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CANADIAN VALLEY ELECTRALITE

Trustees Set District Meeting Dates, Candidate Filing Periods

In light of the date change of CVEC's Annual Meeting to Saturday, November 7, the board of trustees has set the dates for district meetings and trustee filing periods accordingly.

District meetings are an opportunity for members of each district to elect a trustee to represent them at the local level for a three year term.

CVEC Manager of Member Relations, Jarrod VanZant states, "District meetings are primarily held for elections, but this is also a great opportunity for us to go to our members and provide updates and information on a more personal level."

Serving on the board or being a part of the elec-

tion process is critical to the success of the cooperative and encompasses Cooperative Principle #2: Democratic Member Control. This year members in districts 1, 2, and 8 will be electing representatives to the board.

Members desiring to seek candidacy must file written notice with the cooperative, on a form provided by the cooperative, during the stated filing period.

District maps and a full copy of the by-laws may be viewed at www.mycvec.coop.

Any questions about filing or qualifications should be directed to the cooperative by phone at 405-382-3680.

All members of each

Incumbent Trustees

- District 1 - Steve Marak
- District 2 - Robert Schoenecke
- District 8 - Yates Adcock

Candidate Filing Periods

- District 1 - August 11-17
- District 2 - August 18-24
- District 8 - August 25-31

District Meeting Dates & Locations

- District 1 - Sept. 10, Meeker Schools
- District 2 - Sept. 17, North Rock Creek Schools, Shawnee
- District 8 - Sept. 24, Wes Watkins Technology Center, Wetumka

district are invited to attend, and each member of the district is entitled to one vote in the election process.

Recently CVEC has served members of the district a meal, offered an update on cooperative happenings, and proceeded with a business meeting and election if necessary. "This year is

going to be interesting", states VanZant. "We are continuing to monitor the status of COVID-19 and pray for the health and safety of our members."

If there are any necessary changes the cooperative will appropriately inform the membership.

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Main Office and Headquarters

Interstate 40 at the Prague/Seminole Exit

Area Office - 35 W. JC Watts Street, Eufaula

Office Hours - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday

Board of Trustees

President - Joe Semtner, Konawa.....District 6
 Vice Pres. - Yates Adcock, Dustin.....District 8
 Treasurer - Robert Schoenecke, Meeker.....District 2
 Secretary - Matt Goodson, Tecumseh.....District 5
 Gary Crain, Prague.....District 3
 Clayton Eads, Shawnee.....District 4
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 Steve Marak, Meeker.....District 1
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	Shawnee.....(405) 273-4680
	Eufaula.....(918) 689-3232
	Prague.....(405) 567-3206
	Toll-free.....(877) 382-3680

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.

	Read	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 May

	2019	2020
Operating Revenues	\$5,074,678	\$4,599,384
Wholesale Cost of Power	\$3,428,996	\$3,127,282
Percentage WPC is of Revenue	68.56	67.99
Consumers per Mile of Line	4.78	4.83
Revenue per Mile of Line	\$967.16	\$874.41
KW Peak Demand - This month	126,359	124,648
Billing kW demand	104,290	105,474
KW Peak Demand - YTD	171,445	159,902
KWh Purchased - This month	58,549,197	52,004,817
Taxes Paid	\$94,842	\$92,999
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$182,271	\$171,689
System Load Factor	62.3	61.1

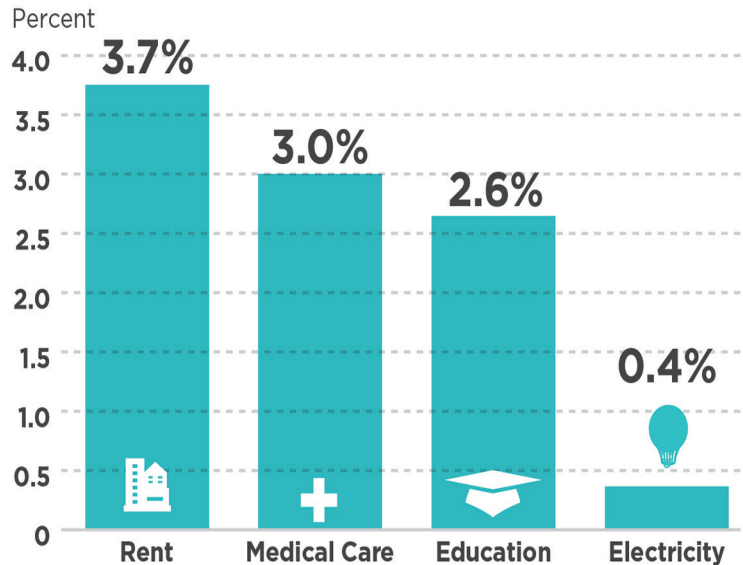
New Services Staked in June

During the month of June, 46 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2020 is 249. This compares to 205 for the same period in 2019.

ELECTRICITY REMAINS A GOOD VALUE

The cost of powering your home rises slowly when compared to other common expenses. Looking at price increases over the last five years, it's easy to see electricity remains a good value!

Average Annual Price Increase 2014-2019



Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index

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 5/31/20.	\$210,040.36
DEPOSITS	8,749.75
INTEREST INCOME.	398.73
CHECKS ISSUED	-8,500.00
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID.	-18,961.20
BALANCE 6/30/20.	\$191,727.64

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

Not All Air Filters are Created Equal

Forced air heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems require effective air filtration for optimum energy efficiency, maintaining clean(ish) ductwork and good indoor air quality. Air filters should be changed regularly. How often they need changing depends upon a number of factors including, but not limited to:

- Presence of pets that shed
- Amount of carpeted versus hardwood floors
- Where you live – amounts of dust, pollen, etc.
- Use of wood-burning supplemental heat sources
- Presence of cigarette smoke

The air inside our homes is full of particles originating from inside and outside sources. As the name “forced air” implies, conditioned air is blown into the house through ductwork. In order to operate efficiently, the air supplied is returned to the system for reconditioning, taking with it all the particles in the air and the occasional “tumbleweed” of pet hair that many of us are familiar with.

This junk-laden air flows through a filter before encountering the HVAC equipment. For cooling, there is usually an A-frame

arrangement of what look like car radiators. For heating, it is generally a combustion chamber. Without a filter, the cooling coils would get clogged and the heating side would burn off whatever was in the air. Ah, the smell of burnt hair in the morning...

Air filters trap a lot of debris that otherwise would end up back in the house, stuck in ductwork, clogging HVAC equipment – or in our lungs. But enough with the HVAC and air quality primer. Let's tackle types of air filters.

Filters have more choices than you can shake a stick at. Fortunately, they can be broken down into two nicely defined categories, making the selection process 1306101802 manageable. The two are:

- Permanent or disposable
- Flat or pleated media (with a handy MERV rating)

Disposable are the most prevalent. Some in the flat media group look like they will stop only particles larger than a golf

ball. They have flimsy cardboard frames and a thin, flat mesh you can easily see through. While they are cheap, don't waste your money. Your HVAC system and lungs deserve better.

Pleated filters perform better using media you cannot see through.



While they look impervious, air can move through under pressure leaving its airborne cargo trapped. Pleated filters are probably better.

Remember MERV? That is a rating system that tells you how effective a filter is at trapping particles. Standing for Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value, it's a measure of efficiency. The scale runs from one to 16 (higher is better) and is based on trapping particles 3-10 microns in diameter. Research shows that residential filters with a MERV rating between seven and 13 are likely to be as effective as true

HEPA (high-efficiency particulate arrestance) filters. This class of filter is used in clean room manufacturing and at the extreme end can trap particles much smaller than the diameter of a human hair, as small as 1 micron.

So, should you jump in and grab a supply of high MERV filters? Not without some research. All filters increase resistance to air flow. HVAC systems are designed to operate at a particular pressure and should support MERV ratings of one to four. A higher MERV value increases resistance, making the system work harder. It loses efficiency and increases wear on operating components.

So, how do you decide which level of filter to use? If you have your system's operating manual or can grab it online, check for recommendations. Otherwise, consider going with a decent (MERV three to five) pleated filter and check it once a month to see how it is performing. Also check to see if the dust inside abates.

Spend a little more and breathe a lot easier with a regular schedule of air filter replacement. A simple change that pays big dividends.

AUTOMOBILES & BIKES

1996 Chevy Silverado, 212,000 miles, runs & drives good, 1 owner, \$3,500, 405-605-9461.

1999 Ford Ranger, 4WD, automatic transmission, new mud tires, very little worn off, very nice truck, white top w/black bottom, will show potential buyer the parts, labor & other things too numerous to list, \$6,000, will consider \$5,000, will take pictures of the truck & parts, 918-759-1111.

FARM & RANCH

Vicon hay cutter, 8' bar, 6 cutter heads, new belts, new bearings, upper pulley, runs but cutter head hangs up, \$500, Harrah, 454-0510.

HOME & LAND

MISCELLANEOUS

Need riding mowers, working or not. I mow several elderly, and/ or disabled individuals' acreages and need parts mowers or working mowers. Primary mower is down. I can pick up, if needed. 405-356-9655.

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.

Contents of craft business: thousands of skeins of yarn, floral, Christmas, Spring/Easter, including many completed items ready for resale, some display items, glassware, cross-stitch items ready for framing, 405-432-7668.

Linde 230 amp welder, \$200; horizontal/verical band saw w/ stainless steel blade, \$150; Delta/Rockwell model 30 radial arm saw, \$300; antique juice press, \$50; antique jars w/lids, all sizes & prices, pics availalbe, 659-5047.

Mens/boys Schwinn Sierra mountain bike, 2-speed, GC, \$75 OBO; round wrought iron table & 4 chairs, needs to be painted, \$50 OBO; medium-size metal dog crate, \$8; decorative wood end tables, \$25/pair; other misc. furniture, fireplace screen, & glass, text or leave message, 405-371-3133.

Three chain-link fence panels for dog pens, \$15-\$30; 4 gates, \$5-\$7; 1/4" metal tow cable, 70' long, \$15; heavy-duty metal 3" pipe saw horse, 8' long, 2'

6" tall, \$40; about 100 antique bricks, Coffeyville VB & TCO, and standard, 50¢ each, take 1 or all, Harrah, 405-454-0510.

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.
- 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 5th 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 # _____

District Meetings and Candidate Filings

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went to press, all plans are set, active, and moving forward.

Article 4, Section 5 of the by-laws provides:

"Any firm, association, corporation, body

politic or subdivision, being a member of the Cooperative is entitled to designate one person to vote for such member, but no person shall be authorized or permitted to vote as a representative of more than one such member and such authorization must be signed by a president,

vice-president, partner or principal officer, and such designation must be on file in the office of the Cooperative not less than fifteen (15) days prior to such election."

Designations must be on file in the office of the Cooperative on or before the following dates:

- District 1 - Aug. 25
- District 2 - Sept. 2
- District 8 - Sept. 9

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Installing a smart power strip is a quick and easy way to start saving money while making your home more energy efficient. Smart power strips can actually cut power off to save energy since they are able to detect when a device is in standby mode.

Source: energy.gov

