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PEOPLE'S POWERLINE



At left, 2nd graders from Byng Schools, Francis Elementary, learn about electricity in Mrs. Pat Lee's class during 2014.

(Source: PEC archives)

2017 Tax Disbursement for Schools based on miles of electric line

	PEC Tax
Ada	\$ 13,143.98
Allen	\$ 75,844.10
Asher	\$ 5,545.72
Byng	\$ 120,224.29
Calvin	\$ 50,591.96
Coalgate	\$ 108,495.23
Cottonwood	\$ 14,333.41
Davis	\$ 15,669.39
Dickson	\$ 283.27
Haywood	\$ 1,161.41
Holdenville	\$ 42,830.42
Kiowa	\$ 32,147.82
Konawa	\$ 9,084.38
Latta	\$ 49,703.19
Mannsville	\$ 460.31
Milburn	\$ 1,293.15
Mill Creek	\$ 42,271.14
Moss	\$ 51,568.45
Paoli	\$ 9,006.13
Pauls Valley	\$ 18,115.40
Ravia	\$ 11,028.25
Roff	\$ 47,118.51
Sasakwa	\$ 19,423.36
Stonewall	\$ 96,728.90
Stratford	\$ 70,374.30
Stuart	\$ 19,675.17
Sulphur	\$ 69,723.54
Tishomingo	\$ 37,971.73
Tupelo	\$ 48,760.89
Vanoss	\$ 105,227.25
Wapanucka	\$ 19,164.86
Wayne	\$ 19,634.54
Wetumka	\$ 1,832.23
Wynnewood	\$ 42,285.58
TOTAL	\$ 1,270,722.26

CO-OP TAX AIDS LOCAL SCHOOLS

At a time when public schools desperately need funding, there's at least one source of money that isn't drying up. It's known as the electric cooperative gross receipts tax and during 2017, People's Electric paid a total of \$1,270,722.26 in gross receipts taxes to benefit the 35 school districts in its service territory. In lieu of ad valorem taxes, gross receipts taxes are paid according to the number of miles of power line maintained by the cooperative within each school district. The accompanying chart shows the 2017 distribution of gross receipts by school district.

Electric cooperatives in Oklahoma pay a two percent gross receipts tax on revenue at both the wholesale and retail level. Ninety five percent of the money collected goes directly to local schools. The remaining five percent is retained by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to cover administrative costs associated with

collecting and distributing the money.

On a percentage basis, electric cooperatives and their members contribute more tax dollars to local school districts than do other utilities. Co-ops have fought long and hard to retain the gross receipts tax because the money collected goes to local schools who decide the best way to use it. 472200601



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gross receipts taxes paid in 2017 by PEC members. Ninety-five percent goes to schools.

In addition to gross receipts tax, PEC pays federal and state excise taxes, Social Security and Medicare taxes, state and federal unemployment taxes, municipal franchise taxes, and various other licenses and fees assigned by state and local regulatory agencies.

2017 marked the 81st year PEC has been providing electrical service and financial support through gross receipts taxes to school districts in Carter, Coal, Garvin, Hughes, Johnston, McClain, Murray, Pittsburg, Pontotoc and Seminole counties.

SUMMER ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIPS

As warm temperatures arrive and schools dismiss for the summer, it's a great time to keep energy efficiency in mind. Here are a few tips to help you get started:

Laundry for Less:

Full loads mean fewer cycles, and washers and dryers that run in the late evenings add less heat and humidity to your home.



Cool Off/Calm Down:

Turn off unnecessary lighting and electronics that generate heat, resist the urge to turn down the thermostat and remember, lower fan settings use less energy.

Intramural Competition: Online gaming with each active player using their own computer, display, gaming console and internet connection gets pricey. Play each other at home on one screen and save.



Countertop Convenience: Range or oven cooking can really warm up a kitchen. Microwaves, convection ovens, induction cooktops, Crock-Pot® and toaster ovens put more cooking heat where you need it.



PEC's offices will be closed Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

Take a moment to remember the heroes who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Celebrate their extraordinary service, commitment and courage.

EMPOWERING MOTHERS



Mother's Day is Sunday, May 13.

PEC salutes all mothers this Mother's Day and are proud of the contributions made by the following full-time employed PEC moms: (front, l-r) Alyssa Hill, Jennifer Boeck, Allyson McElroy; (back, l-r) Amanda Sevedge, Shannon Sinnett, and Maranda Babb.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

When streaming online content, use the smallest device that makes sense for the number of people watching. Avoid streaming on game consoles, which use 10 times more power than streaming through a tablet or laptop.

Source: energy.gov



SURE BET (BILLS ELECTRONICALLY TRANSFERRED)

No more writing checks, buying stamps or unnecessary trips to PEC to make payments. Sure BET helps take your mind off paying your electric bill. Choose to pay your actual electric bill each month on the last day the bill is due (the tenth of each month) and your bill will automatically be paid from your checking or savings account. 632402200

Simply call us toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 323-3031 -- or visit us online at: www.PeoplesElectric.coop/surebet.



HEAT PUMP LOAN

Financing available for qualified members

The idea of owning a more efficient home—and paying lower utility bills—has widespread appeal, but finding ways to fund needed energy efficiency improvements can often be a challenge. 193502001

Fortunately, PEC's Heat Pump Loan Program allows members a convenient financing option for the purchase and installation of electric air-to-air, dual fuel, and geothermal heat pumps. Loan terms up to 120 months and monthly payments added directly to your electric bill are available.

A heat pump provides your home's heating and air conditioning all in one unit. As the name implies, heat pumps simply move heat from one place to another. During winter months, they collect and consolidate heat from outside sources and move it inside; during summer months, they reverse the flow and send warm, indoor air out.

Loan interest rates are 7.5% or 10.5%, determined by whether or not you join our Sure BET (Bills Electronically Transferred) program. (7.5% with SURE BET and 10.5% without SURE BET) There is a \$35.00 loan document fee, which is added to each loan.

PEC Heat Pump Loan Member Eligibility Requirements:

- You must be a current PEC member in good standing with no bill payments received after the 20th of any month;
- Have received active electric service from PEC during the most recent 24 months;
- Maintain a good credit report; 243405300
- Hold title to your home and allow PEC to file a mortgage on the property where the heat pump will be installed.

Questions about PEC Heat Pump Loan program? Come by our office at 1600 North Country Club Road in Ada during regular business hours or contact our Member Services Department by calling 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031.



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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 21,000 meters in the following 11 south central Oklahoma counties: Atoka, Carter, Coal, Garvin, Hughes, Johnston, McClain, Murray, Pittsburg, Pontotoc and Seminole.

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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 accordingly.

LIVESTOCK & PET

Horned Hereford bulls. (580) 320-2668

Brangus bulls, purebred commercial virgin two years old, home raised, extremely gentle, \$2,000 each. (405) 568-6818

Angus bulls, 12-16 months. (580) 456-7241

Ultra Black Bull-Heifer prospect, extremely gentle, fertility tested, current vaccinations, \$2,000. (405) 568-6818

Two year old black Brangus bull, Ada, \$1,500. (580) 279-3578

Horned Hereford bulls, 11-18 months old. (580) 456-7830

Registered Polled Hereford bulls, Remittal Online 122L and PW Victor Boomer P606 genetics, 12-14 months old, 48 years breeding Polled Herefords. (580) 332-2468

Simmental, Simmy Angus, and Angus bulls, 1-2 yr. old; 1 black Hereford, top blood lines. (580) 399-1483 or (580) 436-7816

Horned Hereford bulls, 12-19 months old, range raised. (580) 456-7830

Jack Russell puppies, ACA registered, tails docked, dew claws removed, \$300. (580) 927-0494

REAL ESTATE

3 bdrm., 2 bath brick home with 4 acres, indoor cellar, storage shed, good road, located 9 miles south of Stratford. (405) 863-5130

Lake house at Little Glasses on Lake Texoma, 3 bdrm., 2 bath, new kitchen, floors, roof, and deck, furnished. 580-235-1657

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

2014 Thor Motor Coach Hurricane, 1 owner, garaged, excellent condition, located in Sulphur, OK, \$72,500 negotiable. (580) 451-0207 or (580) 622-2640

Country Days RV Park, full hook up, all bills paid for people over 50 years of age, pets welcome, 2 miles from Arbuckle Lake, located at 2235 Cedar Blue Road in Sulphur. (580) 618-3768

FURNITURE & APPLIANCES

Futon bed, new, black frame and mattress, \$100; tools, new and used, tool boxes, air compressors. (580) 235-2792, call after 4:00 p.m.

WANT TO BUY

Old crocks from the Ada Pottery Company; bottles and creamers from the Ada Maid Dairy. (580) 399-8866

FARM & EQUIPMENT

1985 Massy 245 Tractor, good shape, comes with new 18' trailer and brush hog. (580) 310-2301 or (580) 272-3068

John Deere 42" cut riding lawn mower, 17 horse power, excellent condition, \$700 OBO. (405) 802-8811

Top soil and gravel available for delivery or pick-up. (405) 207-8906

Heavy duty cattle guard, 16 ft., \$500; two 16" saddles, handmade by J & M Saddlery, one roping and one cutting, \$500 each; horse stall panels, \$2,000. (580) 310-2499 or (580) 399-2605

430 John Deere twine tie baler, excellent condition, \$5,000. (580) 857-2525

510 Koyker front end loader, 7" box, hay spike quick disconnect, like new, \$5,000. (405) 221-7773

Stihl FS 111 RX trimmer, has only had 1 tank of gas run through it, new extra head, 6-pack of Stihl synthetic oil, still under warranty, \$300. (580) 320-9414

John Deere 346 square bailer, bales good, barn stored, \$5,500; John Deere 670 hay rake, barn stored, good shape, located 1.5 miles north of Ada, \$600. (580) 436-4352 or (580) 399-1964

Lawn mower; tree trimmer; brush hog. (580) 421-2378

Tri-L rotating tree and limb shear, fits John Deere tractor, nearly new, \$4,000. (580) 622-3090 or (580) 618-0159

AUTOMOTIVE

2009 Toyota Tacoma, high mileage, drives great. (580) 618-3530

2009 Yamaha XT 250 dual purpose bike, adult owned, 70 mph, new battery and rear tire, like new, \$1,900. (580) 235-7057

2006 Harley Davidson Dyna wide motorcycle, black, great tires, one owner, garage kept, 3,259 miles. (580) 320-6288

1993 Chevy Silverado, short bed, \$2,450 OBO; 165 Massey Ferguson diesel tractor, \$3,500 OBO. (580) 759-5061 or (580) 272-4888

1991 Chevy Caprice, new battery, needs some work, \$700; 2001 Lincoln Continental, new tires, needs some work, \$2,800 OBO. (580) 436-2820

1988 Suzuki Samurai, 4x4, manual, soft top, fair condition, \$2,500. (580) 320-3146

1972 El Camino SS 350 Turbo, red and black, 34,000 miles, really nice, \$15,000 OBO. (580) 512-2799

MISCELLANEOUS

If you need your top quilted, I will be glad to do so. I also make and quilt from start to finish: T's, baby clothes, etc. (580) 332-3847 or (580) 436-7002

Alterations on wedding and prom dresses; all types of sewing from hemming to zippers to any correction needed on all types of clothing, very reasonable prices. (580) 332-5831

Metal shop buildings or barns, industrial or commercial buildings. (405) 207-1240 12700905

Storage building for sale, 8 x 12, available for delivery, \$1,995. (405) 872-7433

Sawmill in Tishomingo: spring is here, show this ad to your wife so she can get you started on her honey do list with a new cedar closet! (580) 371-8349

Metal roofs, 15 colors, free estimates; vinyl siding and windows; remodeling, 24 years plus experience. (405) 783-4335

Fresh goat milk, milked daily, \$5 per gallon. (580) 399-4762

Two adjacent burial plots, located in prime spot in Swan Hill in Ada, \$1,100 for the pair. (580) 272-3023

Greenhouses, sizes 8'x8' to 8'x20' and 12'x12' to 12'x24' with appropriate accessories; portable storage buildings; carports; garages; playground equipment, located in Latta. (580) 332-7785

Pressure washer repair, guaranteed, pick up and deliver; reconditioned pressure washers for sale. (580) 759-5378

9 mm Luger Model 09; 303 British Australia Dodge, transmission 1/2 ton. (580) 927-0947

Stolen blue heeler border collie mixed dog, please bring him back, last seen in Ada. (580) 272-6545

37 year estate sale, May 4-5, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., located at 1537 North CR 3280, Pauls Valley, weather permitting. (405) 268-4665

Crochet: full size and baby afghans, kit towels, dish rags, tea towels, pot holders; embroidery seven days a week: tea towel sets, pillow cases, will take special orders. (580) 332-7508

Firewood, \$50; small vintage dresser, \$50; old hallway bench, \$100; bench, \$100; stainless steel sink, \$25; small sink, \$20. (405) 238-0351

Large variety of yarns and materials, different colors and brands; antique Coca-Cola bottles, original crate; woodworking tools, power and handheld. (580) 320-3242

Structural pipe, H-posts, corner posts, rebar, etc. (405) 207-0101

Account Number Winner

No members found their account number in April's newsletter. The find would have netted them a \$5 credit on this month's electric bill. The numbers belonged to Samantha Tatum of Ada, Dalton Harrell of Stratford, Jean Carr of Sulphur, Donna Calhoun of Stringtown, and Justin Byrd of Roff. 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.

-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.: () _____

Remember to identify ads with your name, phone number and account number. This is a free service to PEC members. Clip and mail the above form to: PEC Newsletter - P.O. Box 429, Ada, OK 74820.