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(Above) Marietta Walden today, working with PEC customers and still smiling.

## A Leading Lady

Excerpts from *Oklahoma Living Magazine*

Fifty years ago Marietta Walden accepted the role of a lifetime when she came to work for PEC as a Work Order Clerk.

A mother of two young boys back then, Walden filled a role in 1961 that many women did not attempt in those days. She had to do it in order to help her young family out of a financial bind. Back when rent was only \$45 a month, her two-week paycheck of \$139 went pretty far, but gaining

that check was not without its challenges.

"When I first started out looking at a staking sheet, I would go home and cry and tell myself, 'I'll never figure out that crossword puzzle,'" Walden says. 0262702604

She proved herself wrong. Like any cream of the crop, Walden rose to the top and soon became one of PEC's leading ladies. She started out wanting to learn every aspect of the department. If she got her work done, she says she would go to the next department and help them. Through the years, management noticed her hard work; she became an Engineering Secretary, a Construction Applications Supervisor, a Contracts Officer and was even honored as the 1994 Operations Division Employee of the Year.



(Above) Marietta Walden on the job in 1962 as a Work Order Clerk.

See "Walden Reflects on 50 Years," next page . . .

# People's Powerline

A newsletter for PEC's electric consumers



## Report Power Outages

 24 hrs/day 7 days a week:

1-877-272-1500 or  
(580) 272-1500, local Ada Area

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# Walden Reflects on 50 Years

"Out here now it's kind of like we're one big family," Walden says. "When someone needs help, we help, and when someone hurts, we all hurt." 0072700104

Besides being her second home, Walden says her greatest joy about being a part of PEC is telling people where she works.

"I'm never ashamed, and I'm always proud of where I work," Walden says. "I've always believed that anyone should work like the company belongs to them, and to be an employee that your employer can trust to do their very best."

It's this capable, confident outlook that has been the mainstay of her career. When everything

was done by hand, she could do everything. When systems went digital and became more integrated, she took the bull by the horns and learned.

Walden celebrated her first retirement in 1995, but she says it was always understood she would come back and work part time.

"I remember I don't have to go to work; I get to go to work," Walden says.

Walden proves that staying with an organization for an extended period of time is like weathering a storm. There are highs and lows, but change is a welcome constant as long as you love what you do and who you're with.



(Above) Marietta Walden in 1987.

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(877) 456-3031 or (580) 332-3031 (Ada Area)

**24 Hour Outage Reporting System:**

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

Bills mailed ..... 31<sup>st</sup>  
Bills should be paid by the.... 10<sup>th</sup>  
Cutoffs made ..... 20<sup>th</sup>



*Providing electricity and energy service to over 20,000 meters in the following 11 south central Oklahoma counties: Atoka, Carter, Coal, Garvin, Hughes, Johnston, McClain, Murray, Pittsburg, Pontotoc and Seminole.*

**STEPS TO FOLLOW IF YOUR ELECTRICITY GOES OFF**

1. Check your fuse or breaker box.
2. Check with your neighbors. Are they off? Have they reported the outage?
3. Call our 24 hour Outage Reporting System at toll-free 1-877-272-1500 or (580) 272-1500 (local Ada area).
4. Always report outages promptly! Remember, the cooperative's responsibility ends at the meter. If a service call is made and the trouble is found on the consumer's side, a \$50.00 service charge will be assessed.
5. For faster service, please make sure we have the correct phone number(s) for your account on file. Your phone number will be used to access your account information.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

- Dr. Laurin Patton - Ada, Chairman & President
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## Let PEC Finance Your: Heating and Cooling Needs

PEC's Heat Pump Loan Program allows you to finance the purchase and installation of electric air-to-air, dual fuel, and geothermal heat pumps for up to 120 months and add the monthly payment onto your electric bill. As the name implies, heat pumps simply move heat from one place to another. During winter months, they collect and consolidate heat from outside sources and move it inside; during summer months, they reverse the flow and send warm, indoor air out.

**Member Eligibility Requirements:**

1. You must be a current PEC member in good standing with no bill payments received after the 20<sup>th</sup> of any month;
2. Have received active electric service from PEC during the most recent 24 months;
3. Maintain a good credit report;
4. Hold title to your home and allow PEC to file a mortgage on the property where the heat pump will be installed. 1120601807

Interest rates are 7.5% or 10.5%, determined by whether or not you join our Sure B.E.T. (Bills Electronically Transferred) program. (7.5% with SURE B.E.T. and 10.5% without SURE B.E.T.) There is a \$35.00 loan document fee, which is added to each loan.

**Questions about PEC's Heat Pump Loan program?** Come by our office at 1600 North Country Club Road in Ada during regular business hours or contact our Customer Service Department by calling (580) 332-3031 or 1-877-456-3031.

## Christmas Time's a Comin' . . .

# Energy Star Appliance Drawing - December 9

As part of 2011's "Together We Save EVEN MORE" sales promotion, we have featured our various additional products and services in this newsletter all year long. More than 1,400 member accounts have benefited from featured products and services like Heat Pump Loans, Sure B.E.T. and Rebates (this month's featured products).

Our special ENERGY STAR appliance drawing will take place on Friday, December 9, 2011. By taking advantage of a monthly featured product, members are automatically entered to win the December 9<sup>th</sup> Christmas drawing, as well as our

next drawing on December 31 for an ENERGY STAR gift basket full of energy efficient CFL's. Winner of the December 9 drawing will have their pick of one of the following ENERGY STAR rated appliances:

- Front load washer and dryer combo;
- Stainless steel side-by-side refrigerator;
- Frost-free freezer;
- Stainless steel dishwasher;
- Flat screen TV
- ENERGY STAR Heat Pump Water Heater



**Co-Funded Heat Pump Rebates Expire Nov. 30!**

"Co-op members who upgraded or installed new high efficiency heat pump systems in their homes this year will want to make sure their application requirements are completed and submitted prior to November 30, 2011," announced Jennifer Boeck, PEC's Vice-President of Communications. "While our standard rebate payment of \$100 per ton, for qualified systems, will continue," Boeck added, "only members who meet the installation requirements and submit required forms prior to the November 30 deadline will receive the more substantial rebate payment." Payments for the higher efficiency models begin at \$250/ton, and are dependent upon the efficiency ratings of the new heat pump installed.

# A Great 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

## Winners Announced



(l-r) Above, PEC's Director of Public Relations Barbara Miller presents the \$1,000 Grand Prize check to Lori Wright of Ada at PEC's 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on September 24, 2011.

### Shuttle Bus Drawing Winners:

**\$10:** Joyce Hobbs of Stonewall, Celeste Duncan of Ada, Amber Grisham of Sulphur, Jan Hernandez of Ada, Ruby Seahorn of Stratford, Bryan Clonch of Ada, Patricia Freeman of Ada, Samantha McCartney of Ada. 0700600105

**\$100 Electric Credit:** Karen Speikerman of Tupelo

### Winners of Electric Appliance Drawings:

Joyce Guinn of Coalgate, Ed Freeman Jr. of Ada, Jeffrey L. Wood of Ada, Rhonda Roberts of Sulphur, Eldon Knight of Stratford, Opal O'Daniel of Ada, Cheryl Kymes of Ada, Ronald Carrel of Tupelo, Philip D. Davis of Ada, Julian Williams of Sulphur, Danny W. Davis of Ada, Robert Hull of Ada, Kristy Nuckols of Ada, DeShawn Cantrell of Stratford, Tommy Eaton of Ada, Eldon Humphers of Stonewall, Lolita Sanders of Ada, Julio Sotelo of Ada, SP Christian of Stonewall, Everett Ingram of Pauls Valley, Kiersten Spencer of Ada, Dale Elkins of Byars, Faerman's Ground Stuff LLC of Ada, and Tommy Henning of Wynnewood.

### \$75 Drawing Winners:

Pontotoc County District #2, Vona Ray Bottoms of Ada, Richard Bellville Jr. of Ada, Mary J. Ferris of Ada, Ronald P. Shell of Roff, Bart McNeill of Ada, Natalie Rycroft of Ada, Karen S. Thomas of Roff, Harold Anson of Ada and Ronnie Ray of Wayne.

**FARM & EQUIPMENT**

3 pt. dirt scoop, \$150; 3 pt. hay bale mover, \$125. (580) 504-0369

22 ton log splitter, \$600. (405) 275-3388

950 John Deere tractor diesel, 4wd, comes with brush hog & box blade, \$5,500. (580) 272-8915

Craftsman 8 hp chipper/shredder, up to 3" limb capacity, B&S engine, excellent condition, \$175.00. (580) 272-8766

5 shank big ox plow, all good points, \$1500; 9 shank Hamey plow, all good sweeps, \$950. Both in field ready condition. (405) 238-0425

**AUTOMOTIVE**

2009 Nissan Maxima S, 24,000 miles, mint condition, fully loaded, 26 mpg hwy/21mpg city, \$26,500. (580) 272-7334

2001 Chevy S-10, 2 dr Blazer LS, 120,000 mi., auto/AC, sharp, \$3,995. (580) 421-1985 Call after 6:00

2006 Chrysler PT Cruiser, vanilla color, one owner, 45K miles. (405) 388-4663

2005 Mercury Mariner SUV, 183K miles, looks & runs great, \$5500. (580) 622-5085

1997 Ford XL F150 pickup, 3 door, 6 cyl., 128K miles, good tires, good condition. (405) 380-5732

1984 Yamaha Venture Royal motorcycle, fully loaded, \$2100. (580) 456-7616 or (580) 235-1415.

2003 Chevrolet Silverado extended cab, 126K miles, 5.3L V8, tow pkg, super clean interior, priced below book at \$7250. Call or text (580)399-1089

'08 Ford Mustang, V-6, automatic coup, white ext./black int., excellent condition, power steering/windows, pony & badging pkg., new tires, 46,451 mi., \$16,499. (580) 399-7778

'08 Jeep Patriot, manual 4 cyl., service records, 20" rims, privacy glass. (405) 207-8377

'05 Jeep Wrangler, stick shift, AC, 4x4, under 40,000 mi., very clean, \$16,800. (580) 436-7174

1984 Yamaha Venture Royal, fully loaded, \$2,100. (580) 456-7616 or (580) 235-1415

**WANT TO BUY**

15 ft. Flex Wing mower. (405) 203-3422

**LIVESTOCK & PET**

2010 AQHA granddaughter of Frenchmans Guy, enrolled in the NETX barrel futurity, \$750. (580) 371-6199 or email roanropehorse@hotmail.com

30 head good young blk cows, will calve Feb '12, bred to reg. Angus Bulls, cows will weigh 1100 lbs+. (580) 927-5648

Angus Bulls, 7-14 mo. old, Angus business 52 years, same location. (580) 456-7241

Coming 2 yr. old Hereford Bulls, range raised, service ready. (580) 456-7830

**MOBILE HOMES, RV'S, BOATS, & ATV'S**

1977 motor home, runs good, good shape, \$1500; cordless electric drill, \$30; good skill saw, runs really good, \$35. (580) 759-2829 0802500600

2010 32' Rockwood travel trailer, 2 slides, all electric jacks and awning, used one time, call for more information, \$27,000. (580) 310-0256

'93 Hitchhiker 5<sup>th</sup> wheel travel trailer, 30 ft., one slideout, full-size bed, fold-out couch, sink, stove/oven, refrigerator, 2 propane bottles, 5<sup>th</sup> wheel hitch, \$8500. (580) 927-0084

'03 Four Season Excel 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel, upgrades, three slides, two front porches, central heat and air, \$29,000; 20' enclosed wells cargo trailer, \$6,000. (580) 279-0525

'88 Cruise Master motor home, 30 ft., \$5,000; 15ft. flat bed trailer, dual axle, \$500. (580) 504-1487

**REAL ESTATE**

For sale/lease, 1500 sq. ft. log cabin, 55 ac., Hwy 31 E. of Stuart, partly wooded, excellent hunting, stock pond & barn, 3 bdrm, 2 bath. (918) 429-1366 marty\_dar1776@yahoo.com

3 bdrm, 2 bath, approx. 2272 sq.ft., 3.5 acres mol., Italian marble, granite counter tops, large sun room, 2 car garage, between Lazy Acres & Deer Creek, \$230,000. (580) 436-4394

Beautiful lot in Wynnewood, includes storm cellar, \$16,300. (405) 665-4295

2000 sq. ft., 3 bdrm., 2 bath, 12 ac., free gas, 1500 sq. ft. enclosed shop, pond near Ashland, \$200,000. (918) 424-0164

**FURNITURE & APPLIANCES**

LaCrosse sleeper sofa, standard bed size, soft blue floral fabric, very good condition, \$400 o.b.o.; Baldwin Acrosonic piano with bench, good condition, \$700 o.b.o. (405) 665-2898

Roll top all wood desk, 44" wide x 42" high, 4 drawers, \$150 (580) 436-0071

**MISCELLANEOUS**

'07 Reflex Honda scooter, 3400 miles, 60-65 mpg, saddle bag, hard case, listed for \$3,300 w/out add-ons, asking \$3,250 w/ everything or \$3,150 w/out hard case. (580) 332-1488

Parts for Yamaha V-Max and Triumph Rocket, 3 parts, lots of chrome parts. (405) 379-6630 Call after 5:00

I'll be glad to quilt your tops, T-shirts, pictures, etc. or I'll quilt it from start to finish! (580) 332-3847 or (580) 436-7002

Quart-size jars for canning, 24 jars for \$12 or if you buy 100 jars it will be cheaper. (580) 247-0052

Wheel chair lift for car or truck. (580) 436-0789

Embroidery tea towel sets, crocheted large and baby afghans, dish cloths, pot holders, place mats, burp pads and much more. (580) 332-7508

3000 gal. steel tank, \$1400 o.b.o. Must move from Byars area. (405) 426-2783

White fiberglass camper shell for long wide bed pickup, 73" wide x 99" long, excellent condition, \$125.00. 1 1/2 miles NE of Ada. (580) 436-4352.

8 x 12 storage shed, \$1,295. (405) 783-4370.

3-stack Lawyer's bookcase, mint condition, \$375; a small 1919 National Brass Cash Register, \$500. (580) 332-7879

Fix-It Man! All sizes of bicycles for sale. (405) 802-8811

SPCC Spill Plans. Professional Engineer Certified. I will help to get you and keep you in compliance with the EPA. (580) 258-0240 or Bluehavenes@gmail.com

Alpha Omega Elite Deluxe 3-in-1 car seat, for infants & toddlers, weight: 5-100 lbs, height: 19-52 inches, great condition. (Ada area) \$50. (580) 272-0239

Fiberglass camper shell, fits short wide bed, century brand, \$100. (580) 332-0362

Prom dresses, all sizes, prices start at \$50. (580) 759-2405

Think about Christmas! I will embroider for you. (405) 484-7287

Metal roofs, 15 colors, free estimates; 930 Case tractor, 3 pt diesel, \$3,500. (405) 783-4284

16' V boat trailer, \$450; Swisher brush hog, 10 horse motor, very low hrs., \$600. (580) 622-5359 or (785) 865-8584

1970's Coke Machine, \$900 (580) 759-9023

**November 2011**

Since we are limited on the amount of available space, ads will be taken until the classified section is full. Ads received after the section is full will not be held for the next issue. They should be re-submitted. The number of ads published each month will vary according to availability of space and ad content. We reserve the right to delete words and edit ads if they are too long. Remember to identify ads with your name, phone number and account number. This is a free service to PEC members.

Account Number Winners

Roy Welch of Wetumka and Robert Dodge of Allen found their account number in last month's newsletter. The find netted each of them a \$5 credit on this month's electric bill. The other numbers belonged to Linda Houston of Ada, Randy Fletcher of Holdenville, and Jewel Wells of Paoli. It's easy to win, just find your account number located somewhere in the newsletter, then call, write or come to PEC by the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month in which your number is published and claim your \$5.

**-FREE-**

**Classified Ads for PEC Members!**

Type or print your ad on the lines below and mail it in. Remember, we are limited on the amount of available space, so mail ads as soon as possible or email your ad to [ads@peoplesec.com](mailto:ads@peoplesec.com) with name/account number.

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