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## Riches to Rags to Restaurant



Isn't it exciting and marvelous to watch old become new again! Seeing new life pumped into a historically significant building is mind boggling. Keeping our western architecture alive is a tough proposition when you consider these buildings must also adapt to the building codes of the 21st century. Our society needs, wants, and desires change, and that creates a challenge as people restore older buildings.

The White Dog Hill Restaurant maintained the western architectural style by restoring the old Clinton Country Club of the roaring '20's into a unique restaurant and doing so during Oklahoma's Centennial Year. During the restoration process, new modern conveniences and necessities were added with a great deal of care while minimizing the overall effect on the western historical architectural of this grand old structure.

The history of this building is unique. It was originally constructed as the main clubhouse for those who could afford the luxury of playing golf in the 1920's; an exclusive private club so to speak. It fell into total disrepair after the club membership disbanded. It recently opened under the banner of White Dog Hill.

The White Dog Hill Restaurant almost didn't happen. Over the years vandals had invaded this old structure high atop a hill just east of Clinton along the north side of the I-40 access road. They had torn the building apart through their reckless acts. "Vandals tried to burn it down several times" according to the owner Nelson King. He continued, "Had I not come along when I did, this building would have been destroyed by vandals and transients." This exquisite structure of the past was completely dilapidated. It took Nelson six years to fully renovate the building using his own blood, sweat, and tears.

White Dog Hill is now an elegant, country style restaurant with a magnificent view of the valley that surrounds this restaurant. "As hokey as it sounds" said King, "Our slogan is 'Come for the View and Stay for the Food'."

Go for dessert and coffee or go for a complete meal; but, you must see the White Dog Hill in order to fully appreciate it and check out the in-laid star as you enter the building. Not to mention the beautiful view of Clinton and surrounding countryside. For reservations, please call 580.323.6922.



Manager's Monologue  
Dennis Krueger



## Generation Portfolio Offers Reliability & Low Cost

The consumption of electricity of this cooperative is increasing yearly. The appetite for electricity at many homes and businesses are increasing at an unprecedented level. The Department of Energy predicts a 40% increase in electric demand by the year 2030. Kiwash Electric Cooperative is part owner of our generation company, WFEC; so you might ask how is Kiwash's electricity produced?

Generation resources and fuel diversification are important aspects of the overall portfolio for Western Farmers Electric Cooperative (WFEC). By having a variety of fuel sources, WFEC is better equipped to provide a plentiful supply of power and cost-effectively meet the ever-changing challenges of the energy market, as well as the growing demands of its cooperative members.

WFEC is the wholesale power supplier for Kiwash Electric and 18 other rural electric cooperatives and Altus Air Force Base, who in turn, provide electric service for approximately two-thirds of rural Oklahoma.

WFEC takes advantage of significant diversity in its energy mix including coal, hydro, wind, natural gas and economy market purchases. WFEC additionally has three different technologies of gas-fired generating units in its portfolio including combined cycle, simple cycle steam and combustion fired turbines. As future generation needs are mapped out, options are carefully weighed to determine the best means of providing WFEC's member-owners with economical and reliable electricity.

Currently, WFEC's single largest share of energy is produced from coal-fired generation at its Hugo Power Plant. In 2006, approximately 42 percent of WFEC energy was produced with coal as the fuel source.

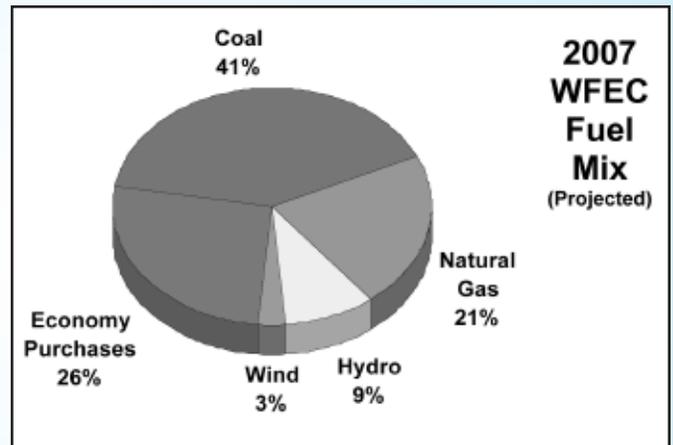
WFEC has also taken advantage of economy market purchases resulting in lower costs as compared to production on WFEC's gas-fired generating units. Last year, these purchases accounted for roughly 25 percent of WFEC's overall fuel mix. WFEC has an extensive transmission system, with numerous interconnections with other utilities. This valuable resource offers WFEC the opportunity to purchase diverse economy energy resources that, in the right market conditions, are less expensive than operating its own gas-fired generation units. Thus, generation is dispatched daily on a least-cost basis. As an equity partner of ACES Power Marketing, WFEC has expanded its access to energy resources through participation in broader regional markets for power and transmission.

A long-term contract with the Southwest Power Administration for hydroelectric power also adds diversity in WFEC's energy mix. In 2006, approximately 7 percent of WFEC's overall energy came from hydro resources.

In its portfolio, WFEC also has a power purchase agreement for all the energy production from Phase 1 of the Blue Canyon Wind Farm, which totals 74.25 megawatts. Earlier this year, WFEC signed another power purchase agreement with the 19 megawatt Buffalo Bear Wind Farm. These wind purchases provide a valuable renewable energy resource that will account for approximately 5 percent of energy to WFEC's energy portfolio in 2008.

In recent years, due to the extreme volatility of natural gas prices, it has certainly been an advantage for WFEC to rely on this diverse portfolio of fuel sources to provide reliable, low-cost power to cooperative members across Oklahoma. If WFEC had relied solely on natural gas generation during 2005 and 2006, fuel costs would have been twice as high as that actually delivered by WFEC's portfolio of generation sources.

Kiwash, in conjunction with WFEC, believe it is best to produce electricity through a blend of several fuels like coal, natural gas, wind and hydro power instead of relying on one particular source for all of its energy.





## The Touchstone Energy® Co-op Connections Program



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Because you are a member of Kiwash Electric Cooperative, a Touchstone Energy® Cooperative, you can receive discounts on products and services from participating local, state/regional and national businesses.

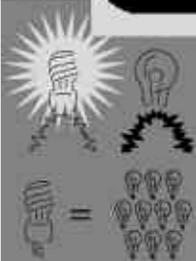
To receive local discounts, simply show your Co-op Connections card to any participating business displaying a Co-op Connections window sticker.

The local participating businesses participating are:

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- Dean's Greenhouses \* Cordell, Elk City and Weatherford
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- Fletcher's Auto \* Cordell
- Jack's Flowers and Gifts \* Cordell
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- Lindley Farm Equipment, Inc. \* Cordell
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## Shed new light on energy savings!



**FACT**  
Compact Fluorescent Lamps use **one fourth of the electricity** of a traditional bulb.

**FACT**  
Compact Fluorescent Lamps **last ten times longer** than standard bulbs!

**FACT**  
Compact Fluorescent Lamps **produce low heat**, so it takes less energy to cool your home. Even more savings!



### CONCLUSION

You'll be amazed at just how fast the savings add up!

#### Do the Math. Save the Money!

The average home has 20 sockets. If 10 bulbs in your home are 14 watt CFLs, and 10 bulbs equal \$12.90! That's over \$100 per year based on just 3 hours of usage a day!



# Basil Shrimp Fettuccine

8 ounces uncooked fettuccine  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1/4 cup each chopped sweet yellow and red pepper  
1 to 2 garlic cloves, minced  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1 can (12 ounces) fat-free evaporated milk  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon white pepper  
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
1 pound uncooked shrimp , peeled and deveined  
2 tablespoons minced fresh basil or 2 teaspoons dried basil



## DIRECTIONS

Cook pasta according to package directions. Meanwhile, in a nonstick skillet, saute the onion, peppers and garlic in oil until tender. In a small bowl, combine flour and milk until smooth. Add to vegetable mixture. Stir in the seasonings. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened.

Reduce heat; add shrimp and basil. Simmer, uncovered, for 3 minutes or until shrimp turns pink. Drain pasta; place in a large bowl. Add shrimp mixture and toss to coat. Yield: 6 servings.

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### What's Happening In Your Community

September 7-10 – Kiowa County Free Fair – Fairgrounds in Hobart

September 21 – 29 – Southwest Playhouse production “To Kill a Mockingbird”

September 24 – Fall Festival’s Kiowa County Heritage Days Indian Pow Wow in Hobart

September 29 – Western Oklahoma Wellness Expo

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