Thanks to 20 volunteer linemen, the lights are on for the first time in Sillab, Guatemala.

Trevor Howard, lineman for NWEC, was one of the 20 volunteers from Oklahoma and Colorado who spent two weeks at the project site building powerlines and electrifying 42 structures, including one elementary school and four churches. The linemen worked on approximately six miles of line in hilly terrain and wired more than 40 poles. Each home received four lightbulbs, two light switches and two electrical outlets.

However, they found a way to make it look easy!”

The children in the village were also eager to help. Carrying the linemen’s tools was one of their favorite jobs to do and the linemen appreciated the help. The children also enjoyed playing soccer with the linemen on a daily basis.

Trevor says he was positively impacted by this mission and came home with a changed outlook on life. “This trip was a once in a lifetime trip. I don’t know who’s life changed more—theirs because of the electricity or mine because of them.”

The theme for the trip was flexible. That motto allowed the 10 Oklahoma linemen and 10 Colorado linemen to overcome obstacles and make things happen.

“Our group formed a bond that can only be understood by someone who has experienced this trip,” said Trevor. “We still talk daily and are part of a brotherhood with an unbreakable bond.”

Oklahoma’s electric cooperatives have established a 501(c)3 not-for-profit, The Oklahoma Energy Trails Foundation, to support this cause; four projects have been sponsored since 2016. All contributions to the Foundation are tax-deductible. Collectively, Oklahoma’s electric cooperatives have made possible 578 first-time electric connections in six villages in Central America and South America.
We’re thankful for our sister cooperatives

When you think about NWEC, you probably associate us with the local community. And you would be right. Our leadership team, board of directors and employees all live and work right here in the community we serve. But you may not realize NWEC is actually part of a much larger cooperative network that brings additional value, tools and knowledge that benefit you, the members of the co-op.

Cooperation Among Cooperatives

When a severe weather event is predicted for our region, we call on our sister co-ops in areas unaffected by the approaching storm. Through this system of mutual aid, we coordinate with other co-ops to bring additional trucks, equipment and manpower to our area. For example, several of our sister co-ops helped us restore power following the 2017 ice storm. And NWEC reciprocates by assisting other electric co-ops when they request help.

A defining characteristic of a co-op is “cooperation among cooperatives.” This is a way that co-ops work together to meet bigger challenges such as power restoration after a severe weather event.

Another area in which NWEC benefits from cooperation among cooperatives is cybersecurity. Through the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association’s (NRECA) “Rural Cooperative Cybersecurity Capabilities Program” (RC3), we are able to access training, resources and tools to strengthen our efforts to combat cyber threats.

NWEC’s ability to tap into the larger electric cooperative network and access tools, products, resources and leading practices from across the nation ultimately makes our co-op and our community stronger.

Global impact

Lastly, communities across the globe have benefitted from the lessons learned and experience of co-ops in electrification of rural areas in the U.S.

NRECA International has provided access to reliable and affordable electricity to 120 million people in 43 countries. This effort is made possible through the support of electric co-ops including NWEC in this state and across the country. (19002001)

Hundreds of lineworkers, engineers and other co-op employees have served as volunteers to bring first-time access to electricity and train local partners to help utilities be sustainable in their own communities.

November is a time of year for reflection and giving thanks. We are grateful for our sister co-ops who enable us to better serve you and our broader community. When electric co-ops collaborate, we strengthen each other and the communities we serve — and that is something in which to be truly thankful. Happy Thanksgiving, everyone.

August 2019 Operating Report

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"NWEC is an equal opportunity provider and employer."
Save with NWEC’s rebate program
Get cash back on qualifying heat pump, generator and water heater installations

Ground Source Heat Pump

$250/ton new or gas conversion
$150/ton electric replacement
► Minimum 2nd stage specifications:
  ● Closed or Open Loop
    > 15.9 EER & 3.3 COP
  ● Split System
    > 15.5 EER & 3.3 COP

Air Source Heat Pump

$250/ton new or gas conversion
$150/ton electric replacement
► Minimum specifications:
  ● 16 SEER
  ● 13.4 EER
  ● 8.5 HSPF

Whole House Generator

$1000 per application
► Minimum specifications:
  ● 16 kW
  ● Permanently installed
  ● All electric HVAC system

Electric Water Heater

$100 new unit or gas conversion
$50 electric replacement
► Minimum specifications:
  ● 40 gallon storage tank
  ● Energy Factor (EF) of .93 or greater

Maximum rebate of $1000 per application. For more information, call Melissa or Jonna at 580.256.7425.

Hidden account number contest

Last month’s numbers were accidentally left out. To make up for the mistake, we’ve included those numbers in this issue along with two new numbers.

We have hidden the account numbers somewhere in the articles in this newsletter.

If you recognize your account number, 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 $75 each. Happy hunting!

FREEZER

PIE CRUST

5 lbs. all-purpose flour
1/4 c. salt, scant
3 lbs. shortening
1 c. white corn syrup
2 3/4 c. water

Blend flour and salt in large bowl. Cut in shortening. Add corn syrup and water. Knead lightly to mix well.

Divide dough into 24 balls. Place each ball in individual sandwich-size freezer bags. Store in freezer until ready to use. Makes enough dough for a dozen double crusts or 24 single pie crusts.

* This recipe was sent in by a 30-year member of NWEC who would like to remain anonymous. She says it is the best pie shell you will ever eat because it is “real flaky and just wonderful.” (3105001)
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. Some of the estates listed have already received their capital credits from NWEC. They are listed again because the estates are due capital credits from Western Farmers Electric Cooperative. 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. (6897002)

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Farris Tim
Faulkner Edwin
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Fields Todd Or Vachelle
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Ford Derek
Forrest Rex
Foster Glen
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Franco Longino
Frazier Albert
Freeman David
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Garcia Cesario Jr
Gardner Lynn
Garrison Ronnie
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Gingrich Leda
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Ham Travis
Hamilton Robert
Hammer Jeff
Hancock Russell D
Hand Terry
Hanks Jennifer
Hansen Paul
Harding Gary D
Harper B D
Harper David

Say “Thank You” to a Vet

In honor of Veterans Day, we would like to recognize and thank our current employees and directors who have served in the armed forces. The next time you see these men, please take a moment to thank them for their willingness to serve our country.

David Shore, Air Force
Chris McGraw, Army
T. J. Province, Marine Corps
John Bruce, Jr., National Guard
Clair Craighead, National Guard
Duane Henderson, National Guard
Ray Smith, Army

NWEC will close Nov. 28-29
to observe the Thanksgiving holiday.
For emergencies, call our outage hotline number 877.966.7693.

DAYLIGHT SAVING
TIME REMINDER
Don't forget to fall back on November 3!
Set your clocks back by one hour.