

## Twin Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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### Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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## Holiday Office Closing



The Twin Valley Electric office will be closed in observance of Independence Day on Friday, July 4.

## We Deliver Information & Electricity

By reading this column and the other information in these pages, you are helping Twin Valley Electric fulfill one of the seven principles all cooperatives strive to follow, Principle No. 5: Education, training and information.

You are holding one of this cooperative's primary conduits of education and information, *Kansas Country Living* magazine. Through these pages, we are able to communicate directly with you, the member-owner, on important cooperative business such as bylaw changes and Trustee elections. In addition, we can pass along energy-saving tips that could save you money and safety information that might even save your life.

In addition to information in the magazine, we sponsor programs to educate our members including Annual Meeting and county fairs. We also have programs designed for young people in our service territories including "Government in Action" Youth Tour, Cooperative Youth Leadership Camp, safety demonstrations and scholarships.

Our Trustees also undergo

an extensive series of courses designed to teach them the basics of electric system management and keep them informed of the latest developments to help them make the best decisions possible about your electric service.

Our education efforts also extend to our employees. We encourage and support them in taking courses through the state organization, Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (KEC), or the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) that improve their on-the-job skills, because the better-trained employees become, the more valuable they are to the cooperative. The investment in time and money is well worth it.

We also sponsor safety seminars that our linemen and other field workers attend. This education is vital to keeping our work force safe and reducing the costs involved with lost-time accidents.

Our focus on education is part of the overall effort this cooperative takes to improve the communities that we serve. Twin Valley Electric is proud of our record and efforts in this area.

# Twin Valley Welcomes Summer Interns

This year, Twin Valley has hired three summer interns.

Kyle Sommer is from Miami, OK. He graduated Miami High School in 2006. In August, he will graduate from the Oklahoma State University (OSU) Okmulgee Lineman Program with an associate's degree in applied science. His hobbies include team roping and hunting.

During his internship, he has also spent time working for TXU Energy out of Fort Worth Texas, and New Mac Electric Cooperative, Neosho MO.

Neil Smith was also hired as a summer intern. He is from Sherman City.



*Kyle Sommer*



*Neil Smith*



*Zack Walker*

In 2006, he graduated from Labette County High School. In the fall, he will be attending the OSU Okmulgee Lineman Program. His hobbies include hunting, fishing and bowling.

Zack Walker, Oswego, is the third intern hired to work for Twin Valley. He graduated from Labette County High School in 2006.

In the fall, he will also be attending the OSU Okmulgee Lineman Program. His hobbies include hunting and fishing.

Twin Valley would like to welcome all of you to the cooperative family!

## Join the 5-9 Club

When temperatures are above 90 degrees, we ask you to join the 5-9 Club.

Please limit usage to essential appliances during the hours of 5 to 9 p.m.

If possible, try to ensure that your air conditioner is the only high use appliance running and also raise your temperature setting by two degrees.

## Summer Rates Begin with July Billing

We would like to remind our members that summer rates go into effect as of June 1 (July billing).

The summer rate will stay in effect through your November bill (October usage).

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## Win a Prize at the Farm Show! July 18-20

Fill out the entry form below and visit the Twin Valley booth at the Pittsburg farm show to enter to win a great prize! The prize will be awarded on July 20. You do not need to be present to win.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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