

THE CIRCUIT!

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Caney Junior High Takes First Place At BizKid\$ Competition



A huge congratulations are in order for Mrs. Dollarhide's class at Caney Junior High!

They were competitors in the BizKid\$ Competition alongside 100 other middle school students, including Mrs. Callicot's class from Durant Middle School.

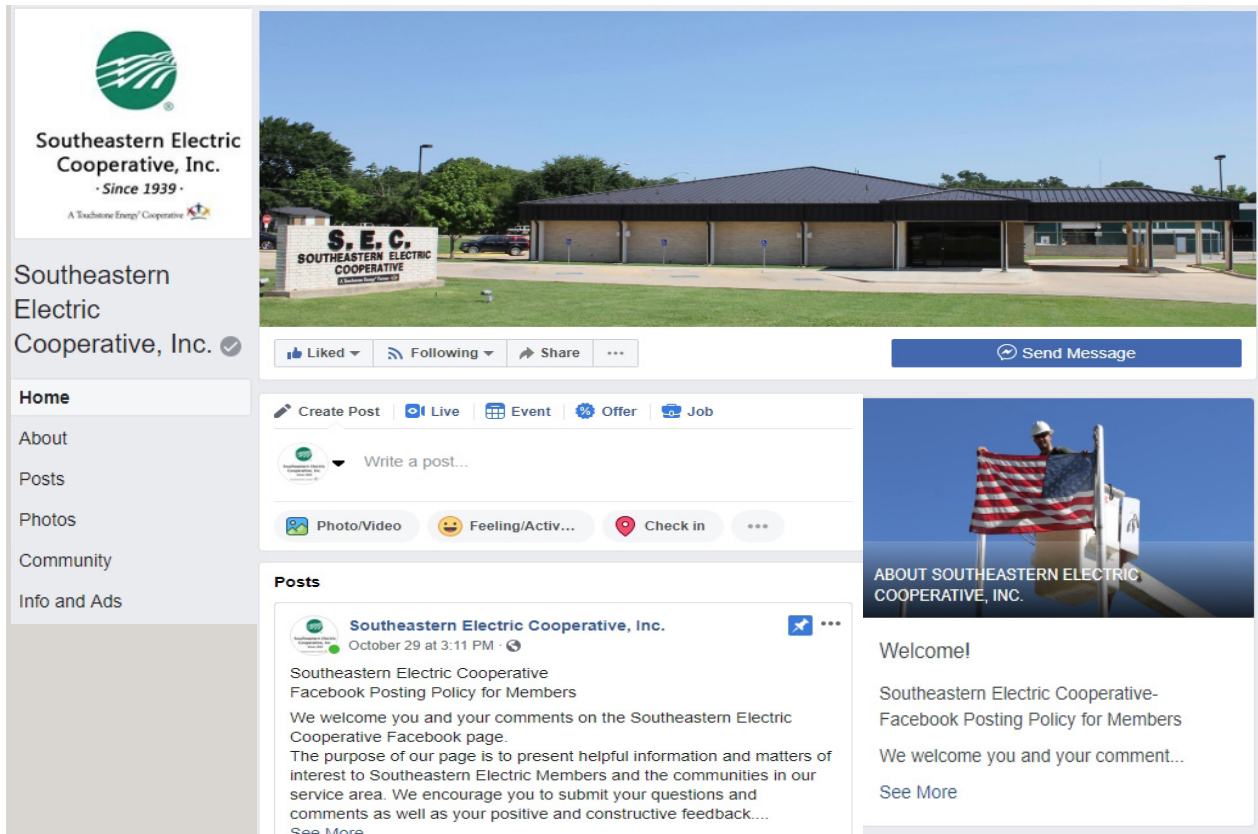
BizKid\$ is a contest for students to create a business structured around the Cooperative business model. Students, their teacher and a representative from

their area cooperative met together during the months of September and October to come up with a business plan, product, a presentation along with how to present their plan to a panel of judges at the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO) in Edmond, Oklahoma.

The competition took place on October 30th. Students from middle schools all across Oklahoma traveled to the college campus to present their business plans. Caney Junior High was represented by Kevin Rothrock, SEC's Public Relations Specialist. Groups first went through a private judging session. Then, four finalists were chosen to go on stage and present their business plan to everyone including a larger panel of judges. Finally, a Runner-Up and Grand Champion were chosen-which Caney proudly took home the Grand Champion title!

Caney's Middle School Social Studies teacher, Mrs. Kaitlyn Dollarhide said, "I would like to express a very heartfelt thank you on behalf of Caney School for your participation in the Biz Kids program. Ms. Kevin was a fantastic mentor and so encouraging to our students. Our students made huge strides in their public speaking skills and their knowledge of the cooperative business model. Thank you so much for your commitment to our community! We are so appreciative."****

Find Us On Facebook!



Southeastern Electric now has an official Facebook page!

Over the past year, SEC has been working diligently to distinguish a social media presence.

Without further ado, we are live! Just search Southeastern Electric Cooperative, Inc. and look for the green Energy Ball logo.

We will be sharing important updates, energy saving tips and tricks, large outage information, as well as any community events that SEC may

be a part of.

In the future, we hope that Facebook will be utilized as a huge communication tool for our Members and the Co-op.

We realize that our Members ages range greatly from young to old. With that in mind, we want to make sure that we have the ability to reach every Member possible with different communication options.

“Our goal is to be able to communicate with our consumer members in as many

ways as possible. So adding social media to our arsenal will help to engage and get information out in a timely matter.” said James Fox, SEC’s General Manager.

We want to invite all of our Members to go and “LIKE” our page and share with your friends!



Guatemala Update



The linemen on the Energy Trails-Electrify Guatemala trip returned safely to their families last month. For the first time ever, the lights are on at Pie de Cerro and Tierra Blanca Salinas in rural Guatemala.

Fifteen volunteer linemen, including SEC's Michael Green, spent three weeks at the project site building powerlines and wiring 100 homes, two elementary schools, two health centers and five churches. The project consisted of 130 poles in approximately 4.34 miles of primary line, 3.86 miles of secondary line and four 25 kVa transformers. Each home received four lightbulbs, four light switches and four electrical outlets. We are so proud to have been a part of this endeavor!***

Skillets For Sale



SEC is giving you the perfect gift idea for your friends and family during the Holidays!

Give them a commemorative South-eastern Electric Skillet! These were given out as registration gifts during the 2016 Annual Meeting.

They are *limited edition*, so when they are gone-they're gone for good!

Get yours today for only \$15 by visiting the office!***

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TIPS FOR PURCHASING NEW APPLIANCES

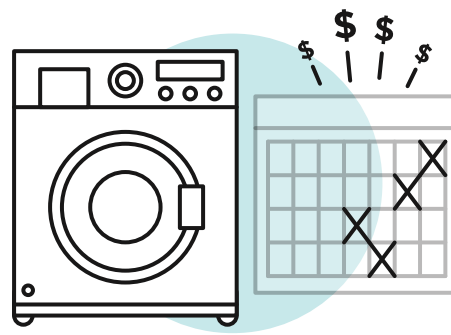
When shopping for new appliances, there are two price tags you should consider:



1. Purchase price of the appliance (think of this as a down payment)



2. Cost to operate the appliance over its lifetime (how much energy the appliance uses)



That second price is important because you'll be paying for the appliance's energy use for the next 10 to 20 years.

- **Look for the ENERGY STAR® label.** ENERGY STAR-qualified products exceed the federal minimum standards for efficiency and quality.
- **Carefully review the EnergyGuide label on the appliance.** The label provides information about how much energy an appliance uses compared to similar models.
- **Once you choose your make and model, compare prices.** Keep in mind, many retailers will match a lower price offered by competitors.
- **Recycle or sell your old appliance.** Ask the retailer if they'll pick up your old appliance, or you can sell it yourself. Either option is better than the landfill!

