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Sliding into Summer

I read somewhere that you can tell if you're from Oklahoma if you have ever used the air conditioner and heater in the same day. I think that must have been written by a true Oklahoman.

Right now we're enjoying warm, sunny days. Some of us are already wearing shorts, sleeveless shirts and sandals. We're driving around with the windows down and the radio turned up, and we're actually itching to get outside and work in the yard.

Some of us may have already turned on that air conditioner to cool down our homes. In a few weeks, we won't have a choice: the heat of an Oklahoma summer will be here and we'll think anyone who would consider going through one of those summers without air conditioning isn't from around here.

Using the air conditioner to keep our homes comfortable can increase our electric usage.

You may want to call us about our

Average Monthly Payment Plan program which will help eliminate the fluctuation in your bill throughout the year. Participating in this program can level out your bills so you pay about the same amount each month.

We also have a new program to make paying your electric bill more convenient. With ChoicePay, you can pay your bill over the phone. Read the information on page 6 or call our customer service representatives to learn more about it.

At press time, portions of our service territory were still under a burn ban. As you and your family begin spending time outdoors, be mindful of your activities so as not to start a grass fire.

Maybe we can enjoy some April showers and look forward to May flowers. 

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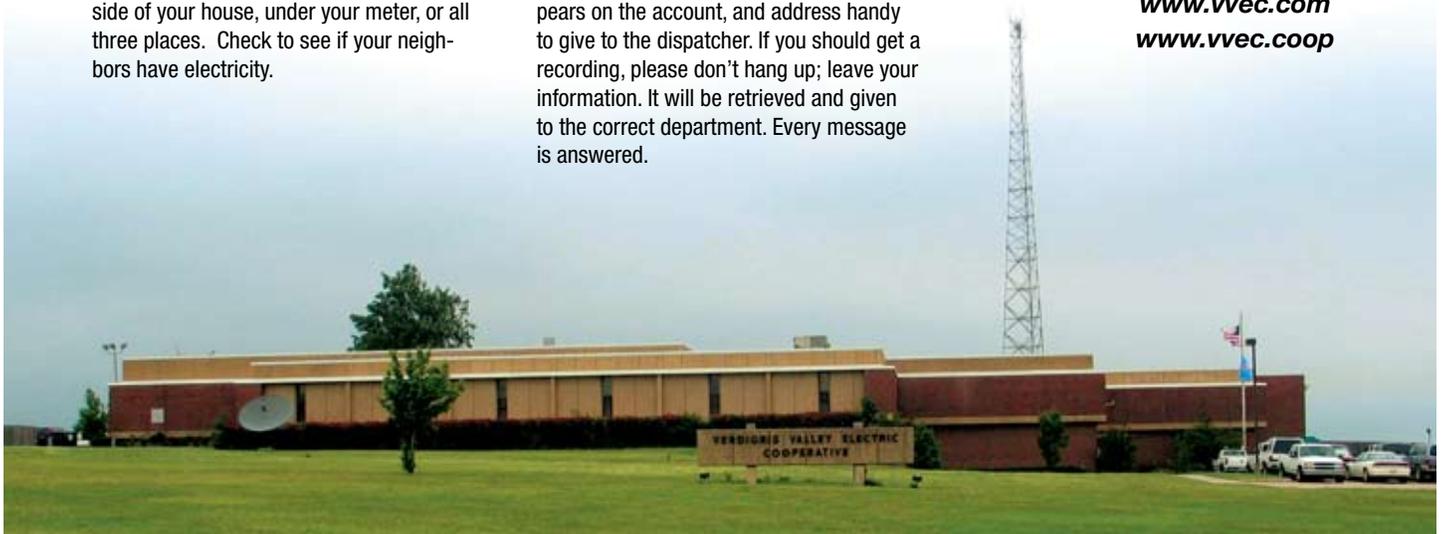
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VVEC Connects Members to Stimulus Savings

It's all over the news; with the passage of the federal stimulus bill there's money available to help many Americans weatherize homes and make energy efficiency improvements. But how can residents in northeast Oklahoma connect with these resources? VVEC is ready to help as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 goes into effect.

"Making the most of each energy dollar is high on everyone's list of concerns," says VVEC General Manager Alice Houston. "We're ready to help explain which parts of the stimulus bill may affect our members, especially if they're considering energy efficiency improvements."

Investing in a few basic measures to secure a home from outside elements

could provide major benefits. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) says weatherization—the process of sealing air leaks and properly insulating a home—can reduce heating bills by up to 32 percent, resulting in an average energy savings of \$358 per year.

"Members can be more comfortable, and save on their energy bills while improving the environment," adds Houston. "Making our nation more energy efficient takes all of us doing our part, and the stimulus bill provides new ways for members to save money while they're doing it."

As a result of the stimulus package, DOE's Weatherization Assistance Program is expanding with a goal of weatherizing one million homes per year. In the past, only households that earned up to 150 percent of the national poverty level were eligible to participate. The stimulus bill extends eligibility to those with incomes below 200 percent of the national poverty level. For a family of four, that's an income limit of \$44,100.

Program participants receive a professional energy consultation with an analysis of energy bills, a blower-door test to locate air leaks and advice on how to be more efficient. Workers then arrive to make energy upgrades like insulating walls and roofs, sealing air leaks, and installing more efficient heating and cooling systems. The process to weatherize a home through the program usually takes two days with an average cost of \$2,500. Since some homes have different needs, the stimulus bill allows up to \$6,500 to be spent on each home.

For members not eligible for federally funded programs, the stimulus plan provides a homeowner efficiency tax credit of up to \$1,500, or 30 percent, of the cost for new energy upgrades,

including weatherization activities as well as installation of efficient heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems. Efficiency tax credits were already available for 2009, but carried a \$500 limit (with additional caps for certain types of upgrades) and only covered up to 10 percent of a member's investment.

"You may have looked at the tax credit in the past and thought it wasn't worth it," notes Houston. "This change effectively triples the amount of financial investment you get credit for, and, coupled with how much you can save on energy costs each year, it makes these efficiency measures much more affordable."

Tax credits directly lower a member's federal income taxes, and are generally more valuable than tax deductions because they reduce taxes owed dollar-for-dollar. In contrast, a tax deduction, like a home mortgage or charitable gift, lowers taxable income and may only offer small savings. For example, a \$1,500 tax deduction for someone in the 25 percent tax bracket would lower taxes owed by \$350; a \$1,500 tax credit for energy efficiency efforts will lower taxes owed by \$1,500.

Weatherization programs will be handled differently in each state. In Oklahoma eligible members should contact the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, (918) 815-5370, or Community Action Resource and Development in Claremore at 341-5000 to apply for the weatherization services. To find out more about energy efficiency measures supported through the stimulus bill, visit www.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/state_contacts.cfm. To learn about rebates VVEC offers on energy efficiency appliances, visit www.vvec.com. 

April

Calendar

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| April 10 | VVEC offices closed for Good Friday |
| April 12 | Easter |
| April 26 | Bowl for Breath Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser, The Lanes at Coffee Creek, Owasso |
| May 2 | Owasso Spring Garden Festival |

If you have an event you would like to appear in the calendar, send written information to Power Circuit Editor, P.O. Box 219, Collinsville, OK 74021. Include the date(s), time, location, and a telephone number. Information must be received by the 10th of the month preceding the event.

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There isn't much that can be done about Oklahoma's volatile weather. But VVEC can help you protect your family and your home through our early warning and surge suppressor systems.

The **HomeSafe 2000 HS** early warning system sounds an 'alert' when severe weather is in your area.

The device is equipped with all seven NOAA channels, plus you can program your specific geographic area for maximum reception of local weather reports and severe weather bulletins.

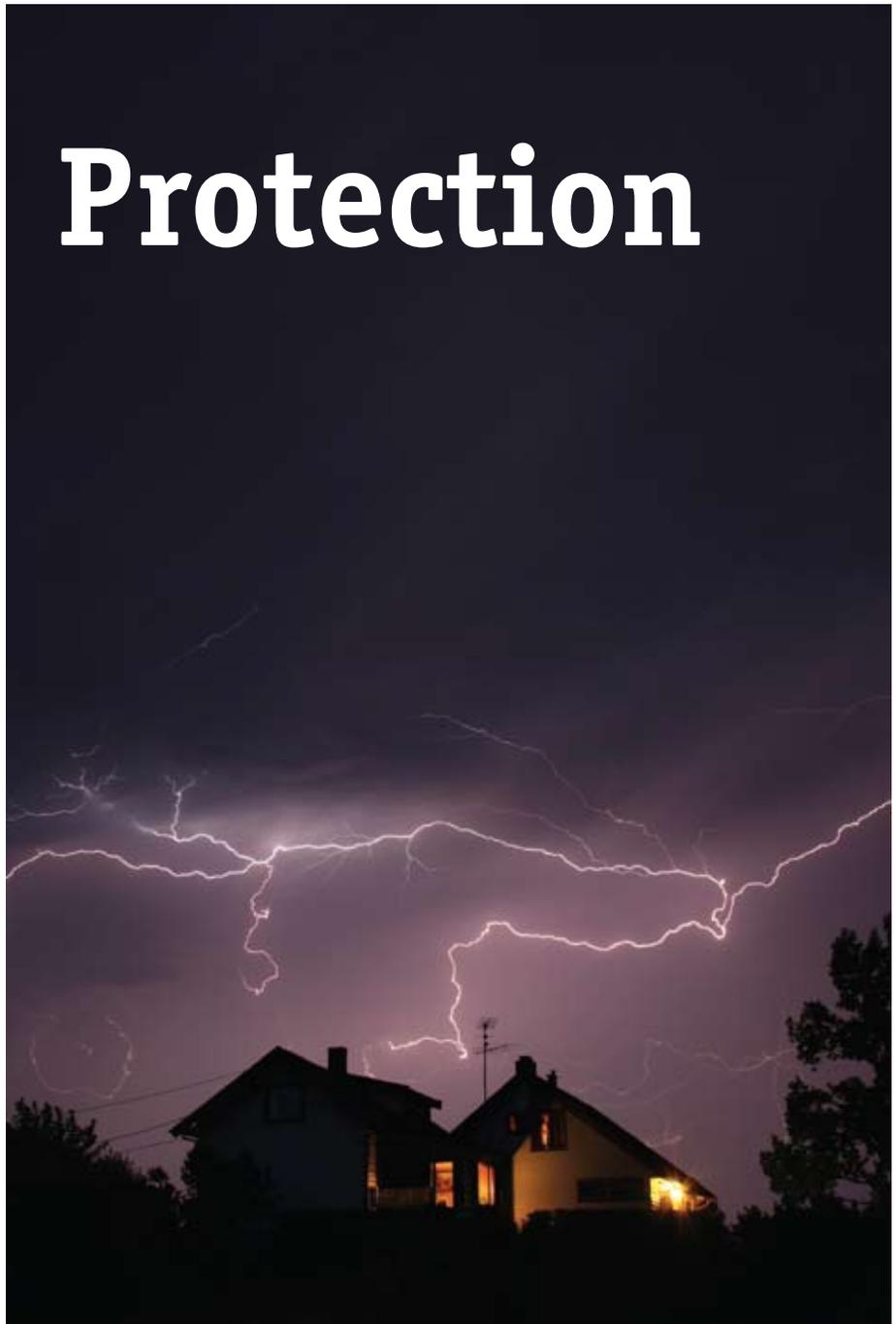
The **HomeSafe 2000 HS** is \$79.95, plus tax. It comes programmed to your counties (up to six), and includes a one year warranty, AC and DC power cord adapters, and a connector for an external antenna.

The **Sycom Surge Suppression System** protects your home's appliances and sensitive electronic equipment with state-of-the-art equipment at a very economical price.

The two-part protection begins at the meter with a unit designed to prevent high-voltage spikes from entering your home. It's installed by VVEC personnel and redirects spikes and surges to your grounding system.

The second part of the protection involves special plug-in protectors for each specific piece of electronic equipment you choose to protect in your home.

The meter-base unit is \$128; and in-house devices range from



\$35.60 to \$60.40, before tax. There is no charge for installing a meter unit on new services, but there is a \$25 charge for installation on existing services.

Call our member services department at 371-2584 for more information on these items.

For questions regarding the use or maintenance of the HomeSafe 2000 weather monitors, please call 1-800-607-6737 to visit with a friendly and helpful customer service representative. 

If your electric bill fluctuates from month to month, you may want to try our Average Monthly Payment (AMP) Plan.

This plan levels out your electric bill so the amount due is close to the same amount each month.

Your average monthly payment is calculated by taking your current month's usage plus the 11 preceding months' usage and dividing that amount by 12. This total is then figured in the applicable rate category along with any taxes.

The average is calculated every month in the same manner.

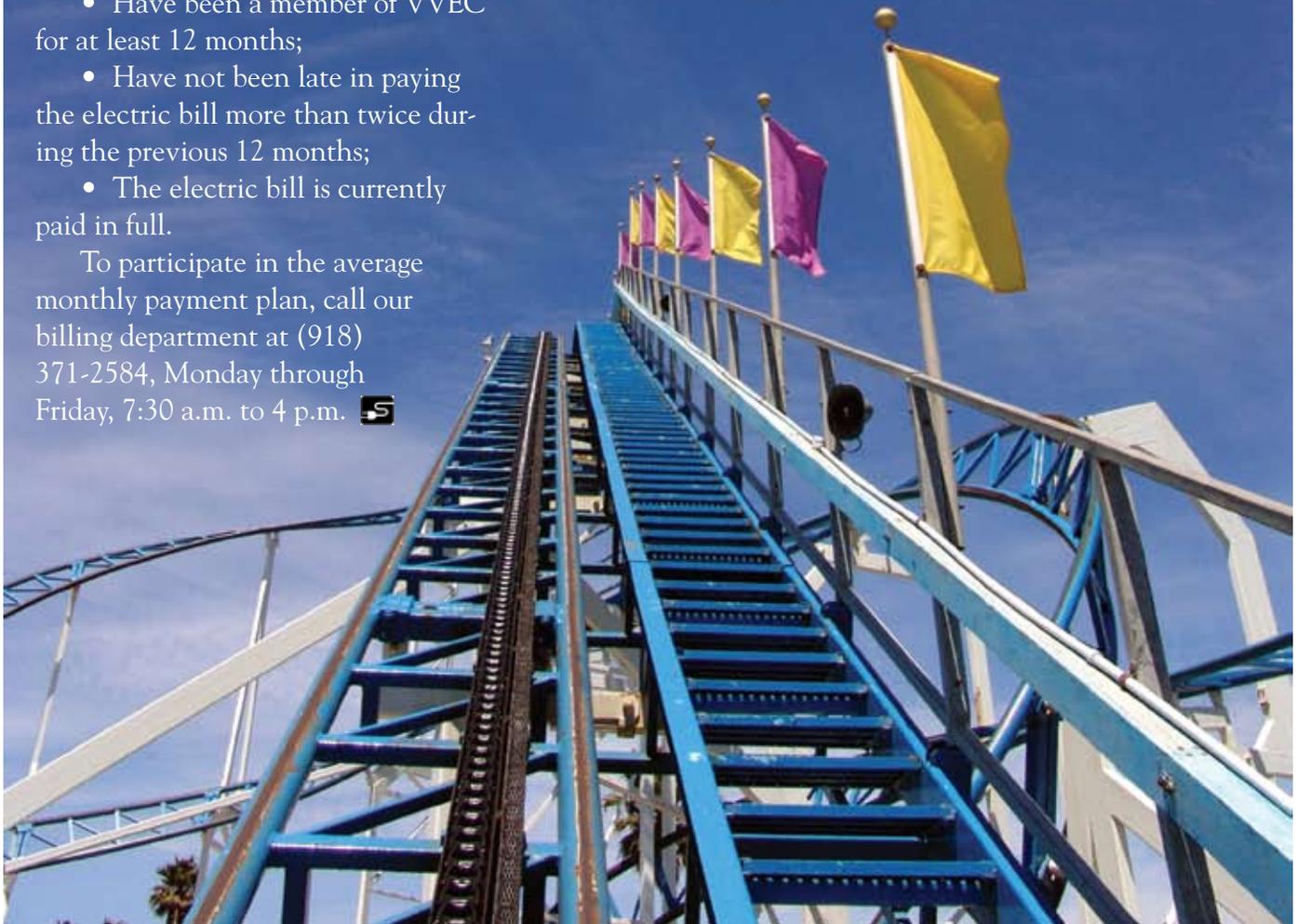
The plan is available to all residential VVEC members who meet the following criteria:

- Have been a member of VVEC for at least 12 months;
- Have not been late in paying the electric bill more than twice during the previous 12 months;
- The electric bill is currently paid in full.

To participate in the average monthly payment plan, call our billing department at (918) 371-2584, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. 

Get Off the High Bill Roller Coaster

Level Out Your Monthly Electric Bill Payments





From a Friend's Kitchen

The Easter Bunny is Chocolate

I always look forward to Easter. Probably because of chocolate Easter bunnies.

Marshmallow Peeps, jelly beans, and colorful hard-boiled Easter eggs don't really appeal to me. But now, chocolate Easter bunnies...well, those are something I truly look forward to and enjoy. I'm partial to the solid ones.

I was well into my adulthood before the real Easter bunny felt it was time I started providing my own chocolate bunnies. So every year when I'm gathering the items for my daughter's Easter basket, I make sure I get a chocolate bunny...or two...for me.

This month's recipe is one that will be a delicious addition to your Easter meal. Actually, the fresh fruit will make it a welcome, and colorful, addition to any meal. It can be made ahead of time and served when you're ready. It will also be good with your favorite meal prepared on the backyard grill.

Of course, I'm not sure it's as good as a chocolate Easter bunny. 

Fresh Fruit Ambrosia

1 (14-oz.) can EAGLE BRAND® Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
 1 (8-oz.) container orange or vanilla yogurt
 1/2 cup lime juice
 3 oranges, peeled and sectioned
 2 cups fresh pineapple chunks

1 1/2 cups grape halves (about 1/2 pound)
 1 1/3 cups flaked coconut
 1 cup miniature marshmallows
 1 cup chopped pecans

In large bowl, combine EAGLE BRAND®, yogurt and lime juice; mix well.

Stir in remaining ingredients.

Chill at least 3 hours to blend flavors. Garnish as desired. Serve in individual bowls or dessert cups. Store leftovers covered in refrigerator.

YIELD: 10 to 12 servings.

A Helping Hand

Now is the Time to Apply for Adopt-A-School and Rural Fire Department Grant Programs

Lending a hand is a part of being a good neighbor. That is why we created the Adopt-A-School and Rural Fire Department grant programs.

Through these programs we are able to help area schools and fire departments get supplies and equipment they need to meet their objectives of educating our youth and protecting our families, home and property.

Paula Lanni, VVEC member services representative and coordinator of these programs, says Adopt-A-School grant applications will be mailed to the superintendents of area schools in April.

"The superintendents can then share the applications with principals and teachers who can complete and submit the ap-

plications, requesting funding for supplies or equipment."

Lanni says the applications need to be returned to her by Thursday, April 30.

Applications for the Rural Fire Department grants will be mailed to area fire chiefs by the end of April.

Lanni says those completed applications need to be returned to her by Friday, May 15.

"We will notify everyone by the end of June," she says.

Anyone who would like more information about these programs, how to apply, or wants to request an application, should contact Lanni at (918) 371-2584, between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. 

NEWS

Members Owed Capital Credits Listed on Co-op Web Site

A list of members who have not collected their Capital Credits can now be found on our Web site – www.vvec.com.

Frequently, members don't give us a forwarding address when they move off of co-op lines, so we don't know where to send their Capital Credit checks.

If you know a former member, please encourage him or her to visit the Web site to see if their name is on the list. Or call us if you have information on how to reach someone on the list. 

VVEC Offices Close for Good Friday

VVEC offices will be closed Friday, April 10 so management and employees can celebrate Good Friday.

Service personnel will be on duty throughout the holiday weekend. If you should experience an interruption in your electric service, please call (918) 371-2584 or 1-800-870-5948.

Everything Goes

Electric chicken picker, & scalding pot, 371-3853.

Snapper 30" riding mower, less than 5 hrs., EC, \$1,000; Delta 14" band saw, \$250, 288-7972.

Oak table & 2 benches w/under storage, blk. Southwest upholstery, EC; bermuda horse-quality hay, 1,000 lbs., 4'x5' rnd. & sm. sq.; 3 color 13" TVs, \$85; Jack Nicklaus golf clubs & bag, \$100; 12-volt boat dash gauge & key switch set, \$100; boating ski vests, \$15, \$20, \$25, 283-2777.

Hay – good mixed grass or prairie hay, net-wrapped, 4'x5', \$25, 4'x5.5', \$30, 697-6443.

Hay – prairie or mixed grass, lg. rnd. bales, 396-2206.

GE side-by-side refrigerator, w/ice & water in door, EC, \$200, 396-9886.

Wilson Prostaff golf clubs, mens RH graphite shafts, PW through Driver, \$200; Sevtaylor Mdl HF280 inflatable boat w/trolling motor & oars, \$100; Toro portable forced air kerosene heater, 40K BTU, \$75; Bostitch coil-fed roofing nailer \$150; Frigidare freezer, 15 cu. ft., chest-type, \$225; texture machine (compressor & hopper), \$75, 272-3521.

Solid oak queen-size bed, w/ matching dresser, \$400; dark oak china cabinet w/light, \$225; golden oak computer armoire, \$275; Kenmore sewing machine in light colored cabinet (model 90), \$75; solid oak bachelor's chair, \$75, 798-0800.

Jazzy Select 6 electric wheel chair, used 3 mos., \$1,200, 283-1590.

Electric typewriter, \$20; Jeep rear window, top - 38", bottom - 48", \$80; FREE firewood, you cut, 381-2113.

4 B. F. Goodrich tires, 215/70R15, good tread, 343-1845.

Hybrid & heirloom vegetable plants, in 3" pots, squash, cucumber, seedless & seeded watermelon starts on request, \$2/plant, sq. baled hay, \$4, 504-6264.

Electric AC & heater w/heat pump, 5-ton, 396-9940.

E-Z Go golf cart w/lift kit, & all terrain tires, 2-seater, \$1,800; 2005 Sears Bob Villa mower, 48 hrs., 42" deck, needs new motor & front bumper, \$225, 396-7004.

Futon bed, pale yellow metal frame w/ tan microfiber pad, GC, \$100; Best Buy lg. screen TV stand, blk. wood w/silver trim, 1 glass shelf, GC, \$100; washer & gas dryer, several settings, GC, \$150, 371-0296.

Upright Wurlitzer piano w/bench seat, walnut, \$95, 284-1393.

Jogging stroller, \$50; basketball backboard & net, \$50; antique oak 2-drawer dresser w/mirror, \$125; new amplified TV antenna, \$35; new Price Pfister oil bronze waste & overflow, \$25; queen sleeper sofa, tan & blue, \$50; child bicycle seat, \$20, 342-4802.

Best Buy \$1,000 gift card, \$850; Philips 62" flat screen LCD HD TV in box, \$1,700; Garmin GPS navigator w/carrying case, \$100; Luis Vitton mini puchet purse, \$200 OBO, 955-7715.

Ultra suede chocolate brown love-seat, EC, \$175, 371-4880.

Gordon Laughead piano, bench w/ storage space, GC, \$200 OBO, 475-2245.

Trail riding saddle, \$145; 2 ranch saddles, \$195 & \$225; barrel racing saddle, \$165; youth/pony saddle \$95; good double-weave saddle pad, never used, \$30, 698-7106.

Two pipe fence stretchers, GC, \$150 ea.; stall mats, make offer, 272-2640.

Memorial Park plot, 51st & Memorial, vaults included, Section 5A, \$4,000, 371-0296.

Hay – lg. rnd. bales, net-wrapped, big blue/little blue mix, 468-2213.

King-size mattress & box springs, \$20, 342-2626.

Five repair manuals, 1980-1984, VW most models, 1967-1987 GMC/Chevy pickup, 1973-1983 Hondas, 1968-1988 Ford full-size, 1988-1992 Lumina, Grand Prix, Cutlass, \$10 ea.; 5 owner's manuals, 1977 GMC 1500-3500, 1985 Camaro, 1989 Dodge Shadow, 1992 Lumina, 1996 Neon, \$5 ea.; pair of 235x60x16" tires on GMC 8-lug rims, \$50 or will separate rims & tires, 553-6188.

Beginner drum set of 4, \$75; GE above-stove microwave oven, \$50; 42 folding chairs w/storage cart, \$150; bull riding chaps, \$85; Hawes Sauer 44 pistol, \$500; 1984 Coca-Cola 26" bike, \$350; FREE small stack of used white vinyl siding, 287-4859.

271 football cards, 1970-1994, 18 basketball cards, \$30; 50 Wacky Plax cards, 1959-1961, \$2.50 ea. or \$50 for all; Boomers card games, 3 sets from late 1970s, \$7.50 ea., \$15 for all; 141 RPM records, make offer; 39 VHS tapes, Disney in EC, 20 unopened, together or separate; 200+ misc. die cast cars, HW, MB, JL, RC; loose & unopened, together or separate, 553-6188.

One-burner Coleman stove, EC, \$16, 494-2920.

Washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, \$50-\$250; used furniture, couches, tables, beds, chairs, etc.; 900 lbs. bermuda hay, big bales, \$25 to \$35, 371-2316.

Hay – 4'x5' rnd. bales, 1,000 lbs. bluestem & bermuda grass, no weeds, 341-1612.

120,000 BTU central furnace, propane or gas, EC, \$500, 371-9264.

Fresh goat milk & brown eggs, 396-3192.

FREE – piano, 694-9984.

Truck tires, 16.5" & 16"; 14" & 15" tires, 536-4215.

Matching gas washer & dryer set, GC, \$200; good used tires, (1) 215/65R16, (1) 235/75R15, \$35 ea.; 5-gal. buckets, \$2 ea., 371-5747.

Firewood – mostly pecan seasoned, you load, make offer; 300 4'x6' rnd. bales of prairie hay, 396-3351.

Floor-length, lavender shell cache prom dress, size 3 to 5, \$400 OBO, 857-3748.

2001 Yamaha gas golf cart, seats 6, head & tail lights, rear-view mirror, drives very well, \$3,500; animal transport cage for sheep or goats, great for shows or sales, fits in short or long bed trucks, \$100, 706-6071.

Traditional, executive L-shaped desk & credenza, EC, \$350, 640-1690.

Maytag dishwasher, Dissel vacuum cleaner, under-cabinet radio, humidifier, Walkie-Talkies, fly tying kit, water softener, 2 wedding dresses, Maytag washing machine, red wall-hung rotary telephone, milk strainer, bucket, seat, 531-2358.

Kenmore Elite gas dryer, white, \$100; oak waterbed w/heater, storage underneath & in headboard, super single, \$225; oak entertainment cabinet, GC, \$350; Wilton Armetale collection - Queen Anne & French Country, about 90 pieces, \$600; Hummel annual plates, 1971-1978, \$900, 341-6755.

Ornate, oak organ top w/lots of gingerbread w/Mirro, totally stripped, ready to stain, \$125; oak tobacco twist table w/ bowl & pitcher stand, \$40; oak end table w/drawer, \$30; Winnie the Pooh crib set, \$25; metal baby bed, \$35; metal horse bench, \$125; small enamel table, \$35; twin gingham quilt w/applique flowers, shams & bed skirt, \$65; oak cabinet, \$75, 396-7004.

Canning jars, \$3/doz. 371-2036.

Antique Crane cast iron tub, 60" x 30" w x 22" high, claw feet on ball, holds 12" of water on the overflow, \$400; lavatory/vanity base on heavy wood construction, 31" w x 21" deep x 29.5" high, \$25; cultured marble sink w/faucet & all plumbing attachments, 22.25" d x 32" w, \$35, or both base and sink for \$50, 343-1962.

Hay – bluestem, excellent for horses, highly palatable, no waste, 1,000-lb. barn-stored bales, can deliver 6 bales as needed, 724-4674.

Various Beanie Babies, lg. \$2 ea., sm. \$1 ea., call for list; 'Big Man' recliner, hunter green, \$50, 636-7022.

High Country Safari compound bow, w/arrows, \$75; Ford pickup fiberglass campers – 1 long bed, 1 short bed, fits 1997-2004, \$175 ea.; Ford pickup bed work station, fits long bed slide-out, \$150, 639-6871.

English saddle, 17", w/3 pads & 48" girth, EC, \$150, 845-5978.

Cars & Trucks

1994 Ford Explorer, Eddie Bauer edition, 4WD, 162,000 miles, runs good, \$1,200; 2000 Chevy Silverado, loaded, 164,114 miles, \$5,000, 519-1676.

1981 Chevy C64 dump truck, no CDL required, 4-sp. split rear-end, 1 yr. on rebuilt motor, hauls 7.5 tons 6 yd. dump bed, \$4,000 OBO, 691-4417.

1989 Honda Accord DX, new tires, body in great shape, good gas mileage, 158K miles, \$2,200, 557-6957.

1985 Dodge 1 ton flatbed, runs & drives great, 4-sp. manual, \$2,000, CJ, 734-6033.

CLASSIFIEDS

1997 Honda Civic EX, 5-sp., 4 cyl., new tires & battery, 155K miles, runs good, \$4,000, 333-5898.

1970 Chevy 3/4-ton Custom Camper Special, 400 cu. engine Big Block, 400 Turbo transmission, auto ps, pb, straight body, \$1,100, 274-8937 after 6 p.m.

1990 Oldsmobile Cutlass Ciera, 4-dr., 4-cyl., 3-sp. auto, garage kept, 1 owner, 190K miles, GC, \$800, 275-4286.

1997 Chevy Suburban LT, 5.7L V8 engine, 2WD, leather, Anaheim conversion pkg., class III tow hitch, \$3,000, www.TheClays.com, 841-6066.

1991 Dodge Dakota, good work truck, 371-5747.

2006 GMC 2500 HD crew cab, 4x4, SLT, leather, loaded w/extras, 137,500 miles, \$25,000; 1989 Chevy S10 Blazer, 4x4, \$2,300 OBO, 694-9984.

1990 Dodge dump truck, \$900 OBO, 371-3662.

1989 GMC 350 V8, 4-sp. standard, flatbed, 2WD, GC, \$2,200; 1982 GMC High Sierra pickup, V6, auto, heat & AC, LW bed, \$1,500, 536-4215.

1989 Lincoln Town Car, needs transmission, \$650; 1997 Chevy Astro minivan, new parts, no motor, \$900 OBO; 1992 Buick Roadmaster, \$2,500, 371-1907.

1972 Plymouth Satellite Sebring turned Roadrunner clone, rebuilt 360 w/4 barrel demon carb, Edelbrock alum intake, stock cam, ceramic coated Hedman headers, rebuilt 727 trans., w/ shift kit, original 8 & 1/4 rear-end, leaf springs, original torsion bars, air shocks in rear, solid body, no rust, interior is all original except new headliner & carpet, \$8,000, 706-6071.

Ford F350 diesel Dually, leather, sun roof, loaded, gooseneck hitch, brake controller, 66K miles, EC, \$22,500, 640-1690.

1993 Lexus SC300, coupe, auto, dark red, sunroof, leather, all power, ABS, EC, \$7,000 after 7 p.m., 336-0949.

1966 Ford Mustang pony car, \$8,500, 697-6112.

Equipment

2001 New Holland TL 80, cab AC & heat, radio, bucket & spike, 1,400 hrs., always kept under cover, \$26,000; 1988 D-3 Cat dozer 6-way blade exceptionally clean, rebuilt 200 hrs. ago, 693-1110.

Craftsman 1000 OHV Briggs & Stratton, 18 hp, 42" lawn tractor, includes 2-bin bagger & steel dump cart, about 3 yrs. old, EC, \$950, 532-5504.

1 3-axle bumper pull flatbed trailer, 16' w/4' dovetail and ramps, new wiring and LED lights, treated floor, several spares, \$1,250; 1 3-axle, 18K lb. GVWR, JFW brand backhoe trailer, 7' wide between fenders, reversible ball or pintle hitch, new wiring and LED lights, excellent shape, but needs paint, \$2,000; 1996 Polaris Trailerblazer 250 4-wheeler, extra tires, runs excellent, \$1,100; Craftsman radial arm saw, mid-70s model w/heavy cast iron arm, extra blades & molding head set, Formica on table, \$275, 273-3498.

DeWalt 14" abrasive blade metal cut-off saw, \$85; Rockwell 9" power miter saw, \$65; Tormek slow speed wet grinder w/10" stone wheel & honer, \$260; 595-3695.

John Deere X575, 4WD tractor, V-twin, 23 hp, PTO, mower deck, loader, weight box, w/only 136 hrs., EC, \$9,300, 272-6558.

3-axle trailer, 18' plus 3' dovetail, \$1,500; 2-wheel trailer, \$125, 475-2341.

18' steel deck car hauler, 3,500-lb. axles, Bulldog coapler swivel jack, \$1,700; 16'x77" utility trailer, 3,500-lb. axles, brakera, Bulldog coapler swivel jack, good tires, \$1,000, 343-3129 after 6 p.m.

1998 Case 85XT skid steer, w/ bucket & tracks, \$12,800, 333-6251.

Priefert auto/manual headgate, model 91, \$250, 443-2277.

Kingkutter 6' rear blade, 4' box blade, 536-5688.

New 32' tandem-axle, 10-ply tires, brakes, lights, self-dumping, hwy. safe, \$3,600, 371-9264.

Troy-Built rear-tine Rototiller, GC, \$75, 553-6188.

2004 Kubota lawn mower, 52" cut, 22 hp, Kohler engine, 194 hrs. of residential use, zero turning radius, commercial grade in EC, \$4,995, 497-6945.

Befco/Eronoise 7' sickle mower, \$1,500; 2705 Massey Ferguson tractor, new injector pump, GC, \$7,000; DW14 Allis Chalmers, GC, runs good, \$3,000, 273-7462.

A. O. Smith well jet pump, \$200 OBO, 284-2777.

Genuine Crump show harness, Arab/Morgan size, blk. w/red pinstripe, EC, \$1,500 or trade, 845-5978.

8N Ford tractor, needs wiring & tires, \$900, 341-4250.

Livestock

Small blk. pony for stud, about 36.5" tall, \$350 OBO, 402-9485.

Baby chicks, Bantams, ducks, geese, adult swans, 288-6543.

Feeder pigs, 520-6297.

Three yr. old AQHA bay stallion, great disposition, top halter mare in nation, \$2,000; 3 yr. old AQHA, Apha sorrel filly, riding good, ready to finish, \$1,800; 2 yr. old, reg. bay/overo pony, cow & performance bred, very pretty, \$1,200; reg. Palomino filly, 1/2 pony, 1/2 Quarterhorse, very cute, great disposition, halter broke, \$800, 724-9552.

Eight reg. Quarterhorses, Pintos, Paints – 2 performance horses, 1 professionally-trained reining horse, Reserve World Champion Pinto, in keyhole, flags, barrels, poles, speed events, 3 yr. old, excellent prospect, starting at \$1,500, deliver within 100 miles, 396-1577.

Polled Hereford bulls, 2 yrs. old, \$1,500 to \$1,800, 396-3351.

Nubian kid goats, 396-3192.

Red Limousin bull, full-blooded, no papers, \$1,200 OBO, 694-9984.

Boer goats, 100% & percentage, reg. w/ ABGA, adult does, yearling bucks & does, \$75-\$150, 688-0503.

Royal Plam turkey hens, \$40 ea., www.TheClays.com, 841-6066.

Finnshoop lambs, 519-4140.

Guineas, 531-2312.

Red & blk. double-polled purebred Limousin bulls, 12-18 mos. old, 273-8075.

Purebred Brangus bulls, fertility tested, excellent dispositions, all records & shots, delivery available, \$1,500, 695-2357.

Spotted gelding donkey, 45" tall, lies down on command, started under saddle, super gentle, one of a kind, \$500, negotiable or trade; 2 miniature jenny donkeys, halter broke, very tame, \$300 ea.; jack donkey, flashy markings, 1 yr. old, halter broke, stands tied, quiet nature, \$300, 845-5978.

Pets

Sugar Gliders, male & female adults, breeding age, 809-2635 after 5 p.m.

Registered Border Collie puppies, red/white, blk./white, \$250-\$350, 527-9885.

Basset Hound puppies, males & females, all colors, \$250-\$350; PW Corgi male pup, \$150; 2 adult female PW Corgies, \$300 ea. or both for a lesser price to keep them together, 724-1932, Janet@Pupppymom777@AOL.com.

Quaker parrots, hand-fed, weaned, \$150, www.ParrotLovers.com, 841-6066.

AKC reg. Chocolate & Yellow Lab puppies, born 2-26-09, ready for pickup April 9, vaccines & deworming current, dewclaws removed, kid-friendly, micro-chipped, \$325, 688-0503.

Real Estate

RENT – 9 acres of grass with creek, no shed, \$100/month, 381-2113.

40 acres w/1.5 story, 3 BDR home w/2 full BA, lg. kitchen w/dining area, cross fence & pond, 273-8094.

Cozy 3 BDR mobile home, storm shelter, privacy fence, 2 blks. from Prue School, \$300/mo., \$200 deposit, 263-2183.

Nice 1,100 sq. ft., 3 BDR, 2 BA house in C'ville, 2 car garage, privacy fence, lg. deck, dog run, landscaping, freshly painted inside, move-in ready, 230-1759.

2.5 acres, 2.5 miles east of Hwy. 169, on 106 St. N. in Owasso, utilities, no trailers, \$95,000, 232-8665.

Six home building sites still available in new cul-de-sac development, overlooking Skiatook, sizes vary from .5 acres, includes utilities & covenant restrictions, WiFi service & lawn care available, developer builds energy-efficient homes, 214-1664.

4 BDR, 2 BA, 1,800 sq. ft. brick home on 5 acres w/new 1,600 sq. ft. metal building, sheds, pond, nut & fruit trees, fenced pasture, garden, no restrictions, 7979 CR 2145, just S. of Hwy. 60, 4 miles W. of Bartlesville, \$179,000, www.TheClays.com/fsbo, 841-6066.

Homes for rent, like new 3-2-2 homes, \$695-\$1,195; estate lots, all utilities, \$25,950, www.HomesbyFreeman.com, 371-2316.

Two-story home, on 4 acres m/l in Skiatook, \$199,000, 607-6233.

Updated contemporary 3/2/4 home on 20 acres, includes income-producing Christmas tree and daylily farm, several outbuildings, farm/tree equipment, gift shop, irrigation systems & livestock acreage, \$349,000, 706-6071.

45 acres, 371-5211.

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2002 Solitaire doublewide mobile home, to be moved, 2,128 sq. ft., 3 BDR, 2.5 BA, w/office & built-in desk & closet, skylight in powder room, brick fireplace w/built-ins surrounding, total electric, fully upgraded w/platinum pkg. tape & textured walls, huge kitchen w/oak cabinets, lg. master BDR w/garden tub, walk-in closets, lots of storage, beautiful home, \$63,900, 241-8135.

RVs & Boats

1994 35' Vectra, diesel pusher, \$25,000, 342-3959.

2005 Harley Davidson 883 Sportster Custom, under 7,600 miles, V&H pipes, very clean, small extras, \$5,750 OBO, 637-7029.

1994 Skamper 30' 5th wheel, w/12' slideout, extra clean, GC, \$8,500, 520-2316.

1984 Kit Road Runner 19.5' camp trailer, fully self-contained, sleeps 6, roof AC, heater, full BA, microwave, 4 new tires, EC inside & out, 376-2715.

1981 Yamaha motorcycle, 500 cc, tagged through 2003, street legal, \$500 OBO, 371-3662.

2003 Honda CRX150 dirt bike, very clean, 697-6112.

2008 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail Classic, 650 miles, 2-tone crimson red sunglo/candy red sunglo, Vance & Hines exhaust, detachable sissy bar, detachable saddle bags, windshield, Kuryakyn lizard lights, 7 different colors, engine guard w/flame foot pegs, several chrome items, \$19,950, 497-6945.

90 hp, Mercury outboard w/hydraulic lift, runs good, \$500 OBO, 341-4250.

2000 Suzuki 4-wheeler, 80 cc, new battery, well maintained, runs great, \$1,000, 695-2357.

Services

House moving, also buy, sell and trade houses, 396-9231.

Maid service, residential, commercial or apartments, free estimates, 859-5832.

Lawn care, dependable, great work, free estimates, Claremore & Inola area, 740-1656.

House cleaning, insured & bonded, references, estimates by appointment, 519-4140.

Professional, personalized pet grooming in your home, certified master groomer, 30 years experience, Skiatook & C'ville area, 381-2113.

Farrier service, forge work, knife making, graduate of Oklahoma Farrier College, 275-4571.

Brick work, along with rock, patch, cracks, mailbox & flowerbeds, no job too small or too big, free estimates, 720-1820.

Carpenter will build custom storage buildings on site, also experienced in deck construction, 697-9183.

Carpet installation and repair, 40 yrs. experience, vinyl, faux wood, excellent service, 343-1845.

Mary Kay Cosmetics, skin care & glamour products, outstanding career opportunities, free delivery, facials & samples, 273-8016, pknotts@fullnet.net.

Cleaning service, commercial & residential, 17 yrs. experience, references available, same 2-person team serving Nowata, Bartlesville, C'ville, Tulsa & surrounding areas, 695-5113.

Christian home & office cleaning, weekdays & weekends, senior citizen discount, references available, 342-1130.

Tractor work, brush hogging, gravel & Ditch Witch work, 639-6823.

Stump grinding service, can access yards through 36" gates, 694-2297.

Small engine repair, 230-0957.

Dozers, track hoe, back hoes, dozer work, pond construction, fence rows, etc. 467-3295.

Above-ground steel safe rooms, 629-2707.

Health & dental insurance, local broker, www.designedcoverageinsurance.com, 371-9292.

Brush hogging, finish mowing, garden tilling, 724-1324.

Lawn mowing, tree trimming, clean up, 341-5652.

Lawn mowing, brush hogging, reasonable rates, free estimates, 408-5040.

Brick mason, repair, chimney sweep & repair, mail boxes & repair, outside fireplace, reasonable rates, 697-6112.

All seasons commercial & residential tractor work, bucket, box blade, brush hog & mowing services, 695-1943.

Avon – buy, sell or send referrals; Enlyten – energy strips, electrolytes plus strips, melatonin strips, antioxidant strips, more to come, 607-6233.

Will haul off old riding lawn mowers, motorcycles, 4-wheelers, aluminum & steel for metal, boats, some cars & pickups w/title, 272-3362.

Auction service, consignment auction 2nd Saturday of each month, fund-raising, estate, farm & liquidation, 371-5211.

Professional carpet cleaning, 33 yrs. experience, free estimates, 283-2777.

Brick, rock work, new or repair, mailboxes, settling, cracks, flowerbeds, etc., 38 yrs. experience, 282-9927.

Home repair, remodel, add-ons, & decks, no job too small, daily clean-up included, 20 yrs. experience, reasonable rates, free quotes, references available; specializing in Perma-Crete (weather resistant exterior wall finish) application, 396-7437.

Save money on homeowners and car insurance, from 15 different companies, free quotes, 845-1620.

Horse care, \$50/mo. per head, Bermuda, clear water pond, 536-4215.

Lawn mowing service for a large lawn, 341-1612.

Two dependable, caring caregivers with 17 yrs. experience, AVX provide in-home care, CNA, Home Health license & and CPR certified, 24 hr. high-quality activities of daily living w/personalized care provided to meet clients' specific needs, 371-4252 to schedule appointment and view presentation.

Bulldozer work, pads, ponds, roads, oil & gas drilling or pulling, oil lease operating & management, 698-7285.

Latest technology in heat & air systems, most energy efficient on the market, dealer inquiries welcome, 605-8169.

Attic insulation – reduce energy expenses & improve efficiency with additional blown-in cellulose or fiberglass, free estimates, quality workmanship, tax-deductible, 706-4567.

Wanted

Two 4x19 Ford tractor front rims, 333-3974.

Heeler or Australian cattle dog, stock trailer, gentle broke horse or large pony, 337-3784.

Old slider-type bingo cards, 697-1236.

Someone to buy dish satellite components, 527-8467.

Old costume jewelry, colored & rhinestone; young calves, 536-4215.

Camper shell w/side work doors, to fit 1988-1998 Chevy short, wide, full-size pickup, also aluminum dog box, 336-0949 after 7 p.m.

Rear tractor tire, 11.00x28, or 12.00x28, front tire, 5.50x16, 494-2920.

Stock trailer, buffalo calves, cattle panels, 845-5978.

Classified Ads

PLEASE NOTE: Deadline for all ads is the 10th of each month. Ads will be accepted in writing only and are a free service to VVEC members only. Send them to the attention of Power Circuit Editor, P. O. Box 219, Collinsville, OK 74021.

Your account number, name, address, and a phone number is required on all ads.

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Energy Saving Tip

When washing clothes, use less water by running full loads. In addition, approximately 80 percent of the energy used by washing machines heats water, so by using cold water and cold-water detergents you can cut a load's energy use in half.

Use Portable Electric Generators Safely During Outages

Portable electric generators can offer many benefits when a long-term electrical outage occurs due to a storm. However, if generators are not used properly, things could turn deadly.

After Hurricane Katrina, for example, many people relied on generators. But the misuse of them caused five deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC also reported 51 cases of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Follow these tips to prevent misuse of portable electrical generators:

- Be sure to follow manufacturers' directions for installation and operation.
- To prevent electric shock, make sure your generator is properly grounded. The operation manual should provide correct grounding procedures.
- Operate electric generators or

other fuel-powered machines outside where deadly carbon monoxide fumes cannot enter the home.

- Use the generator only in a well-ventilated and dry area located away from air intakes to the house. Do not use a generator in an attached garage.
- Do not overload the generator by operating more appliances and equipment than the generator can handle. The operating instructions should have an output rating for the generator.
- Individual appliances should be plugged directly into the receptacle outlet of the generator using appropriately sized extension cords to carry the electric load. Make sure the cords are rated for outdoor use, have a grounded, three-pronged plug, and are in good condition.
- Do not run extension cords under rugs.
- Never connect generators

directly to your home's wiring. The reverse flow of electricity can electrocute an unsuspecting utility worker.

- Never plug a generator into a household outlet.
- Do not refuel a generator while it is running.
- Only store fuel outside of living areas and away from heat sources like water heater pilot lights.
- Turn off all equipment powered by the generator before shutting it down.
- Keep children and pets away from generators. 

