



# THE BUZZ

for members of CKenergy Electric Cooperative

**Holiday Closing**  
CKEC offices will close **Thursday, November 25** and **Friday, November 26** to observe Thanksgiving.  
Happy Thanksgiving!

November 2021

A SUPPLEMENT TO OKLAHOMA LIVING



## Oklahoma Youth Tour

### Oklahoma Youth Tour will return Summer 2022

**C**Kenergy Electric Cooperative values education and training as one of the seven cooperative principles, particularly when it concerns our community's youth. The National Rural Electric Youth Tour program, sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and CKEC, offers current high school juniors the opportunity to travel to Washington D.C., for an all-expenses-paid week of fun, learning, and sightseeing during the summer before their senior year.

Oklahoma co-ops have participated in Youth tour since 1963. Not only do they gain insight into the most important moments in U.S History, they also meet with more than 1,500 student leaders from across the nation. It's a great

opportunity to make lasting connections and lifetime friendships.

*Students will get to interact and listen to some of Oklahoma's delegation during our "Capitol Hill Day." This is a great opportunity for students to ask questions, learn leadership skills and get a glimpse of "a day in the life" of an Oklahoma legislator.*

The week-long trip is jam packed with sightseeing. Students visit many of the major monuments and memorials, including the Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson

Memorial, Vietnam Memorial, Arlington Cemetery, the Holocaust Museum and the Washington Monument.

The Monday of Youth Tour week begins with National Youth Day, when students from rural America gather to learn about the rich history of electric cooperatives and the important role of being an active participant in our democracy. The Youth Day program features speakers who motivate and honor the spirit of electric cooperatives' commitment to community and the important role of being politically aware and politically active. Students meet with Oklahoma's congressional representatives and their staff. Some teens are so inspired by the experience that they later serve as interns on the hill; others have gone on to pursue careers in politics. Youth Tour inspired students to discover who they want to be.

The 2022 Rural Electric Youth Tour will take place June 17-23, 2022, in Washington D.C. Eligible juniors are asked to write a letter to a person of importance over a topic that you care about. Submit your application and letter to CKenergy by January 10, 2022. The eight top-scoring finalists will be honored at a special banquet. The four winners will receive the all-expenses paid trip to Washington D.C. and a \$500 scholarship. The runners-up will receive a \$500 scholarship.

For more details on Youth Tour, please visit [www.CKenergy.coop](http://www.CKenergy.coop) or call your co-op at 405-656-2322.



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#### NOVEMBER

### Winning CKEC Members

Brayden Lierle  
Larry Poe  
Mathew Salter

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](mailto:editor@ckenergy.coop).

# CKenergy Electric Foundation Update



## Approved Grants:

Binger Fire Dept.	\$6,000.00
Apache Historical Society	\$5,000.00
Binger Police Dept.	\$5,160.00
Hydro-Eakly Elementary	\$6,205.00
Mt. View Senior Center	\$5,000.00
East Elementary School	\$3,713.00
Rocky Senior Center	\$5,000.00
Binger-Oney Little League	\$1,600.00
<b>Total Grants</b>	<b>\$37,678.00</b>

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**Small Change, Big Difference!**

**O**n Tuesday, August 10, the CKenergy Electric Foundation Board approved a total of \$37,678.00 for grants this quarter. Those funds will be used to improve the livelihood of individuals, fund school programs, 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 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 and organizations.

Operation Round Up funds are used to address important local needs. Local charities, youth groups, schools, fire departments, senior citizens' 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-op coordinator is Boyd Lee. 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 November 3, 2021. Any applications received after the due date will be on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

Visit [www.CKenergy.coop](http://www.CKenergy.coop) for a foundation application.





Lazenby turns abandoned car wash into a stunning mural

## Lone Wolf Mural tells Big Town Pride

By Lisa Willard

While there's a story behind every mural, the one situated off Highway 44 on the eastern edge of Lone Wolf tells the "Oklahoma" story. Bill and Linda Lazenby, longtime residents of Lone Wolf take pride in the little community of Lone Wolf. Located six miles of the North Fork of the Red River and the Kiowa-Greer county line, Lone Wolf was founded upon the opening of the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Reservation in August of 1901. The settlement was named after Kiowa Chief Lone Wolf.

In August of 1901, Lone Wolf was founded upon the opening of the Kiowa, Comanche, and Apache Reservation. The population of Lone Wolf reached 1,023 in 1930. As with many rural communities, generations grew up and

moved to more populated areas. As a result, the current population stands at approximately 400, but the small rural community boasts big town pride.

Lazenby and many others share in the town's pride and work to preserve the beautification of the small Oklahoma town. On the eastern edge of Lone Wolf, sits an abandoned car wash. The dilapidated building was purchased by

Ronnie and Laura Weber who decided the eye sore could be used to add some charm to their rural community. The Weber's reached out to Lazenby with their idea with the hope of their vision becoming a reality. Lazenby has tinkered with painting for years. So when he decided to paint a mural on the wall of the abandoned car wash, it was a bigger project than what he was use to. The picturesque artwork says "Oklahoma" with its creative elements.

Lazenby stated, "It's a work in progress. There's always something that can be added with a design of this size." The Oklahoma themed mural features the



Lazenby adding the final touches to the mural

state bird, the scissor-tailed flycatcher as well as the Oklahoma Rose, the state flower. As community donations are received, future plans for the mural include adding local farmers and ranchers' cattle brands to the mural.

So the next time you decide to hop in your car and trek across the vibrant state, make a pit stop in Lone Wolf and check out the vivid mural that says "Oklahoma."





Madilynn is pictured with her Oklahoma State Fair mural. Picture courtesy of Terri Barger.

Madilynn has had a few private painting lessons, but is mostly self-taught.

Madilynn's most recent accomplishment is being selected as one of 20 artists to participate in the 2021 Oklahoma State Fair Mural Challenge. Murals have been part of the fair for more than ten years, with the 2019 fair debuting the first live mural challenge competition. Competition finalists were chosen from portfolio submissions of artists from across the state. Finalists competed live by painting an 8x12 mural on Saturday, September 18-opening weekend of the State Fair. All 20 mural finalists received a \$100 supply stipend and their murals were on display through closing day of the fair. Madilynn was the youngest artist on hand that day and was surrounded by professional veterans. Madilynn's eye-catching mural was chockful of Oklahoma historical elements and pride. The "Oklahoma" themed mural gained quite the attention with many bystanders stopping for a photo op.

## 15-Year-Old Artist Turns her Passion into Business

Monkey Business - Art by Madi Barger

By Lisa Willard

In the small town of Lookeba-Sickles, a young entrepreneur has turned her passion into a small business called Monkey Business – Art by Madi Barger. A 15-year-old Sophomore at Lookeba-Sickles High School, Madilynn Barger loves creating art, particularly painting with acrylics. She has been designing, drawing, and painting for as long as she can remember. Madilynn paints custom canvases, shoes, wood signs, walls, and windows – just about anything you can imagine. Nowadays, Madilynn frequently has detailed artwork on business store fronts around parts of western Oklahoma.

Madilynn's business name, "Monkey Business," holds a sentimental value. "Monkey Business," inspired by Madilynn's papa Chris Kreizenbeck, nicknamed Madilynn "Monkey" at a young age. The business name invents an image of creative and bouncy energy.

In the past few years, the 15-year-old has gained a great deal of experience with large scale art by painting area business windows for events and holidays, and accent walls and doors for homes and classrooms. It's a little ironic, but Lookeba-Sickles doesn't have an art class.

When Madilynn isn't painting, you will most likely find her on a basketball court. Madilynn plays travel league for 3T Training of Weatherford, and she is a member of the Lady Panthers basketball and softball teams at Lookeba-Sickles. Madilynn loves music, makeup, everything pink and her cat, Yoda.

Madilynn is the daughter of Rex and Terri Barger and has a younger sister, Maci.





## CKEC Offers Home Improvement Loan

### Improve the Efficiency of Your Home

**D**o you need to improve the efficiency of your home? CKEnergy Electric Cooperative offers loans to qualifying members for energy efficiency improvements, air-source heat pumps, geothermal heat pump systems at 100 percent of the cost of the project up to \$15,000. The current interest rate is 6%. By making these improvements, you can increase the energy efficiency of your home and lower your electric bill.

With CKEnergy Electric Cooperative's Home Improvement Loan Program, you don't have to put off upgrading the energy efficiency of your home any longer. CKEC's home improvement loans have many attractive features:

- Borrow as little as \$500 or as much as \$15,000.
- Term will not exceed eighty-four (84) months.
- Interest rate is 6%.
- There is no pre-payment penalty.
- Payments are included on monthly electric bill.

#### Other loan terms and features:

- Loans are secured with a mortgage on the real estate of which the equipment is installed, or improvements are made. Mortgages will be filed at the county courthouse.

- Depending on the financial condition of the applicant, additional security may be required in the form of cosigner or guarantor of the loan.

#### Application Procedure:

- Member may make application for the loan at CKEC's Binger location.
- Member will furnish the cooperative with a current financial statement and adequate credit references.
- CKEC will review member's payment history and financial statement.
- CKEC will obtain credit report from credit bureau when necessary.
- Member will provide a detailed written estimate signed by the contractor for proposed improvements.
- Member will be notified by letter of the approval status after application has been reviewed.
- Upon completion of approved work, a cooperative representative will inspect the work, submitted loan documents to member for signing and provide member with loan proceeds.
- The loan proceeds will be made payable in the name of both the Contractor and the member.

For more information on CKEC's Home Improvement Loan Program, contact Keith DeVaughan at 405-656-9115.





### Automotive

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.

86 Chevy 1 ton dully flatbed. 4 speed, V8 engine. \$1,000 405-352-4540

1954 T020 Ferguson. Rear tires new. Carb rebuild kit included. 2 new gauges. 3 pt. mower. \$1150. 580-530-0593.

1963 Ford F100 V8 4 speed. Needs work. Yukon, OK \$2,000. 580-302-0772.

### Farm/ Equipment

1953 factory propane John Deere Tractor. New tires, \$4,400. Worth of paint and new parts. \$5,500. Text 405-509-0566 for pics.

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

Champion Blower/Torque. 405-394-2444.

### Livestock/Pets

Better bulls. Add more profit with big,

# Swap 'N Shop

## For Sale or Trade

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

stout bulls with low birth weights that will sire calves with faster growth and more muscle. Kusel Limousin and Lim-flex. 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

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 inspections. 580-550-0545.  
C and K Trucking. 20 years experience. Hauling heavy equipment, dozers, excavators, loaders and tractors. 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. Built on site to meet your needs. Free estimates. 405-413-7590.

Custom apparel printing and embroidery for your personal or business needs. No orders too small. We can print one or more. Special rates for fundraisers and not for profit groups. [www.countrychickdesign.com](http://www.countrychickdesign.com)

Mobile welding. Welding and fabrication. Call Tony at 405-834-1128.

### Miscellaneous

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

C and K trucking heavy haul tractors, dozers, backhoes, trackhoes, loaders. 20 yrs. experience. 405-395-7758.  
Motorhome, Class A. 03' with cummins engine. Allison trans., three slides, 35. Great condition. Frnachi 12 auto,

**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](mailto: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		

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Will trade for a 20 auto. 580-383-7777.

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

Jeans and pants hemming and minor alterations. Taxes, 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.

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.

Recreational Trailer, 19 ft, 2004. Travel Cruiser. Good Condition. \$5,000. Call or text 580-773-8513.

Old gumball machine \$80. Student desk \$65. Old fan \$80. Old tricycle \$90. 48" round oak table and six chars \$600, matching hutch \$150. 405-256-0270.

Knitting machines and all accessories. Approximately 10 of them. \$1500 for all or best offer. 405-659-1171.

49 JFK Jr. "Geroge magazines" plus "Last will and testament of Jacqueline Kennedy. 405-797-2915.

Fire pits built out of propane tank ends. Built to last. 580-819-0695.

Heavy built fire pits. Can be built with or without removable grill. Made out of

propane tank ends. Prices range from \$200 to \$450. 580-819-0695.

6' BushHog, like new. Lumber: 3x12x16xLVLs. Kenmmore sewing mahcine. 1993 Lincoln Cont. Mark VII. 580-695-4589

Four 18 inch Mag wheels and Good Year Eagle tires. \$500 OBO. 405-439-7571.

Milbank generator 6750 starting watts. 5500 running watts .120/240 gasoline. \$500 firm, New. 405-609-0299.

\$100 Agreed Divorces. JNK Paralegal Service. www.jnk.paralegal.com JNKparalegal@aol.com 405-376-2206.

Goober House. Fresh peanuts of many varieties, pecans, and peanut brittle. Makes great Christmas gifts. 580-515-5821. www.Gooberhouse.com

## Real Estate

RE/MAX Gold Buckle Realty is offering a great property in Western Ok near Cheyenne. Croton Creek Guest Ranch - 80 acres, with event center, motel, guided hunts, 4 homes/cabins, horse barns, shooting range and more. 580-330-9090.

1700 Lakeview 3 bed, 2 bath. central heat air, wood stove. 580-747-3672.

Hunting, fishing and vacation cabin rental next to water at Ft. Cobb lake. 580-243-8697.

## Wanted-Notices

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

# Cheeseburger Soup

## Ingredients:

½ pound ground beef  
4 Tbs. butter, divided  
¾ cup chopped onion  
¾ cup shredded carrots  
¾ cup diced celery  
1 tsp. dried basil  
1 tsp. dried parsley flakes  
1 ¾ lbs. cubed peeled potatoes  
3 cups chicken broth  
¼ cup all-purpose flour  
2 to 4 cups shredded Velveeta  
1 ½ cups whole milk  
¾ tsp. salt  
¼ to ½ tsp. pepper  
¼ cup sour cream



## Directions:

1. In a large saucepan over medium heat, cook and crumble beef; drain and set aside. In same saucepan, melt 1 Tbs. butter over medium heat. Saute onion, carrots, celery, basil and parsley until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes. Add potatoes, ground beef and broth; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until potatoes are tender, 10-12 minutes.
2. Melt remaining butter in a small skillet. Add flour, cook and stir until bubbly, 3-5 minutes. Add to soup; bring to a boil. Cook and stir 2 minutes. Reduce heat to low. Stir in cheese, milk, salt and pepper; cook until cheese melts. Remove from heat; blend in sour cream.