

You're More than a Customer

You're the Reason We're Here

Author Anthony J. D'Angelo observed that, "Without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community."

To a large degree, this reflects Canadian Valley Electric's philosophy toward our consumer-members and the broader service territory that we serve. As a cooperative, we have a different "bottom line." While our priority is always to provide reliable and safe energy, there is another equally important part of this equation. Your well-being and that of the larger community that we serve are of paramount concern.

To us, you are not just a customer; you are a member of our co-op and without you, we would not exist.

CVEC was founded to fulfill a vital need in our community that would not have otherwise been met. Concerned local leaders came together to build this co-op and bring electricity where there was none.

At that time, members of the community understood we were different because they likely knew someone who helped to create CVEC. For most people, our founding and its circumstances have been long forgotten. Over time, folks in the community may have come to think of us as simply another energy provider. But we are not. We are a co-op that is constantly evolving to meet the needs of the communities we serve, and we are



able to do this because of members like you.

Since our inception, we have sought feedback and engagement from you and that of the larger community to guide our long-term decisions. This is why we hold annual meetings and other events, such as district meetings throughout the year. We host events like this to engage with you and obtain your feedback.

We strive to find new ways to help you use energy more efficiently. We're always looking to explore more options that will help you manage your energy usage. In short, we are always seeking to keep pace with the changing energy environment, evolving technology and shifting consumer expectations.

CVEC's members help guide important co-op decisions that improve and enrich the community. We value the perspective of our board members, who are members of the co-op and community – just like you.

As a local business, we have a stake in the community. That's why we support local charitable organizations, and through our programs such as Operation Roundup. When you support these efforts, you are supporting the community and making it a better place for everyone.

While the times may have changed, our mission and outlook have not. We view our role as a catalyst for good. Working together, we can accomplish great things for our community now and in the future.

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

Main Office and Headquarters

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Area Office

35 W. JC Watts Street, Eufaula

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

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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 November

	2017	2018
Operating Revenues	\$4,220,443	\$5,020,898
Wholesale Cost of Power	\$3,080,058	\$3,610,165
Percentage WPC is of Revenue	72.98	71.90
Consumers per Mile of Line	4.74	4.77
Revenue per Mile of Line	\$804.05	\$957.46
KW Peak Demand - This month	120,403	160,951
Billing kW demand	102,701	103,927
KW Peak Demand - YTD	161,211	182,438
KWh Purchased - This month	53,451,554	67,952,336
Taxes Paid	\$89,335	\$91,280
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$172,620	\$178,358
System Load Factor	61.7	58.6

New Services Staked in December

During the month of December, 25 new services were staked. The total new services staked in 2018 is 382. This compares to 376 for the same period in 2017.

THIS YEAR, HAVE A GREEN VALENTINE'S DAY

Who knew saving energy with your sweetheart could be so romantic? Celebrate this year's Valentine's Day in with energy-efficiency in mind.

♥ Eat at home. Save on gas—and reduce emissions—by cooking your Valentine's Day meal together at home.

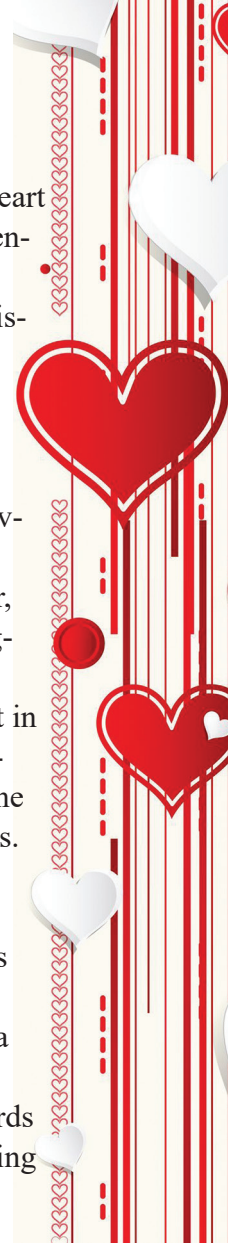
♥ Shop locally. Buy locally grown food for your home-cooked meal. That supports your neighbors and ensures that your food hasn't traveled to reach you—which takes extra energy. While local food may seem scarce in the winter, some farmers sell winter vegetables or root vegetables stocked from the summer.

♥ Save time and energy by fixing your feast in an energy-efficient slow-cooker. Toss the ingredients in the slow-cooker in the morning, and the meal will be ready by the time date night begins.

♥ If you want to cook on the stove, use the correct size pan for the burner, keep the lids on and turn the burner off shortly before the dish is done.

♥ Candlelight is romantic and doesn't cost a penny of electricity.

♥ Choose sustainable gifts, like greeting cards printed on recycled paper. Opt for a longer-lasting potted plant rather than fresh-cut flowers.



OPERATION ROUND-UP

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BEGINNING BALANCE 10/31/18.....	\$233,819.29
DEPOSITS	8,422.44
INTEREST INCOME	348.44
CHECKS ISSUED	-16,636.88
APPROVED, NOT YET PAID	-20,743.96
DONATION	4.35
BALANCE 11/30/18.....	\$205,213.68

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

Still Burning Old Light Bulbs?

If your home's lamps and light fixtures are still housing old-fashioned incandescent light bulbs, it's time to switch to something that's far more energy efficient.

Twisty, compact fluorescent light bulbs—CFLs—are better. But LED bulbs are even more energy efficient and last way longer.

Yes, LEDs cost more than other kinds of light bulbs—sometimes more than twice as much. But they use about 80 percent less energy than your out-of-date incandescents. CFLs use about 70 percent less energy than the old bulbs.

Over time, though, LEDs shine the brightest of the three when it comes to energy use and cost savings. The average life span of an LED bulb is 25,000 hours, compared with 1,200 hours for a traditional bulb and 8,000 for a CFL. And at about 12.5 cents per kilowatt hour—the national average, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration—you'll pay \$38 to operate the LED bulb for 23 years. If the incandescent or CFL bulb lasted 23 years—it won't—you would pay \$201 or \$48, respectively.

So make the switch today for a couple of decades—on average—of energy savings.



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ENERGY CONSERVATION TIPS FOR KIDS!



Did you know there are small things you can do to help your family conserve energy at home? Fill in the blanks below to learn how you can help. Use the word bank below if you need a hint!

- 1 Turn the _____ off while you're brushing your teeth. You can save several gallons a month just by taking this simple step.
- 2 Any time you leave a room, remember to turn off the _____. Ask your parents if they use LED lights, which save the most energy!
- 3 With the help of your parents, _____ glass, plastic, paper and aluminum items.
- 4 When the heat or air conditioning is running, always keep _____ to the outside closed.
- 5 Take short _____ instead of baths to conserve water use.

Word Bank

Showers
Doors
Water
Recycle
Lights



AUTOMOBILES & BIKES

2003 Chevy HD 2500, 4 door, 4-wheel drive, long bed w/camper shell, full-length step bars, great tires, AS IS!, 200k miles but runs good, drives well and pulls well. Bose sound system, CD player, most peripherals have been either replaced or rebuilt: trans, alternator, water pump, fuel pump, shocks, starter, brakes, AC, remote throttle, U-joints, front end, gauge motors, new battery, plugs and plug wires, 405-831-4509.

2003 Avalanche, has expensive stereo system, covers for bed, top, \$4,995; 2011 Ranger super cab, 4-wheel drive, low mileage, wrecked front, lots of parts to fix, \$4,700 OBO; 2001 Suburban, 5/3 Vortec, low mileage, \$4995, 405-606-9113.

2015 Chevy Equinox, silver with black interior, adult owned, 11,400 miles, Bluetooth, OnStar, very good condition; 2007 Honda Shadow VT750, 4,710 miles, saddle bags, windshield and helmet, good condition, pictures available at petelouis@gmail.com, 405-306-0721.

FARM & RANCH

Forty-two T-posts, \$3 each, 405-566-8328.

Tree Terminator 3-pt. old Bermuda Spriger, 20.8-38 tires and rims, 205 J. D. spreader, buggy Alamo arm brush hog, 345 J. D. lawn mower, 54" cut, 3-pt. post-hole digger, 405-452-3094.

Utility trailer, 16'x76", tandem axles, brakes on axle, \$1,295; two more utility trailers, steel flatbed frames, 16'x8' for truck pulls, \$495, 405-606-9113.

HOME & LAND

Home sites - 1/2 - 3/4 acre, very nice, paved dedicated roads, North Rock Creek Schools, north of Shawnee, from Hwy. 18 and Hazel Del Rd. go west one mile to Corbin Dr., 405-590-6776.

Two one-acre building lots in a prime location on SH 9 just west of Tecumseh, corner lot lists for \$18,500, second lot is \$16,500, new construction across the street, so these lots are excellent sites for construction, call/text Betty, 405-343-4822 for more information.

Two Parmak solar-powered 6-volt electric fence chargers, \$50 each, also electric fence posts and insulators, 405-454-

0510.

FOR LEASE - 15+ acres for horses or cattle, 405-878-6697, 405-287-4742.

MISCELLANEOUS

Solid oak roll top desk, 5' wide, \$400, 405-606-9113.
White metal twin bed frame, \$50, 405-566-8328, 405-788-6231.

Whirlpool washer and dryer, \$200; refrigerator, \$100; glass-top electric cookstove, \$150; deep fryer, \$75; duel-wide refrigerator, ice maker, water in door, \$200, 405-275-3419.

Evergreen pine trees, 2-foot and taller, you pick the size, cut or dig, great to decorate yard or as Christmas trees, \$5-\$45; brown suede recliner, very comfy with carved wooden legs, \$50, 405-878-6697, 405-287-4742.

Free Canna bulbs, 405-273-0817.

Seven bow fishing arrows, \$35; Char Broil Big Easy cooker, used twice, \$25; half gal. Atlas E-Z seal jar, \$25; lead \$1; a pound 3-point dirt scoop, \$100, 659-5047.

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 # _____



You can now submit your ad for our Classified section online!

Just visit our website - www.mycvec.coop - click on the Electralite tab, and then the 'Submit an Ad' option.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Laundry Tip: Dry towels and heavier cottons separately from lighter-weight clothing. You'll spend less time running the dryer for lighter-weight items, which saves energy.

Source: energy.gov



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.

You need to report finding the number to us by the 15th of the month.

And you need to report finding it by phone, mail or in person.