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EMC MEMBERS COULD DRIVE FREE FOR A YEAR

Earth Day 2018 marked the launch of Coweta-Fayette EMC's **SmartChoice Home** program, so what's in store for CFEMC members this year?

"Just like homeowners today expect their homes to meet criteria forming the four points of the SmartChoice Home program -- be energy efficient, connected, sustainable and renewable," said Jimmy Adams, Vice President of Energy Services, "we also know our members are beginning to choose electric vehicles as their method of transportation."

We're committed to embracing and encouraging the utilization of these green technologies and finding ways to assist our members in using these in their everyday life. That's why we're excited to announce our **Drive Free for a Year Plug-in Electric Vehicle (EV) Program**.

Qualified members who lease or purchase a new plug-in 100 percent EV, on or after April 22, 2019, could qualify for a monthly credit on their power bill to cover the cost of charging the EV for one year. *

"We know our members who purchase 100 percent EVs do so because they're environ-

mentally conscious and appreciate the lower commute costs compared to those in regular gas-powered vehicles," Adams said. "With our Drive Free for a Year Program these savings are even greater by eliminating charging costs for 12 months as well."



Electric Vehicle Benefits

EV's technologies have improved since they first made an appearance on the market.

Today EV's:

- Offer longer driving ranges.
- Have extended warranties.
- Can utilize charging points

located along major roadways and many places of employment, shopping and entertainment areas offer charging stations as well.

Want to know more?

In honor of Earth Day, if you're interested in learning more about EV's and whether they are right for your lifestyle, we've partnered with SouthTowne Motors, located at 695 Bullsboro Drive in Newnan. CFEMC members are invited



to visit their showroom between April 22-26 in honor of Earth Day to test drive the Chevrolet Bolt.

"We're happy to open our doors to CFEMC's members who want to learn more about EV's," Jim Poore, Finance Manager for SouthTowne Motors said. "SouthTowne and General Motors are committed to developing and promoting this technology."

There's no better way to celebrate Earth Day than by working together to incentivize energy efficient and environmentally friendly technologies for our members.

More information on Electric Vehicles and the Drive Free For a Year Plug-In Electric Vehicle Program is available on our website.

Visit www.utility.org.

*Purchase or lease of a new plug-in 100% electric vehicle. Monthly billing credit based on USDOT average annual miles driven of 15,000. Billing credit based on CFEMC residential time-of-use off-peak rate.



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**Committed to the job.
Committed to safety.
Committed to you,
our members.**



The President's Message

*Chris Stephens
CEO*

April is designated as the month we celebrate our linemen. It's a chance for us at the EMC to honor this dedicated group of employees who often work in challenging conditions to keep your lights on. Our linemen work around the clock to keep the power flowing and keep our members safe.

These 62 men maintain over 6,600 miles of line in Coweta and Fayette County, as well as parts of five others. As CEO, I strive to provide them with the tools and equipment they need to safely do their jobs and return home to their families every evening. Linework is one of the top 5 most dangerous professions anyone can choose.

As a group, they have over 942 years of experience. That experience shows in their ability to perform their jobs quickly and effectively. They've become experts at analyzing situations and recognizing problems in the field. Technology is changing the way repairs are made too. What hasn't changed is their dedication to the job.

Our linemen aren't the only ones dedicated to our members. I depend on our whole workforce to keep CFEMC running smoothly. Each employee has a function that is necessary to us getting the job done and our being involved in the community. Many of them have years of experience serving our members.

Speaking of experience, I want to personally recognize Janice Cole, who recently celebrated 50 years with CFEMC. Janice truly keeps the members and this organization close to her heart. When she started, everyone in the office did a little bit of everything. From bill complaints, to co-editing the newsletter, to billing and taking member phone calls-- she's done a little of it all. She served in the Power Use Department and helped members with high bill complaints. She's also worked with the last four CEO's as their right hand. She takes care of so much, so I can focus on the day to day job of running the EMC.

As CEO, my job is much easier because of the dedicated employees we have working here. I hope you'll join me as I thank all those who work to keep the lights burning bright.



**Lineworker Appreciation Month
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