

# Snapping Shoals EMC illuminator

A Monthly Newsletter for Our Members

June 2026

## Investing In Tomorrow

INTRODUCING THE WINNERS OF OUR 2026 SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, Snapping Shoals EMC awards \$55,000 in scholarships to area students who demonstrate academic

excellence, extracurricular involvement and community engagement. Congratulations to this year's winners! 4691822

### Bradley K. Thomas

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

**NIA MICKENS-MILLS**  
*Newton High School*

**BAILEY STOVER**  
*Newton High School*

**EMILEE BEAL**  
*Newton High School*

**BAILEY PITTS**  
*Eastside High School*

**LINDA ZHOU**  
*Union Grove High School*

**REAGAN McCOLLORS**  
*Heritage High School*

**OLIVIA HOWARD-BASHIR**  
*Rockdale Magnet School*

**LEAH PHILLIPS**  
*Rockdale Magnet School*



### J.E. Robinson Memorial

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

*District 1 | Newton, Walton, Morgan, Jasper*

**ASIA LANHAM**   **ISABELLA WEBB**   **EAN POLLARD**   **CLARKSTON LOWE**

*District 2 | Rockdale*

**TYALEXIA MORGAN**   **JOANNA RHEE**   **MADISON COBB**   **MUNA YASSIN**

*District 3 | DeKalb*

**ZARIYAH FRASER**   **KAYLA ALLEN**

*District 4 | Henry, Butts*

**JADA ELLIS**   **LINCOLN DURDEN**   **MARY LOCKHART**   **GARRETT STILLS**

### FROM THE ARCHIVES

When Walter Harrison (far right) started his work in 1937, only 1% of Georgia's farm households had electricity. When Harrison retired in 1975, 99% of the state's rural households had electricity. Harrison also played a key role in promoting construction of the Clarks Hill Dam and Richard B. Russell Dam on the Savannah River and in lobbying Congress for continued funding of the Rural Electrification Administration.



## Reagan McCollors

AWARDED THE  
WALTER HARRISON  
SCHOLARSHIP BY  
GEORGIA EMC

Congratulations to Reagan McCollors of Heritage High School, who has been named by Georgia EMC as a winner of the Walter Harrison Scholarship.

Named for one of Georgia's true electric pioneers and state leaders, the Walter Harrison Scholarship program awards \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors and undergraduate students attending any technical school or two- or four-year accredited college or university in Georgia.

Launched in 1987, the scholarships are awarded annually on the basis of academic achievement and financial need. 4581285

# FOUR LOCAL STUDENTS D.C. BOUND

Snapping Shoals EMC is sending four local high school students on a trip to our nation's capital this summer. Ragan Cantrell of Covington, Maren Poynter of Covington, Sophia Rogers of Covington and Ximena Sanchez of Conyers will represent SSEMC on the 2026 Washington Youth Tour. 4646487

Ragan is the daughter of Amy and Ty Cantrell and is a rising junior at Eastside High School. Maren is the daughter of Casey and Randolph Poynter and is a rising senior at Eastside High School. Sophia is the daughter of Tommy and Claudia Rogers and is a rising senior at Alcovy High School. Ximena is the daughter of Juana Balderas and Jose Sanchez and is a rising junior at Rockdale Magnet School for Science and Technology.

SSEMC's Washington Youth Tour winners also receive \$500 scholarships when they begin college. 4638902



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: RAGAN CANTRELL, MAREN POYNTER, SOPHIA ROGERS, XIMENA SANCHEZ

## Save the Date!

**ANNUAL MEETING SET  
FOR THURSDAY, JULY 16**

This year's Annual Meeting of the Members of Snapping Shoals EMC is set for *Thursday, July 16, at the Georgia International Horse Park in Conyers*. Members will receive a letter in July that contains their registration cards. Please bring the cards with you to the Annual Meeting.

**Information usually found in the Annual Report will be available online in July at [ssemc.com](http://ssemc.com).**

Registration for the Annual Meeting will be in-person only and will open at 8:30 a.m. and end promptly at 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.

The meeting will feature all of our traditional Annual Meeting festivities,

including live music, children's games and energy information booths. Only Snapping Shoals EMC members (electric customers) are eligible to register, to participate in co-op business, and to win prizes.

**Members must be present to win prizes.** 4668948

## ABOUT THE TOUR

The Washington 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 usually on the 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, FDR and MLK Jr. memorials.



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