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78th Annual Meeting of Members

Central Georgia Electric Membership Corporation held its 78th Annual Meeting of Members at the Central Georgia EMC Annex Courtyard in Butts County, Ga., at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2015. Registration began at 8:15 a.m.

Mr. D. T. Hamil, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order and announced that 629 members were registered at this time. Mr. Hamil thanked the entertainment, Mr. Joshua Jacobson. The invocation for the meeting was provided by the Rev. Stephen Soulen, pastor of Stark United Methodist Church.

Mr. Hamil introduced the Board of Directors. Mr. George Weaver, president, recognized the special guests in attendance. Mr. Weaver presented the President's Report.

Mr. Hamil announced registration was closed and a total of 644 members registered.

Mr. Randy Nichols, CPA, affirmed that Central Georgia EMC was a strong financial organization, with total assets of more than \$208.4 million in 2014. The corporation's total equity was

more than \$77.1 million. In 2014, more than \$1.7 million was returned to the members in the form of capital credits. The financial position of CGEMC remains solid.

Mr. J. O. Colwell, representing Butts County; Mr. Phillip B. Ham, Jr., representing Monroe and Bibb counties; and Mr. D. T. Hamil, representing Spalding, Lamar, and Pike counties, each of whom was unopposed, were re-elected by acclamation for a three-year term.

The meeting was adjourned and members participated in the drawing of prizes, a picnic lunch of grilled hot dogs, potato chips, ice cream sandwiches, and soft drinks.















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Boyd, Wayne Brown, Philip D. **Cooksey, Emily Ann Corey, Austin Bechworth** Durham, Keisha **Farmer, Jessica Nicole** Francis, Monee S. Jacob, Teresa Justice, Jacob McWright, Tasheon D. Phung, Thanh Sears, Clifton Mason Tate, Jerrica Andrea Watson, Ray Wilkins, Theresa Williams, Evelyn T.



Looking for an easy efficiency upgrade? Additional insulation can make a difference! The Department of Energy estimates you can reduce heating and cooling needs up to 30 percent by properly insulating and weatherizing your home.

Source: energy.gov

ANNUAL MEETING PRIZE WINNERS



Oldest man Allison Fuqua Jackson, GA (101 years) \$50 Publix gift card



Youngest person Laquesheia Head Jackson, GA (2 months) \$50 Target gift card



Oldest woman Lillie Mae Denson Jenkinsburg, GA (94 years) \$50 Publix gift card



Couple married longest Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hill Dover (68 years) Jackson, GA \$100 energy credit certificate



Grand Prize winner 60-inch Vizio Smart TV with LG sound bar Mrs. Agbert Harvey Samples Jackson, GA



Couple married shortest Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Smith (5 years) Griffin, GA \$100 energy credit certificate

Regular Drawing

Winners of \$100 Energy Credit Certificates

- Mr. and Mrs. Alton Sailors— Monticello, GA
- Mrs. Celestine Tuggle—Griffin, GA
- Mrs. Naomi Duffey—Jackson, GA
 - St. John's Lodge—Jackson, GA
 - Mr. Dean Fliear—Monticello, GA

Comparing Electric Bills

Central Georgia EMC customers sometimes compare electric bills with neighbors and then complain to the cooperative when their bill is higher. Comparing electric bills is like comparing apples and oranges. No two families have identical living habits. No two families have identical appliances. No two

families use electricity the same way.

While one family may delight in salads and sandwiches, another may insist on big, hot meals. While one family may live in front of the TV, another may prefer books for entertainment. While one family runs the air conditioner 24 hours a day, another may only run it during the hottest part of the



day. When there are children in a family, this means more bathing, more cooking, more clothes washing, more work for the refrigerator, and more electricity use all the way around.

You could be comparing bills that are on different billing cycles, which would throw any comparison out of equivalence. So instead of comparing bills with your neighbor, compare bills with yourself, preferably the one for the same month the previous year. This comparison will be more accurate, and could reveal how your conservation measures are reducing electricity use.



To help you analyze your electric bill, CGEMC provides online bill analysis with Home*Energy*Suite at *www.cgemc.com*. You will find the Home*Energy*Suite listed on our home page under Quick Links. Once you click on the Home*Energy*Suite icon, please select the "Analyze My Bill" option.

CGEMC Offers Levelized Billing

Central Georgia EMC can make budgeting for your electric bill easier. CGEMC's Levelized Billing program allows your electric bill to be a similar amount each month and minimizes the fluctuations that typically occur because of seasonal changes.

Current customers who have no returned checks and no disconnect notices during the past 12 months may qualify. Current residential customers who have been active for less than one



year may be eligible to participate if no deposit was required when their service was connected, provided the account meets the credit criteria of no returned checks and no disconnect notices for the time it has been active. Any customer who does not qualify may reapply when his or her credit history improves to meet the established requirements.

For more information about Levelized Billing, please call our office at 770-775-7857 or email *csr@cgemc.com*.



Bacon and Broccoli Salad

Ingredients:

3/4 cup mayonnaise
4 teaspoons apple cider or tarragonflavored vinegar
4 teaspoons sugar
1 (12-ounce) package broccoli slaw mix
4 bacon strips, fried crisp, drained, and crumbled
1/3 cup diced red onion
1/3 cup sunflower seeds
3/4 cup grated cheddar cheese (approximately 3 ounces)

Directions:

Whisk together mayonnaise, vinegar, and sugar. Combine remaining ingredients in large salad bowl; add mayonnaise mixture. Stir to combine. Chill until serving time. Makes eight generous servings..

Fall Chores: Safety First

Labor Day means summer is over, schools are open, and now is the time to prepare your house and lawn for fall and winter.

Before you begin any outdoor project, check that your power tool is designed for outdoor use and that its wire is not damaged. Never carry a power tool by the wire or use it near water. Check to see that the tool is in good working condition before use. If it is not, take it to a licensed electrician or return it to the manufacturer.



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New Home Rebates

CGEMC offers rebates for newly constructed homes with total electric service.

New total electric homes served by CGEMC are eligible for reimbursement of the contribution-in-aid of construction fee for the first 100 feet of underground service, up to \$200.

A member who installs an ENERGY STAR-qualified 16 SEER (Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio) or above electric heat pump and an ENERGY STAR-qualified electric storage water heater in his or her total electric new home qualifies for an additional \$100 rebate (\$50 for heat pump, \$50 for water heater).

Visit *cgemc.com/new-home-rebate* to download a rebate application, or for more information, call us at 770-775-7857 or 800-222-4877.

Prior to receiving the new home rebate, a CGEMC representative will visit the home to verify rebate requirements. Applicants will also need to agree to participate in CGEMC's Load Management Switch program. A CGEMC representative will install the load management switch on both the qualifying heat pump compressor and qualifying water heater. All applicants must agree to have a Load Management Switch on the heat pump compressor and qualifying water heater as long as CGEMC maintains a Load Management program. Homes constructed after January 1, 2015, qualify for this rebate.

All Central Georgia EMC 2015 rebates are subject to change without notice. Rebates will end on **December 18, 2015**, unless otherwise noted.



* The 2¢ discount is applied to Gas South's standard published variable and fixed rate plans. This discount cannot be combined with any other discounts.

More Scenes from the 78th Annual Meeting



