



## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Three ... two ... one ... Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that 2018 is now in the history books and we are welcoming 2019. Seriously, where did the last twelve months go? Holiday festivities are now behind us, and there is nothing left but the cleanup and, hopefully, wonderful memories. I am glad that we have established a tradition of celebrating the arrival of the new year. It would seem to me to be too easy for us to simply look back on the past year and revel in our accomplishments or lament the opportunities lost, and neither of those options is very productive. Instead, we look forward to the year to come with optimism, and we lift our glasses of eggnog (or other appropriate beverages) to welcome the opportunities ahead.

No doubt, many of you have made your New Year's resolutions, and you are ready to start aggressively pursuing your goals. I have found that resolutions don't work very well for me. Instead, I take one day at a time and try to face any obstacles while embracing the blessings of life. Sure, I make plans, but the world around me tends to alter my plans constantly, so I don't worry when the day or week doesn't meet my expectations. That, my friends, is what makes life so interesting. I can't even imagine how boring each day would be if I knew exactly what I was going to do and when I was going to do it. Interruptions keep us on our

toes and require us to focus. The key to any plan or resolution is the ability to adapt when life throws us a curveball.

My advice to each of you as this new year begins is to embrace the blessings of life. Not one of us knows how long we will be privileged to walk this earth. So make a single resolution for 2019: enrich the lives of those around you.

Don't miss any chance to tell your spouse, daughter, son, mother, father, and all those close to you that you love them and you cherish your time together. Lend a helping hand when you are able and offer a kind word to brighten someone's day. When in doubt, follow your heart, and you will find more happiness than you ever thought possible. I pray that each of us will be a reflection of God's grace in this world. May God bless you and your family in 2019.



Jerry Kackley  
GENERAL MANAGER/CEO





# Family fun day



Approximately 270 people attended Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Co-op's third annual Family Fun Day on Oct. 6, 2018, at Deerasic Park. During the afternoon, members and their families participated in a number of activities, including canoeing, fishing, archery, and deer viewing. Those in attendance also played games and were able to watch the high-voltage safety demo presented by GMEC's linemen. Along with all the activities outside, members were able to come in and enjoy hot dogs, chips, and ice cream served up by employees and directors. The door prize winner was Joel Kurtz of New Concord. The boys' bike winner was Sterling Kirk and the girls' winner was Sophia Badertscher.

We had a great day with all of you, and we hope to see you next year!





# 2019 GRADS



## FOR RULES AND APPLICATIONS:

You could win more than \$4,750 in our **Children of Members Scholarship** program!

- Visit [www.gmenergy.com](http://www.gmenergy.com) and click on the Community tab
- Interviews will be conducted Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019
- Deadline to apply: Friday, Feb. 1, 2019

**Graduating Seniors:** Have you overcome unique and significant personal challenges on your way to academic excellence?

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You could win a \$750 scholarship in the

**Touchstone Energy<sup>®</sup>**  
**Achievement Scholarship**  
Program!



# GUERNSEY-MUSKINGUM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CURRENTLY SPEAKING

## HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES AND JUNIORS:

*Interested in a life-changing leadership experience in Washington, D.C.?*



## YOUTH TOUR 2019

### What is Youth Tour?

The Ohio's Electric Cooperatives Youth Tour is an annual leadership program sponsored by Washington Electric. It's a weeklong, all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., that gives exceptional high school students the opportunity to meet with their congressional leaders at the U.S. Capitol, make new friends from across the state and country, and see many of the famous Washington sights.

Electric cooperatives from 43 states will send about 1,800 delegates this year. **Will you be one of them?**

**For more information and to apply, visit [www.gmenergy.com](http://www.gmenergy.com) or call Washington Electric at 800-521-9879.**

**Deadline is March 1, 2019**

**All interviews will take place on March 11, 2019**

# June 14–20, 2019

### Is your name and account number here?

If it is, call the cooperative's office and receive a **FREE** home change-out to LED lightbulbs (limit six bulbs). Thanks for reading the local pages of *Ohio Cooperative Living* magazine.

#31-0237-10-10 ..... Lori L Raines

#47-0944-12-01 ..... Marvin W Miller

#53-0283-14-00 ..... Roy Burdette

#38-0217-17-06 ..... Brian Winland

#48-0075-36-01 .....

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

#### ELECTRIC RATES

Farm and Home Service rate schedule R-1\*

Service Availability Charge — \$22/mo.

First 500 kWh/month — 12.169¢/kWh

Over 500 kWh/month — 10.845¢/kWh

Seasonal Residential Service rate schedule S-1\*

Service Availability Charge — \$360/yr.

First 800 kWh/yr. — 19.769¢/kWh

800 to 6,000 kWh/yr. — \$10.645¢/kWh

Over 6,000 kWh/yr. — 10.845¢/kWh

(Minimum annual charge — \$360/yr.

for service between March 1, 2018,

and Feb. 28, 2019)

Commercial Service rate schedule C-1\*

Service Availability Charge — \$24/mo.

First 1,500 kWh/mo. — 12.569¢/kWh

Over 1,500 kWh/mo. — 10.845¢/kWh

\*Rider T — Kilowatt-Hour Tax applies to all rate schedules and must be added to the rates shown.

First 2,000 kWh/mo. — 0.465¢/kWh

Next 13,000 kWh/mo. — 0.419¢/kWh

Over 15,000 kWh/mo. — 0.363¢/kWh

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