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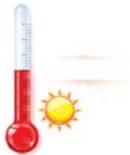
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Loni Mullins
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Energy Efficiency
Tip of the Month

Check your heating and AC filter this spring. At a minimum, change the filter every three months. A dirty filter will slow down air flow and make the system work harder, wasting energy. A clean filter also prevents dust and dirt from building up in the system.

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Offices Closed
CHEC will be closed May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

Youth Tour Finalists Win a Trip to Washington D.C.

On April 2, 2013, Cookson Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc., (CHEC) held their 35th Annual Youth Tour Banquet. CHEC honored four students whose written essay earned them an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D. C., June 14 – 20, 2013.

The trip will begin when they join approximately 70 other students from across Oklahoma for a “Get Acquainted Banquet” in Oklahoma City. The delegates will board a plane the following morning and fly to Washington, D.C. When they arrive in Washington, D.C. they will join over 1,400 other students from across the nation as they embark on an educational and fun filled week.

Six eventful days in the nation’s capital will include a tour of the Capitol, riverboat trip on the Potomac River, tour of Mount Vernon, breakfast with Oklahoma’s congressional delegation and many other points of interest.

The Youth Tour competition is available to all students in the CHEC service territory who are completing their junior year in high school. Kristie Cash and Donna Rhodes visited local schools and gave a presentation about the electric cooperative history and the annual Youth Tour trip.

The contest consisted of an essay written on a topic chosen by the Cooperative. From the essays entered, a judge chose four finalists. These four students were then invited to give an oral presentation of their essay at the annual banquet.

CHEC is pleased to have these four students representing the Cooperative for the 2013 Youth Tour: Rachel Brannon from Gans High School, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Brannon; Zachary Sharp from Gans High School, son of Mr. & Mrs. Gary Sharp and Jenna Mitchell; Morgan Whitson from Stigler High School, daughter of Mr. David Whitson



Left to right: Zachary Sharp, Mrs. Elizabeth Weisenfels and Rachel Brannon



Left to right: Dillon Rae, Mrs. Robbie Sloan and Morgan Whitson

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and Mr. & Mrs. Jason Hoover; and Dillon Rea from Stigler High School, son of Mr. & Mrs. Bill Rea.

Teachers of the winning students this year are Mrs. Robbie Sloan from Stigler High School and Mrs. Elizabeth Weisenfels from Gans High School. We extend a special thank you to all the teachers for participating and supporting the Youth Tour program this year.

If you would like more information about Youth Tour, please visit our website at www.cooksonhills.com.

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REWARD**

Cookson Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. is offering a \$1,000 reward. The reward is to anyone that provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of the responsible parties who are committing thefts and vandalism of utility property in CHEC's service territory. Please report any information or suspicious activity directly to the sheriff's office.

Williams Celebrates 25 Years

Williams Chevrolet, Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge, and Ram is observing 25 years in business this year. They are one of many businesses in the Stigler area who have electric service through Cookson Hills Electric Cooperative (CHEC). In fact, Williams is located across the road from CHEC's Stigler office facilities. Burl Williams, owner of Williams, remembers when his family first acquired electricity which was around 1958. His family lived just outside of town on some property near Stigler Lake.

"My first job was in a used car lot when I was sixteen years old. I didn't have a car until I was in college. I walked to town many times during my high school years. During college I worked in several service stations. I started working in the car business in 1970



when I finished college. I've been at it about 43 years now," said Burl.

Williams Chevrolet opened their doors in April 1988. The business began with six employees. Of those original six, only two remain - Burl and Debbie Williams. They started in the Chevrolet business, and in 1990 they acquired the Chrysler franchise. About five years ago they added the Case Tractor franchise.

Williams has approximately 300 new and used vehicles on the lot. They sell a big percentage vehicles through their website www.buywilliams.com, through eBay, and through cars.com. After vehicles are received, pictures are taken of each vehicle and posted on their website. Williams started their website early on; the internet proved to be a good tool. Even local people shop online, and by the time customers walk into the dealership a big percentage of them have already chosen a car. Williams has a full service shop and parts department, servicing gasoline, diesel, and electric vehicles. Financing is available for new and used vehicles as well.

When questioned what Burl likes most about the business, he said, "It's in the blood." Alison, Burl's youngest daughter, has been working at the dealership for about three years. Burl's brother, Bruce, has worked in the business for 23 years. "Brandon Davis, our General Manager, has been working for us for 12 years. He started as a salesman, and then moved into finance and insurance before becoming our General Manager. It takes a lot of long hours, training, and hard work, and he is very dedicated. Our employees are



like family. We have a total of 26 employees at this time," said Burl.

Brandon stated, "We are all family here. Most people do not realize the hours we put in with each other, including Burl and Debbie. They work side by side with us putting in the same, if not more hours to make sure the business is successful so that we can provide for our families and our community."



Left to right: Burl and Debbie Williams, and Brandon Davis

"We have grounded ourselves on long-term customer service. Our culture is based on the service end of the business. We enjoy working with the people and the relationships that form. We will try to meet their needs, and we are going to be here to take care of them," said Burl.

Burl and Debbie Williams are active in the community. They sponsor and attend various events throughout the year. If you are in Stigler, stop by Williams and congratulate them on 25 years of success.

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