

THE CIRCUIT!

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Board District Re-Alignment

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After many months of planning, SEC's Board of Trustees have finished an extremely challenging project of realigning much of the eastern and northern boundaries of the Board Districts. The Board Resolution to re-align the districts was presented at the January 24, 2023 Board of Trustee monthly meetings where it received a unanimous vote.

With two District Trustee vacancies occurring in 2022, the Board of Trustees, guided by SEC's By-Laws, decided that a re-districting and a reduction of the number of board districts would be an appropriate action to take on behalf of the Co-op membership. With the ease of communication being what it is today, the ability for each Trustee to stay in contact with their Members is accomplished with little difficulty.

One of the driving factors behind the decision was the inequity of member representation. In the central and west portions of Bryan County, Trustees have a much higher number of members in their districts, while other Trustees in the eastern and northern portions of SEC service territory have fewer members that they represent. The geographical re-alignment of the districts, along with the reduction of the number of Trustees will make great progress in reducing this inequity gap.

The Board Districts that are impacted by the re-alignment are Districts 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. SEC's new Board Districts will be 1 thru 7 as follows:

District #1 – Tracy Rogers	[Central Bryan Co.]
District #2 – Dennis Bowen	[Western Bryan Co.]
District #3 – Steve Kelso	[Northern Bryan Co., Southern Johnston Co. Southwest Atoka Co.]
District #4 – David Kelly	[Southern Bryan Co.]
District #5 – Casey Robinson	[Eastern Bryan Co., Western Choctaw Co.]
District #6 – Anthony Dillard	[Northeastern Bryan Co., Southern and Eastern Atoka Co., Western Choctaw Co.]
District #7 – Jeff Willingham	[Central Johnston Co., Central Atoka Co.]

In the coming editions of the Circuit, there will be a new Board District map published so every member can get a visual idea of the new board districts and if the re-alignment has impacted them. Again, if you live in districts 1, 2 or 4 there is no change to your district boundaries or who your trustee representative is. ***

SEC's Youth Leadership Summit & Scholarship Participants

The Youth Leadership Summit (YLS) is an all-expense paid one day interactive leadership experience for our area youth. It is held in conjunction with the Oklahoma Youth Expo (OYE) in Oklahoma City each Spring.

Local rural electric cooperatives from across the state selected participants from their local service territories to represent them in Oklahoma City on March 13, 2023. Those participants were also awarded a \$500 Scholarship at the conclusion of the Summit.

SEC chose DeLaney Phelan from Silo High School and Gabriella Clark from Atoka High School to represent SEC at the Youth Leadership Summit.



Phelan (pictured right) has been a member of the Silo FFA for 4 years. This was Phelan's third year at OYE-this year she showed a swine. Her plans after graduation are to attend Murray State College or Oklahoma State University to major in Veterinary Medicine.

Clark (pictured left) has been a member of the Atoka FFA for 5 years. This was Clark's third year at OYE-also showing a swine for 2023. Her plans after graduation are to attend Oklahoma State University and major in Animal Science.

YLS is just one of the many ways that SEC helps to support our local youth. We are very proud of our two participants and know they did an outstanding job representing their schools, their communities and SEC at the event!



While you are moving those clocks ahead, remember now is a great time to check the batteries in your smoke alarms!

Deadline for Energy Camp Essays is April 12th!

ENERGY CAMP

POWERED BY OKLAHOMA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES

Southeastern Electric is excited about the upcoming YouthPower Energy Camp! Local rural electric cooperatives across the state will select participants in the Eighth Grade from their local service territories to attend the four day camp in Hinton, OK.

Energy Camp is a FREE all-expense paid adventure to Red Rock Canyon near Hinton, OK for a summer camp that is designed to help develop leadership skills, have summertime fun, and at the same time be educated on one of rural America's most important industries – rural electrification. The 2023 Energy Camp is set for May 30-June 2. Selected Eighth Grade students will enjoy fun filled days with activities including pizza parties, dances, volleyball, hiking, swimming, basketball, football and games all while learning about electric co-ops.

Southeastern Electric Cooperative is on the lookout for two local students who want to attend Energy Camp for 2023! SEC's Energy Camp contest is open to ALL 8th grade students enrolled in a school or homeschool system located in specific areas served by SEC. The Co-op will select the winners from students who submit a 200-300 word essay over the topic of "How I Can Have An Impact On Energy Conservation."

If you have a student or child in the Eighth Grade and they want to enter, please contact us directly at our office by calling (580) 745-9463 or by email at kwingfield@se-coop.com.

DEADLINE FOR ESSAY ENTRIES IS APRIL 12TH!

You can also check out our website at www.se-coop.com and click on the Energy Camp tab at the top of the page!



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Possibly one of the most handy features of the new app is the ability to report an outage through your smart phone or tablet! Users can log in and tap on "Services" followed by "Report an Outage" under the menu. Enter a phone number you can be reached at if necessary-then tap the circle next to the word "Yes" when asked if your power is off. Lastly, provide any comments that you may feel would be helpful to the lineworkers about the outage. Be sure and tap the blue "Report an Outage" button at the bottom of the screen when you have your information entered.

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