

#### Walton EMC prepares next generation electricians

To improve their electrical wiring skills, FFA members from area high schools recently competed in the Sub-Region **Electrification Career Development** Event (CDE) at Walton EMC's Monroe headquarters. The purpose of the CDE is to prepare students for an electrical career in the agriculture field.

Cody Dalton and Haden Haslett of Oconee County FFA earned first and second place honors respectively at the event. Sean Stovall of Morgan County FFA placed third. Dalton and Stovall went on to compete at the North Region CDE.

Cody Dalton of Oconee FFA completes a practical wiring problem on his way to capturing first place at the Sub-Region Electrification Career Development Event sponsored by Walton EMC. The event prepares students for a career in the agricultural electrification field.

The CDE includes a wiring problem in which participants translate a wiring diagram, select the necessary wiring materials for the problem and then install a complete electric circuit. They must

To prepare for the CDE, students participated in agricultural mechanics classroom training courses and afterschool programs.

also answer questions based on their understanding of the National Electric Code and explain the components of an electrical wiring task before a panel of judges.

Walton EMC partners with the Georgia Department of Education to sponsor the

Electrification CDE. FFA is a national organization of high school agricultural education students.

#### where are you? Unclaimed Refunds

Take a look at these Walton EMC customer-owners who discontinued service. We mailed refunds of deposits and/or membership fees, but the Post Office returned them.

If you know someone on this list, please have them contact us at 770-266-2519.

Abbott, Hilda; Abukhader, Nada; Andrade, Jacqueline; Austin, Tiffany A.; Baumgardner, Wayne; Beard, Deborah; Best Kept Secret; Bisnett, Jeffrey C.; Black, Marie A.; Booth, Regina; Bramwell, Grace; Brown, Beverly J.; Buch, Jaylann D.; Cable, Courtine; Chang, YI Y.; Chen, Xiao D.; Choi, Jin; Coburn, Wanda T.; Coe, Aubry L.; Dengathoi, Rael A.; Dietz, Ok S.; Diyorio, Michael; Edmonson, Barbie C.; Findlator, Annette, M.; Ford, III, Earl; Frye, Rachel; Godwin, Zachary T.; Gordon, Melanie S.; Govin, Amanda; Graves, Sandra V.; Ha, Min H.; Havenbrook Construction; Hayes, Brian; Helleyer, Kai; Herrington, Stephen; Henderson, Michael A.; Henderson, Phebee V.; Henry, Genive; Hilson, Veryona; Hines, Taj; Images Beauty Salon; lorg, Gilberta M.; Jackson, Demetrius A.; Johnson, Dominic; Konitzer, Robert; Leach, Melissa; Lee, Rodney; Lee, Ghang K.; Liu, Xueqin; Lopez, Raul; Maddox, Christopher D.; Madsen, Charles M.; Marshall, Lakishia; McKean, Melissa; Menard, Edward F.; Moore, Romel D.; Morris, Lionel R.; Nmere, Chukwuemeka; Opaleye, Olajide; Parkerwoods Homeowners; Pierce, Sylvester; Powell, Patricia; Pulling, Mercedes; Purvis, Sheila; Remax Legends; Remy, Sueann M.; Reves, Eduardo D.; Rizig, Farid; Robertson, Stephanie; Rushing, Angela; Safeguard Properties, Mgt, LLC; Saritas, Muzo; Savage, Marie; Serenity Palliative Hospice; Session, Marion; Taylor, Joan E.; Terry, Joel T.; Thomas, Keishamarie; Tompkins, Kendall C.; Tran, Cam A.; Webb, Conrad; West, Eddie M.; White, Tiffany A.; Wright, Duane E.; Yang, Jinsong; Zolghadr, Tooran.



### **COMMUNITY IMPACT** In addition to supplying affordable, reliable electric power, Walton EMC

makes a huge impact on the communities we serve.

\$2,663,018

\$108,446

taxes

donations

\$369,078 Operation Round Up

\$247,000 Walton Electric Trust Scholarships

<u>\$99,92</u>1 Walton EMC Natural Gas Corporate

\$89.047 Walton EMC **Employee Charities** 

\$70,532 Walton EMC Corporate

\$875,578

impact

Over \$3.5 million in taxes and donations to strengthen our community in 2014.

\$2,771,464\*

Walton EMC is the largest payer of property tax in Oconee County and second largest payer h Walton County.

Does not reflect sales tax paid on materials, supplies, etc. and f fees collected for cities.

Walton EMC is ranked "Highest in Customer Satisfaction among Midsize Utilities in the South" –J.D. Power

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**Bobby Williams** 

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Walton EMC received the highest numerical score among midsize utilities in the South in the proprietary J.D. Power 2014 Electric Utility Residential Customer Satisfaction Study<sup>™</sup>. Study based on 104,460 online interviews ranking 30 providers in the South (AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, NM, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA). Proprietary study results are based on experiences and perceptions of consumers surveyed in July 2013-May 2014. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com

## ANDMARKS

Take a look around the 10 counties in your co-op's service area and you'll find some interesting, beautiful, historic and just plain cool spots.

How well do you know Walton EMC's service territory? Some of the locations we choose may be hard to identify; some may be easy. But all are worth knowing about.

Guess the location of this scene found somewhere within the 10 counties of Walton EMC's service territory and you could win a prize. We'll draw from the winners of all correct guesses for a \$25 gift card.



originally 18 miles away, but it came south to escape vandalous collegians.

#### Email your guess

to landmarkscontest@waltonemc.com with the subject line "MARCH LANDMARKS CONTEST" no later than April 5. Entries that do not follow these guidelines will be disqualified.

LAST MONTH'S LANDMARK: There's no bridge if you want to cross Little Flat Creek on Nunnally Farm Road. The ford is a little south of Between in west central Walton County.

JANUARY WINNER: Douglas Kozicki of Loganville.

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# EMC = Even More Convenience

#### MYWALTONEMC APP

Download our smartphone app to have on-the-go access to your account. You can do things like check your account balance, look at current and past bills, see a graph of your electricity use, view and



report outage and more. Available in the Apple App Store or Google Play.



#### MYWALTONEMC

Our desktop web portal gives you access to your account 24 hours a day. You can view your electricity use, pay by a variety of methods and more. Access myWaltonEMC by visiting waltonemc.com and clicking "log in."

Walton EMC offers many ways to make your experience with us easier and more convenient.

#### PREPAY

PrePay is pay-as-you-go electricity. Instead of receiving a monthly bill after the fact, you set the payment plan and amount that fits your budget. PrePay gives you control over your energy costs. Come by any of our offices to enroll.





#### WALTONEMC.COM MOBILE

At our mobile website, you can report power outages and view a map of current outages. Access it from the web browser on your smartphone.



#### **BANK DRAFT**

Biomass

Solar

Wind

TOTAL

Geothermal

Eligible Hydroelectric<sup>4</sup>

We can automatically withdraw your monthly bill payments from a checking or savings account. You still receive your regular billing statement. Call 770-267-2505 to enroll.

Green-e Energy Certified New<sup>3</sup> Renewables

in Walton EMC Green Power Program

GREEN POWER PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL

The product is sold in blocks of 150 kilowatt hours (kWh).

The product will be made up of the following renewable resources.

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Visa, MasterCard or Discover. You still receive your regular billing statement. Call 770-267-2505 to enroll.

**CREDIT CARD DRAFT** 

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1. The 2014 figures reflect the resources that were supplied for the year ending December 31, 2014. 2. The 2015 figures are prospective and reflect the power that we have contracted to provide. Actual figures may vary according to resource availability. We will annually report to you the actual resource mix of the electricity you purchased during the preceding year. 3. For energy supplied in 2014, New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation on or after January 1, 2000. For energy to be supplied in 2015, New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation on or after January 1, 2001.

The average home in the United States uses 900 kWh per month, [Source: U.S. EPA]



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#### **E-CHECK**

E-check works just like a regular check that you fill out on your computer screen. When you pay by e-check, the money comes from your checking or savings account. Call 770-267-2505 to enroll.

#### **COMBINED BILLING**

If you get electric, natural gas and/or security service from Walton EMC, all services are combined on one monthly statement so you pay only one bill.

#### LEVELIZED BILLING

Levelized billing allows you to pay nearly the same amount helps remove fluctuations caused by changing weather or other factors and takes the family budget off the roller coaster.

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For comparison, the current average mix of resources supplying Walton EMC includes: Coal (48%), Nuclear (42%), Oil (0%), Natural Gas (5%), Hydroelectric (5%), and Other (0%).

For specific information about this electricity product, please contact Walton Electric Membership Corporation, (770) 267-2505, Customer Service: csr@waltonemc.com

Green-e Energy certifies that Walton Electric Membership Corporation Green Power Program meets the minimum environmental and consumer protection standards established by the non-profit Center for Resource Solutions. For more information on Green-e Energy certification requirements, call 1-888-63-GREEN or log on to www.green-e.org.

#### E-BILL

Join the thousands of Walton EMC customer-owners who view and pay their bill online. You get the convenience of paying your bill anytime by credit card or e-check. Call 770-267-2505 to enroll.