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# People's Powerline

A newsletter for PEC's electric consumers

## Team Up With PEC

Score big this year with value added products and services

**I**t's all about teamwork. The same spirit that guided ten pioneering men in 1937 as they brought electricity to PEC's first rural consumers still guides us today.

Beginning this month, we begin a year long "Team Up With PEC" product promotion. Along with our most popular product, electricity, you're going to be hearing a lot about PEC's diverse line of additional products and services provided solely for your convenience and satisfaction.

For instance, if you're looking for ways to make bill paying easier, simplify the purchase of a new generator or heat pump, help the environment or protect your home's



Take advantage of one of our many value added services today. Our Customer Service team is ready to assist you at toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031 (Ada area).

### ON YOUR TEAM FOR 30 YEARS



Billy R. Huffman began his employment with the co-op in 1982, and currently serves as the Manager of Distribution Services.

appliances, then you'll want to watch this newsletter for monthly featured product incentives and join the effort. Individually, you'll see the benefits as you avoid late-fees, enjoy peace of mind and become more empowered with programs designed just for you. As a co-op, our team wins when our members' needs are met. 0023100300

We are all facing outside forces at every turn whether it be increasing prices, nature's unexpected wrath or life's daily battles. Let PEC's outstanding team of customer service representatives help ease some of the stress as we all pull together and score big with our value added products and services. Team Up With PEC in 2013!



Shannon Sinnett, PEC's Director of New Construction Services, makes sure everyone is pumped up about Sure B.E.T., including member James Graham of Ada pictured behind her.

## Let's Get Ready to Rumble

Team Up with PEC during January and February for a chance to Thunder Up this basketball season.

One lucky PEC member who takes advantage of a featured monthly Team Up product will win an exciting OKC Thunder Madness Package which includes game tickets to an upcoming Oklahoma City Thunder home basketball game. Get entered this month by joining Sure B.E.T. or taking advantage of generator financing. 0050700700

In addition to being entered to win the OKC Thunder Madness Package, members who join a qualifying Team Up product will also receive a free Team Up CFL light bulb shaped night light and two (2) 60 watt compact fluorescent lights.

For more information about PEC's Team Up promotion, any of our programs or to take advantage of one of these services, please contact PEC's Customer Service department at toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031.

### Sure B.E.T. (Bills Electronically Transferred)

Sure B.E.T. helps take your mind off paying electric bills. It can even help eliminate the high and low bills caused by peaks and valleys of electricity usage, which certainly makes monthly budgeting easier!

Choose to pay your actual electric bill each month or pay a 12-month average amount. On the last day the bill is due (the tenth of each month), your bill is automatically paid from your checking or savings account.

No more writing checks, buying stamps or unnecessary trips to the office to make payments. Approximately 22% of PEC's residential consumers are already on the Sure B.E.T. Program. This percentage is considerably higher than the industry average, which shows that PEC's consumers like the program! 1030600500

Ready to make a Sure B.E.T.? Simply call us toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031--or visit us online at [www.peopleselectric.coop/surebet](http://www.peopleselectric.coop/surebet).

### Team Up to purchase a generator

Our goal is to provide you with highly reliable electric service, and 99.9 percent of the time, we do. However, Oklahoma weather can change at the drop of a hat. To help our members prepare for the unexpected, PEC provides portable generators and a welder/generator to members for purchase, with financing available to qualified members at an interest rate as low as 5% this month.

A 5,500 watt Generac pull-start generator priced at \*\$649.00 and a 7,500 watt Generac electric start generator priced at \*\$970.00 are available. Or, a 10,500 watt Lincoln Ranger Electric generator/welder may better suit your needs, priced at \*\$3,299.00 from James Supply in Ada. [\*price does not include tax; subject to change due to product availability.]

Call PEC's Customer Service department at toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031 (Ada area). We want to help you be ready the next time bad weather arrives.

Allyson McElroy, PEC's Vice-President of Customer Service, and her five year old son Cole have teamed up to cheer on the Thunder and promote convenient financing of portable generators to qualified PEC members.





# Power Up, Stay Safe

Lives are on the line.

The safety of you, our members, and our employees is a top priority at PEC, especially during dangerous times. When storms hit our area, we rush to your aid as soon as weather conditions allow our lineworkers to make repairs safely.

PEC is proud of our outstanding safety record, but sometimes, no matter how many steps we take to keep everyone safe, the very people we are there to help unknowingly put our lives—and their own—in danger.

Portable generators, widely used when power lines are down, can prove fatal to lineworkers and your neighbors when used improperly.

Of course, no one would ever purposely cause the death of a lineworker. Nevertheless, a generator connected to a home's wiring or plugged into a regular household outlet can cause backfeeding along power lines and electrocute anyone who comes in contact with them—even if the line seems dead.

And PEC employees are not the only ones in danger when a portable generator is used improperly. Generator owners themselves may be at risk of electrocution, fire injury, property damage, or carbon monoxide poisoning if they do not follow the necessary safety rules.

Portable generators can be very helpful to consumers during outages. But we urge you to follow these safety guidelines when using one:

- Never connect a generator directly to your home's wiring unless your home has been wired for generator use. This can cause backfeeding along power lines and electrocute anyone coming in contact with them, including lineworkers making repairs. Have a licensed electrician install the equipment necessary to safely connect emergency generators to your home.
- Always plug appliances directly into generators. Connecting the generator to your home's circuits or wiring must be done by a qualified, licensed electrician who will install a transfer switch to prevent backfeeding. 1013300201
- Use heavy-duty, outdoor-rated extension cords. Make sure extension cords are free of cuts or tears and the plug has three prongs. Overloaded cords can cause fires or equipment damage.
- Ensure your generator is properly grounded.
- Never overload a generator. A portable generator should only be used when necessary to power essential equipment or appliances.
- Turn off all equipment powered by the generator before shutting it down.
- Keep the generator dry. Operate it on a dry surface under an open structure.
- Always have a fully charged fire extinguisher nearby.
- Never fuel a generator while it is operating.
- Read and adhere to the manufacturer's instructions for safe operation. Never cut corners when it comes to safety.

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### Business Hours

7 a.m. to 6 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.peopselectric.coop](http://www.peopselectric.coop)

### IMPORTANT DATES

Bills mailed.....31<sup>st</sup>  
Bills should be paid by the..... 10<sup>th</sup>  
Cutoffs made..... 20<sup>th</sup>

### 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.*

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## Happy New Year!

*"Wishing you a year of happiness and prosperity with endless smiles and infinite success."*

**PEC's offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1, 2013.**

**LIVESTOCK & PET**

AKC Registered German Shepherd pups. \$500. (580) 332-5096

(3) Reg. Black Simmental replacement heifers excellent quality, \$900-\$1100; weaning age Black Simmental some ET & Ai, \$900-\$1400. (580) 258-0080

5 reg. Angus bulls, gain tested from noted A.I. sires; traveler 6807-SAV Networth and SAV Final Answer, available for pick up Jan. 10th. (580) 332-5838, call after 8:00 pm.

Reg. Polled Hereford heifers, Remitall online 122L and PW Victor Boomer P606, 10-24 months old; a few younger reg. Polled Hereford bulls. (580) 332-2468

Coming 2 yr. old Horned Hereford Bulls, range raised, service ready. (580) 456-7830

Angus bulls 7 to 16 months old, Angus business 54 years, same location. (580) 456-7241

African gray parrot, very large cage, extensive vocabulary. \$1200. (580) 927-3847

Free almost grown kittens, Micheal, Sonny and Connie, Fredd is gone, Holdenville. (571) 535-8567

35 hd, F1 tigerstrip cows, 3 to 6 years old, will calve in spring to Charolais bull cows are big and gentle. (580) 927-5648

**REAL ESTATE**

3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, 3.5 ac, 5 mi E of Wynnewood, call for viewing. (405) 207-6356

2 bdrm, 1 bath, central h/a, carport, motor home carport, cellar, metal garage, fenced backyard, 1 acre, 2 mi E of Pauls Valley, \$53,000. For appt. call (405) 207-3535

Great starter home, horse ready, Hwy 177 frontage, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, newly remodeled, new appliances, ready to move in. (580) 618-3530

Beautiful lot in Wynnewood, nice storm cellar-12,600 sq. ft. lot. \$16,500 obo. (405) 665-4295

3 bdrm trailer at 5 Lakes, 2 lots, \$52,000. (580) 332-1900

21 acres, 1 mile south of Byng School on Fulkerson Rd, wooded with 3 ponds, building site with rural water and electric, ready for house or mobile home. (580) 310-2753

**WANT TO BUY**

Parts (chrome) for 1948-1952 Ford F-1 pickup or cheap parts truck; potters wheels and clay bats or anything for a public school art program. (580) 436-9309

**Account Number Winners**

Leroy Hutchins of Calvin found his account number in last month's newsletter. The find netted him a \$5 credit on last month's electric bill. The other numbers belonged to Bob Lee of Stratford, Todd Burger of Pauls Valley, Larry Keeling of Byars, Joe Cantrell of Atwood and Robert Neils of Sasakwa. 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.

**FARM & EQUIPMENT**

3 horse slant trailer with tack room, gooseneck hitch and single axle. (580) 618-2414

Horse walker on wheels; Farmall M tractor, wide front end, power steering; 500 gallon tank with stand. (580) 421-5905

5x5 round bales of bermuda and clover, fertilized and sprayed, near Clarita, \$50 per bale. (580) 559-9445

4x5 net wrapped bermuda mix, 70 rolls, near Coalgate, \$35/roll. (903) 814-2030 1011400200

**AUTOMOTIVE**

2006 Chevy Silverado, crewcab, diesel, 4x4 loaded, \$17,500. (580) 272-4888

2004 Trail Blazer, new tires and battery, 4.2 vortex, 6 cyl, 154,000 miles, see to appreciate, great condition. (580) 456-7022

2004 PT Cruiser, 63,500 miles, standard equip, 5 sp. manual, tint windows, \$4900. (580) 399-2395

2004 Harley Road King, 88 cubic inch twin cam, 5 speed, runs & looks great, \$11,500; Bison 3-horse slant trailer, heavy duty, \$4500; 1957 Ford, 800 series tractor, \$3800. (918) 471-8167

1999 Silver V6 Camaro, SS rims, halos, tinted windows, smoked brake lights/signals, left door needs paint, already primed, \$3000. Text (580) 759-9313

1997 Mazda, 33 mpg, good condition, \$1600; new electric heater, works well, \$30; new binoculars, \$30. (580) 759-2829

1989 Toyota 4-Runner, V6, 4x4, 5-speed, approximately 140,000 miles, no problems, runs good, \$2600 obo; 2009 Kawasaki Bayou 250 4wheeler, \$2400 obo. (580) 399-2483

1973 Mustang Coupe, 302 engine, red and black, headers with dual exhaust, restored to show quality, \$8900 obo. (580) 436-2416

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

30 ft. bumper pull travel trailer, very nice, self contained, \$3000; 2003 Silver Silverado, ext cab, very nice, \$7200. (580) 340-1064

1996 12x46 mobile home on 100x140 lot, storage building, cellar, propane tank, h/a, cookstove, Wapanucka, OK, \$16,000. (580) 428-3462

Mobile home at Little Glasses Resort, Lake Texoma, 1976, 14x60, 2 bed, 1/2 bath, many updates, new metal roof, h/a unit, \$62,000. (580) 272-8239

**FURNITURE & APPLIANCES**

20" Sanyo TV, \$75; HP fax-copier-scanner, \$45, futon mattress, \$25, Tony's little gazzle exerciser, \$50. (580) 235-0432

Baldwin piano w/bench, good condition, \$700 obo; LaCrosse sleeper sofa, standard bed size, very good condition, \$400 obo. (405) 665-2898

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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

Fresh native pecans picked Thanksgiving week, filled out well, still in shell, Ada area, 5 lb minimum, \$1 per pound, cash only. (580) 320-4342

Metal roofs, free estimates, 15 colors, 20 yrs experience. (405) 783-4284

Animal leg traps, Victor brand, purchased in 1970's, #3's, #2's. (580) 559-1116 or (580) 759-5378

I will do embroidery for all occasions. (405) 484-7287

Wedding rings, 14 carat, yellow gold, matched set, \$1200. (580) 310-0456

Seasoned firewood, \$65/rick, \$85 delivered. (580) 320-4603

I will do alterations/sewing start to finish, some crafts, Christmas socks, etc. (580) 436-0064

5<sup>th</sup> wheel hitch, \$600; Mathew Drenalin bow and accessories, \$400; McPherson Solo Cam bow, \$150. (580) 320-5083

Choctaw Electric Cooperative's 3rd Relay For Life Annual Predator Hunt, February 16, 2013, \$1000 Guarantee First Place, Antlers, OK, \$100 entry fee. More info, Guy Dale (800) 780-6486

Charvel Squire mini; Washburn bass guitar; guitar amps; keyboard; home stereo; washer & dryer stack; electric cook stove; gas cook stove; humidifier; '97 Firebird. (580) 436-0478

Shelled papershell pecans, pts, qts, half gallon. (580) 857-2224

Used barn tin, cleaned and stacked, all lengths, 8'-5"; 10' to 20'-8", lots of them. (405) 783-4360

Log Cabin Quilting, custom all over and custom designs, have 5 quilts quilted, get 10% off of the 6th. (580) 857-2163

Evenflo high back booster car seat, \$20. (580) 272-0239

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