

# Snapping Shoals EMC

# Illuminator



A Monthly Newsletter for Snapping Shoals EMC Members

May 2018

## Co-op Sending Teens to D.C. for Youth Tour



Snapping Shoals EMC is sending three local high school students on a trip to our nation's capital this summer. Sarah Burkey of Conyers, Emily Crawford of McDonough, and Caden Hamrick of Covington will represent SSEMC on the 2018 Washington Youth Tour.

The Washington Youth Tour is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience our nation's history

and government up close while developing leadership skills and having fun with teens representing co-ops from all across the country.

Youth Tour highlights typically include visiting the U.S. Capitol, U.S. Supreme Court, Holocaust Museum, Smithsonian Institution and, whenever possible, the White House. Other stops that are usually on the busy schedule are the National Cathedral and Arlington Cemetery as well as the World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War memorials and the Lincoln, Jefferson and FDR memorials. 4532706



Sarah Burkey



Emily Crawford



Caden Hamrick

## Annual Meeting set for July 19

Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 11:15 a.m.

This year's Annual Meeting of the Members of Snapping Shoals EMC will be held Thursday, July 19, at the Georgia International Horse Park in Conyers.

Registration will start at 8:30 a.m. and end promptly at 11:15 a.m. Members will not be allowed to register after 11:15 a.m. The business session will begin at 11:30 a.m. and prize drawings will be held after the business session ends. 863951

Only Snapping Shoals EMC members (electric customers) are eligible to register, to participate in the election of directors and co-op business, and to win prizes.

Members must be present to win prizes.

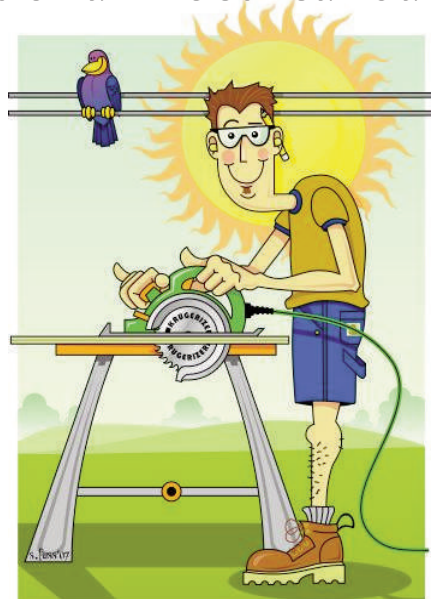
For SSEMC's bylaws pertaining to the Annual Meeting and Election of Directors, please visit [www.ssemc.com](http://www.ssemc.com).

## Always Stay Safe Around Electricity

### May is National Electrical Safety Month

Spring is not only great for backyard barbecues, it's also the perfect time to finish some of those projects around your home that you put off all winter. As you pull out the power tools and extension cords, chances are you won't be thinking about the dangers of electricity. 4570681

May is National Electrical Safety Month, and the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) works continuously to promote the importance of electrical safety and educate audiences about the steps that can be taken to prevent electrical fires, injuries and fatalities in the home and the workplace. Did you know that each year more than 1,000 people in the United States die as a result of electric shock? Another 5,000 seek emergency treatment as a result of injury sustained by electricity. An estimated 53,000 electrical fires occur in homes each year, claiming more than 450 lives and injuring more than 1,400 people. Most of these can be avoided by simple safety precautions.



To avoid becoming a statistic, Snapping Shoals EMC encourages you to practice the following safety tips to prevent electrical injury around your home:

- Never work with electric power tools in wet or damp conditions.
- Always look for nearby power lines before you begin to cut down any trees or trim any branches. If a tree falls on

a power line, contact Snapping Shoals at 770-786-3484. Never attempt to remove a tree yourself.

- Make sure extension cords are in good condition and not overloaded. They should be used only temporarily and should have safety closures to help protect children from electrical shock. Never run extension cords through walls, across doorways, or under rugs or furniture.

- Unplug electrical tools and disconnect spark-plug wires on gasoline-powered tools before making adjustments or clearing jams.

- Check for loose-fitting plugs that can overheat and lead to fire. Never remove the ground pin to make a three-prong plug fit into a two-conductor outlet, as it could lead to electrical shock. Never force a plug into an outlet if it does not fit.

- Call 811 before you dig. If you hit an underground utility line while digging, you can harm yourself or those around you or disrupt service to your entire neighborhood.

# Report Outages with mySSEMCC

Reporting a power outage is easier than ever with our mySSEMCC app. Simply download the mySSEMCC app to your smart phone or device. Click on "Service Status," then select "My power is out" and finally click on "Report Outage/Submit." It truly is that simple. With the mySSEMCC app, you can also:

Our mySSEMCC app is a quick and easy way to report power outages, pay your bill and monitor your usage. Visit [www.ssemc.com](http://www.ssemc.com) for more information.

- View and pay your bill.
- See your payment history and set up recurring payments on one or more accounts. 2174621
- Keep an eye on your energy consumption.
- Receive alerts about account milestones, such as bill availability, and set markers to monitor changes in your usage based on events.

The mySSEMCC app is available in the Google Play or iTunes store.



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**24-Hour Phone Number**  
770-786-3484

**Report an outage:**  
Use the mySSEMCC app or call 678-814-4961

**Pay your bill or check your account balance:**  
Call 1-888-999-1416 or use the mySSEMCC app

**Report power theft:**  
Call our anonymous tip line at 678-729-8095

**Call before you dig:**  
Call Utilities Protection Center of Georgia at 811 or visit [www.georgia811.com](http://www.georgia811.com)

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Covington, GA 30016

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If your Snapping Shoals EMC account number is hidden in this issue of The Illuminator, call us at 770-786-3484 within the next month and you could win a \$50 credit on your bill.

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## SSEMCC awards scholarships

### 20 high school seniors earn \$2,000 each

The Snapping Shoals EMC Scholarships were created in 1993 to recognize the achievements of outstanding high school students throughout our area. In 2004, we renamed them the Snapping Shoals EMC J.E. Robinson Memorial Scholarships in memory of our former manager, president and CEO J.E. "Ed" Robinson, who was at the helm of Snapping Shoals from 1953 to 1995.

Academic ability, financial need and other factors, such as school and community activities, are considered in the selection of the scholarship recipients. The Snapping Shoals EMC J.E. Robinson Memorial Scholarships are currently worth \$2,000 each, and we typically award a total of 14 each spring.

Any high school senior whose primary residence is served by Snapping Shoals EMC, or whose high school is served by SSEMC, may apply. The 2018 J.E. Robinson Memorial Scholarship winners are:

- *District 1 (Newton, Walton, Morgan and Jasper counties)* – Stephen Aguiare, Ashley Cronan, Seab Odum, Fatima Tinoco
- *District 2 (Rockdale County)* – Tawanna Brown, Ezekiel Gunnison, Najifa Hossain, Bryonna Peeples
- *District 3 (DeKalb County)* – Carolyn

Muhammad, Charity Stanton

- *District 4 (Henry and Butts counties)* – Tatyana Fraley, Kelsea Jackson, Hannah Lamp, Isabel Rutledge

The Snapping Shoals EMC All-Around Student Scholarships were created in 2007 to recognize the amazing high school students throughout our area. These students are able to balance involvement in extracurricular activities while maintaining an excellent academic record.

Involvement in school and community activities is the primary consideration for the All-Around Student Scholarship. Academic ability and financial need are also factors in the selection of the scholarship recipients. The Snapping Shoals EMC All-Around Student Scholarships are currently worth \$2,000 each, and we typically award a total of 6 each spring.

Any high school senior whose primary residence is served by Snapping Shoals EMC, or whose high school is served by SSEMC, may apply. This year's All-Around Student scholarship recipients are: Elizabeth Baker of Covington, David Duncan of Conyers, Caroline Dundie of Covington, Diana Ha of Conyers, Andy Li of Covington and Alexander Lowe of Covington.

### SSEMCC finalist chosen for statewide scholarship

Diana Ha of Conyers is one of 11 students chosen for the statewide Walter Harrison Scholarship. The \$1,000 scholarship is sponsored by Georgia EMC, the statewide association that serves Georgia's 41 electric membership corporations, including Snapping Shoals EMC. The selections by the scholarship

committee were based on academic achievements, extracurricular activities and community service. 4560800

Diana attends Newton High School and the Newton College and Career Academy. She is the daughter of Yen Nhi Vo and Ut Ha and plans to attend Emory University in the fall.



Diana Ha