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IEC Mourns Loss of Longtime Trustee

J.W. Perry Represented Co-op, Members on Regional, State and Local Levels

Longtime IEC trustee J.W. Perry, Jr. passed away Tuesday, Aug. 9 following a long battle with cancer. He was 69 years old.

J. W. was appointed to the co-op board in 1989 to represent members in district 3. His appointment filled a vacancy left by the death of trustee Albert Findley.

A certified public accountant, J. W. owned an accounting firm, which bears his name, located on Cleveland's Main Street.

A native of Victoria, Texas, J. W. graduated from Southeast High School in Oklahoma City.

He attended Baylor University where he earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree, before becoming a CPA.

After living in Tulsa for several years, J. W., his wife Carla and daughter Denise, moved to the Lake Keystone area in 1970 and became IEC members.

In the 16 years J. W. served on the IEC board, he also represented both IEC and the state's electric cooperatives on the board of directors at KAMO Power, the Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) and the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives (OAEC).

"Not only did J.W. serve as a director on the boards of these utilities and regulatory agencies, he was elected as president or chairman of each of them by his fellow board

members," says IEC General Manager Jack Clinkscale.

He was serving as president of the OAEC board at the time of his death.

"J. W. brought a great deal of knowledge and experience to the table," says Loris Peckenpugh, president of the IEC

board of trustees. "He also brought common sense and practicality to any decision we had to make. We are not only going to miss our friend, but we're going to miss the knowledge, experience and stability he gave us."

"J. W. was the most tenured member of our board," says Clinkscale. "The members continued to re-elect him, not only because they knew he was a highly intelligent person, or be-

cause of his vast experience in the industry, but because he was a man of integrity and because he was a friend."

In addition to his service to Oklahoma's electric cooperatives, J.W. served on the board of directors of The Cleveland Bank.

He was a member of the American Institute of Certified Accountants, the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to his wife and daughter, he is survived by two grandchildren, a sister, a brother and several nieces and nephews.



J. W. Perry, Jr.
1935-2005

Memories of J. W.

“J.W. Perry’s character, personal integrity and professional skills made him a most valuable asset to his community and state. His passion for service provided benefits to electric co-op members across Oklahoma through his leadership on local, regional and statewide boards.” *Larry Watkins, General Manager, Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives*

“J.W. was in the officer chairs at a time of tremendous change at KAMO, netting rural Missourians and Oklahomans literally hundreds of millions of dollars in savings. The time of his officership was a period when KAMO shifted from uncertainty to a stable, predictable future.

“With all the possibilities for an air of power and prestige, J.W. never changed – he remained extremely modest and unpretentious. He was a true servant – never requiring praise and actually avoiding recognition. He was a ‘gentle giant.’ He was highly respected here; we thought so much of him. It was his nature to be willing to serve and share.” *Chris Cariker, Executive Vice-President and CEO, KAMO Power*

“Mr. Perry was the possessor of the institutional memory for GRDA and, in particular, his financial background was of importance to me as a new CEO of GRDA. I recall our monthly meetings at which we had long and intimate conversations about the direction of GRDA and the relationship GRDA had with other electric stakeholders like KAMO. Mr. Perry, in his quiet but firm way, was very focused on building a consensus among decisions that affected GRDA and its customers. He was extremely respected and very precious to our employees and customers and will be missed intensely.

“Ironically, just today, I found myself picking up the phone to call Mr. Perry in relationship to a serious coal issue we face. Mr. Perry, as our coal expert, would have provided particular comfort on those issues that have become extremely complicated to all electric providers.” *Kevin Easley, CEO, Grand River Dam Authority*



J. W. Perry (second from right) played in a golf tournament for Speak Up for Rural Electrification (SURE) Sunday, July 31 in Oklahoma City. Although his team didn’t win, J.W. played what he felt was a good round, and enjoyed the day. His team was comprised of (left to right) Eddie Moran, Rural Utilities Service field representative, Mike Spradling and Leon Day, IEC trustees.



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Bluegrass Music, Prizes and Great Fun Planned for Our 66th Annual Meeting

Annual meeting is still a few weeks away, but we're working hard to ensure you find the meeting informative and enjoyable.

Cleveland High School has been reserved for Saturday, Oct. 22. Beginning at 8:15 a.m., we'll open registration in the school's band room. Registration will remain open until 10 a.m.

Earlier this year, your trustees voted to retire \$138,790 in capital credits. That means members who were receiving electricity from IEC for a portion of 1978 and in 2004 will get a patronage refund check at annual meeting. The checks will be distributed

in the school's library.

The registration gift this year is a forest green lawn chair with arm rests, beverage holder, carrying bag and strap and IEC's logo in white on the back. The first 800 members to register will receive a chair.

One chair will be given away to each membership.

Before the business session starts, members can stroll through the Business Spotlight or sit and listen to the Stateline Band.

The Business Spotlight will again be in the school's multi-purpose room. Businesses throughout



IEC employee Janice Brown is looking forward to getting her IEC chair, which is this year's annual meeting registration gift.

the service territory have been invited to set up booths 'spotlighting' them. Many of the businesses will be holding drawings or giving away samples or discounts. The spotlight will open at 8:15 and close at 10 a.m.

The IEC Foundation will have a booth spotlighting Operation Round Up. Members can donate their capital credit checks to this cooperative-sponsored charitable organization if they would like.

In the gymnasium, the Stateline Band will be performing. The bluegrass band is comprised of performers from both Oklahoma and Kansas, who say they are always "crossing the stateline." One of the band members is an employee of Kay Electric Co-op in Blackwell.

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First Official Notice of Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 2005 Annual Meeting of Members of Indian Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 22, 2005, at the Cleveland High School Gymnasium located in Cleveland, Pawnee County, Oklahoma.

Purpose of the meeting is to act on the following matters:

1. Reports of Officers and Trustees;
2. Election of Trustees of Cooperative from Districts 1, 4 and 7;
3. All other business that may come before the meeting or any adjournments thereof.

Registration for the 2005 Annual Meeting will commence at 8:15 a.m., Saturday, October 22, and the meeting will be called to order at 10 a.m.

Each membership, whether it is a single membership or a joint membership, shall be entitled to one vote in any matter that may come before the meeting.

Memberships other than residential must present a letter on organization stationery, signed by a recognized official of the organization, indicating the bearer as the official voting representative of the organization. Bearers must present the letters at the time of registration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leon Day".

Leon Day
Secretary, Board of Trustees

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The band will entertain from 8:15 to 10 a.m.

Also beginning at 8:15 will be the health and safety fairs.

A variety of services preformed by Cleveland Area Hospital employees will be conducted, including blood pressure checks, height and weight measurements and finger stick blood sugar check. The following will be available for a nominal fee – fasting lipid panel; thyroid tests and prostate tests.

Services for senior adults; self-help, fall prevention and free depression screenings will be available.

Flu shots, if available, will be given on a first come, first serve basis at a cost of \$20.

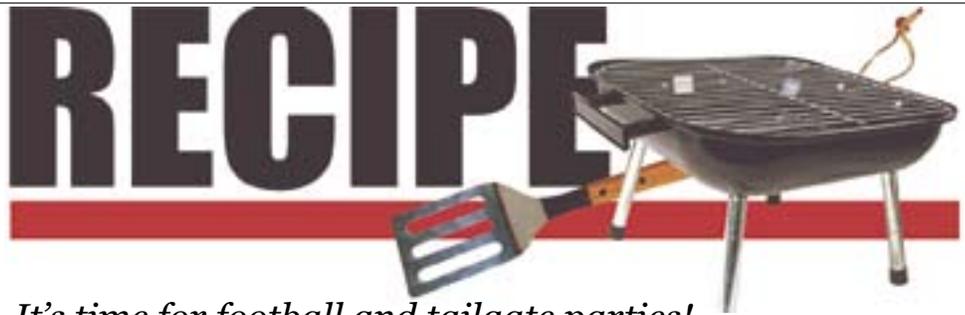
The Hillcrest Mammogram Mobile Unit will be available by appointment only. Anyone wanting to schedule a mammogram, or who has questions about the health fair, can call Patsy Bray at 358-2501, ext. 140.

The children's safety fair will begin at 8:15 and continue until 9:45 a.m. We will have an electrical safety demonstration for them, and all children who attend can register for an iPod mini. They must be present in the business session when the winning name is drawn.

At 10 a.m. the meeting's business session will begin. Members will be asked to elect trustees from districts 1, 4 and 7 by acclamation, since there are no contests in these districts.

Throughout the meeting and at its conclusion, drawings for prizes will be held. Members must be present to win.

The 1st grand prize this year is \$500, with \$250 being given away as the 2nd grand prize.



It's time for football and tailgate parties!

Grilled Bratwurst

6 bratwurst sausages
12 ozs. beer
1 chopped onion

6 rolls
German mustard

Combine the sausages, beer and onion in a saucepan. Simmer for 30 minutes. Drain well and grill for 10 minutes, turning frequently, or until browned on all sides. Sprinkle with additional beer while grilling for more flavor and a crispier skin. Serve in rolls, topped with mustard and other condiments such as cheese, mayonnaise, relish, kraut, etc.

YIELD: 6 servings.

Employees Honored for Service

Thirteen employees were honored recently for their years of service to the cooperative and its members. They include (back row, left to right) Rick VanDeventer, 10 years; Jason King, 5 years; Bob Cox, 10 years; Jim Morgan, 25 years; Rick Davis, 35 years; and

David Wilson, 5 years. Front row includes Kim Watts, 10 years; Amanda Ramsay and Trena Zickefoose, 5 years; Sharon Caughlin, 20 years; and Janice Brown 10 years. Not pictured are Judy Turley, 30 years; and Cyndie Wood, 5 years.



Mark your calendars and join us!

Annual Meeting is Oct. 22