

The logo for CECA (Central Electric Cooperative Association) features the letters "CECA" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. A green swoosh element curves around the letters from the top left to the bottom right.

**2017
Annual Meeting
and Fish Fry**

Saturday, October 14, 2017
Comanche City Park

A stylized illustration of a tree with a dark brown trunk and branches, green leaves, and a complex root system extending horizontally across the page. The tree is positioned on the left side of the page, with its roots spreading out to the right, framing the text "Strengthening Our Roots".

Strengthening Our Roots

Your cooperative. Your future.

TEXAS CO-OP POWER

BYLAW EXCERPTS

ARTICLE II — MEETINGS

SECTION 1. ANNUAL MEETINGS. The Annual Meeting of Members shall be held at such time during each month of October as the Board of Directors may direct and such meeting shall be held at Comanche, Texas, unless otherwise specified by the membership at the Annual Meeting, in which case, the next succeeding Annual Meeting shall be held any place within the territorial service area served by the Cooperative, as may be decided by the membership, for the purpose of electing directors, passing upon reports of the previous fiscal year and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.

If election of directors should not be held upon the day designated or determined for annual meeting, or before adjournment thereof, then the Board of Directors shall cause such election to be held at a special meeting of the members within sixty (60) days thereafter. Failure to hold an annual meeting at the designated time or any irregularity in the holding thereof shall not work a forfeiture or dissolution of the Cooperative and shall not void matters taken up and disposed of at such meeting; however, such matters are voidable upon a reasonable showing of resultant harm to any member.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, by the Board of Directors, or by a majority thereof, by a petition signed by not less than one-tenth (1/10) of all members or such other officers or persons as may be provided in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, and it shall thereupon be the duty of the Secretary to cause notice of such meeting to be given as hereinafter provided. Special meetings of the members may be held at any place within the territorial area served by the Cooperative, as shall be specified in the notice of the special meeting.

Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, should circumstances transpire so that an insufficient number of Board members remain to call a special meeting, then and in that event a special meeting can be called by either the attorney for the Cooperative or by the chief financial officer of the Cooperative, with the same notice provisions as those provided for any special meeting.

SECTION 3. NOTICE OF MEMBERS' MEETING. Written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting and, in case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Secretary, or by the persons calling the meeting, to each member. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his, her or its address as same appears on the records of the Cooperative, with postage thereon prepaid. The failure of any member to receive notice of an annual or special meeting of the members shall not invalidate any action which may be taken by the members at any such meeting.

SECTION 4. QUORUM. At least one hundred fifty (150) of the members present in person shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings. If less than a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

SECTION 5. VOTING. For the purpose of voting, each member of the Cooperative shall be entitled to one (1) vote, upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. At all meetings of the members at which a quorum is present, all questions shall be decided by a vote of a majority of the members voting thereon in person, except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles of Incorporation of the Cooperative, or these Bylaws. In case of a joint membership, either the husband or wife may vote, but only one may vote.

(a) No person or entity shall have the right to vote at any meeting unless such person or entity is then a member and is paying at least a minimum bill.

(b) Every person entitled to vote or execute consents may do so either in person or by mail if authorized by Board of Directors.

(c) Ballots may be received from members voting in person or by mail if authorized by the Board of Directors.

(d) At the annual meeting of the membership, the President, with the approval of the membership, shall appoint three (3) persons to serve as election judges, who shall be competent and trustworthy members of this Cooperative, but not an officer or director thereof, who shall be charged with the duty of conducting the election of directors and certifying the results thereof, and who shall be responsible for the conduct of the election and the preservation of the ballots.

The election judges so appointed shall have the authority to appoint such persons as they may deem necessary for the purpose of counting the ballots.

All ballots shall be placed and stored in a substantial metal box, securely locked, and shall remain in the custody of said election judges until said ballot box shall be ordered to be emptied by the Board of Directors. Should no contest of the election and no question as to its validity be raised within sixty (60) days from the date of the election, then the election judges shall turn said ballot box over to the Board of Directors and the Board of Directors shall cause said ballot box to be emptied and its contents destroyed.

SECTION 6. NO PROXIES. Members shall vote only in person or by mail-in ballot if authorized by the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting. No proxy voting shall be allowed.

PROGRAM

OCTOBER 14, 2017

Comanche City Park, Comanche

9-10 A.M.

Registration and Health Fair

Health Fair closes PROMPTLY at 10 a.m.

Ashley Griffin with Ashley's Twist and Paint does balloon art and face painting for our youngest members!

Comanche cheerleaders also will be available to entertain the children.

Refreshments

Entertainment

The Class of '57

Presentation of Colors

Boy Scouts of America Troop 67

National Anthem

Annette Calderon

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Call to Order

Invocation

Introduction of Directors and Special Guests

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Report on Quorum

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Election Judges' Report

Unfinished Business

New Business

Drawing for Door Prizes

Adjourn

11 A.M.

Catfish and Chicken Lunch

Provided by J.C. Cook, Cook's Fish Barn

Handicap provisions made available upon request.



TEAR OFF THIS CARD, AND BRING IT WITH YOU TO YOUR ANNUAL MEETING.
THIS IS YOUR **REGISTRATION CARD AND TICKET FOR DOOR PRIZES.**

(Cannot be duplicated)

COMANCHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS

District meetings for nominating candidates for directors were held as follows:

The meeting for District 2 was held August 14 at the Comanche Community Center in Comanche. A quorum was present, and members nominated James "Pete" McDougal.

The meeting for District 4 was held August 17 at the Mullin Community Center in Mullin. A quorum was present, and members nominated Monty Carlisle.

Nominations may be made from the floor at the annual membership meeting October 14.

ABOUT YOUR NOMINEES

DISTRICT 2



JAMES "PETE" MCDUGAL

Comanche County (Highway 36 east from Comanche, thence south and west to Highway 36)

James "Pete" McDougal received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Tarleton State University. He served as the ag teacher at Comanche High School for 35 years, and has served on the State Board of Ag Teachers and Comanche Livestock Association, and as President of the Comanche Roping Club. Pete and his wife, Connie, have four children and six grandchildren.

DISTRICT 4



MONTY CARLISLE

Mills County plus that portion of Brown County south of Highway 67 and including that portion of Brown County west or south of Pecan Bayou

Monty Carlisle and his wife, Carla, live on a ranch north of Mullin. In addition to ranching, Monty is a heavy equipment operator. He has served on Comanche Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors since 1996, representing District 4.

DEMOCRACY IS THE CO-OP WAY

The more you put in, the more you get out



MESSAGE FROM
GENERAL MANAGER ALAN LESLEY

EVERY YEAR, COMANCHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE HAS A membership meeting. One of the most important activities we conduct at this meeting is an election for the board of directors. These are the people we entrust to guide the co-op in a strategic direction and ensure its thoughtful governance.

In 1844, when the 28 Rochdale pioneers created the cooperative movement, they were insistent that all members have the right to vote. Unless we consistently remember how precious this right is, we can easily take it for granted.

At CECA, we try to make it as convenient as possible for members to participate in the election. As a member of a co-op, you have the right (and some might even say the obligation) to have a say in setting the direction for the co-op. This is a critical difference between co-ops and other electricity providers, such as investor-owned utilities or municipally owned systems.

With IOUs, you are solely a customer, and there is no user ownership. IOU stockholders often live far away from the company and have no direct attachment other than seeking a return on investment.

The directors of a co-op, on the other hand, are also mem-

bers of the co-op. Board members make strategic decisions for the organization, while employees handle the day-to-day operations of the business. Examples of board decisions that affect all the members are as follows:

- The co-op's level of involvement in community economic development.
- Whether to offer renewable energy such as solar- or wind-generated power to the membership.
- Offering other services such as Air Evac insurance.
- Approving the budget for the co-op.

So when our 2017 annual meeting comes around, you may want to ask the candidates where they stand on these or other

issues. As locally owned businesses in the community, electric co-ops can introduce neighbors to neighbors and rekindle the spirit of democracy at the grassroots level. We can encourage respectful debate about the role we see our co-op playing in our community.

Join us on Saturday, October 14, for the 2017 Comanche Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting of the Membership at Comanche City Park, where you can enjoy your annual health fair, entertainment, food and prizes. Visit with your co-op board, the employees who serve you, and your fellow neighbors. We hope to see you there!



Strengthening Our Roots

CECA MEMBERS!

JOIN US FOR THE 2017

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P.O. Box 729, Comanche, TX 76442

Operating in Brown, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Mills, Shackelford and Stephens counties

HEADQUARTERS

201 W. Wrights Ave.
Comanche, TX 76442

EARLY OFFICE

1801 CR 338
Early, TX 76801

EASTLAND OFFICE

1311 W. Main St.
Eastland, TX 76448

OFFICE HOURS

Comanche Office: Monday– Friday,
7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Early Office: Monday, Wednesday
and Friday, 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., closed
1–2 p.m.

Eastland Office: Tuesday and
Thursday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

General Manager

Alan Lesley

Board of Directors

Randy Denning, District 1
Pete McDougal, District 2
Ruby Solomon, District 3
Monty Carlisle, District 4
Troy Stewart, District 5
Loren Stroebel, District 6
Phil Taylor, District 7

Report an Outage

CECA crews are available 24/7 in the event of a power-quality issue by calling 1-800-915-2533.

Contact Us

CALL US

1-800-915-2533 toll-free

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



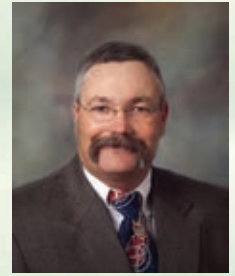
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DISTRICT 1



PETE MCDUGAL
DISTRICT 2



RUBY SOLOMON
DISTRICT 3



MONTY CARLISLE
DISTRICT 4



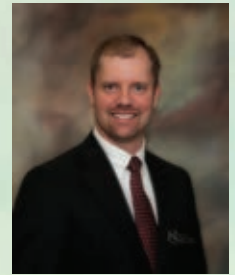
TROY STEWART
DISTRICT 5



LOREN STROEBEL
DISTRICT 6



PHIL TAYLOR
DISTRICT 7



ALAN LESLEY
GENERAL MANAGER

EMPLOYEES

OVER THE YEARS, COMANCHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE has attracted and kept employees who are loyal and dedicated to the work of bringing dependable electric service to the members. We have some employees with many years of experience and expertise, some who have fewer years of experience and are training for additional responsibilities, and some who are just beginning. The employees listed represent 635 years of experience.

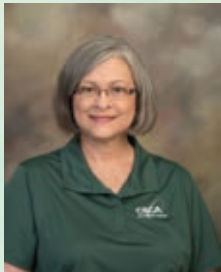
Name	Position	Years of Service	Name	Position	Years of Service
Greg Beaty	First-Class Lineman	15	Jim Lester	Engineering/Mapping/Dispatch	21
Brenda Carroll	Payroll/Accounts Payable Specialist	20	Oracio Lopez	Service Lineman	15
David Cisneroz	PC Specialist	7	Mariza Martinez	Customer Service Representative	2
Guy Clawson Jr.	Staking Technician	10	Pam McClain	Dispatch	17
Brandon Cook	First-Class Lineman	12	Larry Morgan	District Foreman	34
Monty Cunningham	Mechanic	5	Chad Newman	Grounds Maintenance	16
Kellie Deters	Director of Finance and Office Services	27	Dale Ogle	Warehouse	12
Shirley Dukes	Communications/Public Information	27	Timothy Pallette	First-Class Lineman	19
Doug Erwin	Director of Member Services	31	Tommy Patterson	Meter Technician	15
Rachel Ford	Human Resource Spec./Benefit Admin.	10	Bobby Reed	First-Class Lineman	34
Chad Foreman	Director of IT	11	Justin Riley	Working Crew Foreman	10
Jennifer Hanson	Dispatch System Operator	18	Scott Rutledge	First-Class Lineman	10
Ryan Harris	Third-Class Lineman	3	Jake Schwartz	Service Lineman	4
Larry Hatley	Safety Coordinator	30	Thomas Stevens	First-Class Lineman	5
Mirna Hernandez	Customer Service Representative	1	Keith Steward	Lineman/Power Quality	14
Tommy Hesbrook	First-Class Lineman	7	Eddie Strube	Director of Outside Operations	35
Riley Hilliard	Member Service Representative	2	Adam Tally	Service Lineman	10
Mary Johnson	Purchasing/Work Order Specialist	19	Shelley Thedford	Billing Supervisor/Collection Officer	18
Kendall Keith	First-Class Lineman	21	Josh Walls	Third-Class Lineman	2
Brandon Kidwell	Dispatch	3	Elizabeth Weathermon	Assistant Accountant	5
Shane Kinnamon	Dispatch	3	William Works	Working Crew Foreman	36
Alan Lesley	General Manager	19			

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

EDDIE STRUBE
DIRECTOR OF OUTSIDE OPERATIONS
35 YEARS



LARRY "SHORTY" HATLEY
SAFETY COORDINATOR
30 YEARS



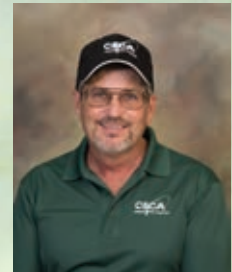
BRENDA CARROLL
PAYROLL/
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SPECIALIST
20 YEARS



GREG BEATY
FIRST-CLASS LINEMAN
15 YEARS



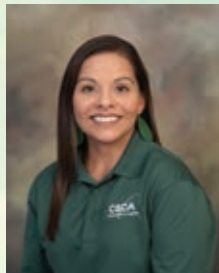
ORACIO "RO" LOPEZ
SERVICE LINEMAN
15 YEARS



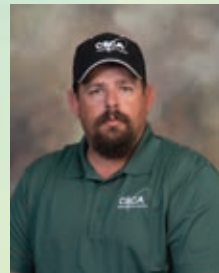
TOMMY PATTERSON
METER TECHNICIAN
15 YEARS



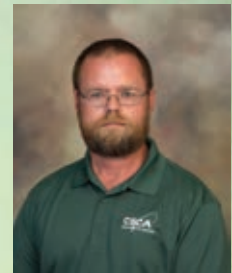
GUY CLAWSON JR.
STAKING TECHNICIAN
10 YEARS



RACHEL FORD
HR SPECIALIST/
BENEFIT ADMINISTRATOR
10 YEARS



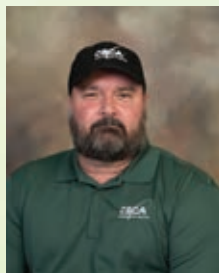
JUSTIN RILEY
WORKING CREW FOREMAN
10 YEARS



SCOTT RUTLEDGE
FIRST-CLASS LINEMAN
10 YEARS



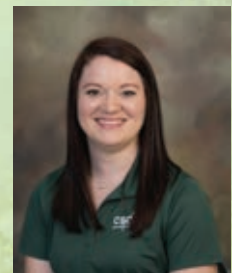
ADAM TALLY
SERVICE LINEMAN
10 YEARS



MONTY CUNNINGHAM
MECHANIC
5 YEARS



THOMAS STEVENS
FIRST-CLASS LINEMAN
5 YEARS



ELIZABETH WEATHERMON
ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT
5 YEARS

YOUTH TOUR

COMANCHE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE SPONSORS UP TO TWO students on the Government-in-Action Youth Tour trip to Washington, D.C., each year. The seven-day tour includes visits to the National Cathedral, Lincoln Memorial, Mount Vernon and the Smithsonian Museums, as well as a host of other sites. The students also have the opportunity to have downtime and fun in the form of dinners at such places as the Hard Rock Cafe, shopping at Union Station, dances and so forth.

The contest for the trip is open to any student, sophomore through senior, who attends a school where Comanche Electric Cooperative has facilities, or has parents or legal guardians who are members of Comanche Electric

Cooperative. Qualifying schools are: Albany, Baird, Bangs, Blanket, Breckenridge, Brownwood, Cisco, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Gustine, May, Moran, Mullin, Priddy, Ranger, Rising Star, Sidney and Zephyr.

This is an all-expense-paid trip, that provides the winning students' airfare, transportation, lodging, meals, insurance and admission charges associated with the tour.

Applications are currently being accepted for the 2018 Government-in-Action Youth Tour contest. To apply, contact the CECA Member Services Department at 1-800-915-2533 or memberservices@ceca.coop, or visit our website at ceca.coop.



Annette Calderon Wins National Leadership Role

THANKS TO A SPONSORSHIP BY CECA, ANNETTE CALDERON from Comanche earned a place on the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Youth Leadership Council, a program that invites students from all over the United States to visit Washington, D.C., for a leadership workshop and attend the NRECA annual meeting in February in Nashville.

“Thank you so much,” Calderon said. “I am excited for what council holds for me.”

Calderon, 17, received the honor by first winning a ticket to join 146 other young Texans on Youth Tour, a fun and educational trip to the nation’s capital in June. Comanche Electric Cooperative sponsored her on this all-expense-paid, 10-day trip. Through Youth Tour, Calderon applied to be the YLC representative for Texas and was chosen from among six candidates.

During an interview, she impressed the judges with her answer to the question, “Why should we select you as the

Texas representative?” She responded, “I am not above anyone,” and described how she would use the leadership lessons of YLC to help children. She aspires to become a pediatric oncologist and also obtain a law degree.

Calderon describes herself as having passionate faith, humility and love. She says Youth Tour inspired her to be a spokesperson for those without a voice, and to love and show what hope is in the nation.

“I want to be the best American citizen I can be,” she said.

“We are very proud of Annette and what this opportunity will mean for her,” said Shirley Dukes, communications specialist for Comanche Electric Cooperative. “It is an opportunity few students are offered, and we know she will represent us and the entire state of Texas in a very professional manner.”

Students interested in attending the 2018 Youth Tour should contact the CECA Member Services Department at 1-800-915-2533 or sdukes@ceca.coop.

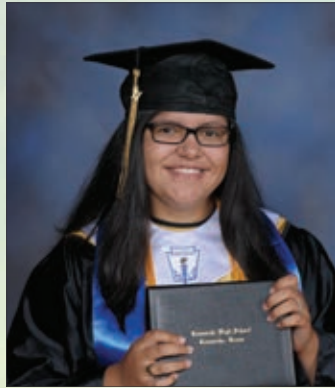


SCHOLARSHIPS

2017 Scholarship For Excellence



Cassandra Durden is the daughter of Kenneth and Melissa Durden and is an Early ISD graduate. She is attending Texas A&M University in pursuit of a degree in biomedical sciences.



Angie Evans is attending Texas A&M University to obtain an international relations degree. She is a graduate of Comanche High School and the granddaughter of Doyleene and the late Billy Ray Evans, and daughter of Ann Evans.

2017 Operation Round Up Scholarship



Madison Taylor is the daughter of Tyson and Melissa Summers and a graduate of Dublin High School. Madison is attending Texas A&M University in pursuit of a biomedical sciences degree.



Sierra Gordon is attending West Texas A&M University to obtain an agricultural economics degree. She is the daughter of Jerry and Kay Lynn Gordon and a Zephyr ISD homeschool graduate.



Georgia Thomas is the daughter of Joe and Heather Thomas and is a Zephyr ISD graduate. She is attending Texas Tech University in pursuit of a degree in architecture.



Hunter Ellis is a graduate of Comanche High School and is the son of Bill and Laurie Ellis. He is attending Texas A&M University to obtain a biomedical sciences degree.

Applications now are being accepted for the 2018 graduating class. CECA will offer five \$2,000 Scholarships for Excellence, and two \$1,000 Operation Round Up Scholarships. For more information, visit our website at ceca.coop, or contact our Member Services Department at 1-800-915-2533 or memberservices@ceca.coop.



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Co-op Month 2017

**Comanche Electric Cooperative
Is Committed To Serving Our Members**

Celebrate Co-op Month This October

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