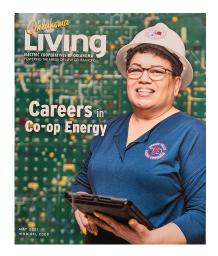


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# COVER GIRL

# **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Prague High School Juniors Leslie Clark and Cooper Smith! They are the 2021 winners of CVEC's Youth Tour competition.

Juniors across CVEC's service territory submitted essays on "What is a Day in History You Would Revisit and Why?" along with a list of their activities and honors. Eight students were selected as finalists. They were then interviewed by a panel of judges, and Clark and Cooper were selected as winners.

Although the usual trip to Washington D. C. is canceled again this year due to COVID concerns, Clark and Cooper are each receiving \$2,000 scholarships.

Students' parents or guardians do not have to be members of CVEC, but the students are required to attend a school in the co-op's service territory. One of Canadian Valley Electric's own graces the cover of the May issue of Oklahoma Living!

Senior Member Representative Mary Garcia is the cover photo for the publication's article on careers in electric co-ops and the energy industry.

Mary joined the CVEC family in 2005. Since coming to work for the co-op, she has earned her bachelor and master's degrees, and advanced to being a senior member representative.

We appreciate Mary and the relationship she has with our members, and are delighted the Oklahoma Living staff recognizes her contribution to CVEC.

Receiving Oklahoma Living is another benefit of co-op membership. The monthly magazine is sent to every member of each electric cooperative in Oklahoma. It is an award-wining, nationally-recognized publication, and is the third largest publication in the state, based on circulation.





CVEC's 2021 Youth Tour Winners

#### P.O. Box 751 Seminole, OK 74818

Serving Hughes, Lincoln, McIntosh, Okfuskee, Pottawatomie, Seminole & portions of Oklahoma, Cleveland & Creek counties

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#### IN CASE OF TROUBLE

- 1. Check for blown fuse or tripped circuit breakers.
- 2. Check with your neighbors. Ask if their electricity is off and if they have reported it.
- 3. If not, call the office or download the Smarthub app to report the trouble.

	<u>Read</u>	<u>Billing date</u>	
Cycle 1	26th-31st	5th	1-1/2% penalty
Cycle 2	6th-11th	15th	applied 20 days
Cycle 3	16th-21st	25th	after billing date

## **Operating Statistics for March**

2020	2021
\$4,921,305	\$4,978,666
3,400,482	\$3,656,948
69.10	73.45
4.81	4.89
\$936.14	\$942.93
131,151	131,383
105,474	105,316
159,902	206,307
60,390,568	58,926,132
\$103,606	\$112,974
\$178.286	\$172,284
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### **New Services Staked in April**

During the month of April, 79 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2021 is 257. This compares to 150 for the same period in 2020.

## Suds and Savings

Ways to Save Energy In the Laundry Room

Your washer and dryer account for a significant portion of energy consumption from major appliances, and let's face it--laundry is no one's favorite chore. Make the most of your laundry energy use! There are easy ways you can save energy (and money) in the laundry room. The Department of Energy recommends the following tips for saving on suds:

- 1. Wash with cold water. Switching from warm water to cold water can cut one load's energy use by more than half, and by using a cold-water detergent, you can still achieve that brilliant clean you'd normally get from washing in warm water.
- 2. Wash full loads when possible. Your washing machine will use the same amount of energy no matter the size of the clothes load, so fill it up if you can.
- 3. Use the high-speed or extended spin cycle in the washer. This setting will remove more moisture before drying, reducing your drying time and the extra wear on clothing.
- 4. Dry heavier cottons separately. Loads will dry faster and more evenly if you separate heavier cottons like linens and towels from your lightweight clothing.
- 5. Make use of the "cool down" cycle. If your dryer has this cycle option, you can save energy because the clothes will finish drying with the remaining heat in the dryer.
- 6. Use lower heat settings to dry clothing. Regardless of drying time, you'll still use less energy.

### **Regional Office Hours**

Eufaula	Seminole	Seminole Warehouse
8:00 a.m 4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m 5:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m 3:30 p.m.

## **OPERATION ROUND-UP**

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BEGINNING BALANCE 3/31/21 \$221,604.02
DEPOSITS
INTEREST INCOME3.91
CHECKS ISSUED
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID27,166.60
BALANCE 4/30/21

CVEC Foundation administers and disburses funds collected through CVEC's Operation Round-Up Program.

## Ready, Set .....

Before the mercury begins to climb, make sure it won't send your cooling bills sky-high this summer. Here's a pre-summer checklist to help keep your home cool and energy costs low.

Do an energy audit to help detect waster and gauge the efficiency of your cooling system. Call CVEC and have a trained professional point out trouble spots you can fix to save both cool air and money.

Check for adequate insulation in your attic, attic stairway, and attached garage walls. The higher R-value of the insulation, the greater its insulating power.

Have your central air conditioning system serviced each Spring.

Hire a professional to seal and insulate leaky ducts and to ensure the airflow distribution system serving your equipment is operating at peak efficiency.

Clean or replace air conditioner and furnace filters once a month. Seal holes around plumbing and heating pipes.

Install a programmable thermostat. You can save money by keeping your house warmer than normal while you're out and keeping the setting at 78 degrees while you're home.

Install
drapes, shades
or blinds on all
windows. Keeping them closed
during the day
blocks the heat
from the sun's rays.

Replace single-pane



windows with double-pane windows that feature high-performance glass.

Open the foundation vents if our home has a crawl space under it.

Install ceiling fans. The air circulation promotes cooling in the summer.

Prune shrubs away from your outdoor air conditioning unit to keep air flowing freely.

# CONSIDER THIS WHEN BUYING A NEW DISHWASHER

If your dishwasher has gone on the fritz permanently and you're in a hurry to replace it, you might want to slow down, just for a minute.

New dishwashers are so much better than the ones you considered when you bought your old one. Consider the bells and whistles, cost of operation and sales price before you buy. 707140100 Here are five questions to answer before handing over your credit card:

- 1. Is the model you are considering energy efficient? The more efficiently the dishwasher operates, the less energy it will use. The less energy it uses, the less you pay for energy, and the less harm it does to the environment. A dishwasher with an Energy Star label is guaranteed to save energy, cost you less in electric bills and protect the environment.
- 2. Is it quiet? Often, the more you spend on a dishwasher, the quieter it will be. If you have ever had to move your after-dinner conversation out of the kitchen because you couldn't hear anyone over the hum of the dishwasher, you will be more than hap-

py you invested in a quiet model this time.

- **3. Does it clean the dishes well?** If you want to skip the pre-wash step of scaping food from your plates, invest in a dishwasher that is equipped with a power-spraying cycle. And look for one with a disposal or filtration system that will prevent food particles from clogging the dishwasher's drain or pump.
- 4. Does it suit your lifestyle? If you live alone or with just one other person, it could take more than a day to fill the dishwasher. Instead of letting dirty dishes sit until the food dries on them and starts to smell, choose a dishwasher with a quick rinse cycle that sprays a tiny bit of water on the dishes to eliminate both problems. Or take a look at dishwasher "drawers" that are just about as big as the top rack of a normal dishwasher so they fill up quick. They also take up less kitchen space than full-size units.
- **5. Do you like "smart" appliances?** A smart dishwasher connects to your home's wi-fi so you can turn it on, lock it or change the settings using your smart phone, even if you're not in the house.

#### **AUTOMOBILES & BIKES**

#### FARM & RANCH

Black Belly Barbado sheep, born February 2021, \$80, Harrah, 405-818-6911.

Guard donkey running w/cows, \$200;4-year-old gentle Red Angus bull, guaranteed sound, 580-925-2654.

WANTED - affordable tractor for 5-acre hobby farm, must have front-end loader, additional attachments such as brush hog are a plus, year and color don't matter, just needs to run good, will consider offers under \$10,000, would need delivered to Bethel Acres, west of Shawnee, call, text or attach a photo to 405-314-1279.

#### HOME & LAND

15 acres w/2 BDR, 1 BA house on blacktop road, \$109,000 or negotiable, Lincoln Co, west of Prague. Antique cars for sale too, will sell separate or w/house, 405-250-8312.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

30"x60" brown folding table, \$30; white, blue, red, yellow stake flags, \$3/bundle; old metal minnow buckets, \$25; choice D.A.M. Quick mod. 331 rare \$45; drill doctor \$20; 1/2" hammer drill, \$20; Quarter horse 8" bench grinder, \$25, 405-659-5047.

Brother Scan-n-Cut, w/extra kits for embossing and rhinestones, \$150; Pfaff electric punch sewin machine for felting, \$250; Babylock Sashico sewin machine, \$700; Bernina embroidery machine, #700, \$2,500; Bernina Serger #009DCC cover and chain stitch machine, \$275, 405-740-9843.

34' mortorhome, 2000 Ultrasport w/2 slides, 405-598-0983.

Pit puppies, born 9-18-20, received all shots, wormed weekly, \$200; Border Collie breed born 8-12-19, boys neutered and girls spayed, \$40; not spayed/ neutered, \$15; plus lots of misc. items, tools, furniture, dishes, records, anything you want, 918-866-2468.

Cedar tree clearing \$85/hour, brush mowing, \$40/hour, hay Sonic by Venture RV interior & exterior lights, long life, cost effective and less maintenance, immediate light, environmentally-friendly, brighter LED lighting, two wheels, clean, slighty used, 405-694-3017.

Two woodwind accordians, Scandalli 120 base, 2 base changes, 5 treble changes, LaSalla 2 Base and 3 treble, \$300 ea., 405-585-8378.

G.E. model A275E120ACM1 up-draft heat and cooling unit, 220-volt, used, ideal for shop, \$600,405-567-7462 or 567-4359.

Two 10' metal shop doors and hardware, 659-6509.

1/2 reat Pyrenees/Anatolian pups, 4-mos-old, \$75; tile wet saw, 1/2 price of new one, \$150; want to buy meat goats, 580-925-2654.

Will haul away for free unwanted majjor appliances, misc. scrap metal, or car batteries w/i 10 mile radius of Shawnee, 405-765-9700 or 765-6805.

From a Chandler, OK newspaper dated Aug. 5, 1937: "Mr. and Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Morgan, N. W. of Chandler, a baby girl, 6&3/4 lbs., Dr. P. J. Smith." It appears the baby (my sister) was given up for adoption. If you have any information whatsoever about her, now 83 (if living), or her family, please call 405-808-2267, or write JoAnn Dudley, 2102 N. Beard, Shawnee, OK 74804, or E-mail joann\_dudley@sbcglobal.net.

You know your windows need to be cleaned. But the thought of spending hours and hours of your precious weekend up on a ladder, scrubbing windows makes you cringe. Let your local cleaning professionals handle the hard work for you, and get back to your weekend. Call Jeans Window Cleaning at 405-804-1155.

If you find your account number hidden in this issue of *The Electralite*, you could win \$25. The account number must be your own.

Report finding the number to us by the 15th of the month. You need to report finding it by phone, mail or in person.

## **ELECTRALITE CLASSIFIED ADS**

Each CVEC member family is limited to ONE free classified ad per month.

Length of the ad cannot exceed space provided below. Ads run only one time and must be resubmitted to appear in the next edition. Return the completed form to P. O. Box 751, Seminole, OK 74818. Forms may also be dropped off at either office location, or email your ad to editor@mycvec.coop.

Ads must be received by the 1st of each month; if received after the deadline they will be printed in the next issue.

All information below must be completed.

Name

Address

Account #

## **Energy Efficiency**Tip of the Month

A dirty filter causes your air conditioner to work harder than necessary. Remember to change your air filter every month (or every two months) to prevent dust buildup, which can lead to even bigger problems.

Source: www.energy.gov

