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80TH ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS



BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 2016

ASSETS

Utility Plant	
Electric Plant in Service-At Cost	\$152,071,156
Construction Work in Progress	<u>1,475,552</u>
Gross Utility Plant	153,546,708
Accumulated Provision for Depreciation	<u>(32,362,851)</u>
	<u>121,183,857</u>
Investments in Associated Organizations	<u>23,778,994</u>
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,534,795
Accounts Receivable	2,259,816
Materials and Supplies	964,699
Other	<u>63,803</u>
	<u>4,823,113</u>
Deferred Debits	<u>881,702</u>
Total Assets	\$150,737,191

MEMBERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

Patronage Capital	\$ 62,883,294
Other Equities	<u>15,146,085</u>
	78,029,379
Long-Term Debt	<u>49,229,802</u>
Accumulated Provision for Postretirement Other Than Pension	<u>12,299,197</u>
Current Liabilities	
Mortgage Notes-Current Portion	2,381,000
Accumulated Provision for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pension-Current	467,000
Accounts Payable	2,899,952
Consumers' Deposits	1,113,863
Accrued and Withheld Taxes	259,365
Other	<u>2,488,108</u>
	<u>11,109,288</u>
Total Members' Equity and Liabilities	\$150,737,191



*See more annual
meeting information
on back page.*

GRAND PRIZE WINNERS (L-R): Ms. Gloria Lyons, (\$500 Bill Credit); Ms. Yvonne Edwards representing Assembly of God (\$400 Bill Credit); Ms. Sheila Shiver (\$300 Bill Credit) and Charles Gilbert, MEMC Safety Manager.

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Congratulations, Scholarship Recipients! (See article at right.)

Keep Food Safe

Before, During and After a Power Outage

Unfortunately, power outages do occur from time to time. It's important to know how to keep your food safe during an outage. Use these tips from USDA to help minimize food loss and reduce your risk of illness.

Before power outage	During power outage	After power outage
<p> Keep refrigerator at 40° or below. Freeze items like fresh meat and poultry that you won't use immediately. Keep freezer set to 0° or below. Group frozen foods to help items stay colder longer.</p> <p> If you anticipate an extended power outage, buy dry or block ice to keep the fridge and/or freezer cold.</p>	<p>Keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed!</p> <p>If the doors stay closed during the length of the outage:</p> <p> A full freezer will hold its temperature for 48 hours.</p> <p> A refrigerator will keep food safe for four hours.</p>	<p> Check the temperature inside your refrigerator and/or freezer.</p> <p> If the temperatures are safe, the food should be safe to eat.</p>

Foods that should be thrown out after an extended power outage:

- Meat, poultry or seafood products
- Milk, yogurt and other dairy products
- Cooked or sliced produce
- Eggs and egg products
- Soft and shredded cheese
- Opened baby formula
- Dough and cooked pasta

Source: USDA

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Let the sun work for you! Consider solar lights for outdoor lighting. Solar cells convert sunlight into electricity that can be stored in a battery and tapped at night to make light. Check manufacturers' instructions to make sure your solar lights are situated to receive sufficient sunlight to recharge during the day.

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy

Mitchell EMC Members Help Send Local Students to College through Operation RoundUP Scholarships

Students from across Mitchell EMC's 14-county service area received scholarships for college thanks to Operation RoundUP. Applicants were evaluated by the Community Foundation of South Georgia. Scholarships are awarded based on "All Around Student Performance" including academic performance, community service, volunteerism, and extracurricular activities. Financial need is also considered. The foundation also reviewed recommendations from teachers and other adults involved in the students' lives.

Mitchell EMC members who enroll in Operation RoundUP provide scholarships to deserving students. Participating members allow us to round their electric bills up to the nearest whole dollar amount. Though it may not seem like much, those funds added together make a huge positive difference in our local community. Graduating high school students receive a \$1000 scholarship. Current post high school students attending a college or university in Georgia receive a \$1000 scholar-

ship. Graduating children of Mitchell EMC employees receive a scholarship of \$500.

Recipients of a \$1,000 scholarship include Mr. Amarrion Stegall, Mitchell County High School; Ms. Camryn McGregor, Mitchell County High School; Ms. Kelsey Simmons, Savannah State University; Ms. Adre'ana Etheredge, Miller County High School; Mr. Akshay Patel, Westwood School; Ms. Kendyll Freeman, Deerfield-Windsor School; Mr. Christopher Mercer, Pelham High School; Ms. Kim Wenzel, Baconton Community Charter School; Mr. Cole Smith, Westwood School; Ms. D'Antonyia Sessions, University of West Georgia; Ms. Tristen Tiller, Baconton Community Charter School; Ms. Sutton Stuart, Early County High School.

The recipient of the James C. Brim, Jr. Memorial Scholarship worth \$1,000 went to Ms. Bayley Birdsong from Baconton Community Charter School.

Ms. Lena Maria Boyette and Ashley Carden each received a \$500 employee scholarship.

Agricultural Electrification CDE Winners Recognized At FFA State Convention

Winners of the Agricultural Electrification Career Development Event (CDE) were recognized at the 89th Georgia FFA State Convention held at the Macon Centreplex on April 27-29, 2017.

Johnson Ngo from Pelham placed first in the individual CDE competition. In second place was Tan Tonge of Jefferson, followed by Ethan Thaxton of Oglethorpe County in third. Kirk Beacham of Colquitt County, Jacob Hamm of Lanier County, and Chandler Morris of Gilmer County placed fourth, fifth, and sixth, respectively.

CDE awards are granted to FFA members and teams who have exhibited premier leadership, personal growth and career success in a variety of competitions. Participants in the Agricultural Electrification Career Development Event demonstrate the proper use of electrical tools, present a speech/demonstration on an electrical energy-related topic, answer problem solving questions pertaining to electrical wiring and rural electrification, and complete an assigned wiring problem based on The National Electrical Code.

The Agricultural Electrification Career Development Event was sponsored by the Georgia's Electric Membership Cooperation.

All individual winners received a plaque and a cash award. The first place individual winner received a \$1,000 scholarship. The second place individual received \$750, and the third place individual received \$500. Additionally, the advisor of the individual winner received

a \$250 cash prize.

The National FFA Organization, formerly known as the Future Farmers of America, changed its name in 1988 to reflect the growth and diversity of agriculture. There are more than 600,000 FFA members nationwide. The Georgia Association has more than 40,000 members, making it the third largest Association in the nation. The FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success, through agricultural education.



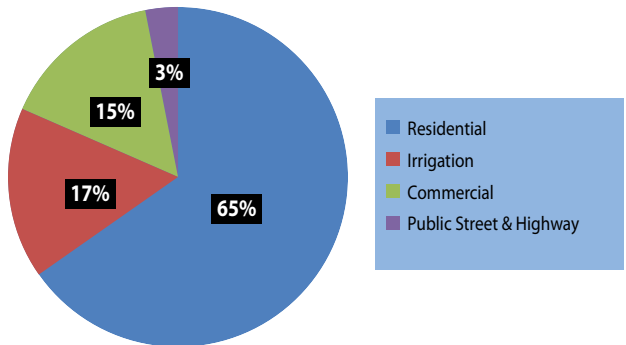
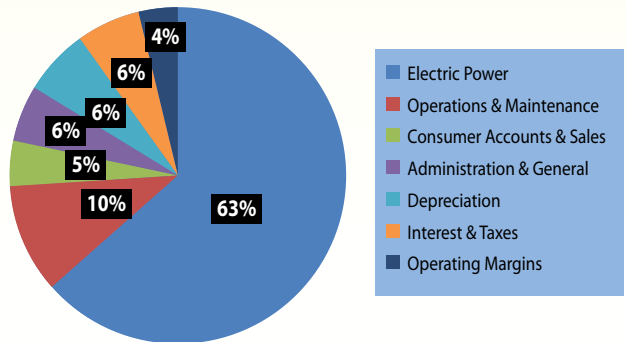
Pictured L-R: Will Burt, FFA Advisor; Johnson Ngo, Pelham High School State Wiring Competition Winner and Nathan Ireland, MEMC Energy Auditor.

Serving in 14 Southwest Georgia Counties...



STATEMENT OF REVENUE & PATRONAGE CAPITAL FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Operating Revenues	<u>\$62,606,290</u>
Operating Expenses	
Cost of Power	39,669,846
Distribution Operation	2,731,577
Distribution Maintenance	3,801,008
Consumer Accounts	2,279,359
Consumer Service and Sales Information	313,818
Sales	210,201
Administrative and General	3,434,213
Depreciation	3,978,408
Taxes	<u>1,397,025</u>
	<u>57,815,455</u>
Operating Margins Before Interest Expense	4,790,835
Interest Expense	<u>2,463,977</u>
Operating Margins After Interest Expense	2,326,858
Nonoperating Margins	103,850
Generation and Transmission Cooperative Capital Credits	916,770
Other Capital Credits and Patronage Capital Allocations	<u>503,581</u>
Net Margins	<u>\$ 3,851,059</u>



Note: If you move or no longer have electric service with Mitchell EMC, it is important that members keep their address current, so that future disbursements can be properly mailed. Capital credits are reserved for members even if they move out of the Mitchell EMC service area. Mitchell EMC will make a diligent effort to send a check by mail.

Statement of Equal Employment Opportunity

All applicants for employment shall be considered and hired on the basis of merit, without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), age, national origin, disability, genetic information, or past or present military status. The employment practices shall ensure equal treatment of all employees, without discrimination as to promotion, discharge, rates of pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral, and other aspects of employment, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, disability, age, genetic information, or past or present military status. M/F/V/DV/D

WATT'S COOKING



Honey Chicken Salad

Ingredients:

4 cups chopped cooked chicken
1-1/2 cups celery, chopped fine
1 cup dried cranberries
1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted
1-1/2 cups mayonnaise
1/3 cup honey
salt or pepper to taste

Combine mayonnaise and honey, then add remaining ingredients.

Thanks!
to

Charlotte Miller, Worth County, GA,
for sharing this recipe.

Share & Win!

Send us your favorite quick and easy
dinner recipes. If your recipe is chosen
for print, you can win a

\$25 credit

on your next Mitchell EMC bill.

Send recipes to Heather Greene, P.O.
Box 409, Camilla, GA 31730 or email to
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