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TEST DRIVE AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE AT EV19

*We've joined the electric vehicle movement.
Now it's your turn.*

After the cooperative's purchase of a Nissan Leaf in January, Tri-County EMC employees have gotten behind the wheel to learn and understand the electric vehicle (EV) industry. Now we want you to give it a try.

"The only way to really understand the hype about electric vehicles is to drive one yourself," said Greg Mullis, vp of corporate services at Tri-County. "EVs have the perception of being glorified golf carts, but they are anything but that."

Tri-County EMC and the Milledgeville-Baldwin Chamber of Commerce are hosting **EV19 at Central Georgia Technical College's Milledgeville Campus on April 26**. "This is your opportunity to test drive an EV, learn the basics of the industry, the benefits of EV and your business, the future of the mechanic profession and learn safety tips for first responders," said Mullis. (88595001)

One of the hurdles of the EV industry for buyers is fear of the unknown. "The challenge with EVs is that they come with a learning curve," said Jonathan Stewart, energy services representative at Tri-County. "Instead of miles per gallon, you have to think about miles per kWh. It's a new way of thinking, but you quickly adapt."

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TRI-COUNTY EMC FOUNDATION GRANTS \$23,484 IN MARCH

In March 2019, the Tri-County EMC Foundation Board approved grants for 11 projects, totaling \$23,484 in Operation Roundup funds, to benefit organizations or individuals in local communities.



Joy Carr (left), Jones County Family Connection, accepts an Operation Roundup Grant from Kim Broun, Tri-County EMC. The grant will be used to purchase mesh bookbags to distribute to students at a back to school event in Jones County.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 87:

\$2,200 to replace the troop's equipment trailer and equipment that was stolen in September 2018

BRAVE MEADOWS THERAPEUTIC RIDING CENTER:

\$1,000 to purchase new safety equipment, games and saddles, and to help cover horse care costs and maintenance costs

CAFE CENTRAL:

\$3,000 to purchase canned goods and non-perishable food items for poverty stricken clients to eat at home

CUB SCOUT PACK 119:

\$1,000 to purchase camping supplies and materials for the scouts

JASPER COUNTY MENTOR PROGRAM:

\$1,000 to send students on an educational field trip to Charlie Elliott's Wildlife Center

JONES COUNTY FAMILY CONNECTION:

\$1,500 to purchase mesh book bags for Jones County students to be distributed at a back to school event in July

JONES COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION:

\$2,000 to enroll Jones County children in the Ferst Readers program for 12 months

PUTNAM CHRISTIAN OUTREACH:

\$8,784 to purchase low sugar/low sodium food for a food bank in Putnam County, to repair the rotting floor for an individual in need and to repair the bathroom of an individual in need

BALDWIN COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE:

\$3,000 to purchase smoke alarms for low income residents in Baldwin County

ABOUT OPERATION ROUNDUP:

Operation Roundup is funded by voluntary contributions from Tri-County members to the Tri-County EMC Foundation. Participants have their monthly bill rounded up to the next dollar, with that surplus amount going to fund Operation Roundup. Any non-profit, civic, religious or government organization located within Tri-County's eight county service area are eligible to receive funding. Applications must be for special needs or projects. Applications can be found on our website at tri-countyemc.com/operation-round-up.cms or mailed upon request by calling 478.986.8126.

**NEXT
GRANT
APPLICATION
DEADLINE:
6.1.19**

THREE LOCAL STUDENTS CHOSEN TO REPRESENT CO-OP IN WASHINGTON DC

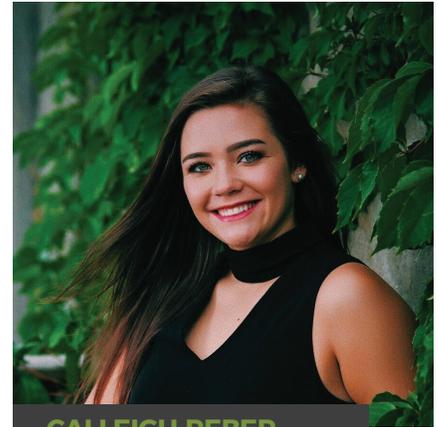
More than 100 students from cooperatives across Georgia will spend a week at our nation's capital through the Washington Youth Tour



KATE EMBRY



REBECCA HILDRETH



CALLEIGH REBER

Tri-County EMC has chosen three students to represent the co-op for Georgia EMC's Washington Youth Tour. Kate Embry, Rebecca Hildreth and Calleigh Reber will join 110 Georgia high school students on the week long leadership event this June. The Georgia students will join more than 1,500 students from 44 states for the event. As Georgia's oldest leadership program for teens, the Washington Youth Tour is designed to teach high school students about U.S. history, government and the importance of public service.

Before flying to Washington D.C., the students will attend a kickoff banquet and spend a day in Georgia where they will develop their leadership skills through team building activities. Once in D.C., students will visit the Smithsonian Museum, Holocaust Museum, Union Station, Mount Vernon, Supreme Court, Capitol, Washington Monument, and the Jefferson, World War II, Lincoln, Korean War and Vietnam Veterans monuments and memorials. (73153002)



LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY IS APRIL 8

Electric Membership Cooperatives across the country, including Tri-County EMC, are joining together this month to celebrate electric utility linemen.

"Our linemen work very hard to keep power flowing to your home and they don't always get the recognition and appreciation they deserve," said Grinberg. "On April 8, I encourage you to thank the linemen that bring you electricity, making your lives easier every day."

Tri-County is proud to honor our line workers who maintain 2,700 miles of power lines in Tri-County EMC's service territory. We invite members to take a moment to #thankalineman for the work they do each day by posting a message to Tri-County's Social Media pages.

ACCOUNT NUMBER

Did you find your account number? Find your complete account number inside parentheses in this issue of Current Lines for a \$50 bill credit. Call us at 478.986.8126 to claim your credit.

RECIPE BOX

OLD FASHIONED PEANUT BUTTER COOKIES

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

DIRECTIONS

Stir together all ingredients until combined. Shape dough into 1 inch balls. Place balls 1 inch apart on ungreased baking sheets and flatten gently with tines of a fork. Bake at 350 for 6-8 minutes or until golden brown.

*Note: Be careful not to overbake. These cookies are best when they are soft and barely brown on the bottom.



Thanks to Amy Johnson of Putnam County for the recipe. Did you know your recipe is worth \$20 if chosen? Send your best recipes to kimb@tri-countyemc.com or mail to P.O. Box 487, Gray, GA 31032.

JOIN US AT EV19 *continued from pg. 1*

“Always knowing your range is important when driving an EV,” said Stewart. “Before getting in the Leaf, I’ll check the charge level of the car compared to my trip distance and see if there are any charging stations at my destination.” In the past year, the number of charging stations has increased greatly. (27914001)

While there is additional planning involved driving an EV rather than a gasoline powered car, there is less maintenance. No need to change the oil, fan belts, air filters, timing belts or spark plugs. Just tire rotations, replacing the wiper blades and other minimal maintenance. And the savings from maintenance and gas can quickly add up. “It takes about \$4.80 to ‘fill the tank’ of Tri-County’s Leaf,” said Stewart. “And it has a range of about 150 miles, so you definitely are ‘paying less at the pump’ so to speak.”

If you are interested in learning more about electric vehicles, please join us at EV19. We’ll have industry experts on hand to answer any questions you have. To register or to find out more, visit www.tri-countyemc.com/ev19.cms. You can also register by calling 478.986.8118. This is a free event, and lunch is included with registration.



ELECTRIC VEHICLE DEMONSTRATION DAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 26
CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE
54 HWY. 22, MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061



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CHAMBER



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30 MINUTE CLASSES: EV 101 | EVs & First Responders |
Using EVs in Your Business | The Future EV Automotive Technician

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No Charge. Lunch included with registration