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1 - Dinette Table with 6 chairs and buffet to match. 1 - Table with 6 chairs. Call (580) 318-4664.

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Classified ad space is offered free to Harmon Electric Association Members. Send your ad to Harmon Electric Association, P.O. Box 393, Hollis, OK 73550 for next month's issue. Ads will be run one month only and must be re-submitted if you still wish the ad to be run. Service ads will be run three months before they must be resubmitted.

TATER TOT CASSEROLE *Recipe of the Month*

- 1 1/2 pounds lean ground beef
- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 4 cups frozen mixed vegetables
- 1 (19) ounce can Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 (32) ounce pkg. frozen tater tots
- 8 slices of American cheese

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Spray 9x13 glass baking dish with cooking spray. Sautee onions. Add hamburger meat and brown. Stir mixed vegetables into meat and spread into bottom of 9x13 baking dish. Cover with the soup, straight from the can, carefully spreading with spatula to cover entirely. Cover soup mixture with 8 slices of cheese. Cover top with tater tots, covering entirely. Bake at 425 degrees for 25 minutes or until tater tots are done. 121200

Hidden Account Number Worth \$10.00

Larry Black located his hidden account number 254601 which was located in the "LOOK UP" article on the third page of the May, 2011 issue of the "Harmon Hi-Lites." The hidden account number for June, 2011 is worth \$10.00.

Remember the contest rules as you search your "Harmon Hi-Lites."
1. The hidden account number must be your own. Find the account number somewhere in the newsletter and compare the number listed in the lower

- left corner of your power bill, if same it is your number.
- 2. Your number must be reported by the 12th of the same month of publication of the newsletter.
- 3. You must report your own number to the association's headquarters office in Hollis, Oklahoma by phone, mail or in person.
- 4. Money will accumulate at the rate of \$10.00 per month until the number is found or until January 1, 2012.

TAX CREDITS EXTENDED IN 2011

Consumers who take steps to make their homes more energy efficient are still entitled to tax credits. The energy tax credit for 2011 is not nearly as generous as it was in 2010, but Congress did decide to extend the credit through December 31, 2011.

The new energy efficient tax credit is only 10%, down from the 30% credit offered in 2010. The new maximum is \$500 instead of the \$1,500 maximum that expired on Dec 31, 2010.

Also, the allowances are different depending on which upgrade you have made. For instance, the tax credit is limited to \$200 for installing more efficient, Energy Star windows, and there is a \$300 cap for "any item of energy-efficient building property". Allowances for other upgrades are as follows:

- Furnaces are only allowed to get a \$150 credit and they must now be 95% efficient, more stringent than the 90% requirement from 2009-2010.
- Wood heating systems are eligible for a max \$300 credit.
- Central air conditioners are eligible for \$300 and must have a seasonal en-

ergy efficiency ratio (SEER) of at least 16 and an energy efficiency rating (EER) of at least 13.

Air source heat pumps are eligible for \$300 and must have a heating seasonal performance factor (HSPF) of 9, SEER of 16 and EER of 13.

Geothermal heat pumps are eligible for 30% of qualified expenditures, with no maximum credit for systems placed in service after January 1, 2008, and on or before December 31, 2016. The geothermal heat pump must meet federal Energy Star criteria.

You may take advantage of more than one of the various programs, but the cap is \$500 TOTAL and only IF you haven't taken advantage of the credit previously. Anyone that took advantage of the prior tax credits cannot utilize the credit in 2011.

The bill also reinstates a credit of up to \$2,000 for builders of energy efficient homes that use no more than half of the energy of a 2003 national model energy code home.

THANK YOU!! Well you came through again! Thanks again!
My wife is feeling much better after the "extreme loggers" came through last Friday. Steve & Shawn did a great job in pretty adverse conditions.
Thanks again! Lee Sparkman

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June 2011

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73rd Annual Meeting



Thank You to all that attended the 73rd Annual Meeting!



It was a nice day for the 73rd Annual Meeting of Harmon Electric Association. Approximately 200 members and guests attended the Annual Meeting in Hollis.

Around 100 people took advantage of the Health Fair that was sponsored by the Jackson County Memorial Hospital. The Child ID Program was also conducted during the Annual Meeting. This is the nineteenth consecutive year that HEA, along with the Hollis Police Department, and the Harmon County Sheriff Department have given parents an opportunity to obtain a permanent record of their child's fingerprints.

The Hollis All Sports provided attending members and guests the opportunity to purchase a "burger bag". Harmon Electric employees and Hollis All Sports volunteers prepared and served the burgers. All proceeds went to the Hollis All Sports.

After the welcome and opening remarks by Burk Bullington, President of the Board of Trustees, Charles Paxton, General Manager, introduced the guests, Board Members, and employees and brought

the membership up-to-date on the current issues facing HEA.

Charles Paxton also showed members and guests a very interesting power point presentation on the 2010 ice storm. It covered the day by day process of assessing the damage done by the storm, how devastating it turned out to be for Harmon Electric's system, and the process of getting power restored.

Chris Meyers, General Manager of Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives, spoke to the members and guests, after which time the business session was held.

There was not an election held in districts 1 and 5. Pete Lassiter and Burk Bullington ran unopposed and will serve a three-year term.

After the Annual Meeting the Board of Trustees held their re-organization meeting. Burk Bullington representing district 5 was elected president, Jean Pence representing district 6 was elected vice-president, Billy Nowell representing district 7 was elected secretary-treasurer and Pete Lassiter representing district 1 was elected assistant secretary-treasurer.

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73rd Annual Meeting Prize Winners

\$100.00..... Elton Thompson
 \$50.00..... Forrest Drury
 \$50.00..... Ella Sheward
 \$50.00..... Shirley Downs
 \$50.00..... Elmer Holt
 \$50.00..... Brent White
 \$50.00..... Joe Cornett
 \$50.00..... Jay Hendricks
 \$50.00..... Lawayne Drury
 Electric Stirring Popper..... Calvin Augo
 Fry Daddy..... Paul Reddin
 Electric Mixer..... Larry Hammons
 Rotating Waffle Maker..... Jerry Hahn
 20-Inch Griddle..... Kenneth Gollihare
 George Foreman Grill..... Larry Powers
 Toaster Oven..... Carl Ellis
 Ratcheting Ready Wrench..... Ella Sheward
 Carbon Monoxide Alarm..... Debrin Ragan
 Crock Pot..... Jo Heflin
 Cup Coffee Maker - Irby Donation..... James R. Moore
 18 Watt Fluorescent Work Light..... Joyce Denton
 40 Piece Socket Set..... Cave Creek Cemetary
 Weather Alert Radio..... LouAnn White
 20 Piece Screwdriver Set..... Shirley Downs
 Single Serve Blender..... Laveda Devoll
 Food Steamer..... J.E. Payne
 Pur Walter Filtration System..... Brent White
 Electric Skillet..... Dwain Christian
 Rechargeable LED Spotlight..... Evelyn Caswell
 Electric Chopper..... Mary Kromer
 Solar LED Landscape Lighting..... Douglas Lanford

Hedge Trimmer..... Joe Cornett
 12 Cup Coffee Maker..... Donald Robinson
 Coleman Cooler..... R.P. Myers
 Table Fan..... Randy Cornett
 HEPA Air Purifier..... Gary Randell
 Eureka 2-Inch - 1 Vacuum..... Reed Extension Homemakers
 Weed Eater/Trimmer..... Michael K. Moore
 Shop Vac..... Harry Cochran
 Beverage Cooler..... Sulphur Baptist Church
 50' Water Hose..... Leon Cole
 Columbia Jacket-Bridgewell Resource..... William Tillman
 Mesh Armchair..... Kevin Seddon
 4 1/2" Grinder - Kisatchie Treating, LLC..... Gale Caswell
 Cordless Drill/Driver - Kisatchie Treating, LLC..... Edward Gelnar
 Ratchet Tie Downs..... Harmon County Sheriff
 Double Burner Hot Plate..... Ernie Adams
 Wireless Weather Thermometer..... Joseph Glenn
 Insect Zapper..... W.J. Stehr
 Ice Tea Maker..... David Morris
 Can Opener..... Vinson Post Office
 4 Piece Pliers Set..... Dalton Northington
 Mesh Armchair..... Norman Williams
 \$50.00 Wal Mart Gift Card - Techline..... Glynadee Edwards
 \$50.00 Wal Mart Gift Card - Techline..... Leland Reeves
 George Foreman Grill - Wesco..... Jimmy Ted Strickland
 Dee Fryer - Wesco..... Dessie Hart
 Flowering Plant - Tamarack Assisted Living..... Edward Snow
 Jacket - Hollis All-Sports..... Ralph Bauer
 Rolling Ice Chest - WFEC..... Ed Stegall
 Jacket - Hollis All Sports..... Terry Daniel

NEW WFEC BOARD OFFICERS ELECTED



Officers for the Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) Board of Trustees were elected during an Organizational Meeting, hosted on Friday, April 15 at the cooperative's Anadarko headquarters. The Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees followed the Annual Meeting of Members, in which the 24 existing trustees were all returned to the Board. These meetings were hosted after the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting.

Bob Allen (seated), who serves on the Board of Harmon Electric Association in Hollis, was re-elected to the position of president.

Other newly elected officers include (standing, from left) Mike Lebeda, a trustee from Kay Electric Cooperative in Blackwell, who was elected as secretary-treasurer; David Ray, who serves on the Board of Kiamichi Electric Cooperative in Wilburton, who was elected as vice president; and Rusty Grissom of Oklahoma Electric Cooperative in Norman, who was returned as assistant secretary-treasurer. These four officers will serve a one-year term running from April of 2011 to April of 2012.

TRADEWIND ENERGY AND WESTERN FARMERS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE EXPAND OKLAHOMA WIND POWER PROJECT Expansion of Rocky Ridge Wind Project to 150MW will Power the Equivalent of 45,000 Homes

Lenexa, Kan. (May 3, 2011) – TradeWind Energy, LLC and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC) have expanded the Rocky Ridge Wind Project planned for Oklahoma's Kiowa and Washita counties and announced earlier this year.

The project has expanded by 25MW to a new total of 150MW and will include about 93 wind turbines across approximately 28,000 acres of leased land in the two counties. TradeWind is expected to break ground in the fall of 2011 with commercial operation anticipated for mid 2012. Approximately 150 workers will be hired during the construction phase. Upon completion, nine to ten full-time workers will be employed to monitor and maintain the facility, which will produce enough electricity to power the equivalent of 45,000 homes.

The project is expected to contribute over \$3 million annually in direct payments to the local community via property taxes and rent payments to approximately 100 landowners whose properties will host the turbines or easements.

"The expansion adds to the mutually beneficial aspect of the project," said Frank Costanza, TradeWind executive vice president, corporate development. "Western Farmers will receive additional low-cost renewable energy and greater economy of scale, while the project landowners and the community receive economic benefit via tax and lease payments. Western Farmers has been tremendous to work with, and TradeWind appreciates the opportunity to extend our relationship."

The Rocky Ridge Wind Project will deliver affordable electricity to WFEC member customers in Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas and New Mexico.

"WFEC is pleased it could reach agreement with TradeWind to increase the size of this project," said WFEC Chief Executive Officer, Gary Roulet. "The current market conditions for renewable energy, made expanding the project attractive to WFEC and allows the parties to fully use the interconnection approved by SPP, thereby gaining economies of scale. The project, and the increase in size, is good for rural Oklahoma and good for the member-consumers of the 23 distribution cooperatives served by WFEC. WFEC looks forward to a long, mutually beneficial relationship with TradeWind."

TradeWind Energy, LLC, is one of the largest independent wind project development companies in the U.S. Founded in 2003, the Lenexa, Kan., based company partners with local utilities, cooperatives, environmental groups, municipalities and landowners to develop mutually beneficial wind energy projects. TradeWind Energy, the 2009 recipient of the Kansas Governor's Energy Achievement Award, takes great pride in its ability to deliver low-cost wind energy while maintaining an uncompromising commitment to long-term project quality. The company is actively developing 4,500 MW of clean, renewable energy in 11 states throughout the central United States. TradeWind Energy developed the 250 megawatt Smoky Hills Wind Project located in central Kansas – the largest wind project in the state. For more information, visit www.tradewindenergy.com.



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Charles Paxton.....Manager

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Pete Lassiter.....District 1
 Jim Reeves.....District 2
 Clinton Nesmith.....District 3
 Bob Allen.....District 4
 Burk Bullington.....District 5
 Jean Pence.....District 6
 Billy R. Nowell.....District 7
 Charles Horton.....Attorney

Monthly Board of Directors meetings
Held Fourth Thursday of Each Month

IF YOUR ELECTRICITY GOES OFF REPORT THE OUTAGE

We have a 24-hour answering service to take outage reports and dispatch servicemen. Any time you have an outage to report in the Hollis or Gould exchange area, call our office at 688-3342. Any other exchange area call toll free, 1-800-643-7769.

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CALL 688-3342 or 1-800-643-7769
ANYTIME



SAFETY FOR YOUNG DRIVERS...

How to Survive Auto Accidents Involving Utility Poles & Power Lines

Summer break is here and many young drivers are out on the roads more frequently, driving to and from summer jobs, across town to hang out with friends, or even on road trips. Unfortunately, this new found independence can be dangerous and even fatal.

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among young people in the United States between the ages of 15-20. When training young drivers, we must stress caution and awareness of electrical hazards along with the other dangers. When young people are first learning to drive, they revel in their new independence and often forget about the responsibility that accompanies it. Hopefully many deaths can be prevented by raising awareness of electrical road hazards.

Teach your family that if your car hits a power pole, or otherwise brings a power line down, stay in your vehicle and wait until the local electric utility arrives on the scene and ensures that lines have been de-energized. If you come upon or witness an accident involving toppled power poles and lines, do not leave your vehicle to approach the scene.

Indiana teenagers Lee Whittaker and Ashley Taylor saw a power line safety demonstration at their high school and never dreamed their new knowledge would be put to the test. Five days later, they were in a car that crashed into a utility pole, bringing live power lines to the ground.

Fortunately, they heeded the safety advice they had received, and survived because they knew the right actions to take. And they helped others who approached the scene by warning them to stay away. According to the National Highway Traffic and

Safety Administration, tens of thousands of accidents occur each year involving power lines. In the vast majority of these incidents, the safest place to remain is inside the car.

If you must get out because of fire or other danger, jump clear so as to not touch the vehicle and the ground at the same time. Land with feet together and then keep them together and hop away -- don't run or stride. Electricity spreads out through the ground in ripples, like a stone dropped in water. The voltage is highest in the ring closest to the vehicle and decreases with distance. Hop with feet together so that one foot won't be in a higher voltage zone than another, which could make you a conductor for electricity!

Even if a power line has landed on the ground, there is still the potential for the area near your car to be energized. If you come up on, or witness an accident involving toppled power poles and lines, don't leave your vehicle to approach the accident scene. Often our inclination is to step in and help those in danger and offer assistance to the injured. However, in accidents involving power poles, the best thing you can do is call for help. Wait for trained assistance to arrive, or you could become an additional victim in need of rescue.

To learn more or to view a video of Lee and Ashley's experience, visit www.safeelectricity.org

