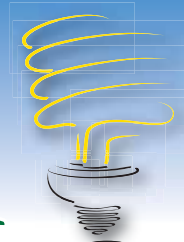


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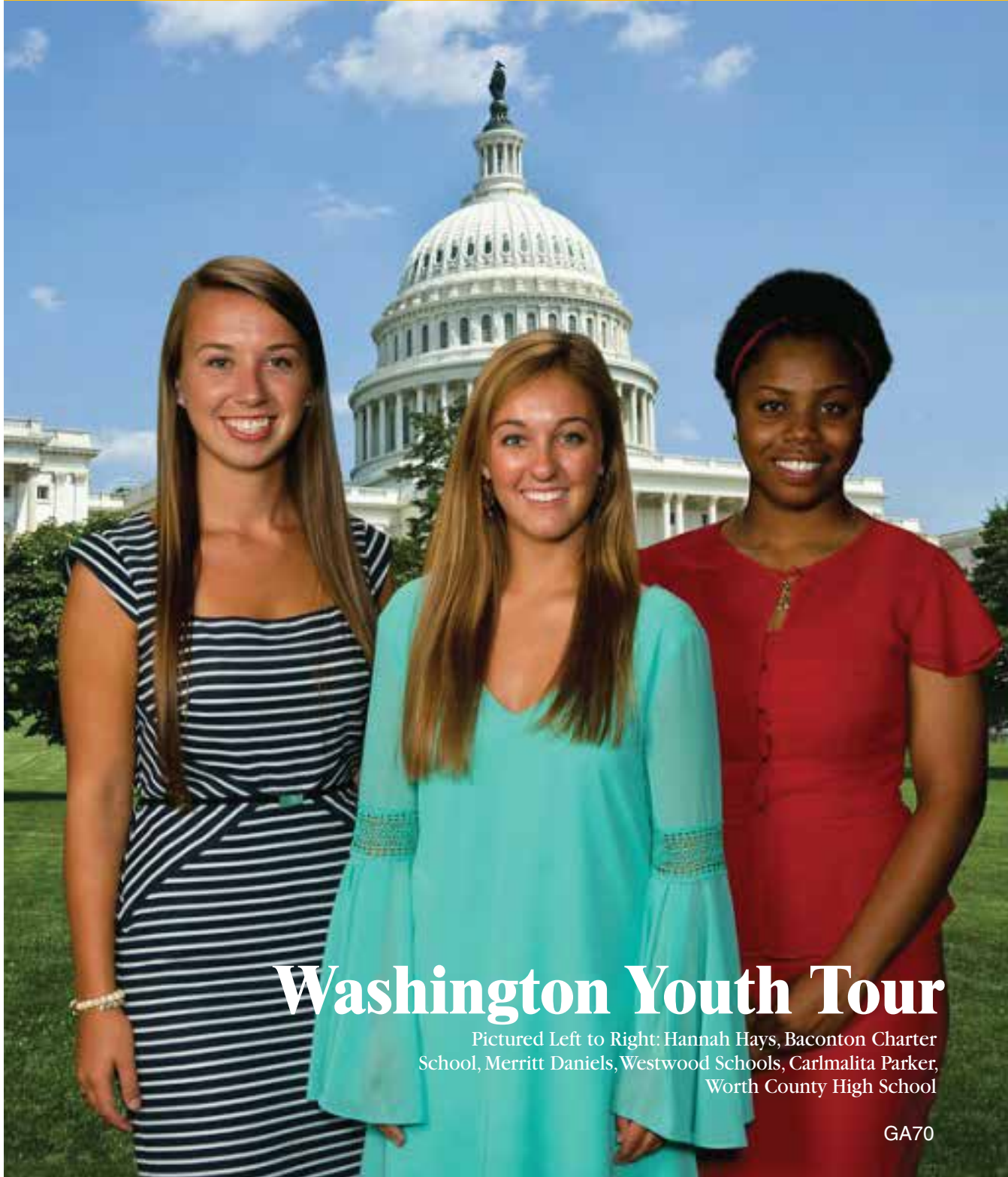
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## Washington Youth Tour

Pictured Left to Right: Hannah Hays, Baconton Charter School, Merritt Daniels, Westwood Schools, Carlmalita Parker, Worth County High School

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## Mitchell EMC EMPOWERS TOMORROW'S LEADERS



**“It left a lasting impression on me in a way I did not expect. The sheer enormity of the lives given for our freedom was overwhelming, and it made me really appreciate servicemen as well as our nation.”**

2014 WYT Delegate's Impression of the Arlington Cemetery

Responsibility, reverence, and sacrifice were words that surfaced repeatedly during a recent youth leadership trip to Washington, D.C. The nation's Capital served as a temporary “home” for local high students Hannah Hays, Merritt Daniels, and Carlmalita Parker, and a fitting reminder of the courage and character of patriots who founded and fought for this country.

Earlier this year, Hays, Daniels, and Parker were chosen for the June 12-19 Washington Youth Tour. They joined 106

rising high school students from Georgia to learn leadership skills, the need for civic involvement and to immerse themselves in the culture and history of the U.S.

“The students come away with an understanding of the challenges facing the entire nation and gain new insight as to the vision, leadership and sacrifice required to build a better life for themselves, their families and communities,” says Heather Greene, Mitchell EMC Member and Public Relations Coordinator.

According to Georgia Youth Tour Director Gale Cutler, the purpose of the Youth Tour is to help EMCs promote stronger communities and a stronger nation by giving as many young people as possible the ability and desire to make meaningful, lifelong contributions. Another key component is to teach students to appreciate diverse points of view and accept different social, racial

and cultural backgrounds.

Various aspects of the trip, combined with visits to museums, monuments and other historic sites, provided a unique lesson not duplicated in any classroom. Delegates noted with reverence the service and sacrifice of men and women who served the country. Others pointed to historical documents such as the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights which left them awed and inspired. Still others remarked that pictures, textbooks and in-class discussions could not adequately convey key periods in history such as the Holocaust and how the tragedy became real for them after time spent at the Holocaust Museum.

**“The Holocaust Museum made the greatest impression on me, not only because of the heartache and pain endured by the 6 million that were murdered but also because of the few that lived and forevercarry this nightmare in their hearts.”**

-Carlmalita Parker, Worth County High School

According to Cutler, it is common for student ideas and opinions to change following the experience. In fact, following the trip, some students return to consider internships at the Capitol, careers in public service and to reassess their future plans.

Georgia delegates from 2014 plan to pursue degrees in diverse fields such as pastoral



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studies, medicine, business management, sports broadcasting, political science, computer engineering, biology, chemistry and criminal justice, among others.

The Georgia delegation joined approximately 1,600 of their talented and ambitious peers and 300 chaperones from 43 states.

“We think it’s important to emphasize to the next generation, particularly at this critical time in their lives, that standing up for what you believe in is a real test of courage and conviction,” says Tony Tucker, Mitchell EMC President/CEO.

This year marked Georgia’s biggest group ever—109 students and 16 chaperones sent by 38 of Georgia’s EMCs. The event kicked off with a banquet in Atlanta, emceed by

Fox 5 Atlanta’s Beth Galvin, the station’s medical team reporter and a WYT alumnus. The group toured the FDR Little White House in Warm Springs before flying to Washington, D.C.

Other highlights included stops at Arlington Cemetery, as well as the Jefferson, Lincoln, FDR, MLK, WWII, Vietnam and Korean War memorials. The group also toured the U.S. Capitol, viewed the Declaration of Independence, and visited the Supreme Court, the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian museums.

The students gained perspective on some of today’s important issues and their role as involved citizens during discussions with staff and/or members of Georgia’s congressional delegation, including personal visits and

photos with Senators Saxby Chambliss and Johnny Isakson and U.S. Representatives Lynn Westmoreland, Rob Woodall, Austin Scott, Doug Collins, Paul Broun, Phil Gingrey and John Barrow

Finally, all the state groups convened for National Youth Day, sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association to learn from public figures and other inspirational speakers, including Jo Ann Emerson, NRECA’s chief executive officer.

For nearly 50 years, more than 50,000 young citizens have traveled to Washington with the help of their electric cooperative.

Mitchell EMC is a consumer-owned cooperative providing electricity and related services to more than 25 thousand consumers across 14 counties.

Georgia EMC is the statewide trade association representing the state’s 41 EMCs, Oglethorpe Power Corp., Georgia Transmission Corp. and Georgia System Operations Corp. Collectively, Georgia’s customer-owned EMCs provide electricity and related services to more than four million people, half of Georgia’s population, across 73 percent of the state’s land area.



Photos from this year’s tour are posted on the national Youth Tour Web site at <http://photos.youthtour.org/2014-Youth-Tour/Georgia>.



## A Note About Capital Credits

Each year margins (revenue left after all expenses have been paid) are assigned to members’ accounts as capital credits. Capital credits are allocated in proportion to the total amount of electricity the member purchased over the years. The Board of Directors approves those funds to be paid to the estates of deceased members in years in which we are financially sound.

Estate capital credit refunds are now being processed on a scheduled basis. If you are the administrator for an estate of a deceased Mitchell EMC member, call us at (229)336-5221 for instructions on how to apply for the funds.

# Mitchell EMC Recipes



## Chocolate Cobbler

### Ingredients

- 1 ½ cups self rising flour
- 1 ½ cups sugar plus ¾ cup of sugar for topping
- ¾ cup of milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 ½ sticks butter
- 5 tablespoons of cocoa
- 1 ½ cups boiling water

### Directions

Melt butter in a casserole dish. Mix together flour, sugar, milk, and vanilla and pour into the casserole dish with the butter. Mix ¾ cup of sugar a 5 tablespoons of cocoa and sprinkle on top of dough mixture. Pour 1 ½ cups of boiling water on top and do not mix. Bake on 350° for 30 minutes.

Submitted by: **Datha Simpson  
Camilla, GA**

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## Generator Safety



battery operated or battery back up carbon monoxide alarm.

- Follow manufacturer's instructions. Generators vary. Understand your specifications and operating instructions.
- NEVER plug the generator into a wall outlet. This practice, known as back feeding, can cause an electrocution risk to utility

- Always use generators outdoors, away from doors, windows, and vents.
- Make sure your home is equipped with a

workers and others served by the same utility transformer if the main line breaker to the house is left ON (in other words...shut it OFF).

- If necessary to connect generator to house wiring to power appliances, have a qualified electrician install appropriate equipment. A transfer switch is an electrical device that is permanently installed near the service panel in your home. It prevents the utility power and the generator power from powering your household circuits at the same time.

- Before refueling the generator, turn it off and let it cool. Fuel spilled on hot engine parts could ignite.



## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Mitchell EMCs August Employee Spotlight features Brian Baggett.

Brian has been with our company for over 29 years, and is a Foreman in the Sylvester office.

He has been married to his wife Lisa for 31 years. They have three children, and just recently welcomed their first grandchild.

When asked what he enjoyed most about his job, Brian said, "I value the friendships that I have made over the years with Mitchell EMC, and the opportunity to meet and interact with the consumers. Being a lineman and working in a storm is part of the job – but working during a storm is actually one of the things that I enjoy most."

One event that made a lasting impression on him occurred in 2005. He worked with a crew that was sent to Louisiana to repair damage from Hurricane Katrina. "The devastation was unbelievable. We worked for 2 weeks to repair damage and get electricity back to the residents in some of the hardest hit areas," stated Brian.

### 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