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3 Grads get Association scholarships



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Three 2008 high school graduates whose parents are Choptank Electric members have earned \$1,000 college scholarships awarded by the Educational Scholarship Foundation of the Virginia, Maryland & Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives (VMDAEC).

They are: Victoria Brannock of Golts, Kent County High School, and the daughter of Beverly and Barry Brannock; Kaleigh Davis of Greensboro, North Carolina High School, and the daughter of Peggy Davis and Richard Davis; Gregory Morris of Parsonsburg, Wicomico High School, and the son of Michel and Ronald J. Morris II.

The students were awarded their scholarships based on a competitive screening process and were eligible because their parents are members of



MORRIS

Choptank Electric.

The VMDAEC Educational Scholarship Foundation awarded 35 \$1,000 Worth Hudson scholarships – the largest dollar amount in the history of the Foundation in 2008. Scholarships are awarded to deserving students who live in areas served by electric cooperatives in Delaware, Maryland and Virginia and may be used for tuition, fees and books.

The scholarships are named in honor of Worth Hudson, the first chairman of the Educational Scholarship Foundation and former chairman of the board of directors of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative in Chase City, Va.

Since its inception in 2000, the VMDAEC Educational Scholarship Foundation has awarded 214 scholarships totaling \$128,000.

VMDAEC is the trade association for Choptank Electric and the 15 other electric co-ops that serve Virginia, Maryland and Delaware based in Glen Allen, Va.

Whew! Get your house in shape for summer

As the weather continues to get warmer, it's a good time to get your house in shape for the summer cooling season.

While air conditioning is critical to the comfort of you and your family, there are actions you can take to conserve energy and improve the efficiency of your home and your air conditioning system. By following these steps, your house will be in better shape to handle these hot, humid days without putting an extra burden on your energy bill.

- Set your thermostat to a higher temperature. Consider installing a programmable thermostat. This is an excellent way to match the cooling needs of your home to your personal schedule. They typically offer savings of 10%–15% without compromising personal comfort.

- Replace filters on your air conditioner. For homes with central air, it is important to change the filter before the start of the cooling season and on a monthly basis thereafter. 9912519501 Dirty filters restrict airflow and can cause the system to run longer and work harder, increasing energy use.

- Plug air leaks in your home. Weather strip and

caulk any leaky doors and windows and install foam gaskets behind outlet covers.

- Check insulation levels. If necessary, add insulation in attics and crawl spaces. This will not only help to conserve energy, but will improve household comfort.

- Use energy efficient landscaping. Leafy trees and shrubs properly placed on the south and west side of your home can provide shade during the peak daytime heat. You can also reduce heat buildup by keeping blinds and curtains closed on windows facing the sun.

- Consider cooling alternatives for your home. Fans and dehumidifiers use less energy than air conditioners and can help to increase comfort by reducing humidity levels and maintaining steady air flow.

- When replacing air conditioners or other cooling equipment, choose energy efficient models. These may cost a little more, but can pay for themselves through lower energy usage over the lifetime of the equipment. See the U.S. EPA's Energy Star Web site for more information about energy efficient cooling equipment. See Touchstone Energy Savers on Choptank Electric's web site for even more good ideas.

**Experience the thrills of 12 classes of outboard racing
on the beautiful Choptank River at the
98th annual Cambridge Classic Power Boat Regatta, July 26-27.**

Free admission & parking

**Visit the drivers, crews and their mighty machines!
A Choptank Electric-Touchstone Energy sponsored
all-volunteer event for the entire family!**

When the REA brought electric to life on the ‘Shore

This is the third in a continuing series of memories from co-op members as Choptank Electric celebrated its 70th anniversary in 2008. It took the Rural Electrification Act in 1935 to get electricity to rural America, and it wasn't until 1938 people in rural areas of the Eastern Shore of Maryland were able to "hook up to the REA."

"I remember the days before the farm I lived on in Talbot County had the REA come through...the kerosene lamps, the water pumps outside and outdoor privies..."

"My father, several years before Choptank came our way, helped a man from the Delco Company install wiring to our

house. We had a battery-powered engine in the basement with rows of batteries.

"When Choptank came along we had to replace all the appliances we had. . .a table fan, iron and vacuum cleaner were replaced because the current was different.

"I do remember that in our neighborhood there were customers of another electric company. They often had outages, but we never had any."

Henrietta Wood, Denton

Louise Bramble of Bishops Head in Dorchester County, called in to tell us her father, Gordy E. Mills of Crocheron, was the first person to sign up with the REA in the

1940s.

Mrs. Bramble and her husband, Pardee, have been married 61 years and joined Choptank after they were married. "We were able to get our first electric refrigerator then. It was a GE with the motor on top. Having electricity opened a whole new world of opportunities and made things easier. We didn't have to carry water anymore, for instance.

"Electric really helped a lot. My parents were hard workers and anything that could make life easier was really appreciated."

Louise Bramble, Bishops Head

"Straight Talk" for our members

By Bob Behlke

Vice President, Consumer Affairs



There's certainly a buzz in rural circles these days about renewable power.

Wind farms, for example, are generally built on wide-open spaces or ridgetops; methane gas from livestock waste can be burned to produce power; trees, grass, and crop stalks can be shoveled into boilers or converted to other forms of fuel.

Because most renewable energy projects take root in rural America, electric co-ops are at the forefront of this new and exciting wave of generation technology. Currently, co-ops lead electric utilities in renewable power generation, with a full 11 percent of co-op power coming from hydro and other renewable resources, compared to 9 percent for the industry as a whole.

Co-ops own and operate about 1,000 MW of renewable projects utilizing biomass, wind, solar, and small-scale hydropower. And 750 rural electric systems offer green power to their members. Those are numbers to be proud of.

We are doing everything we can to make renewable power a viable part of our energy mix, but there are very real hurdles to overcome before that 11 percent can become 15, 20, or 25 percent in coming years.

For one, construction costs for electricity generation are going up across the board, and renewable sources are no exception. Three years ago it was estimated that a wind farm would cost about \$1,000 per kW of capacity – today that price tag has doubled. Costs for installation and operation of solar panels can run five times higher than a traditional coal plant of comparable size.

How do we get those costs down? Research and development can help to some extent, and the Cooperative Research Network is working with the U.S. Dept. of Energy on various projects. Government programs, such as Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREBs), are another solution. The bonds offer electric co-ops interest-free loans

for financing renewable power projects, and the U.S. Treasury Dept. has reserved \$450 million in CREBs for electric co-ops through the end of 2008.

Another hurdle involves getting renewable power to where it can be used. True, most renewable resources are abundant in rural areas, but that also means they're far from the concentrated power needs of big cities. New transmission lines will need to go in to address this problem, and related costs can add up in a hurry.

A third drawback can cause major headaches for control room operators, charged with matching available power to demand. Most renewable sources are intermittent: the sun doesn't always shine, and the wind doesn't always blow. A fossil fuel-fired power plant, on the other hand, will produce "baseload" power as long as fuel remains available. In the case of a renewable resource like solar, though, an overcast afternoon can leave a gap in available power that needs to be filled.

Improved technology offers one way around this problem, making it possible, for example, to store excess electricity produced on a sunny day. When a storm cloud rolls up, that stored power would be ready and waiting. Co-ops are constantly making advancements in storage technology, although real breakthroughs have yet to be realized.

Although some policymakers will try to speed up the process of getting renewable power on-line, all of us need to provide an informed, thoughtful approach. Let's be realistic about the value of renewable energy, and be realistic about its associated costs and benefits.

Support for renewable power must be consistent with providing safe, reliable, and affordable service to you, our members. Co-ops will develop the renewable resources that make the most sense for us, geographically and economically. And we will work to ensure that those paying the freight for such technologies also reap the benefits.

We're still looking for memories of the coming of the co-op to feature throughout the year in the Live Wire. Send memories to: Anne Whaples, Choptank Electric, PO Box 430, Denton MD 21629; fax to 410-479-1014; email annew@choptankelectric.coop; or call 877-892-0001, ext. 8640.

Equipment for sale

Choptank Electric Cooperative will accept sealed bids for the following used co-op equipment:

Freightliner 1999 FTL tractor truck; Freightliner 1988 FTL FL 70 shop truck; International 1991 INT 4900 freight truck with crane; Ford 1990 F-350 dump truck 4x4; Ford 2000 Crown Victoria; Case 1973 tractor loader backhoe.

Interested persons may view the equipment at the Denton District Office, Rts. 328 and 404, Aug. 16 and 23, 8 a.m. to 12 noon in the equipment yard.

Bids will be accepted from Aug. 4-29 by mail to: Choptank Electric Cooperative, Attn: William Ferguson, PO Box 430, Denton MD 21629. Please write "Equipment Bid" on outside of envelope.

Trenchers and trailers for sale at the co-op's Berlin, Pocomoke, Cambridge, Salisbury, Denton and Chestertown district offices. This equipment will be marked with a sale price and will not be bid upon. It will be available for viewing during business hours, Monday-Friday, Aug. 4-29.

For information contact 410-708-8032 or 410-726-0653.

There are 2 hidden co-op account numbers in this month's issue.

If one of the numbers is your Choptank Electric account number, let us know by the fifth of the following month, and you'll win a \$10 credit on your bill!

If you find your account number in this issue, send your name, address, account and phone numbers to: Anne Whaples, Watt's Your Number?, Choptank Electric, P.O. Box 430, Denton MD 21629 or annew@choptankelectric.coop.



Our Energy, Our Future

A Dialogue With America

Plan now for possibility of hurricanes

Hurricane season is here. Tips you and your family should practice to stay safe before, during and after the storm follow:

Preparing for the hurricane

Make sure flashlights, battery-powered lanterns and other sources of light are readily available.

Make sure flashlights and radio batteries are fresh.

Make sure you have an adequate supply of medicine, first aid supplies, and baby items.

Keep two weeks' supply of bottled water, non-perishable food items and batteries.

If prescriptions are essential, make sure to get them refilled in case of an extended power outage or damages to the area.

Make sure to have identification and documentation on hand, such as social security card, driver's license, birth certificate, and insurance information for home, car, and life.

Have an evacuation plan in case of an extended power outage.

Listen to weather forecasts and predictions for possible hurricanes – hurricane season runs until November.

During the hurricane

Make sure to get inside a building and stay away from the windows.

Don't leave candles unattended and keep them away from furniture, draperies and other flammable materials.

Don't open freezers and refrigerators any more than absolutely necessary.

Listen to local radio stations for news about power outages.

Turn off your heating and air conditioning systems, as well as the electric range.

Unplug sensitive electronic appliances such as TVs, VCRs, microwave ovens and computers – this will protect your appliances against power fluctuations that can occur when power is restored.

After power is restored, be sure to wait five to ten minutes before turning on appliances and heating systems.

After the hurricane

If power lines and poles are down, treat them as if they are energized and dangerous. Never touch them and stay away.

Debris from the storm can hide power lines that have fallen.

Fallen trees that contain an energized power line can electrocute any item it comes in contact with, such as a metal fence or standing water. Even the ground can be energized near fallen lines.

If your electricity is out, make sure to check with neighbors to see if they have power. If they have power, you may have blown a fuse or tripped a breaker. Never replace a fuse or reset a circuit breaker with wet hands or while standing on a wet (or damp) surface.

Choptank Trust Awards for May

- Centreville Middle School Ecology Corps – \$1,000, purchase of equipment.
- Community Fire Co., Inc. of Millington – \$2,900, two automatic external defibrillators.
- Horizons at the Salisbury School – \$8,000 tuition for five children to attend Summer School.
- Cecil County Classroom Teachers Assn. – \$1,000 for school supplies for "New Teacher Store."
- Caroline Hospice Foundation, Inc. – \$878 for refrigerator for Hospice House.
- Colonel Richardson Middle School basketball 6th - 8th grade teams – \$719.25 for 15 uniforms.
- Samaritan Ministries, Inc. – awarded \$1,000 towards food bill.

Individual awards:

- \$1,400 towards purchase of hearing aids.
- \$1,622.95 for two lift chairs.
- \$2,500 for outdoor wheelchair lift.
- \$2,000 towards purchase of new prothesis for leg.
- \$2,500 towards repairs to handicapped accessible van with lift.
- \$3,271 dental work for two individuals.
- \$56 for adult day care for two individuals.

Power pathway to increase reliability on E. Shore

Much of the East Coast relies on a congested power system that can't meet rising demand without significant upgrades, and the Eastern Shore's population increase has contributed to this demand.

As a result, the existing transmission system in our area will not be able to keep up in the years ahead. Experts like the U.S. Dept. of Energy, the Maryland Energy Administration and the Maryland Public Service Commission have said building new transmission lines will help address this problem. 26285400

Currently, the Delmarva Peninsula can only import power from the north. Delmarva Power and cooperative and municipal electric companies, rely on this transmission system to keep the lights on for their customers.

The Mid Atlantic Power Pathway (MAPP) project proposed by Pepco Holdings Inc. (PHI) and Delmarva Power would significantly increase the Eastern Shore's ability to import power through a line under the Chesapeake Bay from Calvert Cliffs.

In addition to the main transmission line, a pair of 230-kilovolt transmission lines would further increase service reliability on the Shore. The proposed power line would connect Vienna to Delmarva Power's Steele substation in Caroline County. A proposed upgraded second line would also run from Vienna to Delmarva's Loretto substation and onward to their Piney Grove substation.

"We believe this line is critical to supply



the region's power needs today and in the future," says Choptank's CEO Fred Hubbard. "Right now, there is one avenue for our power that runs north to south. The main issue is reliability. We need to add another complete supply line to the Delmarva Peninsula that would significantly increase the region's ability to import power. Right now, the demand for power is exceeding the ability to deliver it during times of peak usage. Today's American home uses 21 percent more power than in the mid 1970s."

Mr. Hubbard said the new transmission line should solve the current congestion problems faced by the area's power grid, thereby eliminating the congestion charges which amount to millions of dollars annually.

"Lower cost energy is available for import outside the Shore, but it can't get here without this new transmission line," says Mr. Hubbard. The ability to access this lower cost energy should stabilize customer bills for the future, he noted.

He adds that the new line should ease the carbon footprint problem by tapping into nuclear power at the Calvert Cliffs plant across the Bay, and provide a good source of energy which is non-carbon generated.

MAPP's segment on Maryland's Eastern

Shore, which will stretch about 35 miles, was approved by the PJM Interconnection, the organization that coordinates the movement of electricity through all or parts of 13 eastern states and the District of Columbia. When PJM approves a new transmission line, customers throughout its territory share the cost. The MAPP line will be paid for by the more than 50 million customers who reside in PJM's territory.

Delmarva Power held community input meetings in May and June in Dorchester County to gather comments and share information about the proposed transmission line. The line's route through Dorchester County has not been determined.

MAPP has a target completion date of 2013. More than 75% of the transmission will be built along, or adjacent to, existing transmission towers. It will connect numerous points on the grid that are currently underserved, and it is expected to begin improving transmission in as little as two years after construction begins.

MAPP will also provide the additional infrastructure needed to support proposed clean energy projects in the Mid-Atlantic region, such as new nuclear and wind.

DANCE: Pine Steppers Square Dance Club workshop Wed., 7 p.m., Ocean Pines Community Hall. 410-208-6331 or 208-6777; Ocean Waves Square Dance, 2nd Sat., 8-10:30 p.m., Mid-Shore YMCA, 715 S. Shumaker Dr., Salisbury. 410-873-2027 or 822-7387; Pepper Steppers Square Dance, 2nd Sat., 8 p.m., First UM Church Hall, Chestertown. 410-810-0926 or 410-778-4578; Line dance, every Fri., Frat. Order of Eagles, 107 Alexander Ave., Salisbury, beginners 6 p.m., dance follows. 410-749-1981

BINGO: Willards VFC, Thurs., 7 p.m., Lions Bdg., 410-835-8678; Pittsville VFC, Fri., 7 p.m. 410-835-2323; Fedsbg. VFW, Thurs., 7:20 p.m. 410-754-5020; Hurlock Legion, Fri., 7:30 p.m., 410-943-8205; Denton Legion, Tues., 6 p.m., 410-479-2708; Redmen, Fruitland, Mon., 6:30 p.m. 410-742-6859; Willards Lions, Tues., 7 p.m. 410-835-2328; Denton VFC, Fri., 7:30 p.m.

MUSIC: Peninsulaires chorus, Tues. 7:30 p.m., Wic. Civic Ctr., Flanders Rm., Salisbury. 410-641-8927 or 543-8628; Ocean Bay Sweet Adelines, Mon., 7 p.m., same location, 410-749-1194; Delmarva Sweet Adelines, Mon., 7 p.m., Ocean Pines Comm. Ctr. 410-641-6876; QA Barbershop Chorus, Wed., 6:30 p.m., Centreville UM Church, Rt. 213. 410-827-7993; Bay Country Chorus, Mon., 7 p.m., Miller Hall, behind Trinity Cathedral, Easton. 410-770-8262; Worcester Chorale, Wed., 7 p.m., Community Church, Rt. 589, Ocean Pines. 410-208-1999; Eastern Shore Bluegrass Assn., show & jam, 2nd Sun., 1 p.m., Marydel Fire Co. 302-674-3149 or 492-1048

Vietnam Vets of America, 1st Thurs., 7 p.m., Easton VFW. 410-943-1374. Lower Shore, 3rd Thurs., VFW 194, Salisbury. 410-651-0904

Disabled American Veterans Chap. 34, 4th Thurs., 1 p.m., Meuse VFW Post 194, Salisbury. 410-749-4518

Chesapeake Christian Riders CMA 453, 1st Thurs, Bob Evans Restaurant, Easton, 6 p.m. 410-943-8325

Mid-Shore A.B.A.T.E., 2nd Tues., 7:30 p.m., Easton VFW. www.midshoreabate.com

Women Supporting Women (breast cancer group), 3rd Wed., 7 p.m., Atlantic Business Ctr., Ste. 213, Berlin, 410-641-2849

TOPS weight loss: Tues., 6 p.m., Worcester Co. Health Dept.; Thurs., 7 p.m., Christ UMC, Salisbury, 410-546-4197/543-9039; Church of God, Easton, 6 p.m. 410-822-2630/673-2248

Medical coverage for pregnant women & children to age 19. Kent, 410-778-7035, QA, 410-758-0720, Tal., 410-819-5690

Denton AA, 105 Gay St., Thurs., 8 p.m.; Co-Dependents Anon., Sun., 6:30 p.m., Christ UMC, Salisbury. 410-376-0164; Dual Recovery Anon., Wor. Library, Pocomoke, Mon., 7 p.m.

Wellness Community-Delmarva cancer support programs, Salisbury, Berlin, Easton. 888-806-0756

Overeaters Anon., Sat., 10 a.m., Christ UM Church, Ed. Bldg., Salisbury. 410-376-0164; Thur., 5 p.m., Buckingham Presbyterian, 20 S. Main, Berlin. 410-629-0679; Mon. 5:15 p.m., Health Ed. Bldg., Memorial Hosp., Easton; Fri. noon, St. Mark's UMC, Easton. 410-820-0006

Merry Widows & Widowers Social Club, 3rd Tues., 2:30 p.m., Ocean Pines Country Club. 410-208-6207; Beach Singles 45+, last Tues, 6 p.m. 410-208-3974; Delmarva Singles, 50+, 1st Wed., 6 p.m. 410-742-8310 or jasuth@intercom.net

Nat'l Assn. Active & Retired Fed. Employees, Chap. 1261, Salisbury area, 3rd Thurs., 410-896-2671; Chap. 2274, Wor. Co., 4th Thurs., Jordan's Rooftop, Ocean City, 11:30 a.m., 410-641-5570

Pinochle, Wed., 9:45 a.m., 410-208-0562, Ocean Pines Country Club; Bridge Club, Wed., 10 a.m., 410-641-7667, Ocean Pines Yacht Club.

Activity Singles Klub, Easton, 2nd Wed., 410-822-7468

E. Shore Stamp Club, 1st Tues., Wic. Library, Salisbury, 6:30 p.m. 410-208-2929; Tidewater Stamp Club, 2nd & 4th Tue., 7 p.m., 14 S. Harrison St., 2nd fl., Easton. 410-822-6471

Duplicate bridge: Riverside Homes, Salisbury, Mon., 7 p.m., 410-835-8343; Tred Avon, Wed., noon, Talbot Community Ctr., Rt. 50, Easton. 410-226-5126

Ocean Pines Camera Club, 2nd Mon., 7 p.m., OP Library. 410-208-2555

U. of Md. Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardeners Plant Clinic, Ocean Pines Library, Tues., 1-4. 410-641-5570

Friends of Ocean Pines Library, 2nd Mon., 10 a.m., 410-208-2760

Sons of Confederate Vets Maj. Gen. Arnold Elzey Camp 1940 & friends, 1st Wed., 7 p.m., Wic. Library, Salisbury 410-641-9305

Pine'er Craft & Gift Shop, Ocean Pines Community Ctr., 239 Ocean Pkwy., every Sat. & Sun., 10-4.

Federalburg VFC, breakfast 4th Sun., 7-10. \$6, kids \$3; under 3 free.

Preston Vol. Fire Co., AUCE breakfast, 1st Sun., 7-10, \$6.

Free meditation group, Tues., 7 p.m., Sweetspot Arts, Ocean Pines, 410-641-6845 or susanbeverly2003@yahoo.com

St. Michaels Museum at St. Mary's Square, 1.5 hr. walking tours to Frederick Douglass sites, Sat., thru Oct., 10:30 a.m. Fee. 410-745-3050

Writers Bloc writers group meeting 3rd Sat., Wicomico Library, Salisbury, 1 p.m. 443-260-0790

Missy's Quilting Bee, 1st Tues., 7-9, Choptank Electric mtg. rm., Denton. All welcome. 410-634-1163

Heartland Quilt Guild, 1st Thur., 7-9, Choptank Electric mtg. rm., Denton, 410-482-8131

Centreville Farmers Market, Sat., Wed., 9-1 thru Oct., Lawyers Row. New producers/vendors call D. Greiner, 410-364-5689

Scorchy Tawes Photo Exhibit, Julia A. Purnell Museum, Snow Hill, July 1-Aug. 22, Tues.-Sat., 10-4, Sun., 1-4. 410-632-0515

Somerset Co. Fair, July 21-27, beauty contest, tractor pull, crafts, more. Somerset Civic Ctr., Princess Anne.

Soles for Seniors Walk, Centre at Salisbury, July 23. Benefits Sr. Emergency Fund, Area Agency on Aging. 410-742-0505 x137.

Blessing of the Combines, downtown Snow Hill, Aug. 2, 11-4, entertainment, petting barnyard, more. 410-632-3838

Blessing of the Combines Car Show, Sturgis Park, Snow Hill, Aug. 2, 11 a.m. 410-632-3230

Ocean Pines Craft Club, 31st Pine'er Arts & Crafts Festival, Aug. 2, White Horse Park, Ocean Pines.

Blessing of the Combines Tractor & Lawn Mower Pull, Aug. 2, John Walter Smith Park, Snow Hill, 4 p.m. 410-632-3998

Horizon of Hope Luncheon, Talbot Co. Relay for Life, Cordova Firehouse, Aug. 3. 410-364-5344

White Marlin Open, Ocean City, Aug. 4-8, weigh-ins Mon.-Fri., 4-9. www.whitemarlinopen.com 410-289-9229

Worcester Co. Fair, Byrd Park Snow Hill, Aug. 8-9, 11-8, Aug. 10, 11-4, old fashioned fun. www.worcestercountyfair.com

Seafood Feast-I-Val, Rescue Fire Co., Aug. 9, 1-6, Sailwinds Park, Cambridge. AUCE, crafts, live music. 410-228-1211

Charles "Bo" Grant, formerly of The Platters, in concert, Chesapeake College Todd Center for Performing Arts, Aug. 9, 7 p.m. Benefits Caroline Hospice Foundation. \$50. 410-479-3500

Great Pocomoke Fair, Broad St., Pocomoke City, Aug. 21-22, 5-10, Aug. 23, 8-11. Horse show, harness racing & fireworks on Sat. www.thegreatpocomokefair.org

Arts & Crafts Festival, Ocean City Convention Ctr., Aug. 29-31, 10-5. show@go-signs.com

SEND EVENTS: *Shore Good to Know, Choptank Electric, P.O. Box 430, Denton, MD 21629; or annew@choptankelectric.coop two months prior to event if possible. Include phone number.*