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# CANADIAN VALLEY ELECTRALITE

# **CVEC-Fiber Reaches Impressive Milestone in 2021**

In 2021, CVEC
Fiber began construction of the fiber-tohome network. The
overall project will
result in more than
4,100 miles of fiber
serving over 24,000
members once all four
phases of the project
are completed.

CVEC Fiber celebrated many milestones throughout 2021 including our first subscriber in June and, more recently, our 1,000th subscriber in December! Shad Price of Tecumseh, OK was the lucky 1,000th customer, and

to celebrate we gifted him a 50" smart television. Price was ecstatic to receive CVEC Fiber's service, stating "CVEC Fiber is more reliable than other providers and the upload and download speeds are phenomenal."

Reaching the 1,000th subscriber milestone in December was a nice finish to a successful 2021, but it wouldn't have been possible without the support of our membership. Thank you to those who made this major milestone possible in 2021

and we look forward to serving even more

members in 2022; it's going to be EPIC!



Shad Price (center), Tecumseh, is the 1,000th subscriber to our CVEC Fiber network. We reached this milestone in December, after signing up the first subscriber in June.

Price received a 50" Vizio smart television for helping us reach this exciting milestone.

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

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

#### Main Office and Headquarters

Interstate 40 at the Prague/Seminole Exit

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#### **Board of Trustees**

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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 October**

	2020	2021
Operating Revenues	\$4,525,647	\$5,861,835
Wholesale Cost of Power	\$3,197,024	\$4,206,295
Percentage WPC is of Revenu	e 70.64	71.75
Consumers per Mile of Line	4.86	4.95
Revenue per Mile of Line	\$858.92	\$1,107.26
KW Peak Demand - This mont	th 134,856	130,211
Billing kW demand	105,474	105,316
KW Peak Demand - YTD	159,902	206,307
KWh Purchased - This month	55,450,042	57,414,358
Taxes Paid	\$92,231	\$125,126
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$172,705	\$193,908
System Load Factor	55.3	59.3
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#### New Services Staked in December

During the month of December, 42 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2021 is 732. This compares to 631



# CVEC Celebrates Engineering Department During National Engineering Week



During Engineering Week, February 20-26, we want to give a 'Pat on the Back' to our Engineering Department, who plays a vital role in delivering reliable electric service to you. Pictured here are our Staking Engineers (left to right) Scott Smith, Justin Roller, Monte Phillips, Dan Karger, and Wayne Bray. Thanks for all they do!

#### **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 11/30/21	\$260,816.18
DEPOSITS	9,149.78
INTEREST INCOME	211.29
CHECKS ISSUED	12,773.36
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID	9,480.80
BALANCE 12/31/21	\$247,923.09

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

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# ARE PORTABLE SPACE HEATERS EFFICIENT FOR MY HOME?

Small space heaters are meant to do exactly as their name says: heat a small space. But unfortunately, many people use portable space heaters to heat their entire home, which can really take a toll on your energy bills. The truth is, whether you should use space heaters really depends on your home's efficiency and energy needs.

If you're using a space heater to compensate for problems in your home, like inadequate insulation, drafty windows and exterior doors, or an inefficient heating system, space heaters are not a practical solution. Your best bet is to improve the overall efficiency of your home. If you're on a tight budget, caulking and weather stripping around windows and exterior doors is a low-cost, easy way to save energy. Depending on the size of your home, adding insulation can be a great next step. Loose fill insulation typically costs \$1 to \$1.50 per square foot. Taking these proactive 807013704 energy-saving measures rather than relying on space heaters for supplemental warmth can reduce your heating and cooling bills for

years to come.

Perhaps your home is energy efficient but you're cold-natured and want a specific room to be cozier than the rest. In this case, a space heater may work for your needs. A good comparison is ceiling fans; we use ceiling fans in the summer to cool people, not rooms. A space heater can be used in a similar way during winter months. Only use a space heater in small spaces that you're occupying and, if possible, try to shut off other rooms to contain the warmth provided by the space heater. If you decide to use a space heater to heat a small area in your home, make sure the heater is properly sized for the space; most heaters include a general sizing table.

A word about safety: the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates more than 25,000 residential fires are associated with the use of space heaters every year, resulting in more than 300 deaths. If you must use a space heater, purchase a newer model that includes the most current

safety features and make sure it carries the Underwriter's Laboratory (UL) label. Choose a thermostatically controlled heater to avoid energy waste and overheating, and place the heater on a level surface away from foot traffic when in use. Always keep children and pets away from space heaters.

Consider alternative ways to stay warm like extra layers of clothing or UL-approved electric blankets. If you have hardwood or tile floors, lay down area rugs to provide additional insulation (and appeal!) and maintain warmth.

We know it's cold out there, but remember in addition to safety concerns, space heaters can greatly increase your energy bills if used improperly.

## High School Juniors Win an All-Expense Paid Trip to

### Washington D.C.



Submit a 250-word essay on "What Day in History Would You Relive and Why?"

Essays need to be submitted to CVEC by 5 p.m. Friday, February 25.

Finalists will be interviewed on March 24 and two winners will be selected.

For more information, visit our website at www.mycvec.coop and select the Community tab, then Youth Tour Scholarhip 2022.

#### **AUTOMOBILES & BIKES**

Beautiful red Ford Thunderbird T-Top collectible car, 405-878-6697.

#### FARM & RANCH

Rotary hay cutter, Haymaxx 2-drum mower, T165, 2008 model, \$1,300; John Deere 10' hay rake, \$650, Harrah, 405-454-0510.

Registered Hereford bulls, 8-22-months old, polled, growthy, gentle, low birth weight, and out of productive, efficient, good milking dams, \$1,200-\$2,400, call or text 405-210-8794.

1970 or newer, 4-row planter, working condition/turnkey, 479-220-9735.

Rockhill Ranch Poultry Farm, Seminole, offers several breeds of quality poultry including Wyandottes, Silkies, D'uccles, Phoenix, Olive Eggers, and Polish. Hatching eggs, chicks, and older birds availalbe, depending on available, like our page on Facebook, text 918-650-3359.

#### HOME & LAND.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Must see to appreciate! Antique - 100 year old - china/curio cabinet, original curved glass all around, good condition, \$500, Harrah, 405-820-9910, 405-454-3221.

FREE - Pine trees, all sizes, you can have all you dig; metal

storage building, 405-878-6697.

Aluminum 2-platform wheelchair ramp w/stairs adjustable to fit any home, all parts, legs, and rails, nothing missing, in excellent condition, \$3,800 OBO; Jazzy Elite HD electric wheelchair, heavy duty, up to 450-lb. person, in excellent condition, adjustable arm and back rest, comes with charger, \$1,000 OBO, 405-815-7760, 405-567-7822.

New, in the box, Genie Silentmax 1000 belt-driven garage door opener, paid \$2000, will take \$100, Shawnee, 405-627-4001.

Will haul away for free, unwanted major appliances, miscellaneous scrap metal, or car batteries within a 10 mile radius of Shawnee, 765-9700 or 765-6805.

Old roll-top desk, dark wood, needs light repair, \$1,500 OBO; Singer sewing machine in nice cabinet, \$500 OBO; 6.5' x 14' heavy duty, double-axle utility trailer with new jack, \$2,500 OBO; set of approximately 100 milk glass snack trays with cups, \$250 OBO, 405-273-2087.

Cedar tree clearing, \$100/hr.; brush mowing, \$50/hr.; hay hauling, \$5/bale; dirt work/driveways, \$75/hr., other services available, call or text 405-642-9356;

Hatler Sawmill specializes in Eastern Red Cedar. Call for Eastern Red Cedar needs. 405-397-6618.

#### **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 #

Phone #



For build out and status updates join our connected community at:

#### https://cvecfiber.com/connected-community

Search your location to see if service is available and sign up for service visit:

https://cvecfiber.com/open

To see which phase you are located in, visit: https://cvecfiber.com/phase-map

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

About 30% of a home's heating energy is lost through inefficient windows. Caulk and weatherstrip all windows to seal air leaks.

When running your home heating system, lock all operable windows to ensure the tightest seal possible.

Source: Dept. of Energy

