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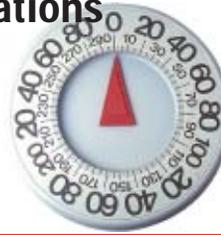


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New General Manager Comes Home to Oklahoma

There is a smile in his voice when Jack Clinkscale says he is glad to be back in Oklahoma.

Although his most recent address was a small town in Colorado, Indian Electric's new general manager is an Oklahoma native, having been born in the southwestern part of the state.

"I'm glad to be back where there are trees and water," he laughs.

Clinkscale's family lived in the Hollis area until his freshman year in high school when they crossed the river and moved to Perryton, Texas.

After high school, he attended Southwestern State University in Weatherford where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration and accounting.

Following graduation he began a career with electric co-ops that has lasted more than 20 years. He was an accountant at Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative (EC) in Dalhart, Texas, before being named office manager at Southwestern EC in Clayton, New Mexico. He served in the same capacity at Big Bend EC in Ritzville, Wash. for three years before serving cooperatives in Nebraska and western Kansas as a general field representative for Rural Utilities Services. In 1993, Jack was named general manager at Lane-Scott EC in Dighton, Kan., where he served until 2001 when he became general manager at K. C. Electric in Hugo, Colo.

K. C. Electric has 30 employees and about 6,300 meters serving approximately 1,350 consumers in all of two counties and a portion of a third. A large portion of its load is irrigation in addition to serving residential and commercial loads. It also serves seven communities in the service territory.

Jack and his wife Beverly have been married for 24 years and have two children. Jason is currently attending Pratt Community College in

Kansas on a rodeo scholarship and Kelly is a junior at Mannford High School.

Rodeos aren't just his son's interest, as the entire family shares that passion. They can each be found on horseback for both pleasure and competition.

"I'm glad to be back in Oklahoma," Jack says, "and I'm excited about joining the team at Indian Electric. I'm finding a strong commitment to the membership among the board members and a high level of professionalism among the employees."

Jack says he is looking forward to becoming a part of the

communities in the co-op's service territory and continuing the relationship of shared commitment between them and the co-op.



Co-op a Sponsor in Balloon Blast

Any fear of high places was dispelled for IEC employees David Wilson and Clara Eulert as they represented the co-op in Cleveland's 4th annual Balloon Blast.

Held in conjunction with Cleveland's Pioneer Day celebration in September, the Balloon Blast is the premier fund-raiser for the Cleveland Friends of the Library.

Although a financial supporter of the event in the past, this was the co-op's first year to be a corporate sponsor.

"Sponsorship entitled us to a hot-air balloon with the co-op's banner," explains Wilson, manager of member services, "and we got to work with the balloonists for the two-day event." Wilson adds he and Eulert also got to ride in the colorful contraptions.

"Not only does the Balloon Blast raise the most money for our local library," says Rhonda Stucks, president of the Friends of the Library, "but it

is the most fun of all our fund-raising events.

"And we wouldn't be as successful in raising those funds without corporate sponsors such as Indian Electric. We truly appreciate their support," she says.



Happy Thanksgiving



IEC offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday. If you experience an interruption in your electric service or spot a safety hazard, please call (918) 358-2514. Dispatchers and service personnel will be on duty throughout the holiday weekend.

Visit the Department of Energy's new Web site to learn how to save money on your energy bills this winter.

www.eere.energy.gov/consumerinfo/energy_savers

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The Most Important Types of Heating Service

Most of us want to spend the minimum amount of money when servicing or replacing our heating systems. But a low-cost service call may not include some important safety and efficiency improvements.

Your heating contractor should agree to include the following best practices as part of your heating-system replacement or major service call. You may need to pay a little more in return.

If you replace your furnace, it should be sized correctly to match your home's heating load. This sizing should account for any energy improvements you've made to the building shell. Your new furnace may be smaller than your old one.

Your contractor should test the furnace's airflow, and install additional return ducts or supply ducts if needed to improve air distribution. The main supply and return ducts should be fastened to the furnace with screws on all sides. The main ducts should be sealed to the furnace with duct mastic. Duct tape is a temporary solution, and should not be used for sealing most ducts.

Any holes in the furnace itself should be sealed with mastic or high-quality metal tape. Joints between the main ducts and branch ducts should be sealed with mastic.

The filters should completely fill the opening where they're installed. They should be held firmly in place with brackets, retainer springs, or other means.

Any filter slot near the furnace should have a sealed cover to prevent air leakage.

Any existing chimney problems should be solved during replacement. This may include re-sizing or re-lining the chimney to match the size of new heating systems.

The airflow to your home's supply registers should be balanced using balancing dampers in the ducts. These should be located near the main duct. Room temperatures should be consistent throughout the house after balancing.

If you have any questions about your heating system or servicing it, be sure to visit with your contractor.



Be Prepared for Winter Travel

There's no way to avoid it: winter is coming. In Oklahoma, that not only means cold weather, but snow and ice. No matter if you are just going to be driving back and forth to work, or traveling to spend the holidays with your family, you will want to make sure your car is in good condition and that you have a winter travel survival kit. Also, if travel is necessary in stormy weather, it's best to inform someone of your travel route, destination and expected arrival time. You should remember to keep your gas tanks near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines and to keep a disaster supply kit in your car with you. For more information on winter travel or to check the weather and any possible weather advisories, visit www.AAA.com before beginning your trip.

Winter Travel Survival Kit

- Cell phone, battery-powered radio and extra batterie
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Booster cables
- Fire extinguisher (5lb., A-B-C type)
- First aid kit and manual
- Bottled water and non-perishable high-energy foods, such as granola bars, raisins and peanut butter
- Compass and road maps
- Shovel and ice scraper
- Tire repair kit and pump
- Flares
- Extra clothing to keep dry
- Sack of sand or cat litter (for tire traction)
- Tow rope
- Knife



Annual Meeting Recap, Photos in December Lamp

The November issue of *The Lamp* went to press before our annual meeting October 18, so we were unable to include any of the meeting's highlights.

Be sure to read the December issue for a recap and photos of the meeting.

RECIPE



Frosted Cranberry Salad

- 1 (15&1/4-oz.) can unsweetened, crushed pineapple, undrained
- 1 (6-oz.) package lemon-flavored gelatin
- 1 (16-oz.) can whole-berry cranberry sauce
- 1 cup ginger ale
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 (8-oz.) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 (8-oz.) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted

Drain pineapple, reserving juice; set pineapple aside. Add enough water to juice to measure 2 cups. Bring to boil, and remove from heat. Add gelatin, stirring until gelatin dissolves. Add cranberry sauce, stirring until blended. Stir in ginger ale. Chill until the consistency of unbeaten egg white; fold in reserved pineapple and celery. Spoon mixture into a lightly oiled 13-x9-x2-inch dish; cover and chill until firm.

Beat cream cheese with an electric mixer at medium speed until light and fluffy; fold in whipped topping. Spread mixture evenly over salad, and sprinkle with pecans. Cover and chill until firm.

YIELD: 15 servings.

Thanksgiving Help on the Internet

For most of us, Thanksgiving is one of the holidays steeped in tradition. If you need help preparing the traditional Thanksgiving turkey, finding new holiday recipes or recipes for those turkey leftovers, you might want to visit these Web sites.

For information about purchasing, thawing and preparing your Thanksgiving turkey, visit www.butterball.com. Here you can find a turkey and stuffing calculator, stuffing, broth and gravy tips, a menu maker, information for first timers, holiday stress reliever tips, videos and recipes for leftovers.

And if the holiday preparations aren't going smoothly and you're feeling stressed, visit www.laughbreak.com, click on the 'stories' tab and look for the Butterball Turkey Talk Line. You'll enjoy reading about some of the outrageous calls the Turkey Talk Line operators have received. It's guaranteed to make you feel better.

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