Filing period for board opens Jan. 3
Huckaby announces plans to retire

The filing period for three Northwestern Electric board member seats opens Jan. 3. The seats up for election are: District 7, Lee Huckaby of Selman; District 8, Marvin Wilkinson of Buffalo; and District 9, Gil Perkins of Gate.

Lee Huckaby has announced he is retiring from the board of directors. He will complete his eighth term as director for District 7 this coming April. Lee and his wife, Edith, live in the Selman area.

Both Wilkinson and Perkins have indicated they plan to file for re-election. Marvin Wilkinson farms and ranches in the Buffalo area. He also operates a used car lot. Marvin is seeking his second term as the representative for Buffalo.

Gil Perkins is a U.S. Mail carrier. He and his wife, Mary, farm in the Gate area. Gil is looking to serve a seventh term as director for District 9.

Members wishing to place their names on the ballot should contact the administrative assistant, Rhonda McMakin, for an official nomination form. Members seeking nomination must be a bona fide resident in the district in which they are a member.

Candidates must obtain the signature of three other qualified members from the same district on the nomination form. The forms must be completed and returned to McMakin or the secretary of the Cooperative, John Bruce, Jr., no later than Feb. 1, 2017.

NWEC will publish the dates and locations for the meetings next month. To announce their intentions to run in the February newsletter, candidates should contact NWEC before Jan. 8.

Questions should be directed to the CEO, Tyson Littau, or McMakin, at 580.256.7425 or 800.375.7423. An article concerning the director qualifications, nominations and elections is located on page 4.
‘Tis the season to give

If you are looking for ways to give this holiday season, Northwestern Electric can help you.

Instead of an “angel” tree, each year we display an “energy” tree in our main lobby. It has light bulbs on it with account numbers of NWEC members who are in need of assistance during the holiday season. Only account numbers are listed, as the names are to remain anonymous. (14442001)

Anyone may come into our lobby and pick out a light bulb and donate to an account that is hanging from the tree. All donations are appreciated no matter how big or small.

Member Appreciation Day

Friday, Dec. 9, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
2925 Williams Avenue, Woodward, Okla.

Enjoy hot wassail and cookies
Register for a $100 gift card
Children receive a free ticket to ride the Kiwanis train at Crystal Christmas

September 2016 Operating Report

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Looking for missing members

If your name is on our missing member list for capital credits, please submit a Capital Credit Update Form. If you are the heir or executor for someone listed below, please submit the Estate Refund Form. These forms are available at www.nwecok.coop. Click on the Capital Credit tab under Account Services, or you can request a form by contacting our office at 800.375.7423, 580.256.7425 or emailing cc@nwecok.coop. All requests must be made in writing.

Hidden account number contest

Last month’s numbers went unclaimed. They belonged to Tammy Covalt and Aaron Marlatt.

We have hidden two account numbers somewhere in the articles in this newsletter. The numbers will always be enclosed in parentheses and will look similar to this example (XXXXXX).

If you recognize your account number, all you have to do is give us a call on or before the 8th of the current month and we’ll give you a credit on your bill for the amount stated.

This month’s numbers are worth $50 each. Happy hunting!

Microwave Oven
Peanut Brittle

1 1/2 cups dry roasted peanuts
1 cup white sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1 pinch salt (optional)
1 tablespoon butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon baking soda

Grease a baking sheet, and set aside. In a glass bowl, combine peanuts, sugar, corn syrup, and salt. Cook in microwave for 6 to 7 minutes on High (700 W); mixture should be bubbly and peanuts browned. Stir in butter and vanilla; cook 2 to 3 minutes longer.

Quickly stir in baking soda, just until mixture is foamy. Pour immediately onto greased baking sheet. Let cool 15 minutes, or until set. Break into pieces, and store in an airtight container.
Nomination and election of trustees

The following information is being published to comply with REA Bulletin Number 20-19 in the interest of NWEC Members.

ARTICLE III MEETING OF MEMBERS

Section 7. Nomination and Election of Trustees.

• 7.1.1. Nominations
  During the month of January before the district meeting, candidates desiring to be nominated must pick up an official nomination form which may be secured at the headquarters office of the Cooperative. Candidates must obtain the signature of three other qualified members from the same district on said form and be delivered back to the Secretary of the Cooperative or his representative not less than the first business day in the month of February prior to the date of the district meeting.

• 7.2 District Meetings
  Not less than thirty days nor more than sixty days before the annual meeting, the Board of Trustees shall call a separate meeting of the members of each district in accordance with Article IV Section 2 of these Bylaws, at a suitable place in or near such district for the purpose of electing a Trustee to represent the members located within such district. The meeting shall, however, be open for discussion of any other matters pertaining to the business of the Cooperative, regardless of whether or not such matters were listed in the notice of the meeting. Recommendations with respect thereto may be submitted to the Board of Trustees or the entire membership. (19669001)

• 7.3 Order of Business of District Meetings
  The district meeting shall be called to order by the Trustee representing the district, or by another designated representative of the Board of Trustees, or in their absence, by any member residing within said district. The members shall then proceed to elect a chairman, who shall be someone other than the Trustee, and who shall appoint a secretary to act for the duration of the meeting. Five percent of the members residing in the district present of such a duly called district meeting shall constitute a quorum. Members of other districts present at the meeting may be heard but shall have no vote. Candidates must be members residing in the district and must possess the qualifications for Trustee as specified in Section 2 of Article IV of these Bylaws.

• 7.4 Voting and Minutes
  Voting shall be by ballot. Each member may vote for one candidate. The candidate from such district receiving the majority of votes present shall be considered elected as Trustee. The minutes of such district meeting shall set forth, among other matters, the name of each person nominated and the number of votes received by each, and shall specify the person elected as Trustee from such district. A certified copy of the minutes, signed by the Secretary and the Chairman of the district meeting, shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Cooperative within five days after such district meeting.

• 7.5 When Quorums Cannot Be Obtained at District Meetings
  In the event a quorum cannot be obtained at a district meeting provided for herein, said Trustee’s position shall be declared vacant for the forthcoming three year term by the Board of Trustees at their next regular board meeting, and said vacancy shall be filled in accordance to the terms and qualifications listed in ARTICLE IV, Sections 2 and 4 of these Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV TRUSTEES

Section 2. Qualifications and Tenure

• 2.1 Eligibility for Trustees
  No person shall be eligible to become or remain a trustee or to hold any position of trust in the Cooperative who:
  (2.11) is not a member of the Cooperative.
  (2.12) is not a bona fide resident of the particular district of which that person is a member.
  (2.13) does not purchase electric energy at the Cooperative electric energy at that person’s principal place of residence.
  (2.14) is in any way employed by or financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business selling electric energy or supplies to the Cooperative.
  (2.15) is the incumbent for candidate for an elective public office in connection with which a salary or compensation in excess of one thousand dollars per annum is paid.
  (2.16) has been employed by the cooperative within five years of his/her employment termination date and the scheduled district meeting for which member desires to run.

Section 4. Vacancies

4.1 Vacancy Occurring Due to Failure of Quorum
  In the event a vacancy was caused by the failure of a quorum at a district meeting called for the purpose of electing Trustee, the vacancy shall be filled by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees at the next regular board meeting. The member elected as Trustee to serve the upcoming full term must meet the qualifications in ARTICLE IV, Section 2 of these Bylaws, and reside in the same district as the Trustee to whose office he succeeds.
  See related article about the director filing period on page 2.