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## **CONGRATULATIONS 2020 MELISSA SEGARS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!**





Victoria Beil East Coweta High School



Amelia Benson McIntosh High School



**Kelsey Christensen** McIntosh High School



**Thomas Comte** Northgate High School



**Jennifer Dena** McIntosh High School



**Mary Poulakos** The Heritage School



**Alyssa Wright** Whitewater High School



**Emma Dix** Whitewater High School



Hannah Savage Whitewater High School

770-502-0226



Samuel Folsom Northgate High School



Logan Shanks Fayette County High School



**Alyssa Lancaster** Whitewater High School



**Beniamin Williams** Coram Deo Classical School

**Emory Palmer** 

Newnan High

School

**Molly Worst** Whitewater High School



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## **UPCOMING BOARD ELECTIONS** ANNOUNCED

From the Bylaws of Coweta-Fayette Electric Membership Corporation

#### **Article III Directors**

#### 3.05 Nominations by Nominating Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Board to appoint, not less than forty-five (45) days before the date of the meeting of the members at which board members are to be elected, a committee on nominations consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than eleven (11) members who shall be selected so as to give equitable representation to the geographical areas served by the Cooperative. No member of the Board may serve on such committee. Written notice of the names of the members of the committee and meeting date for the committee shall be provided to the members prior to such meeting. It shall be the duty of the nominating committee to meet not less than forty-five (45) days prior to such meeting and to nominate one or more candidates for each seat on the Board of Directors that is to be filled at such meeting.

#### 3.06 Nominations by Petition.

Other nominations for such elections may be made by written petition signed by not less than fifteen (15) members, which shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Cooperative or his/her designee not less than forty-five (45) days prior to such meeting.

#### 3.07 Notice of Nominees.

The Secretary shall be responsible for posting at headquarters of the Cooperative the nominees for each seat made by the nominating committee and by petition and shall provide written notice thereof to the members by separate written notice according to the rules and procedures promulgated by the Board of Directors.

The following Nominating Committee was appointed by the Board of Directors at their regular meeting held June 23, 2020. This committee will meet August 5, 2020, and prepare a list of nominations that will be posted at the EMC office at least 45 days before the annual meeting on October 10, 2020.

Tvrone, GA

**Robert R. Reeves** 

William E. Garner

Peachtree City, GA

Fayetteville, GA

### **2020 NOMINATING COMMITTEE Deborah M. Lowe**

Marylyn McPhie Sharpsburg, GA

Michael J. Wiseman Senoia, GA

**Mrs. Woodrow Abney** Franklin, GA

**Benjamin Sewell** Senoia, GA

Michael Fleming Sharpsburg, GA

**Robert N. Slay** 

The three directors who intend to seek re-election are:

Wayne "Ross" Henry Seat 1 All counties except Coweta & Fayette

Save the Date!

Newnan, GA

James "Lee" Hunter Seat 2 Coweta County

James "Jim" W. Fulton, III Seat 3 Fayette County

# **CFEMC ANNUAL** MEETING **OCTOBER 10, 2020**

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

James W. Fulton, III, Chairman • Therol Brown, Vice Chairman • J. Neal Shepard, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer Donald Harris • Ross Henry • James Lee Hunter • Daniel C. Langford, Jr. • Alice J. Mallory Mildred A. Winkles

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### The President's Message Chris Stephens CEO

With the Fourth of July approaching, I can't think of a better time to express how much we, at the EMC, love this community and serving you, the members of the co-op. I am especially thankful for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice so that we can enjoy the freedoms their service affords us in this great country of ours. In the words of John F. Kennedy, "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

At CFEMC, we are grateful to have veterans within our ranks, and we are proud to serve veterans and their families within our local community. We care for the veteran community and show our appreciation through our actions and ongoing commitment to them and their families.

We know when we helped to bring electricity to this area of Georgia many years ago, the quality of life improved for all. Through the years, other issues needed to be tackled, and we have been at the forefront of helping to address some of those issues. We want to help meet the long-term needs of our community to ensure it continues to thrive – because just like you, we live here too.

While our top priority is to provide safe, reliable and affordable energy, equally important is our mission to enrich the lives of the consumer-members (that's you!) that we serve. This focus to benefit the larger community is central to the way we operate as a cooperative. Coweta-Fayette EMC knows that electricity is a critical need for modern-day life, but it takes more than poles and power lines to make a community.

Over time, our co-op has evolved to meet the changing needs of our community, thereby improving the quality of life for everyone. And that can mean many different things. It can mean programs such as education scholarships (view all the winners at www. utility.org). It means members contributing to Operation Round-up, a program that helps local non-profits help families in need. It means partnering with organizations - like our local chamber of commerce's - to help grow our communities.

Over the last 75 years, CFEMC's community-focused programs and other giving projects have helped build strong communities - and we couldn't do any of this without you, our members. You empower CFEMC through your membership and through your participation in and support of these programs.

As a local business, we are proud to power your life and bring good things to our community. We hope you will continue to guide our efforts by sharing your perspective as we plan for the future. The energy landscape is undergoing dramatic change fueled by evolving technology and consumer desires for more options. While the larger environment in which we operate is constantly changing, one thing remains the same. By working together, I'm certain that we can continue to do good things for our community.