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**Kiwash Electric
Cooperative's 68th
Annual Meeting**

**will be held
Tuesday, July 17, 2007.**

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District Meetings Soon

District Meetings for three trustees have been scheduled for June 25, 26, and 28 in Districts 1, 5, and 7.

Rex Eagan represents District One. Rex and his wife Claudia, make their home and farm northwest of Arapaho, where they've been for over 20 years. The District One meeting is Monday, June 25 at 7:00 pm in the Arapaho High School.

You are represented by Rex if you are in his district, which begins at the intersection of Highway 152 and Highway 182 in Cordell, extending North along Highway 183 to the Junction of Highway 183 and Highway 33 to Butler, then West along Highway 33 to the Junction of Highway 33 and Highway 44 at Butler, then South along Highway 44 to the Town of Foss, then East 1 mile to the NE corner of 12-11-19, then South 7 miles to the SE corner of 12-10-19, then East 4 miles to the NE corner of 15-10-18, then South 4 miles to Highway 152, then East along Highway 152 to the point of beginning.

Louis Fariss has been with KEC's board since April of 2005. Louis and his wife Cynthia live near Leedey.

Louis' territory begins at the town of Taloga and the South Canadian River, extending South on Highway 183 to the junction of Highway 183 and Highway 33 going to Butler, then West on Highway 33 going to Butler, then west on Highway 33 to 3 miles West of Hammon, and bordered on the west by Northfork Electric Cooperative and on the North by Northwestern Electric Cooperative. Louis will be meeting with you in District Five, Thursday, June 28 at the Dewey County Fairgrounds, Taloga at 7:00 p.m.

District Seven members are represented by Ralph Cunningham, who is currently board of director President for Kiwash. Ralph has been a trustee since April 1995. Ralph and his wife Audrey live north of Sentinel.

Ralph serves the area which begins at the SW of SE corner of 23-10-20 extending east 7.5 miles to the SE corner of 24-10-19, then north 2 miles to the NE 13-10-19, then east 4 miles to the NE corner of 15-101-8, then South 4 miles to Highway 152, then east along Highway 142 to the junction of Highway 152 and Highway 183 in Cordell, then south on Highway 183 to the junction of Highway 183 and Highway 55 in Rocky then west on Highway 55 to 8 miles west of Sentinel to the SW of SE corner of 16-08-20, then north bordered on the west by Northfork Electric Cooperative. District Seven meets with Ralph Tuesday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Kiwash Electric Cooperative Board Room.

Meeting Purpose

The primary purpose of the district meetings is to elect a trustee to represent the members on your Cooperative's Board of Trustees. Each of the nine board Districts, has member-representatives elected to manage the business affairs of Kiwash Electric Cooperative.

Policies set by your Board of Trustees are carried out by the General Manager through the staff and employees of the Cooperative. These trustees of Kiwash Electric Cooperative are members of the Cooperative and pay for their electricity at the same rate as other members. They are elected to the board by the membership. As your representative, they determine policies regarding operations and help guide the growth and progress of your electric power distributor. Every member is entitled to one vote in trustee elections and to a voice in the business matters of your Cooperative. The district meetings are the time for you to utilize that vote and voice.

Qualifications of a trustee, as listed in the by-laws, Article IV, section 2, states that no

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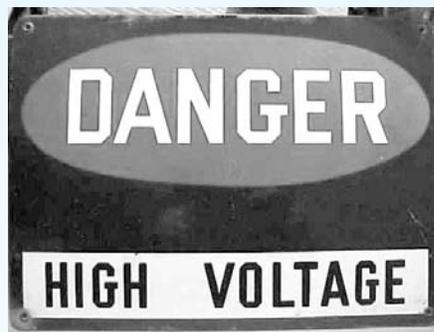
Manager's Monologue
Dennis Krueger



Signs! Signs!

I remember a protest song by the 5 Man Electric Band that was entitled, "Signs, Signs" a few years back. A couple lines of this song might also jog your memory, "Signs, Signs, everywhere a sign Do this, don't do that, can't you read the sign."

The 5 Man Electric Band was protesting the use of signs as it pertained to protecting or hiding the beauty of nature from the general public and not letting the average person enjoy nature. Yet, signs do have a redeeming quality when it comes to protecting human life from hazardous situations.



We all have seen signs like these. They are meant to warn people of the ultimate dangers of high voltage in substations or power lines. Hopefully, they save lives by making people aware of high voltage hazards.

Not everyone likes to heed the warnings when it comes to quick money; however, there is a price to pay. The rising copper price is tempting some thieves to think about stealing copper from substation. Copper theft from electric substations is slowing down thanks to a statewide law enforcement crackdown, but high prices for metal may still tempt some to crime.

Don't be tempted! The message is simple; *Stay away from substations and don't mess with your meter. Vandalizing cooperative equipment for any reason is a punishable crime, but you could wind up paying for it with your life.* Each time copper is stolen from an electric company, either at a substation or an electric pole, it costs thousands of dollars to make a repair.

Kiwash would like to offer the following cautions regarding copper theft. **Copper Theft is against the law and could kill you!**

Stealing copper from an electric cooperative is a crime, and it is extremely dangerous. Not only could it result in death for the thief, but it can have an effect on customers and innocent people in the form of fires, explosions and electric outages. Copper wires in substations carry very high voltages, and can cause immediate harm, including death, to an untrained and unqualified person. This is why entry into substations is restricted and unauthorized entry is a crime. Warning and high voltage signs are posted around substations for this very reason.

We would like to remind customers to never enter a substation nor touch any electrical equipment, power lines or anything that may be touching a power line. And please, help us by reporting any suspicious activity that you may see at our substations to the local sheriff's office or to the Kiwash dispatcher.

Kiwash Electric Cooperative's 68th Annual Meeting

Tuesday, July 17, 2006

4:30 – Meal begins at the Washita County Activity Center

6:00 p.m. – Entertainment for the kids at the Washita County Activity Center

6:30 p.m. – Entertainment at the Cordell High School Auditorium

Registrations Gifts Entertainment

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Summer Cooling Tips!

If your home is too hot in the summer, there are many ways you can help keep heat out of your house. Planting trees, for instance, is one of the best ways to diffuse the hot summer sun before it enters your home. But a surprising amount of heat comes from inside your home.

The biggest sources of internal heat gain are lights and appliances. Reducing their use will save electricity and keep your home cooler. In humid climates, moisture that is released by cooking, bathing, and other activities will also make it harder for air conditioners to cool your home. A drier home feels more comfortable.

Here are some easy ways to keep cool in the summer:

Replace standard incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs. The electricity used by standard bulbs produces 10 percent light and 90 percent heat. Also, compact fluorescent lights are cheaper to operate.

Schedule heat-producing chores like baking or doing the laundry after the hottest part of the day.

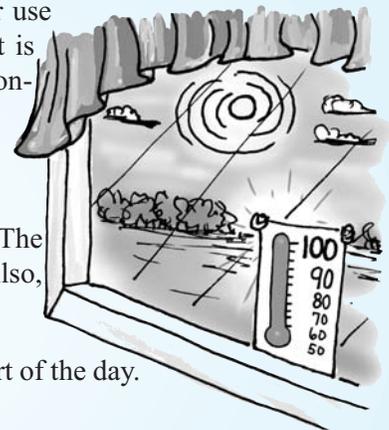
Install an insulating jacket on your water heater.

Use kitchen and bathroom fans to remove heat and moisture during and after cooking and bathing.

When replacing appliances, buy those with the Energy Star® label. These appliances conserve energy and release less unwanted heat.

If you are home during the day, use a room fan to create a cooling breeze.

If you live in an area where evenings are cool, don't forget about the cheapest cooling method of all. Open your doors and windows, or run window fans. This will move cool evening air through your home for almost no cost.



Comforting Potato Casserole

This is a great recipe for busy cooks

2 cans (10-3/4 ounces *each*) condensed cream of mushroom soup, undiluted
2 cups (16 ounces) sour cream
2 cups (8 ounces) shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
5 green onions, sliced
1 package (32 ounces) frozen Southern-style hash brown potatoes, thawed

In a large bowl, combine the soup, sour cream, cheese and onions; stir in potatoes until coated.



Transfer to a greased 2-1/2-qt. baking dish. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 1-1/2 hours or until potatoes are tender.

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person shall be eligible to become or remain a trustee or to hold any position of trust in the Cooperative who: (a) is not a member of the Cooperative and bonafide resident of the particular district which he is to represent; or (b) is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative or a business primarily engaged in selling electrical or plumbing appliances, fixtures or supplies to the members of the Cooperative; or (c) is the incumbent of or candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary or compensation in excess of one hundred dollars per annum is paid; or (d) is an employee of the Cooperative, or has been employed by the Cooperative and termination of his employment has been less than five years; or (e) is a close relative of an incumbent Trustee or an employee of the Cooperative. As used in these by-laws, "close relative" is defined as a person who is related to the principal person by consanguinity or affinity within the third degree, including but not necessarily limited to a person who is either a spouse, child, grandchild, great grandchild, parent, grandparent, great grandparent, brother, sister, aunt, uncle, nephew, or niece, by blood or in-law of the principal; or (f) has been convicted or pled guilty or nolo contendere to a felony.

The procedure for nominating and electing trustees is outlined in Article III, Section 7, of the by-laws and states as follows: At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, not less than sixty days preceding each annual meeting of the members, the trustees shall fix a date which shall not be less than fourteen or more than thirty days preceding the annual meeting of the members for the holding of a district meeting for the members residing therein in each of the nine districts for the purpose of electing by ballot by and from the members of each district a trustee to serve as a trustee of the Cooperative. The Board of Trustees shall call the meetings and cause notice of each district meeting to be mailed by the secretary to each member not less than ten days before the meeting, which call and notice shall indicate the district, which each member belongs. Each District meeting shall be called to order by the trustee, or in his absence, by any member residing within the District. The members shall then proceed to elect a chairman, who shall be someone other than a trustee, and a secretary, each to act for the duration of the meeting.

Each trustee shall serve for the period of time for which he is elected or until a successor shall have been elected and shall have qualified. A quorum is five percent (5%) of fifteen members, whichever is the greater, of the members residing in the district present at such duly called district meetings. Members of other districts at the meeting may be heard, but shall have no vote.

Voting by Proxy shall not be permitted at such district meetings. The member in each voting district receiving the highest number of votes at the election held at such district meeting shall be elected a trustee of the Cooperative to take office immediately following the ensuing annual meeting of the members.

There's no test over the above information, other than following the rules during the meetings. Come have a good time where your opinion important.

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