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# CANADIAN VALLEY ELECTRALITE

# Conserve Electricity While Safe at Home

With the kids studying at home and parents teleworking over the past couple of months, you may see an increase in your energy bills.

Like any period of higher-than-usual indoor activity—like around the holidays, and certainly during a period of sheltering at home—it's normal for electricity use to spike.

And if students wind up making up lost time with stay-athome summer school, your family might continue to increase its use of computers, lights, TVs, game consoles and other electrical devices that can run up electricity use.

The antidote: Follow smart, common-sense conservation practices to keep energy use in check. A few examples:

- As the weather warms up, delay turning on the air conditioning as long as your home is comfortable with open windows and running ceiling fans.
- When you do switch on the a/c, keep it at the highest comfortable temperature. For every degree higher you set the thermostat, you can cut your energy use by up to 4%.
- Insist that everyone turn off the overhead lights when leaving a room; power down the TV when nobody's watching; disconnect the computer and printer at the end of the day; and switch off exhaust fans once the steam clears from the bathroom after a shower.
- Unplug cell phone chargers once the phones are charged. Whenever you leave a charger or another unused device plugged into the wall, it continues to draw electricity, even if there's no longer a phone attached to it.
- Hold off on running the clothes dryer and dishwasher until after dark. With so many people staying home during the day, we're all using more electricity at the same time. It places less of a burden on the overall electrical system when we spread out our energy use.
- Clean the a/c filter every month. With more-than-usual activity in the house, filters can clog sooner. A clean filter lets air flow easily, placing less of a burden on the air conditioning system as it keeps everyone comfortable indoors.

## **Congratulations!**





CVEC's 2020 Youth Tour Winners

Dali-Anne Owens, The Academy of Seminole, and Kamryn Brewer, Varnum, are CVEC's delegates to the 2020 Washington D. C. Youth Tour.

They competed against a record-setting number of outstanding students from area high schools. The competition included an initial essay competition, and then an interview conducted by a panel of judges.

At press time, the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) who sponsors Youth Tour, announced that after much deliberation, it was making the difficult decision to cancel this year's Youth Tour due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

CVEC is considering alternative ways to honor these two amazing young women.

A sincere 'thank you' to the educators, families, and past Youth Tour winners for continuing to promote this awesome program.

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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>	Billing date	
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 February**

	2019	2020
Operating Revenues	\$5,580,992	\$5,226,445
Wholesale Cost of Power	\$4,376,135	\$3,968,554
Percentage WPC is of Revenue	78.41	75.93
Consumers per Mile of Line	4.78	4.81
Revenue per Mile of Line	\$1,063.86	\$994.18
KW Peak Demand - This mont	h 171,445	159,902
Billing kW demand	104,290	105,474
KW Peak Demand - YTD	171,445	159,902
KWh Purchased - This month	73,529,107	70,675,549
Taxes Paid	\$120,969	\$116,616
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$166,394	\$165,551
System Load Factor	63.8	58.8

### **New Services Staked in March**

During the month of March, 36 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2020 is 104. This compares to 86 for the same period in 2019.



Beautiful spring weather is a welcome relief for people who have been cooped up at home for a couple of months. As your family ventures outdoors for walks, bike rides and yard work, take care around power lines—both overhead and underground.

Some tips:

- Keep ladders away from overhead power lines. Contact with a line can electrocute the person who touches it.
- Instruct your children not to fly kites and drones near power lines. If a toy gets caught in a power line, leave it there and contact your electric cooperative. If it lands in a tree that's touching a 604100301 power line, same thing.
- If you're moving a boat or hauling something extra-tall, find a route without low-hanging power lines.
- If you're planting trees, do some research about how tall they are likely to grow, and choose locations where they will not interfere with power lines when they are fully grown.

## **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 2/28/20 \$185,868.37
DEPOSITS
INTEREST INCOME
CHECKS ISSUED
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID
BALANCE 3/31/20

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

## CO-OP TAXES SUPPORT AREA SCHOOLS

Although co-ops don't pay income tax, we do pay a 2-percent gross receipts tax. It is in lieu of ad-valorem, sales, and other excise taxes. The gross receipt tax is then distributed by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to area school districts based on the miles of co-op power lines within the district.

In 2019 CVEC paid \$1,187,450.66 in gross receipt taxes. That amount, coupled with the \$681,315.86 paid by WFEC, totaled \$1,868,766.52 paid to area schools.

This is an increase over the \$1,715,307.39 paid in 2018.

The accompanying chart details taxes paid to each school district in CVEC's service territory.

# Memorial Day Office Closing

CVEC offices will be closed Monday, May 25, in honor and recognition of Memorial Day. Service personnel will be on duty throughout the holiday weekend if you should experience an interruption in your electric service.

Cleveland			<u>Oklahoma</u>		
Little Axe	CVEC	\$539.60	Harrah	CVEC	26,266.38
Little 7 the	WFEC	30,672.60	riarrarr	WFEC	
Creek	VVI LO	30,072.00	Luther		1,637.56
Gypsy	CVEC	47 44	Luttiei	CVEC	1,045.33
Сурзу	CVEC	47.41	<u>Pottawatomie</u>		
<u>Hughes</u>				CVEC	26 425 71
Calvin	CVEC	4.52	Asher		26,435.71
Dustin	CVEC	25,017.85	Bethel	CVEC	29,524.27
Dustin	WFEC	38,860.35		WFEC	326,232.32
Holdenville	CVEC	34,100.68	Dale	CVEC	19,779.93
				WFEC	26,673.20
Moss	CVEC	7,267.62	Earlsboro	CVEC	38,681.61
	WFEC	7,904.32	Grove	CVEC	7,333.09
Wetumka	CVEC	65,198.59	Macomb	CVEC	39,539.54
	WFEC	12,628.06		WFEC	35,112.87
<u>Lincoln</u>			Maud	CVEC	23,819.00
Chandler	CVEC	6,497.73		WFEC	56,810.46
Davenport	CVEC	6,134.24	McLoud	CVEC	26,909.83
Meeker	CVEC	55,666.48	N. Rock Creek	CVEC	35,094.08
	WFEC	29,885.31	14. NOOK OICCK	WFEC	26,610.22
Prague	CVEC	111,454.87	Pleasant Grove		228.03
	WFEC	66,289.34			
Stroud	CVEC	4,212.92	Shawnee	CVEC	1,460.775
Wellston	CVEC	17,465.76	S. Rock Creek	CVEC	14,368.16
White Rock		35,859.45	Tecumseh	CVEC	52,225.70
VVIIILE I LOCK	WFEC	1,795.01		WFEC	63,266.17
Malntoch	VVFEC	1,795.01	Wanette	CVEC	65,652.40
McIntosh	CVEC	206.07	0		
Stidham	CVEC	386.07	<u>Seminole</u>		
Eufaula	CVEC	45,229.01	Bowlegs	CVEC	14,110.78
	WFEC	94.47		WFEC	17,131.29
Hanna	CVEC	30,912.78	Butner	CVEC	34,834.44
	WFEC	37,600.70		WFEC	46,449.77
<u>Okfuskee</u>			Justice	CVEC	5,547.23
Bearden	CVEC	15,718.28	Konawa	CVEC	44,964.86
	WFEC	39,868.06		WFEC	9,919.78
Graham	CVEC	4,165.50	New Lima	CVEC	14,083.69
Mason	CVEC	1,038.55		WFEC	19,146.74
Okemah	CVEC	7,748.51	Sasakwa	CVEC	27,772.28
Paden	CVEC	47,509.31	Seminole		,
	WFEC	19,241.23	Strother	CVEC	16,294.00
Weleetka	CVEC	4,495.13	Ollother	CVEC	71,712.13
VVCICCINA	WFEC	30,609.63	Varnum	WFEC	21,603.08
	VVFEC	30,009.03	Varnum	CVEC	15,548.95
			<b>VA</b> / L	WFEC	15,273.32
			Wewoka	CVEC	7,547.58
			CVEC TOTA	AL \$1,18	87,450.66
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#### **AUTOMOBILES & BIKES**

2005 Hyundai Santa Fe, heated leather seats, tow pkg., sun roof, new struts, and rack and pinion, \$3,600 or make offer, 918-720-2955.

2012 Black Chevy Suburban, very nice, 131,000 miles, sun roof, electric seats, windows, leather interior, Prague, \$12,000, 405-567-4377.

### FARM & RANCH

'70 HP diesel tractor 684, good older tractor, fair rubber, auxiliary hydro, starts and runs good, works all the way, top and cover, \$2,500, 580-925-2121.

Reartine tiller for JDx 540 lawn tractor, used once, \$1,500; 200-gallon spray tank w/Honda engine, 300 ft. of hose, Wylie brand \$3,500, 405-567-4377.

2007 H.D Road King, 39,824 miles, garage kept, \$6,500 or OBO, 405-831-4219.

5'x10' utility trailer w/ramp, 3,500-lb. heavy axle, very good 15" tires w/spare, new 2x6 treated floor, new lights and safety chain, \$850, 405-964-5290.

#### HOME & LAND

House on 20-acre lot, 30'x40' metal shop with slab, stall barn, hay barn, large pond, and pecan trees, 405-401-4521.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Whirlpool washer and dryer, \$200; side-by-side fridge, \$100; small fridge, \$100; electric cook stove, \$100, 405-275-3419.

Double-rack clothes racks, folds up, some w/rollers, \$50 ea.; bar w/driftwood on top & bottom, honey-color stain, storage in back, \$1,500 or make offer, Hemasphires has them, 405-598-1202.

2012 Tracker bass boat, 16' deep V-Guide Pro, bought new in 2014, new cover, never used, kept iside, \$7,500, 405-313-9099.

Antique railroad spike puller, \$50; 2-man fishing boat has live well, 5 hp Eska motor, trolling motor and depth finder, \$1,200; antique horse-drawn farm equipment, 405-659-5047.

Self-propelled electric-start Toro mower, \$25; Savage double-barrel 12-gauge, ex. cond., \$400, 405-219-2673. Cedar tree clearing \$85/hr., brush mowing, \$40/hr., hay hauling, \$5/bale, dirt work/driveways, \$75/hr., other services available, call or text 405-642-9356.

1993 Chevy 366 gas engine and Allison transmissoin(automatic), \$600 ea. or negotiable, if taking both, still in school bus, so you can listen to it run, 405-997-8161.

Looking for cousins Norma Jean Kennedy, Christian and Judy Kennedy Sanders, who lived in Artussee, OK and moved to Arrium, CA in the '50s, 405-964-2959 or 405-964-4217.

Need help with a garage sale, help clean out a storage building, and you can have the buildling, 878-6697.

Dutch oven workshop, June 13, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., hands-on instruction, learn differences in Dutch ovens, methods in controlling temperatures with coals of charcoal and wood, attendees will cook an array of recipes, booklets of recipes and instructions covered will be given, as well as camp prizes. Cost is \$50 per person, limit 15 participants, workshop is conducted outside in wooded area, safe practices will be conducted, registration deadline is June 7, 405-651-2324.

## Find Your Account Number and Win \$25

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.				
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deadline they will be printed in the next issue.				
All information below must be completed.				
Name				
Address				
Account #				
Phone #				

# **Energy Efficiency**Tip of the Month

When the weather is nice, put your grill to use! During summer months, cooking outdoors is a great way to save energy and eliminate unwanted heat from cooking indoors.



