



Central Electric Power Association

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Annual Meeting set for March 15

Central Electric Power Association will hold its Annual Meeting of the Membership on March 15 at the Carthage Coliseum, Highway 16 East in Carthage.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi and the bylaws of the Association, three directors will be elected for three year terms. Members will elect one director from Attala County and two directors from Leake County.

Committee on Nominations:

A summary of Section 4.04, Committee on Nominations, of the association bylaws states:

It shall be the duty of the Board to appoint not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of a meeting of the Members at which the Board members are to be elected, a Committee of Nominations consisting of three (3) members who shall be selected

from the given areas from which the Board members are to be elected as to ensure equitable representation. No existing Cooperative employees, agents, officers, directors or known candidates for director, and close relatives (as hereinafter defined) or members of the same household of existing Cooperative employees, agents, officers, directors of known candidates for director may serve on such committees.

The committee shall receive and consider any suggestion as to nominees submitted by members of the Cooperative. The committee, keeping in mind the principle of equitable representation, shall prepare and post at the principle office of the Cooperative at least twenty (20) days before the meeting a list of nominations for Board members.

The secretary shall be responsible for mailing with the notice of the meeting or

separately, but at least ten (10) days before the date of the meeting, a statement of the number of Board members to be elected from and represent and the name and address of the candidates nominated by the Committee of Nominations.

Any fifty (50) or more members acting together may make other nominations by petition and the secretary shall post such nominations at the same place where the list of nominations made by the committee is posted. Nominations by petition shall be treated as nominations from the floor.

Any petition of nomination shall be submitted on a form designated and provided by the Cooperative. Each member signing such petition shall place thereon the date of signing, address, account number and service location of the member. Nominations made by the petition if

any, shall be received no later than 9 a.m. on the Thursday before the date of the annual meeting. The chairman shall call for additional nominations from the floor. No member may nominate more than one candidate.

A report from the Committee of Nominations, along with proxies, ballots and other annual meeting information will appear in the March issue of Today in Mississippi. As a member-owner of Central Electric Power Association, you have a right to participate in the annual meeting to hear the latest cooperative news and to elect the board of directors.

Mark your calendar for March 15 and plan to attend Central Electric's annual meeting at the Carthage Coliseum on Highway 16 in Carthage.

TVA Fuel Cost Adjustment to decrease February 1

The Tennessee Valley Authority will decrease the fuel cost adjustment effective February 1, 2011. The total amount Central Electric members will decrease depends on their energy use because fuel cost adjustments are charged per kilowatt hour. A typical residence using 1,250 kWh per month will see a \$1.52 decrease in their power bill. Residential members will see decreases on their monthly power bill depending upon use. The FCA is calculated monthly as generation fuel costs and the cost of power TVA purchases from other suppliers rise and fall. The FCA calculation works by capturing the difference between the amount that TVA forecasts to pay for fuel during a given month and the amount that is collected through rates. This formula has two main components: The first is a forecast of anticipated fuel and purchased power costs; the second is a reconciliation of any fuel costs TVA under or over collected. The FCA is used to determine energy charges that are shown on members' bills

YOUR ENERGY DOLLAR

Did you know?

On average, 78 cents of each dollar you pay for electricity goes to buy wholesale electricity from TVA.



Severe storms rip through Central EPA's service area

Saturday, Jan. 1, a powerful tornado moved across the state leaving much destruction. This storm plowed through the Central Electric service area, with much damage to the northern part of Attala County. According to the National Weather Service, the tornado that struck Attala County was one of eight that hit Mississippi. The tornado was rated an EF2, with winds of up to 135 mph in places, strong enough to uproot and snap large trees.

Approximately 31 poles were taken down by the storm and over 3.7 miles of lines were completely destroyed. Central Electric had 572 member-consumers that were affected and power was restored to 521 by approximately 2 p.m. The rest of the member-consumers that were able to receive power were restored by approximately 6:45 p.m. After the storm, Central Electric continued to work in the communities that were affected.

General Manager Paul D. Long extends his thanks to all county and state officials who assisted in clearing roads and removing debris so the Association could begin the restoration of service to its member-consumers. Also, a special thanks goes out to the Red Cross and the Salvation Army for the food they provided to our workers during this time.

Central Electric Power Association thanks all employees for their safety, hard work and dedication!

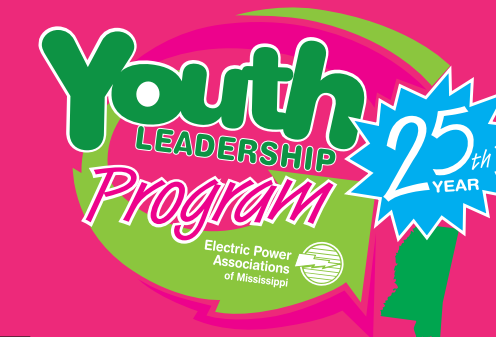


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Local students selected for 2011 Youth Leadership Program

Four area high school juniors were recently selected through an interview process to represent Central Electric Power Association during the upcoming statewide leadership workshop in Jackson, Miss., in March and the annual National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Youth Tour in Washington, D.C., in June.



Brittney Coleman

Neshoba Central High School
Daughter of Lavell & Janie Coleman

Activities include: Youth Lay Leader, Crown Club, Library Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and 4-H



Erica McCoy

Miss. School of Mathematics and Science
Daughter of Jeanette Sturdivant

Activities include swim team, soccer team, tutoring students in need, community service, member of Central Mississippi T.A.I.L.S.



Cole Gressett

Brandon High School
Son of Ricky & Linda Gressett

Activities include: Junior Assistant Scout Master for Boy Scouts, member of Students Against Destructive Decisions, member of Mayor's Youth Council, member of Beta Club, Drama Team, Church Lead Team



Kristien Winstead

Union High School
Daughter of Richard and Stephany Winstead

Activities include: Vice President Future Business Leaders of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes Officer, Drum Captain in high school band, Drama Club, member of tennis team, member of Beatline Church where she is active in the Puppet & Praise Team and also serves as a Children's Church teacher