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The Stigler office is scheduled to close at noon on Nov. 15th.

Cycle 1 & 3 November bills will be due on Nov. 19, 2012.

Cycle 1 & 3 November bills will be subject to disconnection without further notice after Nov. 25, 2012.

Please read the full article on page 4.

Congratulations
Adam Whalen is our online survey winner!

Offices Closed
CHEC will be closed November 22nd & 23rd in observance of Thanksgiving.



Rain Does Not Dampen Spirits at CHEC Annual Meeting

The weather did not cooperate, but that did not stop Cookson Hills Electric Cooperative (CHEC) members from attending the 64th Annual Meeting on September 29, 2012 at Sallisaw High School. A total of 1,126 registered members attended this year's annual meeting. The total number of people attending the meeting was estimated to be nearly 2,800 including family members and guests.

Registration for the meeting was moved from outside to inside the gymnasium due to the rain. Each membership that registered received a gift bag and a \$20 electric credit. Everyone in attendance enjoyed music and entertainment by Left Hand Drive, a local Sallisaw band, before the meeting came to order.

Board President, William T. Mills, called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. John Speir, of Sallisaw, sang the National Anthem. Trustee, Rocky Woods Sr., gave the invocation.

Cookson Hills General Manager, Kendall Beck, welcomed everyone and gave a financial update on the cooperative. Beck encouraged members to keep reading the Hot Watts newsletter for important information affecting cooperative members.

After the business meeting was adjourned,



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\$3,000 in cash and prizes was awarded to members in attendance.

Thanks to those of you who completed the annual meeting survey. Your feedback is very important to us. We hope to see you next year!





64th Annual Meeting Snapshots

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Cookson Hills welcomes members to submit photos, and articles which will be subject to Cookson Hills editing. Any submissions must be received before the 12th of the month prior to the publication date.

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Future CHEC Members



Steven Dodson, Donnie Forrester, and Dale Bilyeu



Matthew Davis



Elizabeth Orme



Harmony and Crystal Cartwright

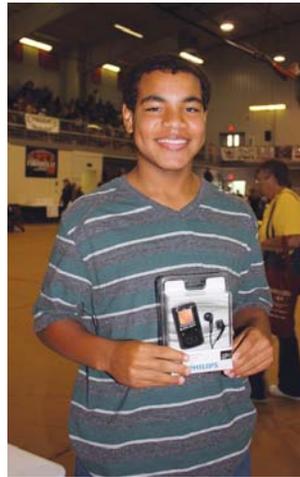


Allen Hare, Chad Martin, and Jeremy Baker

Over \$3,000 in Cash and Prizes



Kalee Watts of Keota



Charles Hefner of Roland



Weston Tidwell of Eufaula



Rena Thorstensen - \$500 winner



Thelma Bowman - \$200 winner



Daelin Runyon of Sallisaw

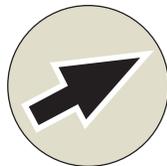


Ladonna Johnson of Keota



Patsy Carlton and family of Vian

Thank you for attending
the 64th Cookson Hills
Electric Cooperative
Annual Meeting!



ONLINE

More annual meeting photos
available online. Visit our website
www.cooksonhills.com

Congratulations to our 64th Annual Meeting GRAND PRIZE WINNERS

CHILDREN

Kalee Watts
Charles Hefner

ADULTS

William & Thelma Bowman
Rena Thorstensen

PRIZE WINNERS

CHILDREN

Logan Heytz
Brandon Hunt
Serenity Williams
Ariel Davis

ADULTS

Earl Cagle
Laurie Talley
Larry & Sharon Johnson
Judy Wilkins
Kenneth & Anita Murphy
Roger Johns
Inez Biggs
Michael Lindsey
Jim & Charlotte Fain
Wesley & Helen Christenberry
Richard Murphy
Gerald Pettit
Patsy Carlton
Martin Roach
Roger & Vicki Sutherland
Jimmie & Loretta Cook
Marvin & Edna Rushing
June Calloway Tinney
Bill & Carol Southard
Mary Allen
Isaac & Melissa Slape
Jeff & Ladonna Johnson
Marlene & Eddy Moore
Rudy & Bill Starr
Louise Schweyer
Jack Samples
Jimmie & Josie Cheater
Mary York
Patrick Wright
Johnie Cooper
Phoebe Wann
Al Broyles
Maxine Young
Kelly Choate
Raymond & Doris Gano
JD & Patsy Watts
Jack Garvin
Norma Randell
Donald Brunk
Mike Cartmill
Daelin Runyon

Stigler Office Scheduled To Close at Noon on Nov. 15th

The Stigler office is scheduled to close at noon on Nov. 15, 2012 to transition the phone and computer systems to the temporary facility. The systems should be fully operating by 8:00 a.m. on Nov. 16, 2012 with the lobby and drive-thru being open for business. Signs will be posted to guide you to the parking lot and drive-thru from 10th Street.

Due to the fact that payment options will be limited on Nov. 15, 2012, the due date for Cycle 1 & 3 Nov. bills will be extended from Nov. 15th to Nov. 19th. Also, the cutoff date for Cycle 1 & 3 Nov. bills will be extended from Nov. 21st to Nov. 25th.

While the computer system is down on the afternoon of Nov. 15th, the Sallisaw office will have phone capabilities; however, 346900 they will have no computer system during the switching of the computer server at Stigler.

The Stigler office employees will utilize the warehouse, fitted with temporary offices, while the demolition of the old building and construction of the new building is being completed.



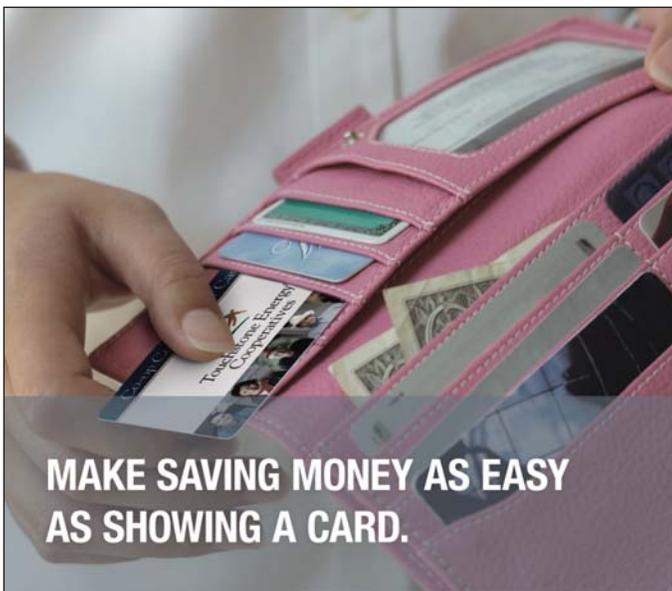
The total construction of the new facility may take up to 24 months, but this should have no impact on the electric service that Cookson Hills provides to its members. In case of an emergency call 800-328-2368. We appreciate your patience as we transition through construction.



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Your kitchen can yield big energy savings. Check the refrigerator door seal for a tight fit. Run only full dishwasher loads, and use the microwave rather than oven to reheat food and make small meals. Finally, unplug small appliances when not in use—many draw power even when turned off.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy



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