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PEC DAY

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SEPTEMBER 2014

# People's Powerline

Pontotoc County Agri-Plex, Ada, Oklahoma

A newsletter for PEC's electric consumers

Watch for your annual meeting program arriving in the mail soon!

## PEC Day is Saturday, September 27

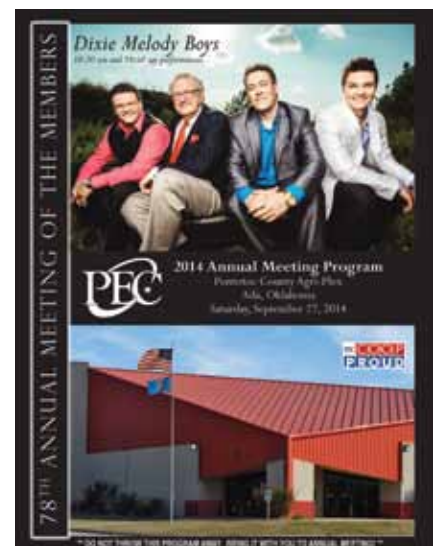
Your personal invitation to PEC's 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Members should be arriving soon in your mailbox.

This highly anticipated yearly event, commonly referred to as "PEC Day," will be held at the Pontotoc County Agri-Plex, located at the corner of J.A. Richardson Loop and Broadway in Ada on Saturday, September 27, 2014.

As soon as you receive your program (shown at right), be sure to keep it so you can present

it to registration workers at the meeting. Your program will enter you in all of this year's prize drawings. You'll also need it to receive your portion of the cooperative's profits in the form of capital credits. [See related article below.] This year, over \$750,000 will be returned.

The first 3,000 members to register will receive this year's registration gift, a 4-in-1 multi-use flashlight. A grand prize drawing for \$1,000 will be held at the end of the business meeting, and you must be present to win!



### CO-OP PROUD FOR 9 YEARS

Kirk Langwell began his full-time employment with the co-op in 2005, and currently serves as the Operating Services Unit Manager.



## Proud to give YOU the credit

Did you know when you signed up as a consumer of People's Electric Cooperative, you automatically became not just a customer, but a **member** of an electric cooperative?

Cooperatives use a business model that's different from other companies. We don't sell stock on Wall Street. We provide power locally, and conduct business locally. Investments we

make in electric infrastructure don't profit someone in an area far away—benefits stay right here in south central Oklahoma. 160400701

This year when you receive your capital credit check, remember that this member benefit is special. The amount of your capital credit check may vary

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Report Power Outages 1-877-272-1500 or  
(24 hrs/day 7 days a week) (580) 272-1500, local Ada Area



### HOLIDAY CLOSING

PEC's offices will be closed in observance of Labor Day Monday, September 1, 2014



Pictured above (l-r): Members Christy and Tim Blackburn, owners of Peach Tree Farms



*“The electricity PEC provides to our business makes it possible for us to serve our own customers better.”*

--Christy Blackburn  
Peach Tree Farms  
Highway 3 West, Ada, OK

# Proudly Peachin’

by Jennifer Boeck

**G**row it, and they will come. It may not have happened overnight for Peach Tree Farms owners Tim and Christy Blackburn, but what began as a small roadside fruit stand located on Highway 3W 14 miles northwest of Ada has grown over the past 25 years to be a favorite seasonal stop for folks traveling between Ada and Asher.

Summertime in Oklahoma wouldn't be the same without tender, juicy peaches, and although their peaches may take center stage during the summer months, it's their peach ice cream, sundaes and shakes that truly confirm the fact that you made a great decision to stop by the roadside stand.

The Blackburns continue to expand the stand every year. “This year we'll be closing the stand at the end of August and reopening around the middle of September for about a month,” said Tim Blackburn. “We'll have our pumpkins, sweet potatoes, regular potatoes, squash, onions and possibly still have okra, watermelons, canteloupe and tomatoes.

The small fruit stand that PEC originally provided power to in 1983 under its former owners has most definitely evolved into a diverse market for not only fruits and vegetables, but also a variety of jellies, salsas, honey and even craft novelties.

“The electricity PEC provides to our business makes it possible for us to serve our customers better, explained Christy Blackburn. “Without the walk-in cooler, we would have to sell within a few days of picking. With refrigeration comes a larger window of freshness.” 1093202001

Modern technologies like cooler rooms and electronic payment systems have made it possible for Peach Tree Farms' customers to experience big city conveniences from a location some would consider remote. “Not so many people carry cash anymore because of the prevalence of credit and debit machines,” added Mrs. Blackburn. “Electricity makes it possible for our customers to make purchases without the hassle of running to get cash or remembering to have it on hand.”

In 1988 when Tim Blackburn brought his brother to work along side him as a picker in the orchard, he had no idea he'd still be there today. And although a quiet man, it's evident through his strong work ethic, good business sense and the support of his dedicated family, he embodies the same spirit that the co-op movement was built upon more than 75 years ago.

Proof that the cooperative spirit is still alive happens everyday in our communities, even at the smallest roadside fruit stand.

## Allocated Patronage Dividend Based Upon Patronage Taxable Income for 2013 Tax Purposes

The Notice of Patronage Taxable Income Allocation for Tax Purposes is issued in accordance with the Bylaws of People's Electric Cooperative. The amount of patronage taxable income for the calendar year 2013 is \$2,138,852. The allocation factor is 0.0396907155 for residential accounts, 0.0547542880 for general service/commercial accounts, and 0.195597413 for large power accounts. To determine your amount of this allocation, multiply the allocation factor by the total amount of your electric bill for 2013. This allocated amount is not immediately available as either cash or credit on your electric bill. These notices are redeemable only at the discretion of PEC's Board of Directors, and are not required to be reported by you for income tax purposes until redeemed for cash and then only if you receive an income tax deduction for the payment made to the cooperative during 2013. Accordingly, it is unlikely that residential patrons will be required to report such allocations even when paid to them in cash or credited to their electric bill. If you have any questions concerning this allocation please call Kathy Spillman or Carlton Tilley at (580) 332-3031.

Pictured at right (l-r), PEC's Director of Member Payment Services Amanda Carter presents a Co-op Proud gift basket to winning member, Carol Nye of Sulphur. Ms. Nye signed up on PEC's bank draft program, Sure B.E.T., in May to win our most recent Co-op Proud drawing. Purchase or join a monthly featured product any time throughout the year, and you'll be entered to win. Our next drawing is scheduled for September 1, 2014.



## You Get the Credit

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from year to year, and it may not always be the amount you'd like it to be, but it's an example of the financial strength your cooperative continues to achieve.

Capital credit refunds are to you what dividends are to stockholders at for-profit companies. You get the credit when our revenues exceed costs. Our goal is to provide you with electricity at a price that is as close to cost as possible. That way, more of your money stays in your pocket—up front.

The retirement of capital credits—so-called because members provide capital to the cooperative for it to operate and expand—depends on the co-op's financial status. When PEC's Board of Trustees determines that the financial condition of the co-op will permit the retirement of this capital to the membership, it is returned to you in the form of a check at annual meeting.

Since 1987 PEC has retired approximately \$18 million in capital credits to its members. Nationally since 1988, U.S. co-ops have collectively

retired over \$9.5 billion to 42 million Americans in 47 states, based on data from the federal Rural Utilities Service and the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC), a private market lender to electric cooperatives.

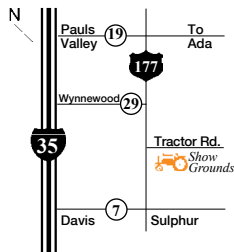
"Allocating and retiring excess revenue to members helps distinguish cooperatives," points out Carlton Tilley, PEC's Senior Vice-President of Administrative Services. "We're proud to support our communities by putting money back into the local economy—and into the pockets of those we serve. It makes our business model special."

In short, you are receiving a vital resource, electricity, from a business owned and operated by you, your friends and neighbors. Working together, we provide you with the highest level of service we can while striving to keep your electric bills affordable.

That's the cooperative difference, and that's why we're proud to give you the credit. 742300100



## Murray County Antique Tractor and Implement Association



## 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Show September 19, 20, 21

7 miles north of Sulphur on Hwy 177, then 3/4 mile east on Tractor Rd.

**For more information call:**  
(580) 264-0500  
(580) 622-6611  
(580) 369-8362

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### Business Hours

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday  
(877) 456-3031 or (580) 332-3031 (Ada Area)

### 24 Hour Outage Reporting System

(877) 272-1500 or  
(580) 272-1500 (Ada Area)

**Website:** [www.PeoplesElectric.coop](http://www.PeoplesElectric.coop)

### IMPORTANT DATES

Bills mailed .....31<sup>st</sup>  
Bills should be paid by the ..... 10<sup>th</sup>  
Cutoffs made ..... 20<sup>th</sup>

### STEPS TO FOLLOW IF YOUR ELECTRICITY GOES OFF

1. Check your fuse or breaker box.
2. Check with your neighbors. Are they off? Have they reported the outage?
3. Call our 24 hour Outage Reporting System at toll-free 1-877-272-1500 or (580) 272-1500 (local Ada area).
4. Always report outages promptly! Remember, the cooperative's responsibility ends at the meter. If a service call is made and the trouble is found on the consumer's side, a \$50.00 service charge will be assessed.
5. **For faster service, please make sure we have the correct phone number(s) for your account on file. Your phone number will be used to access your account information.**

*Providing electricity and energy service to over 20,000 meters in the following 11 south central Oklahoma counties: Atoka, Carter, Coal, Garvin, Hughes, Johnston, McClain, Murray, Pittsburg, Pontotoc and Seminole.*

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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### Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Like homes and other businesses, farms of all types can lower their electricity bills by turning off or reducing use of lights and small equipment in outbuildings. Timers and sensors can help, too.

Source: E Source

**LIVESTOCK & PET**

Rabbit hutch, \$35. (405) 665-4848 or (405) 207-4997

Angus Bulls, 7 to 12 months old, Angus business 55 years, same location. (580) 456-7241

Blue Roan mare, 4 years old, 90 days of training, papers, \$1200; 2 saddles. (580) 265-4256

Bob tail kittens, \$10 each; hand raised, half bull terrier and half black lab pups, \$10 each. (580) 892-3000

Reg. Polled Hereford heifers, 16 months old, a few Reg. cow/calf pairs, Remittal Online, 122L and PW Victor Boomer P606 genetics. (580) 332-2468

30 hd. blk badly heifers, bred to calve Feb. 2015, 10 fl. tiger stripes bred to calve Feb. 2015, all heifers are really fancy, heifers weigh 1000 lbs. plus, bred to LBW Angus Bulls. (580) 927-5648

**FARM & EQUIPMENT**

Bermuda hay, small square and large round bales. (405) 238-0393

Case 930, all propane (factory), cab, has all windows, some cracked, needs back tires, \$6000; 22 ft. gooseneck, car hauler, hand decking wood, \$4000. (405) 444-0097

20 ft. gooseneck, flatbed trailer. (580) 927-0661

200 round bales of hay, 5x4 net wrapped, good quality. (580) 927-2774

**FURNITURE & APPLIANCES**

Rustic cedar furniture made locally by family owned sawmill, also cedar shavings for flower beds. (580) 371-8349

Girls twin size white iron daybed w/trundle & 2 mattresses, \$150; Girls LEA brand white vanity w/mirror & 2 drawer tv stand w/hutch, solid as set, \$1100. (580) 618-8853

Moving sale, furniture, kitchen wear, linens, camping gear, tools, clothes, exercise equip., Christmas galore, and much more. (580) 453-1402

Baldwin piano with bench, good condition, \$700 obo. (405) 818-4815

Gas clothes dryer, \$85; brass and porcelain queen bed, \$300; new carpet still on roll, \$0.50 sq. ft. (580) 320-6928

Washer and dryer, give away just to haul off, both are working; also some junk iron. (580) 421-9829

King size mirrored, lighted headboard w/attached end cabinets & 11 drawer matching chest, great condition, \$800. (580) 618-8853

**Account Number Winner**

Congratulations to Bruce Buechner of Wynnewood and Jim Williams of Coalgate who found their account number in last month's August newsletter. The find netted each of them a \$5 credit on this month's electric bill. The other numbers belonged to Presley Keeler of Wynnewood, J.D. Oxley of Mill Creek and Carl Harrison of Sasakwa. It's easy to win. Just find your account number located somewhere in the newsletter, then call, write or come to PEC by the 12th of the month in which your number is published to claim your \$5.

**REAL ESTATE**

4 year old lake house, 1200 sq. ft. at Lake Texoma, SW of Madill, Island View area, S. of Enos, extra lot, fully furnished, storage shed, pics by request, \$150,000. (580) 320-5014

Restaurant for sale, land & building, Sulphur. (817) 431-2746

Horse friendly acreage, 3+ acres, 2 bdrm., 2 bath, modern house, barn, fenced for horses, close to Ada, \$119,900. horseproperties.net or (580) 559-2653

1160 Fletcher Rd., Sulphur, horse property, 2 bdrm., 2 bath, 1740 sq. ft., located 6-7 miles E. of Sulphur on HWY 7, recently renovated, 4 acres. (580) 618-5231

7 bdrm. home on 5 3/4 acres, 2 storage buildings, in-ground pool, hot tub, nice kitchen w/stainless steal appliances, lots of extras, close to town, Ada. (580) 272-3302 or (580) 332-0362

House for lease/rent, 3 bdrm., 2 bath, 39761 St. Hwy. 59, Byars. (405) 677-3781

7.5 acres MOL, Center, OK, paved road, water and electric excellent building site, \$21,000. (405) 640-4214

2.9 acres w/ 2 bdrm. house & 1 bdrm. cottage, fenced, spring water pond, N. of Turner Falls, W. of Hwy. 35. Call after 2 pm. (817) 431-2746

New home in Ada, under construction, approx. 2,000 sq. ft., 3 bdrm., 2.5 bath, garage, established neighborhood, call or text for details. (580) 399-1089

**AUTOMOTIVE**

Yamaha V-Max after market parts and Triumph Rocket III parts and accessories. Call after 5 pm. (405) 712-1957

Mini truck Jap. model, 4-wheel drive, 2 seater or 5 people, \$6000. (580) 927-3002 or (918) 907-1090

2011 Cadillac SRX Luxury Edition, 17,500 miles, perfect, like new condition, fully loaded. (918) 432-5732 or (918) 470-7009

2006 Honda Shadow Spirit, 26k miles, runs great, very clean, loud pipes, lots of extras, \$3300 obo. (580) 399-3967

2003 Mercury Marquis, 82k, one owner, red in color, \$5500. (580) 272-5000

2000 Chrysler LHS, silver in color, good condition, leather interior, 4 door sedan, located on Hwy. 19 at Roger's Garage, \$2100. (580) 436-7974 or (580) 421-9481

1987 S15 King Cab GMC, \$1500; treadmill, \$50; Whirlpool tub, \$200. (580) 332-5117

**MISCELLANEOUS**

I'll be glad to quilt your tops, t-shirts, pictures, etc or I'll quilt it from start to finish! (580) 332-3847 or (580) 436-7002

Xterra F55.2e Elliptical, \$450. (580) 272-8919

Sewing machine service and repair, home and commercial, Ada area. (580) 665-1001 653300500

Jazzy Select electric wheel chair, never used, needs battery and cable, \$750; Evenflo portable crib in carrying case, used one night, like new, Ada, \$35. (580) 272-3023

I can crochet cowl wraps, beaux cowls, ear warmers and boot cuffs, call for details! (580) 257-0677

Clothing alterations, patching, zippers, reasonable prices; 2 cane bottom chairs, \$30; adult potty chair, \$15; antique 5 tier corner shelf, \$35; walker, \$10. (580) 332-5831

Embroidery tea towel sets, scarves, crochet big or baby afghans, place mats, neck scarves, head bands, dish cloths, pot holders and much more. (580) 332-7508

Cement blocks; treated post; Washburn guitar; fishing gear; gold fish; hair sheep. (580) 272-3249

Embroidery school, individuals business. (405) 484-7287

Metal roofs, free estimates, 15 colors, vinyl siding. (405) 783-4284

As Seen On TV, Rockwell Jawhorse (sawhorse), never been used, \$75; Sanyo TV, 20", \$40. (580) 235-0432

300 gallon gasoline or diesel tank. (580) 320-4101

I do alterations or sew start to finish; mens mountain bike, like new, \$50, paid \$250. (580) 436-0064

4x8 utility landscape trailer, made by Carry-On Trailer Corp., \$350 firm. (580) 272-0413

Invacare wheelchair, \$100; baby Evenflo carrier/car seat, \$15; 30 gallon ceramic decorative pot, \$50; Levi and Wrangler jeans, size 36. (580) 436-0478

Fire pits and pavers made from solid granite, starting at just \$200. (405) 207-1240

**MOBILE HOMES, RV'S, BOATS, & ATV'S**

1984 Chevy motor home, new tires, power plant, A.C., \$3500. (580) 332-1900

**WANT TO BUY**

Looking for an 8-12 month old Brahman Bull. (580) 399-5881

**-FREE-**

**Classified Ads for PEC Members!**

Type or print your ad on the lines below and mail it in. Remember, we are limited on the amount of available space, so mail ads as soon as possible or email your ad to [ads@peopleselectric.coop](mailto:ads@peopleselectric.coop) with name/account number.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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