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# Members to Choose Representation on Board of Trustees

The privilege and responsibility of co-op ownership is evident each year when members choose their representatives on the co-op's board of trustees.

Members in districts 7, 8 and 9 are electing their trustees this year.

Registration for all meetings will be from 6 to 7 p.m., when the

business sessions begin.

Members who are the voting delegates for organizations such as churches, will need to submit a completed organization certificate (below.) The certificate needs to be submitted at the time of registration.

If you don't know what district you live in, you can call our office at 918-371-2584 and speak with a consumer services rep, or visit our Web site at www.vvec.com. Click on the 'About VVEC' tab, then scroll down to the 'Map' tab.

You will also receive a notice by mail with details of your district's meeting.

Members in **District 7** meet Friday, Nov. 8 at the Bartlesville Southern Baptist Church, 5200 Nowata Rd.

District 8 members will meet Tuesday, Nov. 5 at the VVEC Pavilion, 8901 E. 146th St. N., in Collinsville.

And members in **District 9** will gather **Monday**, **Nov. 11 at Owasso's Pamela Hodson Elementary School**, **14500 E. 86th St. N.** 

RESOLVED THAT				
(Person's name typed or written in ink)				
who is a member or officer of said organiza	ation, is hereby designated official			
representative by	(Name of Organization)			
	(			
to vote at the District Meeting of Members of which said organization holds a Membership in the Verdigris Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc., to be held during November 2013 for Districts 7, 8 and 9, on all matters which at said meeting of Members may properly come before them; the action of said representative and all that he or she may do in this behalf is hereby ratified and confirmed as the act of				
(Name of Organization)	(President)			
(Corporate Seal)				
ATTEST:	(Secretary)			

Complete this form and present it when registering attendance at district meeting.

#### **VVEC Board of Trustees**

District 1 - Jim Brackett, 720-4531 District 2 - Jack Bogart, 371-9587 District 3 - Vernon Lewis, 341-5225 District 4 - **John Hibdon, 847-2320 District 5 - Jimmy Lambert, 760-7029** District 6 - Dennis Lenox, 396-1574 District 7 - Charles Huerter, 333-3107 **District 8 - Ken Howard, 724-9965** District 9 - Buddy McCarty, 272-5134 or 272-5364

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**VVEC** offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please call 918-371-2584 or 1-800-870-5948 to report an outage.

### Winter **Residential Rates**

October through March usage, November through April billing

**Customer Charge** 

\$20.20

**Energy Charge** 

1st 1.000 kWh \$0.0738/kWh Over 1.000 kWh \$0.0678/kWh

A power cost adjustment (PCA) will be applied to all bills when the actual cost of power purchased exceeds or is less than 55.993 mills per kWh.

In addition, a gross receipts tax of 2% of revenue will be included, plus additional taxes if applicable.

# Correction

Some amounts were incorrect when I included the school tax information in our annual report. I apologize, and want to correct that error.

~KRB

School District	<b>VVEC</b>	<b>KAMO</b>	<u>Total</u>
Oklahoma Union	\$99,011.91	\$39,141.06	\$138,152.97
Oologah	90,331.64		90,331.64
Caney Valley	90,051.30	86,212.20	176,263.50
Owasso	82,014.33		82,014.33
Collinsville	66,016.69	46,270.84	112,287.53
Skiatook	60,757.91	42,160.31	102,918.22
Bowring	59,430.27		59,430.27
Nowata	55,109.50		55,109.50
Barnsdall	53,180.27	33,539.09	86,719.36
Dewey	51,965.27		51,965.27
Claremore Sequoyah	47,082.66		47,082.66
Bartlesville	42,139.96		42,139.96
Sperry	42,134.99		42,134.99
Copan	32,487.18		32,487.18
Justus	27,023.60		27,023.60
Avant	25,759.31	36,594.71	62,354.02
Foyil	24,597.84		24,597.84
Pawhuska	22,543.01	36,049.06	58,592.07
South Coffeyville	21,286.54		21,286.54
Chelsea	20,389.99		20,389.99
Hominy	19,894.07	91,741.41	111,635.48
Claremore	19,629.55		19,629.55
Sand Springs	18,515.44	30,774.48	49,289.92
Verdigris	13,472.98		13,472.98
Catoosa	12,833.60		12,833.60
Prue	11,780.60	9,130.49	20,911.09
Anderson	9,792.39		9,792.39
Tulsa	9,529.84		9,529.84
Osage Hills	6,130.53		6,130.53
Inola	3,866.45	12,113.36	15,979.81
Chouteau-Mazie	672.78	14,041.31	14,714.09

Total Tax Remitted \$1,139,432.40 \$477,768.32 \$1,617,200,72

#### What to do if Your Power Goes Off

1. Check your fuses or circuit breakers. Every service is different. You may have fuses or circuit breakers in your house, on the side of your house, under your meter, or all three places. Check to see if your neighbors have electricity.

2. Call the Co-op at 371-2584, or 1-800-870-5948 if the call is long distance for you. Have your account number, name as it appears on the account, and address handy to give to the dispatcher. If you should get a recording, please don't hang up; leave your information. It will be retrieved and given to the correct department. Every message is answered.

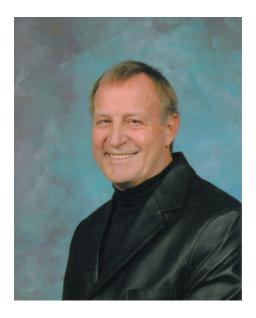


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# Incumbent Trustees Seek Re-election to Board



Chuck Huerter District 7

Chuck holds an associate degree in electronics; a bachelor degree in personnel administration, and has 20 years experience with Phillips Petroleum. He owned a small business in the health care industry for 15 years before retiring.

He has represented district 7 since 1985, watching it grow to almost 2,600 members.

Chuck holds certified director status from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), which he earned after completing the required number of continuing education classes offered to board trustees. and has also earned his Board Leadership certification.

Chuck currently serves as vice-president of VVEC's board of trustees.

He is an avid bicycling enthusiast, and has ridden in Oklahoma Free-Wheel, a cross-state bicycle tour.

An active member of the Bartlesville community, Chuck has three children and seven grandchildren.



Ken Howard District 8

Ken is a production supervisor with American Airlines, where he has worked since 1998. Prior to beginning his career with American Airlines, he owned and operated a local aviation business. He is a life-long resident of Collinsville, a graduate of Collinsville High School, and continues to live on VVEC lines.

Ken continues his trustee education by attending classes designed for cooperative trustees and has received his certificate in the Credentialed Cooperative Director program, sponsored by NRECA.

He has represented the more than 3,000 members in district 8 since 1992, and is a former officer on the board of trustees.

He and his wife Dana have three children and are also grandparents. They are active members of the Collinsville First Baptist Church.



**Buddy McCarty** District 9

Buddy was appointed to the board in 1995 to fill the unexpired term of a trustee who was moving off VVEC lines. His district is now one of the fastest growing areas in VVEC's service territory, with more than 3,400 members. He has also served as an officer on VVEC's governing board.

He is an agent for State Farm Insurance, having been with the company for more than 25 years.

He and his wife Diana have lived in Owasso for more than a quarter of a century. They both attended Northeastern State University, and Diana is currently a real estate agent. Buddy is generous with his time and talents, and is an involved and active member of the Owasso community.

He and Diana have two daughters, two granddaughters and a grandson-.

# Even Santa Uses the Co-op Connections Card

It is easy for holiday expenses to get out of hand. But using your Co-op Connections Card can help you make those Holiday wishes come true, without exceeding your budget.

The card is free and a privilege of being an owner-member of an electric cooperative. It is accepted locally at businesses throughout our service territory as well as across the country.

The holidays wouldn't be complete without family, and your Connections Card can help with lodging expenses. Super 8 in Claremore offers 10-percent off the regular rate, or you can choose to stay at any Best Western, LaQuinta, Ramada, Wyndym or Motel 6. Hertz, National, and Alamo car rentals also accept the Connections Card.

While shopping for those much-anticipated gifts to put under the tree, you will want to visit local merchants who accept the Connections Card. A complete list can be found on our Web site VVEC.com, under the 'Products & Services' tab.

Brown's Shoe Fit in Bartlesville offers 10 percent off any regular priced item, Cheryl's Digital Keepsakes, also in Bartlesville, gives two free copies of any complete project. Dorothy's Flowers in Claremore, gives 10 percent of all local delivery orders and in store purchases, while Flowerland and Flowerland Too in Bartlesville gives 5 percent off any order of \$30 or more (excluding wire service orders.)

You can get \$5 off a watch battery at John E. Koller Jewelry Designs in Owasso, and Mary Kay Cosmetics beauty consultant offers a 10 percent discount and free gift with a \$40 net purchase.

My Doll Castle in Claremore offers 10 percent off any doll not already on sale, and Neis Furniture in Owasso offers a 5



percent discount. Don't forget to visit the Mens Shop, The Pottery Cottage and the Village Salon, all in Claremore, Trummel Drug & Gifts, Oologah, or Red Barn Quilting, Barnsdall, Waterfront Frame & Art, Claremore.

You can take a shopping break at Linger Longer Antiques & Old Fashion Soda Fountain, Dewey, Tastee Freez, Skiatook, or The Daily Grind Sandwich Shop, Bartlesville.



### RECIPE

## **Turkey & Vegetable Cobbler**

1/4 cup butter
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
3 1/2 cups milk
1/2 tsp. dried thyme
1 tsp. chicken bouillon granules
2 cups diced cooked turkey (or ham)
1 (10-oz.) pkg. frozen sweet peas and mushrooms
1 cup frozen crinkle-cut carrots
1 (14.1-oz.) pkg. refrigerated pie crusts

Preheat oven to 450°. Melt butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Gradually whisk in flour, and cook, whisking constantly, 1 minute. Add milk and next 2 ingredients; cook, stirring constantly, 6 to 8 minutes or until thickened and bubbly. Stir in turkey and next 2 ingredients; cook 4 to 5 minutes or until mixture is thoroughly heated. Spoon into a lightly greased 11- x 7-inch baking dish.

Unroll each pie crust on a lightly floured surface. Cut pie crusts into 1 1/4-inch-wide strips. Arrange strips in a lattice design over turkey mixture. Bake at 450° for 40 minutes or until crust is browned and filling is bubbly.

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