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People's Powerline

Chickasaw National Recreation Area, Murray County, Oklahoma

A newsletter for PEC's electric consumers

City of Sulphur proclaims June 30, 2015

Larry Shellenberger Appreciation Day

by Jennifer Boeck

Having completed more than five decades of service calls during all kinds of weather with an unwavering commitment to keeping the lights on, Larry Shellenberger turned in his climbing gear on June 30, 2015.

Whether you are a native resident of Sulphur, Okla., have lived in or around Sulphur in the past or now consider Murray County your home, you likely either know Larry Shellenberger personally, or have benefited in some way from his keen ability to pinpoint and repair any type of trouble on PEC power lines. Because so many local residents consider him a friend and have been on the receiving end of countless hours of outstanding service, the City of Sulphur, Okla., declared the day of his PEC retirement to be Larry Shellenberger Appreciation Day. It was only fitting that a lineman of Larry's caliber with 53 years of dedicated service be honored in such a manner.

Randy Ethridge, PEC's CEO and Executive Vice-President, announced the City of Sulphur's decree back at co-op

CO-OP PROUD FOR 6 YEARS



Stephen Calaway began his full-time employment with the co-op in 2008 and currently serves as PEC's Director of Dispatching & SCADA Services.



(l-r) Larry Shellenberger accepts a proclamation from City of Sulphur, Okla., Mayor Brandon Flowers. The city set aside June 30, 2015, as Larry Shellenberger Appreciation Day.

headquarters in Ada, Okla., during a retirement reception held June 30 with Larry's daughter Rae Ann Shellenberger, special friends and many co-workers in attendance. Mr. Ethridge expressed his appreciation for Larry's service and shared a conversation he had with Larry's daughter Rae Ann just moments prior to his presentation. 252003100

"Rae Ann remembered as a child knowing that when her dad got a trouble call on Christmas morning, she and her sister would have to wait to open their presents until Larry could restore another family's power on PEC lines. As a child on Christmas morning, she said, 'the wait always seemed like

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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

Co-op Proud Winners Announced



Above, (l-r) PEC Member Account Manager Shane Kimbrell presents a Co-op Proud gift basket to Member Tassa Fenn of Ada and her daughter Brooklyn. Mrs. Fenn and her husband Jason were entered to win June's Co-op Proud gift basket drawing when they enrolled in SmartHub last April and opted for paperless billing.



Above, (l-r) member Teddy Davis of Sulphur accepts a Kindle Fire tablet from PEC VP of Communications Jennifer Boeck. Mr. Davis and his wife Rhonda were entered to win the Kindle when they made the move to paperless billing last May.

Upcoming Co-op Proud drawings are scheduled for September 1, 2015. August's Co-op Proud featured product is Sure B.E.T. (see next page)

Larry's Legacy

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an eternity, but Dad wanted to be sure that everyone else had their electricity back on Christmas morning,'” Ethridge said.

John Hudson, Senior Vice-President of Operations and Engineering, also spoke at Shellenberger's reception. “Larry's work ethic and drive to take care of his service area was always above average and set the standard for others to aspire to,” Hudson said. “Larry Shellenberger has always been a leader in my eyes.”

Larry began his time at the co-op on May 24, 1962, as a Groundsman. He later became a District Lineman. In 1995 he was promoted to District Line Technician where he stayed until his retirement.

A brick has been placed in Larry's honor outside the co-op headquarters on PEC's Retirement Walk of Fame in celebration of the enduring mark Larry's 53 years of service have made at the Cooperative.

In a 2011 interview, Larry expressed his desire to be the first PEC employee to work 50 years full time. Like everything else Larry does, he surpassed his own great expectation and threw in an additional three years just for good measure. 20700102

Thank you, Larry, for always going above and beyond to make the best better in everything you set out to accomplish for the benefit of the Cooperative, and most importantly, the benefit of our members. We are Co-op Proud of you.



Larry Shellenberger

PEC Day Booth Reservation

2015 PEC Annual Meeting Booth Reservation

Saturday, September 26, 2015 | Pontotoc County Agri-Plex

Food Booth.

Please indicate where food will be prepared: _____

_____ On-Site

_____ Other (please provide location): _____

Craft Booth.

Please enclose \$25 craft booth fee.

Organization: _____

Name of person to contact: _____

Daytime Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Mailing Address: Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Product(s) to be sold: _____

Send food or craft booth reservations to:

Tara Mullins, People's Electric Cooperative

P. O. Box 429, Ada, OK 74821-0429





Jennifer Boeck, CCC

Meet Your Certified Cooperative Communicator

PEC's Vice President of Communications and *People's Powerline* editor Jennifer Boeck has been notified that she has met the requirements to become a Certified Cooperative Communicator (CCC), according to Randy Ethridge, CEO and Executive Vice-President.

Since 1985, more than 300 electric cooperative communicators have attained CCC status. The CCC Program is entirely voluntary and part of a national program offered by the Council of Rural Electric Communicators, which is affiliated with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). Boeck's recent credential makes her the 10th presently active co-op communicator in the state of Oklahoma to hold the designation.

In order to become certified, Boeck submitted a portfolio of her work, which was reviewed by an independent communications professional who has earned the CCC credential. In addition to passing the portfolio review, Boeck passed a rigorous four-hour examination. 630902602

Boeck currently oversees internal and external print publications, web, telecommunications and video needs for PEC, while also coordinating an award winning marketing and communications program for the cooperative's customer service department. In 1989 during her senior year at Byng High School, she began her service to the co-op as a part-time employee in the data processing department preparing member account files for microfiche. Following her graduation from Texas Woman's University (Denton, TX) and a brief teaching career in business education, Boeck returned in 1999 as PEC's Director of Public Relations. She later moved into the role of Director of Marketing where she would remain until 2003 at which time she advanced to her current position.

The CCC Program Board of Directors governs the program. Board members are responsible for setting policy and program guidelines; NRECA staff administers the program.

Save Time with a Sure B.E.T.

PEC's Sure B.E.T. (Bills Electronically Transferred) program makes paying your electric bill each month a breeze. Here's how it works. Each month the amount of the bill you receive from PEC (either electronically or in the mail) is automatically paid from your checking or savings account on the last day the bill is due (normally the 10th of every month). *Certain restrictions may apply.* 1012400303

To join Sure B.E.T., print and complete the online form you'll find on our website at www.PeoplesElectric.coop/surebet or simply come by our offices located at 1600 North Country Club Road in Ada during regular business hours or contact our Customer Service Department by calling (580) 332-3031 (local Ada area) or 1-877-456-3031 (outside Ada, but inside PEC's service area).

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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

IMPORTANT DATES

Bills mailed.....31st
Bills should be paid by the..... 10th
Cutoffs made..... 20th

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

Periodically inspect your dryer vent to ensure it is not blocked. This will save energy and may prevent a fire. Manufacturers recommend using rigid venting material – not plastic vents that may collapse and cause blockages.

Source: energy.gov

LIVESTOCK & PET

One year old guineas. 3 hens & 1 rooster. \$50 for all. (580) 421-2076

Reg. Polled Hereford bulls and heifers. Remittal Online 122h & PW Victor Boomer P606 genetics. (580) 332-2468.

Reg. young Black Simmental bulls & heifers most AI or ET show quality. (580) 258-0080

Angus bulls 7 to 13 mos. old, 4 different bloodlines, Angus business for 55 years. (580) 456-7241

Free to good home: 7 week old Dachshund/Fiest mix puppies, black and tan short hair, some w/white patches on chest and feet. (580) 371-8134

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

2004 ATV Honda Rincon, adult owned, 221 hours, garage kept, excellent condition. \$4900. (580) 399-8383, (580) 272-0111

2000 30 ft. Holiday Rambler, Admiral Class A RV, excellent cond., auto. transmission, 36K actual miles, leveling jacks, generator, self-contained, lots of storage. (580) 622-5580

1986 Dynatrack 18'6" XP150 Envirude fish & ski boat, 41 lb. trolling motor, one owner. \$7500. (580) 265-4662

1982 20' deck boat, 90 hp Evinrude motor, has collapsible top, runs good. \$2000. (405) 321-2878

AUTOMOTIVE

2012 Harley F.L.D. Switchback motorcycle, less than 1,000 miles, excellent condition. (580) 665-5526

2011 Chrysler 300 Ltd., garaged & showroom new, 4K miles. \$25,000. (405) 379-772, after 7:00 pm.

2007 HD Road K Classic. (405) 444-4314

1982 Ford F350, V8 feed truck, ex-long bed with bulk feeder, good condition. \$2850 cash. (405) 380-5732

After market parts for Triumph Rocket 3 & Yamaha V-Max. (405) 712-1957, after 5:00 pm.

WANT TO BUY

In search of all kinds of railroad items (i.e., locks, keys, tools, signs, silverware, lanterns, seals, etc.). (580) 399-8866

Rear rim for Massey 50. (580) 265-4292

Account Number Winner

Leonda Shields of Stuart found her account number in last month's newsletter. The find netted her a \$5 credit on this month's electric bill. The other numbers belonged to Becky Reynolds of Ada, Scotty Ables of Tishomingo, Charles A. Smith of Sulphur, and Darrell Boyd of Allen. 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

Leasing soon: Ada home w/appliances, garage & deck, near university, hospital & park, no pets, non-smoker, dep./ references required. \$975/mo. (580) 456-7616 leave msg.

Lake house at Little Glasses on Lake Texoma, 3 bdrm, 2 full bath, brand new kitchen, new floors, new deck on front, completely furnished, & new roof. (580) 399-7536

FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

Kirby vacuum, works good. \$45. (580) 759-9376. Call after 3:00 pm.

Hand massager, works good. \$45. (580) 759-9393.

Baldwin piano. \$600 OBO. (405) 444-4314. 472200503

Kenmore washer and dryer, good condition, \$200 for both. (405) 941-3537

Restaurant equip: tables, red center w/solid wood with red seats, \$40-\$60 depending on size, all in good condition. \$15, cash only. (405) 761-2182

Kenmore 18,500 BTU window unit air conditioner, 220 volts & remote control, 4 years old. \$250 OBO. (405) 640-5825.

Square table with drawer. \$20. (580) 332-5831.

Apartment size round table with 2 stools, \$50; new twin mattress & box spring with frame, \$100; new red laptop computer, \$50. (580) 310-8155

Brown La-Z-Boy recliner, like new. \$150. (580) 332-7508

Antique white cast iron 60" tub with apron & matching lavatory. (405) 444-4314

Restaurant equip. 2 refrigerated deli cases; large one with glass front, very nice, \$1700; smaller stainless steel case with glass front, nice, \$600. Cash only. (405) 761-2182

21" TV, works good. \$45. (580) 759-9393.

Electric commercial convection oven, \$600; hot deli case or plate warmer, \$150. Cash only. (405) 761-2182

Antique matching pair of metal porch gliders. (405) 444-4314

Bone colored Kenmore fridge with ice maker in freezer portion, works great. (580) 759-5367.



Members: Submit your free ad online!
www.PeoplesElectric.coop

MISCELLANEOUS

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

Handmade sterling silver necklaces & jewelry with sports & mascot pendants. \$3 - \$15. (405) 238-4567

Sewing machine repair, home & commercial. (580) 665-1001

Used lumber, cement blocks & 40 gallon fish aquarium. (580) 272-3249

Stump removal, must have access for small tractor. (405) 444-1682. Ask for Jim.

100% cotton dish cloths. 7" x 7" in various colors of your choice. (580) 369-2202

\$3000 spiral staircase, asking \$350. (405) 305-2611

Two pianos, every key works, asking \$100/each. (405) 305-2611

25 Louis L'Amour books in good shape. \$1.50/each. (580) 759-9376, after 3:00 pm.

Structural pipe, H-posts, top soil & fill dirt. Call for pricing. (405) 207-8906.

4' x 8' firewood rack made from 2" pipe. 50 gal aquarium. (580) 265-4292

Diesel fuel tank 150-200 gal. \$350 cash. (405) 380-5732

FARM & EQUIPMENT

7' x 4 1/2' shop built trailer, all metal, 14" tires. \$500. (580) 310-0256

20 ft. gooseneck flatbed trailer. (580) 927-0061

New square trailer hitch & ball. \$35. (580) 759-9376, after 3:00 p.m.

Antique Ford diesel tractor, runs good, good rubber. \$2000 or best offer. (580) 622-6383

Clark forklift, propane, good condition. \$1500. (580) 265-7715.

Round bales. \$20. (580) 759-2884.

479 New Holland haybine. \$800 OBO. (580) 436-4937

7' tractor loader bucket. \$500 (580) 279-4829

-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 with name/account number.

Name: _____

Acct. No.: _____ Phone No.: () _____

Since we are limited on the amount of available space, ads will be taken until the classified section is full. Ads received after the section is full will not be held for the next issue. They should be re-submitted. The number of ads published each month will vary according to availability of space and ad content. We reserve the right to delete words and edit ads if they are too long.