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District Meetings A Privilege of Co-op Ownership

Selecting representation on VVEC's board of trustees is one of the fundamental privileges of cooperative ownership. Members in Districts 2, 4 and 6 will meet 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, which can be found on page 2 of this issue. The certifi-

cate needs to be submitted at the time of registration.

If you don't know which district you live in, you can call our office at 918-371-2584 and speak with a consumer services rep, or visit our website at www. vvec.com. Click on the 'About VVEC' tab and select 'Board of Trustees and District Map'.

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

District 2

Tuesday, October 27 Zion Hill Church 11501 S. 4060 Rd. Oologah, OK

District 4

Monday, October 26 Barnsdall School Cafeteria

District 6

Wednesday, October 28 Skiatook Town Meeting Hall 210 N. Broadway Skiatook, OK

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, 289-5961
- District 7 Charles Huerter, 333-3107
- **District 8 Ken Howard, 724-9965**
- District 9 Buddy McCarty, 272-5134

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Summer **Residential Rates**

April through September usage, May through October billing

Customer Charge

\$25.00

Energy Charge

1st 2,000 kWh \$0.0809/kWh Over 2,000 kWh \$0.0860/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.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Organization Certificate

RESOLVED THAT

(Person's Name typed or written in ink)

who is a member or officer of said organization, 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 October 2015 for Districts 2,4 and 6, 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:

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

If you are an official delegate to one of this year's district meetings, you must complete the above certificate and submit it at the meeting in order to cast a ballot for your organization.

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

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



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Incumbent Trustees Seek Re-election



Jack Bogart District 2

Jack and his wife Patti have been members of VVEC since 1980, and live in Oologah. They have two sons and one daughter and are grandparents.

He was elected to the board in 1997, and has since received certification as a cooperative director from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association which he earned after completing the required number of continuing education classes offered to board trustees, and has also earned his 'Board Leadership' certification.

"Serving on the board of trustees is a privilege," says Bogart. "I have enjoyed learning about the electric utility business and the cooperative method of doing business. I am amazed at how much joint effort and coordination it takes just to turn on a light switch." 5



John Hibdon District 4

John and Cecilia Hibdon live in Barnsdall and have been VVEC members since 1982. They have two grown children who have blessed them with grandkids.

"I am a CPA and have owned my own insurance and accounting business in Barnsdall since 1981," he says. "In my spare time I like to fish and play golf."

John has attained certified cooperative director status from the National Rural Electric Cooperative which he earned after completing the required number of continuing education classes offered to board trustees. and has also earned his 'Board Leadership' certification. He also serves as the VVEC representative to the board of directors for KAMO Power, VVEC's wholesale power supplier.

"I was honored when the members in District 4 elected me to the board in 1997 and I strive to represent them well as I help make decisions that affect their lives." 5



Dennis Lenox District 6

Dennis and Sherry Lenox have been members of VVEC for more than 30 years. They live in the Skiatook Lake area and have a son and daughter. They are also proud grandparents.

"I love living in rural America," says Lenox, who is the retired vice-president of American Bank of Oklahoma in Skiatook. Having been in the banking business, I've met a lot of people. When they have questions about the co-op, as a trustee, I'm usually able to answer those questions. If not, I can call someone at VVEC who can give me the answer so I can call the member back."

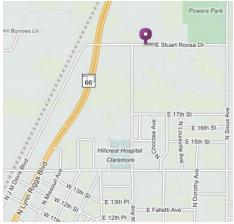
"Sherry and I enjoy riding motorcycles, NASCAR, spending time with our friends and family and meeting people. 5

Annual Meeting Returns to Claremore

Mark your Calendars for Saturday, October 10th

This year's annual meeting will be Saturday, October 10th at the ROBSON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, located at 101 E. Stuart Roosa, near the Claremore High School. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 11 a.m. We are asking members to bring the top portion of their electric bill with them for electronic registration. We will scan the barcode on the bill to register each member's attendance and enter them in the prize drawings. This eliminates long lines to register.

There will be free coffee and donuts available at 9 a.m. Req-



RECIPE

istration gifts this year are a VVEC cap, ladies tote bag and a pot holder. A favorite with VVEC members, popular Country and Western singer Paul Bogart will take the stage at 9 a.m. He will entertain the crowd until 10:45 a.m. Paul will be available after the meeting for members who want to visit with him or buy his CD's.

A free light lunch of hot dogs with all the trimmings, chips and cold soft drinks will be served from 10:30 a.m. until noon.

At 11 a.m. the business session opens. VVEC trustees will conduct the meeting until its conclusion when the popular prize drawings begin. A large number of great gifts such as electric appliances, power tools and electronics are going to be awarded.

Three members in each of the co-ops nine districts will win a \$50 credit to their electric bill. One lucky member will win the

grand prize - \$500 credit to his or her monthly electric bill.

"Annual meeting is a highlight of our year," says VVEC General Manager Alice Houston. "We strive to make it both enjoyable and informative for the membership. We want them to enjoy the privilege of cooperative membership, while visiting with their trustees, neighbors, and co-op employees, and learning about our programs and services. We hope many of them choose to spend their Saturday morning with us."

BRING YOUR ELECTRIC BILL TO ANNUAL MEETING

Members who bring their bill with them to annual meeting for electronic registration will be eligible for one of three \$50 bill credits!



Fluffy Orange Salad

- 1 (3 oz.) Pkg. cream cheese
- 1 (5 oz.) jar Neufchatel pimento cheese spread
- 1 (16 oz.) can sliced peaches, drained
- 1 (11 oz.) can mandarin oranges, drained
- 1 c. pineapple tidbits, drained
- 1 c. miniature marshmallows
- 1 c. whipped cream or 1 c. prepared topping mix

Combine cheese and blend well. Blend in ¼ cup of peach juice. Cut peach slices into bite-sized pieces and fold with other fruits and marshmallows into cheese mixture. Fold in whipped cream. Chill 5 to 6 hours or overnight.