

The Twin Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

"Owned By Those We Serve"



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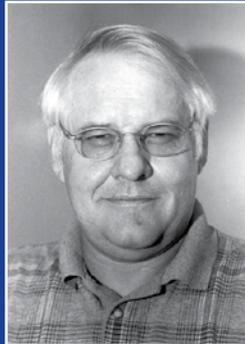
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Directors Earn Credentialed Cooperative Director Designation

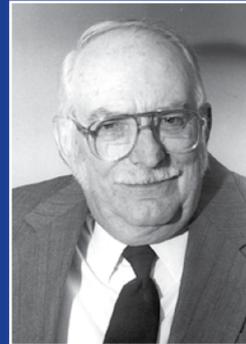
Three members of the Twin Valley Electric Cooperative Board of Directors were recognized at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) region meeting for their commitment to education and attainment of the Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD) certificate.

Today's electric utility environment imposes new demands on electric cooperative directors, particularly increased knowledge of changes in the electric utility business, new governance skills and a working knowledge of the cooperative principles.

Twin Valley Electric Cooperative has a commitment to work through our statewide organization, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (KEC), to sharpen this body of knowledge for the benefit of their electric cooperative consumer-owners.



Larry "David" Hubbell



Norman Leistikow



Dan Peterson

NRECA's CCD program requires attendance and demonstrated understanding of the basic competencies contained in five core courses:

- Director Duties and Liabilities
- Understanding the Electric Business
- Board Roles and Relationships
- Strategic Planning
- Financial Decision Making

Get Complete Protection for Every Room of Your House

Twin Valley Electric offers our members this Tesco Meter Base Surge Arrester to help protect their home for a cost of \$5 a month plus tax. The arrester provides protection for hard-wired appliances like dishwashers and refrigerators.

We also offer the power-strip protection for all plug-in items, including sensitive electronics. These strips include plug-in protection for electric, cable and phone line connections.



New Employee at Twin Valley

Twin Valley Electric Cooperative welcomes our new Billing Supervisor, Chelse Trollope.

Trollope is originally from the Chanute area. She received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management from Pittsburg State University in May 2005. She had been employed at Labette Bank in Parsons for the past year.



Chelse Trollope

Trollope and her husband, T.J., are members of Twin Valley. "When I heard about the position at Twin Valley, I was excited because it was something I had thought about doing for a long time," Trollope said. "This is the type of job I had hoped to attain after completing my four years of college. The position allows me to use my education and still be close to my family and friends."

Energy Cost Adjustment Approved

The Twin Valley Electric Cooperative Board of Directors approved implementing an Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA) on all electric rates effective January 1, 2007.

Following a hearing at the September Board meeting, where members were given the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed ECA, the Board voted to implement the ECA at the beginning of the new year.

All of the cooperative's services will have been converted to the new TWACS metering at

that time and all members will be receiving billing statements from the cooperative rather than reading their own meters and calculating their payments from a rate chart.

The actual ECA amount charged to Twin Valley Electric Cooperative on our purchased power billing that is above the amount included in the current rate study will be passed on to the members as a kWh charge. The ECA will vary each month according to the cost of energy at that time.

Linemen Achieve Journeyman Certification



Left to right: Twin Valley Journeyman Lineman Joe Brooks and Tyler Kennett, with second year apprentice Dustin Acuff.

To earn Journeyman Lineman status, Twin Valley Electric Cooperative (TVEC) apprentice lineman must complete a comprehensive written training course and complete 8,000 hours of on-the-job training to accomplish a degree of knowledge and skill level which is mastered only by those who attain the goals and standards set forth by the electric cooperative industry.

Joe Brooks, Tyler Kennett and Dustin Acuff have completed the required classroom training to achieve the classification of Journeyman Lineman.

Brooks and Kennett have also completed their 8,000 hours of on-the-job training and were presented their diplomas from the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (NJATC) at a recent TVEC safety meeting.



Weather Rule

For Twin Valley Electric Cooperative residential members who cannot fully pay their winter electric bills, the Cold Weather Rule will be in effect November 1 to March 31.

The Rule generally prohibits any disconnection of a member's service when the National Weather Service forecasts the temperature will drop below 35 degrees or will be in the mid to low 30s within the next 48-hour period, **provided** the member complies with the provisions of the good faith test.

First, the member must inform the cooperative of their inability to pay the bill in full before the stated date of delinquency. Then, the member and the cooperative need to negotiate payment arrangements mutually agreeable and individualized to the member's situation. But, once a payment agreement has been made and the member fails to meet those terms, the agreement becomes null and void and the member's electric service will be subject to disconnection.

Any payment agreement will require monthly payments of some manner. Do not ignore your electric bills during this time as service can be disconnected if payment arrangements have not been made.