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From our family to yours

Merry Christmas

*Wishing you joy and happiness this holiday season
and in the coming year.*

-The Board of Trustees and Employees of Cotton Electric Cooperative

Cooperative partners with Generac, members benefit

By Danielle Quickle

Cotton Electric prides itself on having an average of 99.96 percent system resiliency for its members. However, despite best efforts, outages are inevitable.

In 2018, 55 percent of the co-op's outages were caused by either animal- or weather-related incidents.

“At the end of the day, we can't always control outages,” said Heath Morgan, Cotton Electric's energy efficiency coordinator. “Most of the time it is out of our hands.”

It is part of the co-op's mission to provide the most reliable and innovative electric system to members. In an effort to achieve this mission, Cotton Electric is excited to announce its partnership with Generac.

Generac is a manufacturer of whole-home backup generators and has partnered with a number of cooperatives across the county to offer special pricing to co-op members.

Cotton Electric has worked with Generac-certified contractors to develop a base package designed to meet

the needs of the majority of the co-op's membership.

Available now to members, the base package includes a 22kW Generac generator, an automatic transfer switch, battery, concrete pad and up to 50 feet of combined gas and electrical line. All equipment, installation and an extended 7-year warranty will be available to members for a special price of \$7,900.

“In most cases, this program will save members over a thousand dollars and will extend their warranty by two years,” Morgan said.

To participate, members can call Cotton Electric at 580-875-3351 and ask to speak with Heath Morgan.

“When a member calls in, we will begin the process of scheduling an initial appointment,” Morgan said. “The homeowner, Generac's certified contractor and myself will work to pin down a date to meet at the member's home.”

This initial appointment allows Generac's certified contractor to look over the installation to make sure the base package will meet the needs of the member. If not, the contractor will then offer suggestions for the member and provide a quote.

“The base package is meant to meet the needs of most of our members,” Morgan said. “However, some logistics will come into play, such as if they don't want the generator too close to their home and we exceed that 50-foot combined line there will be some additional cost.”

This appointment also gives members an opportunity to ask any questions they may have about the product, installation, maintenance or financing. Generac will be offering financing to members with approved credit.

After the initial meeting, equipment is ordered and is handed over to one of two Generac certified contractors in Cotton Electric's territory to make the installation. Time of installation may be estimated at the initial appointment, but is dependent upon arrival of equipment and the work load of the contractor.

“We see value in this program for our members,” Morgan said. “It will provide resiliency to our system and give each member an opportunity to ensure, when there is an outage out of our control, they have backup power immediately ready.”

Beyond providing resiliency, the co-op's hope for this program is to provide safety to members and employees.

“If a generator is not properly installed on our system it can cause damage to equipment and pose a threat to our linemen and members if the generator is back feeding onto power lines uncontrolled,” Morgan said. “Ensuring the generators are installed properly will increase safety for our linemen as well as our members.”

To learn how to take advantage of this exclusive offer for Cotton Electric members, contact Heath Morgan by calling 580-875-3351.



INCLUDES:

- * 22kW Generac generator
- * Automatic transfer switch, battery and concrete pad
- * 50 feet of combined gas and electrical line
- * Installation by a Generac certified contractor
- * 7-year warranty

FOR ONLY \$7,900



Power Cost Adjustment Calculated

The power cost adjustment now being applied to bills mailed after Dec. 1, 2019, is (\$0.006) per kWh.

On a member's average bill of 1250 kilowatt hours (kWh), this will amount to a credit of \$7.50 on the December bill.

November 2019 Temperature Extremes

Day	High	Low	Avg.	Day	High	Low	Avg.
1	65	24	45	16	66	27	47
2	62	32	47	17	67	33	50
3	72	30	51	18	74	32	53
4	72	36	54	19	78	36	57
5	69	45	57	20	74	58	66
6	70	55	63	21	65	44	55
7	63	36	50	22	45	37	41
8	52	35	44	23	60	33	47
9	73	30	52	24	69	28	49
10	77	38	58	25	67	28	48
11	58	23	41	26	72	39	56
12	39	15	27	27	50	30	40
13	54	23	39	28	43	39	41
14	58	24	41	29	53	42	48
15	31	25	43	30	65	41	53

Source: srb.noaa.gov/oum/

Average Daily High: 63 Average Daily Low: 34

Did You Know?

Cotton Electric offices will be closed Dec. 24 and Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday. Emergency calls will be answered at 580-875-3351 or 800-522-3520.

The next issue of The Current should arrive in mailboxes on Jan. 21, 2020

Contact Us

Do you have a story idea for The Current or do you need to place an ad? If so, let us know.

We can be reached at 580-875-3351 or by email at info@cottonelectric.com.

You can also drop us a line at Cotton Electric Current, 226 N. Broadway, Walters, OK 73572.

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From the CEO

Members encourage, inspire cooperative

The holiday season is upon us. I love decorating for Christmas and recently converted our outdoor decorations to LED lights. The primary benefit is more energy-efficient lighting plus I could connect 22 strands of LED lights instead of being limited to only five or six with our incandescent lights. I may have channeled my inner “Clark Griswold” this year. Our friends and family definitely won’t miss the turn this year as they come to visit.



Jennifer Meason, CEO

Now that the decorations are done and most of the shopping is complete, I’ve taken some time to reflect on the past year and the many things for which I am grateful including my faith and family. I’m thankful for the employees and Trustees that I have the privilege of working with daily who are dedicated to making sure that Cotton Electric continues to

improve the quality of life for our members.

I’m also grateful for you, the members of Cotton Electric. My list of reasons could go on like a child’s Christmas wish list but I’d like to share a few with you.

Your support of Cotton Electric and the employees encourages us daily. You’re the reason we are here and we value your input. Many of you call, email, or reach out via social media throughout the year and we appreciate the time you take to contact us. As a member-owned co-op, we’re here to work for you and we will continue to be available whether you want to visit us in person or call us on the phone.

Your generosity is an inspiration. Through your contributions to Operation Round Up, we’ve made a significant impact in our communities. Because of your generosity, the Cotton Electric Charitable Foundation has awarded grants totaling over \$1.2 million since we began in 2004. You’ve helped our local schools, senior centers and volunteer fire



departments to name just a few. Many thanks for your continued participation.

Thank you again for all you do for your co-op and your communities. Southwest Oklahoma is my home by birth and continues to be my home of choice because of people like you.

From my family to yours, I wish you a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!

CECF fourth-quarter grants

Pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters – set enough of them aside on a regular basis, and the coins add up to dollars. That’s how Operation Round Up works.

Most Cotton Electric members participate in ORU, in which power bills are rounded up to the nearest dollar. The amount rounded up each month can be as little as 1 cent and is never more than 99 cents. On average, each participating member contributes about \$6 each year.

The funds are pooled and administered by the Cotton Electric Charitable Foundation, a board of directors that meets quarterly to consider grant applications. The board consists of Jennifer Meason, the co-op’s CEO; Ken Layn, president of the co-op’s board of trustees; and three representatives from the Cotton Electric service area: Danny Marlett, Carter Waid and Cindy Zelbst.

The board met in November to review several grant applications. Grants totaling \$17,149.46 will be distributed to 6 of the applicants. Fourth-quarter grants include:

- Big Pasture Education Foundation: A \$2,000 CECF grant will purchase two AEDs for the school’s campus.
- Center for Creative Living: A \$2,500 CECF grant will purchase a new stove hood vent.
- Chisholm Trail Kiwanis Club: A \$3,000 CECF grant will help purchase a



Download CECF grant applications at CottonElectric.com. Deadline for first-quarter 2020 grant applications is Feb. 11.

new train for Kiddie Land.

- Empire Public School: A \$5,000 CECF grant will help purchase STEM lab pods.

- Grandfield Senior Citizens Center: A \$2,995 CECF grant will purchase a new freezer for the facility.

- Oklahoma Family Network: A \$1,654.46 CECF grant will provide training for teachers at Walters and Temple public schools.

CECF has awarded or pledged grants totaling \$1,218,058.81 since the foundation was established in 2004.

Applications for 2020 first-quarter grants are due Feb. 11. Downloadable applications are available at CottonElectric.com.

The Current

2020 Publication Schedule

The Current will complete its 63rd year of publication in 2020. We look forward to serving the membership with stories, photos and the ever-popular classified ads.

Dates listed below are deadlines to reserve display advertising space, deadline to submit a classified ad and the day you should expect your copy of The Current to arrive in your mailbox.

January	February	March
Ad Sales Jan. 3	Ad Sales Jan. 31	Ad Sales Feb. 28
Classified Jan. 8	Classified Feb. 5	Classified Mar. 4
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April	May	June
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Classified Apr. 1	Classified Apr. 29	Classified June 3
Publish Date Apr. 13	Publish Date May 11	Publish Date June 15
July	August	September
Ad Sales June 26	Ad Sales July 24	Ad Sales Aug. 21
Classified July 1	Classified July 29	Classified Aug. 26
Publish Date July 13	Publish Date Aug. 10	Publish Date Sept. 8
October	November	December
Ad Sales Sept. 18	Ad Sales Oct. 23	Ad Sales Nov. 25
Classified Sept. 23	Classified Oct. 28	Classified Dec. 2
Publish Date Oct. 5	Publish Date Nov. 9	Publish Date Dec. 14



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Laundry Tip: Dry towels and heavier cottons separately from lighter clothing. You’ll spend less time drying the lighter-weight items.

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October 2019 Operating Stats

	2019	2018
Total Amount Billed/Accrued	\$4,888,439	\$4,928,245
Cost of Purchased Power	3,332,069	3,107,347
Taxes	93,039	98,632
Total Operating Expense Per Mile	946	895
Average Farm and Residential Bill	125	124
Average Farm and Residential kWh	1,088	964
Total Meters Billed (farm, residential)	18,478	18,407
Miles Energized	5,201	5,165
Density Per Mile	3.55	3.56
New Service Connects YTD	277	248
Services Retired	107	99



Mission Statement

Our mission is to be the leader in providing the most reliable and innovative electric system, with affordable rates, through the positive, enthusiastic and professional use of its resources and people.

Community Spotlight

If you would like your community event listed in the January issue, please submit information by Jan. 8 by calling 580-875-3351 or send an email to TheCurrent@CottonElectric.com.

Church presents Live Nativity

As part of Holiday in the Park, Central Baptist Church of Lawton presents the Live Nativity from 6 to 8 p.m. each night Dec. 21-23 at Elmer Thomas Park.

The Live Nativity is a presentation of the birth of Jesus Christ. Complete with authentic costumes, live animals and narration. This family-friendly event brings the Bible alive.

For more information, visit The Live Nativity page on Facebook.

Christmas dinner begins at 11 a.m.

Designed to offer a traditional meal and fellowship for those who might be alone or unable to cook, the 31st annual Christmas dinner will be served to any and all from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Christmas Day at Stephens County fairgrounds.

Carryout meals will also be available. Volunteers will deliver some meals. Carry outs and deliveries should be arranged in advance by calling 580-255-3231.

CTAC present TAKE3 Jan. 17

The Chisholm Trail Arts Council presents TAKE3 on Jan. 17 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Simmons Center Theater in Duncan.

With a flair for the wild and unexpected, the genre-defying trio brings the refinement of a rigorous classical music background and infuses it with rock-star charisma. Known for their infectious and down to earth onstage personalities, this threesome leaves their indelible mark on captivated crowds around the country performing their arrangements of top pop hits, Americana and classical favorites.

TAKE3 makes it their mission to impart their love, passion and joy in music making to all who hear them, using their artistic ability as conduit for storytelling.

For information or tickets call 580-252-4160 or go online to Chisholm-TrailArts.com.

CU screens 'Before Sunrise' Feb. 7

Magic Lantern Film Society of Cameron University screens DVD presentations of classic films each month in the CETES Conference Center, Room A. Most screenings begin at 7:30 p.m.

The Feb. 7 offering will be "Before Sunrise," a 1995 romance film directed by Richard Linklater. On his way to Vienna, American Jesse meets Celine, a student returning to Paris. After long conversations forge a surprising connection between them, Jesse convinces Celine to get off the train with him in Vienna. Since his flight to the U.S. departs the next morning and he has no money for lodging, they wander the city together, taking in the experiences of Vienna and each other. As the night progresses, their bond makes separating in the morning a difficult choice. With Ethan Wallace in the lead role, the cast includes Julie Delpy, Andrea Eckert and Erni Mangold.

There is no admission charge, but donations are accepted. For information about the society, or to see a schedule and synopsis of films, visit Cameron.edu/magiclantern.

DLT presents classic romance

Duncan Little Theatre presents "7 Brides for 7 Brothers" at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 28 and 29 and March 1, 6 and 7 at the Simmons Center in Duncan.

Based off the 1954 film set in the 1850s, Milly, a pretty young cook, mar-

ries Adam, a grizzled woodsman, after a brief courtship.

When the two return to Adam's farm, Milly is shocked to meet his six ill-mannered brothers, all of whom live in his cabin. She promptly begins teaching the brothers proper behavior, and most importantly, how to court a woman.

But after the brothers kidnap six local girls during a town barn-raising, a group of indignant villagers tries to track them down.

Tickets may be purchased at the door.

LCT kicks off 2020 season

Lawton Community Theatre presents "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" Feb. 28 – Mar. 8, at John Denney Playhouse, 1316 NW Bell Avenue. Performances will be at 8 p.m. except those on Sundays, which are at 2 p.m.

Fifteen-year-old Christopher has an extraordinary brain - he has never ventured alone beyond the end of his road. Seven minutes after midnight, and Christopher stands beside his neighbor's dead dog, Wellington, who has been speared with a garden fork.

Finding himself under suspicion, he is determined to solve the mystery of who murdered Wellington, and carefully records each fact of the crime. His detective work, forbidden by his father, takes him on a thrilling journey that upturns his world. The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time is a play by Simon Stephens and is based on the novel by Mark Haddon.

Visit LawtonCommunityTheatre.com for ticket information.

Market returns to winter hours

Lawton Farmers Market, an initiative of the Southwest Oklahoma Growers Association, returns for winter months in the Cameron University Animal Sciences building at the Agriculture Facility from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Saturday, running through the beginning of May 2020.

Shoppers will find a variety of choices at the winter market, including winter produce, sprouts, micro greens, meat, eggs, honey, nuts, and handmade and artisan items. The building is located on Southwest 38th Street and is south of Dr. Elsie Hamm Drive and the railroad crossing. Parking is available on the south side of the building.

For more information about the market or becoming a vendor at the market, visit LawtonFarmersMarket.com or send an email to lawtonfarmersmarket@yahoo.com.

Nutrition Center open weekdays

Marlow Nutrition Center is open to the public from 11 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday at Redbud park in Marlow. Nutritious meals are served on site or as carry-out, \$2 for guests 60 years old and older or \$5.85 for guests younger than 60 years. To place carry-out orders or for further details, contact Cheris at 580-658-5773.

Kids' activities in Central High

Central High presents Story Time from 10-10:30 a.m. every Wednesday while school is in session at the high school library.

Participants will read a story, sing songs and do an activity. Children who have not yet started school are welcome if accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

For more information, call 580-685-2929, Ext. 6.

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PHOTO OF THE MONTH



Five photos to capture five generations. Cotton Electric member Leigh Ann Womack submitted this creative photo that features her grandmother, Mary, all the way down to her granddaughter Kenadi. Each mother is holding a picture of her daughter.

Enter your "best shot" in our Photo of the Month contest. Theme for January is **Homemade Creations**. Entries can be emailed to TheCurrent@CottonElectric.com or mailed to The Current, 226 N. Broad-

Lodge hosts local fundraiser

The Masonic Lodge in Elgin is hosting a fundraiser at 5 p.m. March 7 at the Medicine Park Music Hall.

Funds raised will benefit local charitable endeavors such as local food banks, youth leadership and families in need. With the purchase of a \$40 ticket, guest

will receive a steak dinner with all the fixings, live entertainment from Southern Highway Band and the chance to participate both a silent and live auction.

For tickets and information, contact any Pilot Lodge member or call 580-591-2623.

High School Juniors: Win an all-expense paid "trip of a lifetime" to Washington D.C.

Oklahoma Youth Tour June 19-25, 2020

Check with your English teacher or counselor for details, or call us at 580-875-3351

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It's a year-end tradition at Cotton Electric to honor board members and employees for their years of service.



Jeff Simpson 40 years



Employee of the Year Josh Belcher

Josh Belcher was named 2019 Cotton Electric Employee of the Year this month.

As Meter Reader, Belcher's primary responsibility is maintaining the accuracy and operational quality of all single phase and three phase meter installations.

Cotton Electric members benefit from Belcher's dedication to his work. He started as a part-time helper with the co-op's Vegetation Management in June of 2006 but quickly joined full-time as the meter reader in August of that same year.

Belcher admits that his favorite part of the job is the people he works with. He enjoys discussing goals with his team and accomplishing those goals to make the co-op a little better each day for its members.

"The people I work with are hard-working individuals and great people in general. Many of them I would never compare myself to," Belcher said. "With that being said, I am extremely grateful to have been selected for this. I will strive to continue to be a dependable and helpful co-worker."



Ronnie Mansel 25 years



Scott Dennis 20 years



Kim Johnson 20 years



Stephanie Christman 20 years



Bobby Shortt 15 years



Zac Hoodenpyle 15 years



Ronnie Bohot 10 years



Tracy Lindsey 10 years



Dillon Wiygul 5 years

Employees recognized for accident-free service

Depending on who you're talking with, Cotton Electric Cooperative's main priority isn't about making something happen when a member flips a light switch. "Safety," said Jarrod Hooper. "Some may say it's keeping the lights on, but I say safety is job number one for everybody at the co-op."

As CEC's Safety and Loss Control Director, Hooper coordinates all safety policies, procedures and training. His focus on safety is echoed by CEO Jennifer Meason and supported by the cooperative's Board of Trustees. Providing electric service requires equipment ranging from computer keyboards to large digging augers. About 88 CEC employees carry out tasks as varied as

pushing reams of old documents into a paper shredder to riding a bucket 60 feet in the air to repair a high-voltage line.

Every piece of equipment and every task presents a potential accident, yet Cotton Electric employees have a pretty good safety record that extends over quite a bit of time.

That is an important accomplishment, so important that once a year the co-op recognizes employees whose safety records have passed five-year increments. In 2019, seventeen CEC employees achieved those five-year marks for a combined total of 200 years of accident-free service.

Employees recognized include Greg McComber, Glendel Cole, Quaid Ogletree, Larry Williams, Larry Crowell, Zach Smith, Michelle Taylor and Ryan Noland who have worked five years without a time-loss accident.

Karen Kaley, Cody Pennington, Justin King and Shelly Sehr have worked accident-free for 10 years, while Mike Ottinger has 15 safe years.

Scott Crew has a 20-year safety record and Terry Foster celebrates 25 safe years.

Finally, Stacy Abbe and Lisa Bowers were recognized for 30 accident-free years.

TO CLAIM A CAPITAL CREDIT CHECK, WE REQUIRE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TO VERIFY THE MEMBER'S IDENTITY.

- McPherson, JE
McQuilliam, Henry R
Meador, Lauletta J
Mecalf, Jack
Mejia, Rudy R
Meyers, Terry C
Michalak, Leah
Miksell, Bobbie A
Miller, Justin
Miller, Dennis E
Miller, Kevin P
Miller, Dan T
Miller, Brent
Miller, James
Mills, Kara
Mink, Randall J
Mitchell, Carl
Mitchell, Kara
Mitchell, Robbie
Monsey, Johnny O
Moore, Danielle
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Moore, G
Moore, Ronald L
Morales, Carlos
Morgan, Keith A
Morgan, Paige
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Morgan, Jonathan
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Morris, JD
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Mortensen, Kimberly
Mott, Danny
Mott, Rodney
Mowers, Arthur F
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Mullins, Rickey D
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Murray, Crystal M
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Nail, Charlie
Nalley, Pam J
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Neal, J
Neal, Christy L
Nelson, Kenneth E
Nettle, Linda A
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Newhouse, A
Niederjohn, Henry
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Nix, Anthony
Nix, Michelle L
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Nunley, Clayton
Nunn, Scott P
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Pier, Edward
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Scott, Ronnie
Scott, Dennis R
Scott, Nick R
Seabolt, Reggie V
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Sellers, Carolyn L
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Simpson, Don L
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Singletary, James R
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Skeen, David W
Slavin, Albert L
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Stanley, Dennis C
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Stephenson, Dana
Stevenson, Mary L
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Stewart, Sherry
Stimpson, Etha
Stineburg, William L
Stoker, Guy S
Stone, Cletis E
Story, Marie A
Stricklin, Joseph D
Strong, Kris
Strong, Cherokee N
Stuever, Joe P
Sullivan, K
Sullivan, Barney E
Sullivan, Linda M
Sullivan, Russell
Sullivan, Kenneth L
Summers, Thomas A
Sunday, Bobbie J
Suttles, Jessica L
Swafford, Paula K
Swalley, Jeffrey E
Swallow, JC
Sweetin, Hillary J
Swinson, Connor
Switzer, Richard D
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Taylor, Bob
Taylor, Bobby V
Taylor, Charles M
Taylor, Dewayne
Taylor, Vic L
Teel, Jessica F
Terrell, Cornelius
Teufel, John R
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Thomas, James
Thompson, Everett W
Thompson, Ronnie L
Thompson, Jr, Larry W
Thorp, Mary J
Tidmore, Louis A
Tilghman, Stephen E
Tilley, Sherry R
Tillman, Stephanie
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Titchaunerwe, Mona
Tivis, Sheri S
Tolison, Freda L
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Toppah, Carol
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four entrants win an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for a week in June.

Information packets with Youth Tour contest rules and regulations, entry forms, cooperative information and basic details of the contest have been distributed to area English and Ag teachers and counselors.

The registration deadline for entering is Jan. 6, 2020.

For information about Youth Tour, contact the Marketing departments at 580-875-3351 or by email at info@cottonelectric.com.

Community Spotlight

Senior center hosts weekly dances

Duncan Senior Citizens Center presents country and western dances from 7 to 9:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday. Tuesdays feature Bill Dewbre and Old Country. Buzz Carter and the Shadow Riders play every Saturday.

Admission is \$6 and includes free coffee and soft drinks. Donations are appreciated.

The center is at 1110 N. Seventh. For information, call the center at 580-255-6902.

Chapter of the Blind meets monthly

Duncan Chapter of the Blind meets at 1:30 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month at the Stephens County Historical Museum, 1402 W. Beech Ave.

This is an opportunity for those who are visually impaired or blind and their caregivers to learn about the availability of services and equipment such as white cane training and large lighted magnifiers. The group also provides information about free access to an extensive library of audio books.

For information about the group or to arrange free transportation to the monthly meeting, call 580-786-8041 or 736-8454.

Food pantry opens twice monthly

Walters Community Food Pantry is open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. The pantry is in the old City Hall, 131 1/2 W. California Street.

Pantry organizers try to provide a two-week supply of basic staples to anyone with identification.

For information, call Roger Noland at 580-591-6826.

Honor guard serves SW Oklahoma

Seeing a need in the area, several military veterans formed an honor guard in 2007 to provide services at funerals for all military veterans. The guard is made up of veterans from all branches of the armed forces and three veterans' organizations.

The uniformed guard furnishes a 21-gun salute, plays taps and folds a flag for presentation to the family. The guard travels anywhere in Stephens, Cotton, Coman-

che and Jefferson counties, and has made special trips into Grady and Carter counties.

There is no charge for the service, though donations are accepted.

For information about joining the guard or securing its services, call Kenneth Youngblood at 859-684-5128 or Clinton Swanson at 580-251-0629 or visit TheSCHG.com.

Monthly lecture at The Foreman Prairie House

Join the docents and volunteers at The Foreman Prairie House at noon every third Thursday of the month for lunch and lecture. Listen to artists, historians and craftsmen while enjoying a homemade artisan-style lunch.

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Cost is \$12 per person. Reservations are required and can be made by dialing or texting 580-512-9153.

SWOBA meets monthly

Southwest Oklahoma Beekeeper Association meets at 7 p.m. every second Thursday of the month at the Stephens County Fairgrounds.

The association strives to improve beekeepers and beekeeping methods for the local community and provide a beneficial resource to facilitate and augment the cultivation and conservation of wild and managed bee populations across the great state of Oklahoma.

More information can be found by visiting OkBees.org/SWOBA.

Blessings Boutique open monthly

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Brick Home on 2.0 Acres
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Improvements Include: A Nice 3 Bedroom Brick/Stucco Home (Approximately 1,845 Square Feet) a Large Den with a Nice Wood Burning Stove, Large Dining Room, Office with Storage Closet, Large Kitchen with Island and Nice Cabinets, Walk-in Pantry, Dinette and 1 3/4 Baths.

Improvements also include: The Home has an Attached Garage and a Large Covered Back Porch. A Detached Carport, a Large Sheet Metal Shop with a 9' Overhead Insulated Door and Concrete Floor with an Attached Breezeway. The Home also has a Lean To (24'x30'), Storm Shelter, a Storage Building (8'x14') and a Green House. All Situated on a Nice 2 Acre Parcel with Perimeter Fencing in a Great Location.

Directions: In Duncan, Oklahoma; Go 5 Miles West on Beech Avenue, then North on 74th Street, 1/8 of a Mile. The Real Property with Improvements is Situated on the West Side of 74th Street.

Broker's Note: This is a nice Home Place with a Shop and Improvements situated on 2 Acres. The Real Property is located Approximately 1 Mile East of the Territory Golf Course. This is a Great Location. Please see to Appreciate.

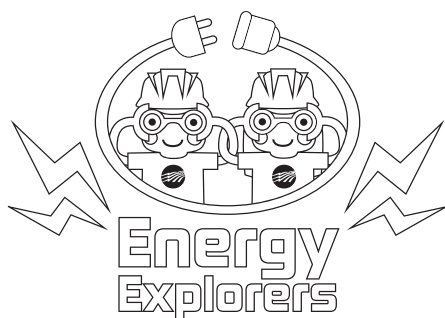
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- 5. W. African language
- 9. A way to open
- 11. A type of pigeon
- 13. Japanese warrior
- 15. Pelvic areas
- 16. No seats available
- 17. Not working
- 19. In a way, soaks
- 21. Growing outward
- 22. Ritzy local __ Air
- 23. Telegraphic signals
- 25. Metric units
- 26. Large win cask
- 27. Fiber from the husk of a coconut
- 29. Gets up
- 31. French river
- 33. Witnesses
- 34. They make great neighbors
- 36. The sun does it
- 38. Used to store ashes
- 39. First Chinese dynasty
- 41. Network of nerves
- 43. Word element meaning ear
- 44. Metric unit of length (Brit.)
- 46. Tributary of the Danube
- 48. Off-limits
- 52. Appeal earnestly
- 53. It's good to have them
- 54. Commercial flying company
- 56. Acted out in protest
- 57. Took to the sea
- 58. Cuckoos
- 59. Drove fast

DOWN

- 1. Trapped
- 2. About osmosis
- 3. Romanian monetary unit
- 4. Form of Persian
- 5. Cold wind
- 6. Leave out
- 7. Small vehicle
- 8. A little off
- 9. Soviet Union
- 10. A narrow path or road
- 11. Contrary beliefs
- 12. One who speaks Gaelic
- 14. Private school in New York
- 15. Jackson and Townshend are two
- 18. Soldier in an airborne unit
- 20. Taken illegally
- 24. Capital of Valais
- 26. Male reproductive organs
- 28. State capital
- 30. One with supernatural insight
- 32. Starts all over again
- 34. Jai alai arena
- 35. Star Wars antagonist
- 37. Freestanding structure
- 38. The ideal place
- 40. The extended location of something
- 42. Made level
- 43. Distinctive smell
- 45. Greek goddess of discord
- 47. Got older
- 49. Type of monkey
- 50. Travels to
- 51. Geological times
- 55. Edge

For Sale

**273253 Sunset Road
Lakeview Addition
Hastings, Oklahoma**

Real Property Consists of: A 1983 MANATEE Manufactured Home (Approximately 1,120 Square Feet) with 3 Bedrooms, Living Room/Kitchen/Dining Area Combination and 2 Full Baths. Interior of Home is very nice with a Free Standing Stove (Country Flame) in the Living Area.

Also Included with the Real Property: A 2007 JAYCO-JAY FLIGHT 31' Travel Trailer (Like New). The Travel Trailer is Covered with a Canopy. Interior of Home is really Nice and has One Slide and a Wooden Deck with a Scenic view of a Nice Pond. The Home has a Creek that runs through the Property.

Additional Improvements Include: A Detached Utility Room (8'x10') Very Nice. A Sheet Metal Shop with Concrete Floor and 110 Electricity with a Carport Canopy and Chicken Coop, Metal Storage Building / Bunk House with 2 Large Sliding Doors, Steel Bin with Concrete Floor and Horse Pens. All Situated in Block 1, Lot 23 and Lot 24 (Approximately 8 Acres) Fenced and Cross Fenced in the Lakeview Addition.

Directions: In the City of Comanche, Oklahoma from the Intersection of Highway 81 and Highway 53, Go West 9 Miles to 2730 Road, Go South 2 1/2 Miles to Hillcrest Drive, Go 1 Mile to Sunset Drive and Follow Sunset Drive to Home Site on East Side of Road.

Broker's Note: This Real Property has a Number of Improvements situated about 1/4 of a Mile from the Waurika Lake Shoreline. This is a Nice piece of Property. See to Appreciate! Please call Sales Associate, Becky Doyle at 580-251-0228 to schedule an Appointment.

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Stephens County cook-off winners announced

The 36th annual Stephens County Cook-Off was held the first Monday in November. Participants included many Cloverbuds and 4-H'ers who entered their best recipes. The young cooks prepared recipes to be judged on taste and appearance.

Awards were presented to the top three in each category. First-place winners received a monogrammed apron, and second- and third-place winners received

kitchen items. Cloverbud participants received a certificate and kitchen spatula. 4-H members submitted recipes in 15 categories and the top eight were chosen for the final competition. Cloverbuds brought one of their favorite recipes to the final competition. Awards were sponsored by Stephens County Farm Bureau Women.

A few of the winners are featured here, as well as on Page 9.



Chocolate Caramel Pretzel Bars

Rebecca Taylor - Bray-Doyle

- 12 oz semi sweet chocolate chips
- 8 oz mini pretzel twists
- 11 oz bag of Kraft Caramels
- Sea Salt for sprinkling

Line a large, rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper. Melt 8 oz of the chocolate chips gently in the microwave (on low heat, stirring every 15 seconds) until smooth.

Spread Chocolate evenly over the parchment. Immediately add the pretzels

over the top and gently press them into the chocolate.

Add caramel bits to a microwave safe bowl with 2 Tbsp water and melt according to package directions (high for 2 minutes).

Stir well and drizzle the melted caramel over the top of the pretzels. Melt remaining 4 oz of chocolate and drizzle over caramel.

Sprinkle with sea salt. Refrigerate until hardened. 15 servings.



Warm Gumbo Dip

Hannah Riley - Stephens County Teenleaders

- 4 Tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 cup chopped assorted bell peppers
- 3/4 cup sliced okra pods
- 2 ribs celery, diced
- 6 green onions, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 teaspoons Cajun/Creole seasoning
- 1 1/2 lbs. large shrimp, peeled, deveined and chopped
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- Toasted baguette slices, for serving

Preheat the oven to 400° F. Melt the butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.

Add the bell pepper, okra, and celery to the pan and sauté until beginning to soften, about 6 minutes.

Stir in the green onions, garlic, and Cajun seasoning. Cook 1 minute more, just until fragrant.

Stir in the shrimp, cream cheese, and Parmesan. Stir over low heat until the cream cheese is melted and everything is evenly mixed. Spoon the mixture into a baking dish.

Bake for 25-30 minutes or until the top is browned and bubbling. Serve warm with toasted baguette slices. Serves 8.



Tasty Tomato Pie

Ayden Hinds - Comanche/Teen leaders

Crust:

- 1/2 Cup (1 Stick) butter, softened
- 3 Tbsp. Sugar
- 1 Cup Flour

Filling:

- 5 Roma tomatoes, peeled and sliced
- 10 fresh basil leaves, chopped
- 1/2 cup Green onion, chopped
- 1 Cup Shredded Mozzarella Cheese
- 1 Cup Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- 3/4 Cup mayonnaise
- 2 Tbsp fresh grated Parmesan Cheese
- Salt and Pepper

Crust: Mix butter, sugar and flour together. Knead well. Roll out and place in 9 inch pie plate.

Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes.

Filling: Peel and slice tomatoes. Place tomatoes in a colander in the sink in a single layer. Sprinkle with salt and allow them to rest for 10 minutes.

Next, use a paper towel and pat-dry the tomatoes and make sure most of the excess juice is out. Layer the tomato slices, basil and onion in your already baked pie shell. Season with salt and pepper.

Now, you will combine the grated cheeses and mayonnaise together. Spread cheese mixture on top of the tomatoes and then sprinkle parmesan cheese on top. Bake for 30 minutes or until lightly browned.

Allow to rest for 15 minutes or more before cutting and serving. Serves 8-10.

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Creamy Dreamy Pumpkin Pie

Treasure Gibbs - Teen Leaders

Crust:
 1 1/4 cups (18 squares) graham cracker crumbs
 3 Tbs sugar
 1/2 tsp cinnamon
 1/4 tsp nutmeg
 1/8 tsp cloves
 1/3 cup butter or margarine, melted

bine all crust ingredients; stir until blended. Reserve 2 tablespoons of crust mixture for topping. Press remaining crust mixture in bottom and up sides of 9-inch pie pan. Bake at 350 degrees F. For 6 minutes. Cool.

Filling:
 1 (16 oz.) can vanilla frosting
 1 cup dairy sour cream
 1 cup canned pumpkin
 1 tsp cinnamon

In large bowl, combine all filling ingredients except Cool Whip; beat 2 minutes at medium speed. Fold in 1 cup of the Cool Whip; pour into prepared crust. Refrigerate until set.

1/2 tsp ginger
 1/4 tsp cloves
 1 (8 oz.) container Cool Whip, thawed

Spread remaining Cool Whip over filling; sprinkle with reserved crust mixture. Refrigerate at least 4 hours or until serving time. Serves 8.

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. In small bowl, com-



Tailgating Favorite Smoked Bologna

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5-pound log bologna (I prefer Boar's Head beef bologna.)
 1 lb Favorite hard Cheese cut into cubes
 1 pound bacon
 Cracked black pepper
 Yellow mustard

Preheat your smoker to 225 degrees F. I like a good hickory or apple wood for smoke.

Core the center out of the bologna and stuff with cube cheese

Using the tip of a sharp knife, score the

bologna about 1/8th of an inch thick in a diamond pattern on all sides of the bologna.

Slather the bologna chub with the yellow mustard

Wrap with bacon in a weave pattern.

Smoke with the lid closed for at least 3 hours, but up to 4 hours. Bologna is pre-cooked, so you're just going to the amount of color and smoke flavor on the outside of your bologna that you like.

Slice and enjoy. Serve with crackers, make sliders, or eat alone. Serves 10+.

Fruit adds different flavors

Fruit for dessert can be elegant, nutritious and delicious. During the season of sugary treats, consider changing up your dessert routine by using seasonal fresh fruits and dried fruits as the last course. You will experience different flavors and fuel your body with nutrients it can benefit from.

Baking, grilling, sautéing and broiling accentuate the natural sweetness of fruit, decreasing the need for added sugar. Cooking does alter some vitamin and mineral levels, but other nutrients, like polyphenols, are unaffected or enhanced. Switching apple pie for baked apples with cinnamon adds a significant amount of fiber with less added sugar, calories and fat.

Baked apples are not the only fruit-forward dessert option. Pears can be poached or roasted and stuffed with nuts and dried fruit. Stone fruit can be grilled or baked and drizzled with sauce. Figs can be slathered with goat cheese. Dates can be wrapped with bacon.

You can also keep it simple with seasonal fresh fruits mixed together and served with low fat yogurt or chocolate. Go for dark chocolate with a high cocoa content to get a double dose of nutrients that promote health.

Some fruits are better to cook with than others. It is best to consult several recipes before going to the store to choose a type of fruit. For example, Red Delicious apples are good for sauces, but



Kim Bandelier, MPH, RD, LD

Food For THOUGHT

Granny Smith, Jonagold, or Honeycrisp are better for baking due to flavor and texture.

Bosc and Anjou pears are best for cooking because they maintain their shape.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommended adult women age 51 or older get 1.5 cups of fruit and adult men age 50 or older get 2 cups of fruit per day. Are you meeting those recommendations?

Fruit pies and fruit cakes don't count, but dessert with fruit as the main ingredient and limited added fat and sugar can certainly count toward your daily goal.

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- 318 Nth G 2 bed, 1 1/2 bath home that is completely remodeled. New tile, new kitchen counters. Has cellar & workshop, garage w/opener & carport. \$65,380 UNDER CONTRACT!
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Jefferson County Listings

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- 6699 E 1950 Rd 3 or 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick home sitting on one acre. Home is remodeled with new tile and granite kitchen counter tops. Beautiful sunroom. Deck with hot tub. Loading shed.
- 1310 Nth Meridian 2 bedroom, 1 bath cozy home. Hardwood floors, completely updated with a great open floor plan. UNDER CONTRACT!

JOB OPENINGS AT EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

The Emergency Communications District Board is accepting applications for the following positions. Applications may be picked up at 129 East Colorado, Walters, OK and returned with resume to PO Box 485, Walters, OK 73572 or by email to cc911trust@gmail.com closing date 12/31/2019

COMMUNICATIONS ADMINISTRATOR, E911
 Responsible for the overall management and administration of the E911 Center, which provides emergency and non-emergency communication services for the Police and Fire Department as well as other public safety agencies. Performs a full range of call taking and dispatching responsibilities, operates complex communications equipment including radio console, multi-line telephone system, and computer terminals to access information to dispatch police, fire, and other city assets. Other duties as assigned. Position open until December 31, 2019.

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATOR
 Performs a full range of call taking and dispatching responsibilities, operates complex communications equipment including radio console, multi-line telephone system, and computer terminals to access information to dispatch police, fire, and other city assets. Other duties as assigned. Positions open until December 31, 2019.

Cost of space heater operation adds up

As outdoor temperatures continue to fall, many of our electric bills are on the rise. This increased use of energy is typically due to a higher heating load for your home. As outside temperatures get colder, energy required to maintain the same indoor temperature increases. During many high usage calls, we determine that electric space heaters are responsible for unusually high energy use. Normally, a heating system will account for about half of electrical use in the home, but as space heaters are added to the equation, that number can grow substantially.



Heath Morgan,
Energy Efficiency
Coordinator

I've found a lot of misleading information on the true effect these heaters have on electric bills. Manufacturers claim that using one of their space heaters will lower your bill; this is true only if you eliminate a larger source of heat and electrical consumption. In other words, if you turn off a central unit used to heat your whole home, and replace it with a space heater to heat only one room in your home, you may be able to lower your consumption.

However, if you operate a space heater in combination with a larger central unit, you are liable to increase your bill by a significant amount. In some cases, these heaters may be a necessity, or may actually help to reduce a member's bill if they are utilized properly. Knowing how to calculate the cost of operation, and having a basic understanding of the different types of heaters can help alleviate an unanticipated high bill this winter.

Electric space heaters are pretty simple devices, they convert input electrical energy into heat. While there are a number of different types of electric space heaters, you need to know that they all look the same to your electric meter.

Government standards limit the output of portable space heaters to 1,500 watts, which is the electrical measurement for power and the basis for how you are billed for electrical usage. Browsing the aisles of your local home improvement store, you will find prices ranging from under \$20 up to \$300 for these space heaters. While the price range varies, the electrical consumption does not. Pricing variance is normally based on the different types of heating elements and features.

Regardless of the price point, the consumption of almost every available heater is the same 1,500 watts. Some models do offer high and low settings for heating. Normally the high setting is 1,500 watts and the low is around 900 watts. Other features that may be beneficial to members are thermostatic control or a built in timer that will help to limit the operating time of the heater.

To explain how this consumption affects an electric bill, we will have to do a little bit of math. Members are billed

for electrical use based on the number of kilowatts-hours (kWh) used each day or month depending on the type of billing. The simple formula to calculate the consumption of any appliance is the wattage of the appliance divided by 1,000 equals kilowatts consumed per hour of operation.

Take this number and multiply that by the number of hours per day that the appliance operates. This will give a total number of kilowatts consumed by the appliance in a single day for daily or prepaid billing. Simply multiply that number by the days in the month for a monthly total. Then multiply your daily or monthly total by the price per kilowatt-hour to give you an approximate cost to operate that appliance. As an example, we will use a single 1,500-watt space heater that is turned on after work to heat a room throughout the night.

We will assume that the heater will operate from around 5 p.m. until 8 a.m. the following morning. Convert wattage to kilowatts per hour: 1,500 watts/1,000= 1.5 kilowatts/hour. Now calculate kilowatts per day: 1.5 kW/hr x 15 hours= 22.5 kilowatt hours per day, and then total kilowatts for the month 22.5 x 31 days= 675 kilowatts. With the normal cost per kilowatt being between \$0.08 and \$0.09, I like to calculate at \$0.09 to be safe.

Taking the estimated kilowatts per month of 675 multiplied by \$0.09 per kilowatt-hour, you get a total cost of \$60.75 to operate a single space heater. For prepaid accounts, this equals almost two dollars per day to operate. This is a rough calculation, but you can see how quickly and drastically running multiple space heaters can affect a bill.

I see many times that these heaters are being used for primary heating of a home to avoid the cost of repairs to a central heating system. Now that you have an idea of what these will cost to operate each month, it may help determine money that could be saved by spending the money to have a heating system repaired.

If you determine that there is a need for an electric space heater, you'll need to understand the different options available when shopping for one.

Heaters normally fall into one of three categories: Fan-forced, convection or radiant. A fan forced heater is a heater that works by using a fan to pass air over a heating element. This heats up the air, which then leaves the heater, warming up the surrounding room. They can provide rapid heating of a room; however, they can be noisy. By directly heating the air, elements such as humidity levels and air quality can be affected.

Convection heaters are very similar in operation to fan-forced models, minus the fan. These heaters utilize natural air currents to circulate the heat through the appliance and room. Some convection heaters incorporate a heat transfer liquid, such as oil, that is heated by the electric element. The benefit of these heaters is that the liquid acts as a type of heat storage, meaning the heater can



Fan-forced space heater



Radiant space heater



Convection space heater

cycle on less and provide a more constant source of heat.

Finally, radiant heaters use electrical energy to create heat within a conductive material. Radiant heaters warm objects rather than air, meaning they have no effect on humidity levels or air quality. Radiant heat is a unique transfer of energy that naturally searches out colder objects to heat. The limitation to radiant heaters is they only heat objects in their line of sight.

There are no organizations or agencies that test the performance of all space heaters. There are some websites that will list some product specifications, such as

BTUs produced by each heater, but these numbers are based on manufacturer testing and have not been verified by a third party.

We want to remind members of the safety concerns involved with the operation of space heaters. All safety and operations guidelines from the manufacturer should be followed.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to schedule a free in-home evaluation to determine where your money can best be spent to help lower energy bills, please contact me at 580-875-3351.

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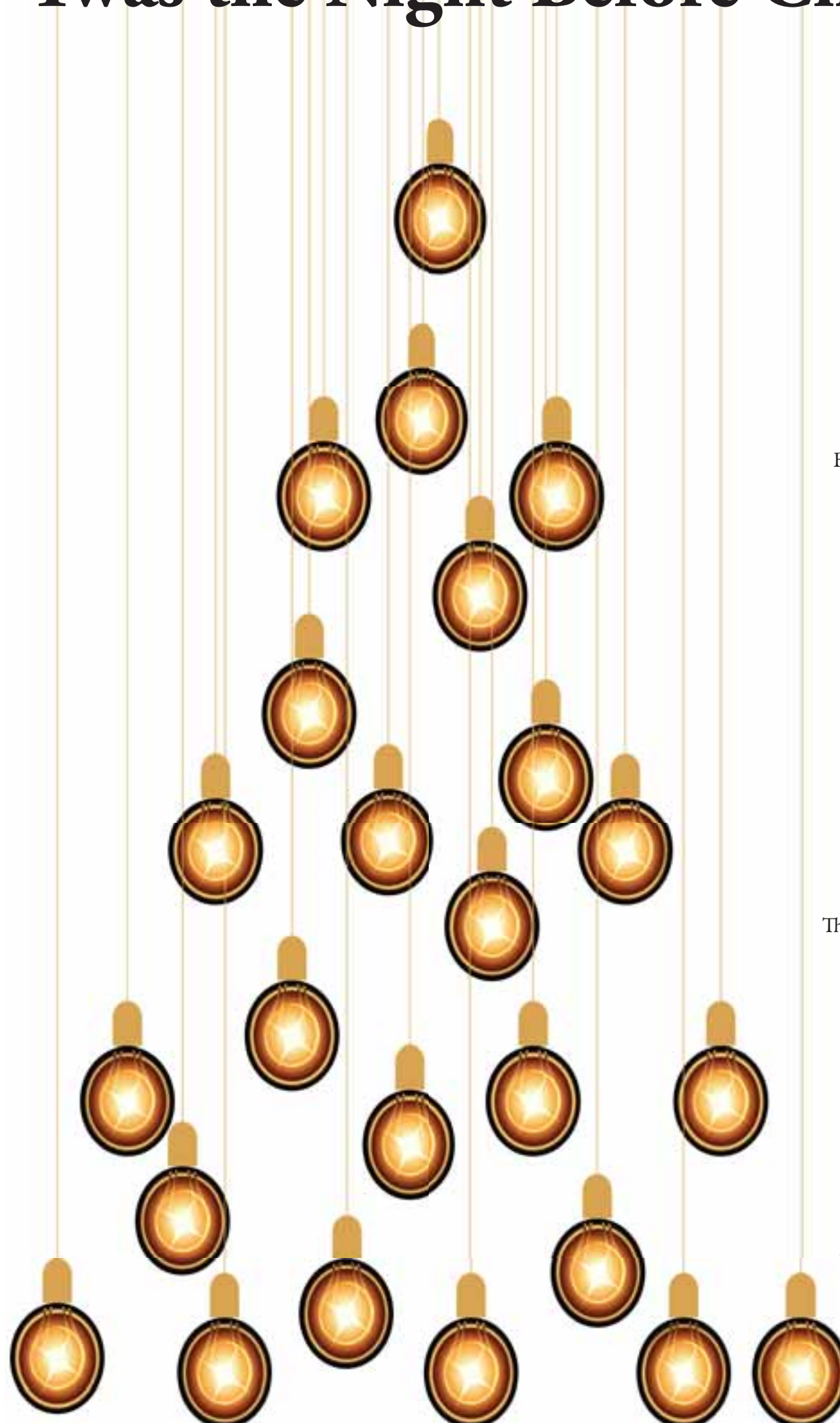
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'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the state,
 Not a creature was stirring, there was nothing to debate.
 The rights of way had been cleared by the men with care,
 Just in case a big ice storm like 2010 should appear.
 The cooperative members were nestled in their beds,
 While visions of capital credit checks danced in their heads.

When out of the sky there arose such a clatter,
 I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter.
 Away to the window I flew like a flash,
 Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
 The moon brightly shining on the new fallen snow,
 Gave the luster of mid-day to the objects below.
 I reached for the light switch and gave it a turn,
 The power was out, I quickly did learn.
 When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
 But four bucket trucks with eight strapping men and their gear.

With two charismatic supervisors, so lively and quick,
 I knew in a moment it must be Saint Chad and Saint Clint.
 More rapid than eagles their linemen they came,
 And they whistled and shouted and called them by name:
 "Now Braylin! Now Evan! Now Terry and Ronnie!
 Now Kyle! Now Matt! Now Larry and Bobby!"
 To the top of the pole, to the break in the line,
 Now climb away, splice away, fix it in time!
 As dry leaves that before the wild storm fly,
 When they meet with an obstacle, they raise to the sky.
 So up to the pole-top the linemen they flew,
 With the truck full of wire, and their supervisors, too.
 And then, in a twinkling, I heard on the lines,
 The banging and work and the trimming of pines.
 As I drew in my head and was turning around,
 Up the pole they went with a bound.
 They were dressed in protective gear, from their head to their toes,

And their hard work was evident by the dirt on their clothes.
 A bundle of equipment was hooked on a belt.
 And the ice on the power lines just started to melt.
 Their eyes – how they twinkled – their dimples how merry!
 Their cheeks were like roses, Their nose like a cherry!
 Their mouths were a think line, drawn with determination,
 They were certain they could fix the situation.
 A line splice and fuse link held tight in their hands,
 Knowing they would again light up the land.
 They had bright smiles and a great attitude,
 The members would soon be filled with gratitude.
 With good training and preparation, they were confident and strong,

The power to homes would be restored before long.
 With a wink of their eyes and a twist of their heads,
 They soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
 They spoke not a word, but went straight to work,
 Fixed the situation, then turned with a jerk.
 They brought down the bucket, the crew gave a shout,
 And away they all drove to the next open cut-out.
 But I heard them exclaim as they drove out of sight,
 "Happy Christmas to all, and to all ... you now have light!"

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Your monthly Cotton Electric bill includes a lot of information. On the next page is an explanation of some of the numbers and terms.

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TOTAL AMOUNT DUE											190.00

11 STATEMENT DATE 12/15/2018 12 MEMBER # 00000 13 CYCLE 3

THIS BILL INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS

ACCT	Amount
0000000001	190.00

4 Invoice: 0000

Please check box if address below is incorrect, and indicate change(s).

Member #: 0000 Invoice: 0000
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Understanding your electric bill

1. PCA Factor

Cotton Electric Cooperative purchases power from Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC). The power comes from a blend of fuel sources such as hydro, coal, natural gas, wind and solar. The cost of each source fluctuates each month and Cotton Electric applies a power cost adjustment (PCA) to member bills to reflect the fluctuation. The PCA has been a credit for eight out of the 12 months from January through December 2019.

2. Invoice Number

Bills showing charges for more than one meter will have an invoice number. In addition to simplifying bookkeeping, it saves on the cost of printing and postage for a separate bill for each meter.

3. Bill Code

In most cases, this will be an R for a regular bill.

4. Account Number

This is a unique number assigned to every meter Cotton serves. The number is derived from where the meter is located on the service territory grid. It appears at the top of the bill and below the perforation so both parts will show the number or numbers when they are separated.

5. Legal Description

This is a commonly used locating number. It is not as precise as the Cotton Electric grid numbering system.

6. Description

There may be only one line here for a meter's energy charge, which consists of the customer charge, usage charge, PCA and some taxes. Charges for a security

Billing cycles tied to fixed dates

Cotton Electric Cooperative uses "Cycle Billing" with billing based on meter readings obtained by the cooperative's automated meter reading system and from meter reader personnel.

Cycle billing means that meter readings and billing occur on specific cycles. Instead of mailing bills to all members on the last day of the month, bills are mailed in two groups. Billing, bank draft and penalty dates are all tied to fixed dates within each month.

CYCLE ONE has black lettering. Bills are mailed the **5TH DAY** of each month. Bank drafts are made on the 15th day of the month. Penalties will be assessed on bills paid after the 20th

day of the month.

CYCLE THREE has some red lettering. Bills are mailed the **15TH DAY** of each month. Bank drafts are made on the 25th day of the month. Penalties will be assessed on bills paid after the first day of the following month.

The calendar sometimes results in additional days of usage to be included in the meter reading and billing period. Your bill indicates the approximate number of days for which you are being billed.

The date on which payment is due is also indicated. Returning your payment on time will help you avoid unnecessary penalty charges.

light may be listed here. Participants in Operation Round Up can see how much the bill is rounded up to the nearest dollar, an amount that will never be more than 99 cents in any month.

7. Service Dates & Number of Days

The number of days in a billing period will vary, usually because of the number of days in a calendar month.

8. Pay By Phone

Electronic check or credit/debit card payments can be made at any time via this phone number. Listen carefully and follow the prompts.

9. Kiosk Bar Code

This bar code is unique to each member account. It will automatically pull

up the account when exposed to the bar code reader of a payment kiosk at the Cotton Electric office at 1101 W. Oak in Duncan. Cash or credit/debit card payments can be made at any time at this outside kiosk.

10. Peak Time

Energy consumption peaks between 3 and 7 p.m. in the summer months. Conserving energy during those hours will help control your power bill.

11. Statement Date

This will be either the 5th or the 15th of the month. Your billing cycle determines which day of the month your statement will be issued.

12. Member Number

This a second unique number assigned to each membership. An individual

member may have many meters that fall under the member number. However, each membership counts as one in matters such as voting at district and annual meetings – one membership, one vote.

13. Cycle

Cycle 1 statements are in the mail on the 5th of each month and payment is delinquent after the 20th. Cycle 3 statements are in the mail on the 15th and payment is delinquent after the first day of the following month.

14. Perforation

When paying by mail, please tear off the bottom portion of your bill and return it with your payment. When paying in person, please bring the entire bill with you

15. Total Due Now

All bills are due upon receipt. It is each member's responsibility to pay his or her power bill in a timely fashion.

16. Delinquent On & Amount Will Be

Cycle 1 bills are considered delinquent after the 20th day of the month; Cycle 3 bills are considered delinquent after the first day of the following month. A 3% late penalty is assessed after the delinquent date.

17. Color

Some bills will have some red text in the bottom portion of the bill. There may be a red screen in the heading across the top of the grid showing the account information and charges. Red indicates a Cycle 3 bill. A bill with only black lettering and grey screens is a Cycle 1 bill.

2020 Electrical Rates

General Service Monthly Rate
Customer Charge:
 Single-Phase Service \$30.00 per month
 Three-Phase Service \$35.00 per month
Energy Charges:
 All kWh \$0.08950 per kWh
 The rate includes 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power in our base charge for electricity. Any amount above or below 6.25 cents will be computed in the Power Cost Adjustment.
Available To:
 Available to general service customers for farm, home and residential use subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Type of Service:
 Single-phase, at available secondary voltage or three-phase at the discretion of the Cooperative.
Minimum Charges:
 (1) A charge of \$30.00 per month for single-phase service and \$35.00 per month for three-phase service; or
 (2) Compliance with Operational Policy 556, if applicable, of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
 (3) A charge of \$30.00 per month for single-phase service and \$35.00 per month for three-phase service, plus a charge of \$1.00 per kVA of transformer capacity in excess of ten (10) kVA.
Adjustments:
 The above rates do not include power cost adjustments, gross receipts tax, city tax and franchise taxes where applicable.
Service Reconnection:
 When a reconnection of service is made for a Member at the same location within a 12-month period after the date the service was disconnected at the Member's request, a charge equal to the sum of the minimum monthly bills determined for the months that service was disconnected will be billed to the customer and must be paid, in addition to the charges for connection in compliance with Operational Policy 553 of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
General Service HD Monthly Rate
Customer Charge:
 Single-Phase Service \$25.00 per month
 Three-Phase Service \$30.00 per month
Energy Charges:
 All kWh \$0.07690 per kWh
 The rate includes 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power in our base charge for electricity. Any amount above or below 6.25 cents will be computed in the Power Cost Adjustment.
Available To:
 Available to residential consumers in franchised municipal areas with a line density of 11 customers per mile or greater, subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Type of Service:
 Single-phase, at available secondary voltage or three-phase at the discretion of the Cooperative.
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Commercial Service Monthly Rate
Customer Charge:
 Single-Phase Service \$40.00 per month
 Three-Phase Service \$45.00 per month
Energy Charges:
 All kWh \$0.08620 per kWh
 The rate includes 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power in the base charge for electricity. Any amount above or below 6.25 cents will be computed in the Power Cost Adjustment.
Available To:
 Available for commercial and industrial consumers up to fifty (50) kVA of transformer capacity, subject to the rules and regulations of the Cooperative. Available for commercial and industrial consumers to one hundred fifty (150) kVA of transformer capacity at the discretion of the Cooperative. Service under this rate is not available wherein transformer capacity requirements exceed one hundred fifty (150) kVA. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Type of Service:
 Single-phase or three-phase at available secondary voltages.
Minimum Charges:
 (1) A charge of \$40.00 per month for single-phase and \$45.00 per month for three-phase service plus a charge of \$1.00 per kVA of transformer capacity in excess of ten (10) kVA; or
 (2) Compliance with Operational Policy 556, if applicable, of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Adjustments:
 The above rates do not include power cost adjustments, gross receipts tax, city tax and franchise taxes where applicable.
Commercial Service HD Monthly Rate
Customer Charge:
 Single-Phase Service \$35.00 per month
 Three-Phase Service \$40.00 per month
Energy Charges:
 All kWh \$0.07940 per kWh
 The rate includes 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power in our base charge for electricity. Any amount above or below 6.25 cents will be computed in the Power Cost Adjustment.
Available To:
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capacity at the discretion of the Cooperative. Service under this rate is not available wherein transformer capacity requirements exceed one hundred fifty (150) kVA. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Type of Service:
 Single-phase or three phase, at available secondary voltages.
Minimum Charges:
 (1) A charge of \$35.00 per month for single-phase service and \$40.00 per month for three-phase service plus a charge of \$1.00 per kVA for transformer capacity in excess of ten (10) kVA; or
 (2) Compliance with Operational Policy 556, if applicable, of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Irrigation Rate Monthly Rate
Customer Charge \$32.50 per month
Energy Charge \$0.06650 per kWh
Horsepower Charge \$2.70 per horsepower of connected load per month
Available To:
 Available to Members for pump irrigation service subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative. Service under this rate shall be under the standard Cooperative contract. Motors shall be ten (10) horsepower or greater. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Type of Service:
 Single-phase or three-phase, at available secondary voltages.
Minimum Charges:
 (1) \$32.50 plus a charge of \$2.70 per horsepower of connected load per year; or
 (2) Compliance with Operational Policy 556, if applicable, of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Service Reconnection:
 When a reconnection of service is made for a Member at the same location within a twelve-month period after the date the service was disconnected at the Member's request, a charge equal to the sum of the minimum monthly bills determined for the months that service was disconnected will be billed to the customer and must be paid, in addition to the charges for connection in compliance with Operational Policy 553 of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Interruptible Irrigation Monthly Rate
Customer Charge \$32.50 per month
Energy Charge \$0.06650 per kWh
Horsepower Charge \$2.70 per horsepower of connected load per month
 The Interruptible Irrigation Rate includes 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power in the basic charge for electricity. Any amount above or below 6.25 cents will be computed in the Power Cost Adjustment.
Available To:
 Available to Members for pump irrigation service subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative. Service under this rate shall be metered with "Time-of-Day" metering or shall have "load interrupting" devices installed on the service. Electric power and energy usage under this rate is prohibited from June 20 through Sept. 9, between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Each year, Members will be given credit for horsepower charges, applied toward but not to exceed energy charges, if no power was used during the prohibited time period. No resale, standby or auxiliary service permitted.
Minimum Charges:
 (1) \$32.50 plus a charge of \$2.70 per horsepower of

connected load per year; or
 (2) Compliance with Operational Policy 556, if applicable, of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Service Reconnection:
 When a reconnection of service is made for a Member at the same location within a twelve-month period after the date the service was disconnected at the Member's request, a charge equal to the sum of the minimum monthly bills determined for the months that service was disconnected will be billed to the customer and must be paid, in addition to the charges for connection in compliance with Operational Policy 553 of the Terms and Conditions of Service.
Large Power Rate
 Large Power Rates are available for large industrial loads with a transformer capacity of more than 50 kVA. For details about LP Rates, contact the cooperative at 580-875-3351. Special rates also are available for Cotton Gins.
Outdoor Lighting Monthly Rate
 (1) Where an approved Outdoor Light is installed on an existing pole; and (a) where the Outdoor Light is installed on the Cooperative's side of the meter, the monthly charge per light shall be \$8.81 for 175-Watt Mercury Vapor, 100-Watt High Pressure Sodium or LED; and \$20.87 for 400-Watt Metal Halide; or (b) where the Outdoor Light is installed on the consumer's side of the meter, the monthly charge per light shall be \$2.60 for 175-Watt Mercury Vapor; \$3.12 for 100-Watt High Pressure Sodium or LED; and \$5.98 for 400-Watt Metal Halide.
 (2) Should the Member desire a location other than an existing pole, the cost of installation shall be determined by figuring the total cost of labor, materials installed, plus digging and hauling charges, and will be incurred by the consumer. The wire, pole and material will become the property of the consumer.
Available To:
 Available to all Members of the Cooperative for illumination of outdoor areas at any point on the distribution or service lines, subject to the established rules and regulations of the Cooperative.
Vandalism:
 In the event the Outdoor Light is damaged by vandalism, such as gun shots, rocks, or any other type of vandalism, the Member shall be responsible for the cost of repairing the Outdoor Light.
Power Cost Adjustment:
 Due to fluctuations in the cost of fuel for generating wholesale power, it is impossible to buy electricity at the same cost per kWh each month. The base rates include 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power cost. Any variation above or below 6.25 cents per kWh of wholesale power cost may be computed as Power Cost Adjustment. The actual PCA factor is indicated on each power bill and is reported in your monthly Cotton Electric Current. Occasionally, when hydro or other low cost generating power is available, a credit is shown on your bill.
 This adjustment shall be based on 70 kWh per month per 175-Watt Mercury Vapor Light, 40 kWh per month per 100-Watt High Pressure Sodium Light or 160 kWh per month per 400-Watt Metal Halide, applicable to Rate (1), Plan (a).
Adjustments:
 The listed rates do not include power cost adjustments, gross receipts tax and franchise taxes where applicable.
Cotton Electric is required to collect a 2% state gross receipts tax on all power bills.