

**Crow's Roost- 3bd, 1.5ba**, LG living, dining, & kitchen. Central H/A. Shop & wood shed w/ electric. Fruit trees. 3 lots fenced. 405-638-7111.

**Eakly \$79,000. 4bd, 2ba**. 1983 sq. ft. 2 living areas, lg dining, storm shelter, generator, .93 acre. 405-687-1101

**4 Acres, Northshore Tom Steed Lake**. 1 water & 2 electric meters. Septic tank, fresh water well. 18x50x10 tractor shed. 2 fenced acres. 580-512-6020.

**1 Acre Commercial Zoned**. 4 3/4 mi E

of Tuttle on HWY 37. 405-794-4612.

**Swan Lake Area-** 1 bd, 1 ba, metal home with 3 lots. Needs some work, great hunting/fishing cabin. \$17,000 OBO. 405-643-9953.

**Very Nice 4 bd/2ba home on .92 acres**, in Cyril. Includes stainless kitchen appl., carport, & 30x40 shop bldg w/ auto door.

**Crows Roost Area 2 bd, furnished**. 2 lots, new metal roof, garage & carport, also Waverunner & Seadoo on double trailer. \$62,500, 405-623-4231.

**Rainbow Lake between Minco & Binger**, back part, short walk to lake, 41ft trailer, extra secluded. \$20,000 or trade. 405-543-6012.

**136 acres SW of Hinton**. Great hunting, deer, turkey, & hogs. \$3,000 per acre. 405-952-7382.

**'02 Mobile Home 16'x60'**, Silvercreek. Bought new, bedroom & bath on each end. Solid floors & windows, has hitch & wheels. 580-464-2519.

**NICE BRICK HOME** in Eakly-2 bedroom, 2 bath, basement, 2 car garage, central heat and air, storage shed, nice pack porch. Well kept. Approx 1800 sq. feet. \$85,000 Contact 405-687-0375.

**2 Story Home Cedar Lake Hinton School Dist**. 1,152sq ft., 2 car garage, out building, 6ft fence, could come fully furnished, \$30,000 OBO. 405-284-6806.

**3bd 2ba Brick Home**, Union City. 1,693sq ft. large kitchen, cellar, good storage, C H/A, \$90,000. 405-834-5581.

**Crows Roost- 3bd, 2 ba, 3 lots**, 2 big barns, 1 small. Lg den, 2 living rooms. Lg screened in porch. Needs some work. 405-656-2436.

**Carnegie- 3d, 2ba. 2200sqft. Country Home**. w/ finished basement that could be bdrm. LG living room and separate den. 2 car garage. New H&A. 1 acre of land. LG shed in back yard. \$130,000. 580-654-2422.

**OPEN HOUSE NOV 12TH-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.