

Identity Theft



In order to comply with the provisions of the Georgia Identity Theft Law (O.C.G.A. 10-15-01 et. al.), Grady EMC has implemented internal procedures to protect the privacy rights of the members of Grady EMC. For the safety and security of our members' privacy, Grady EMC's customer services representatives ARE PROHIBITED by the Georgia Identity Theft Law (O.C.G.A. 10-15-01 et. al.) from discussing account information with anyone other than the account holder (person whose name the account is opened in). We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

FORTUNATELY, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY LOVE A JOB LIKE THIS.



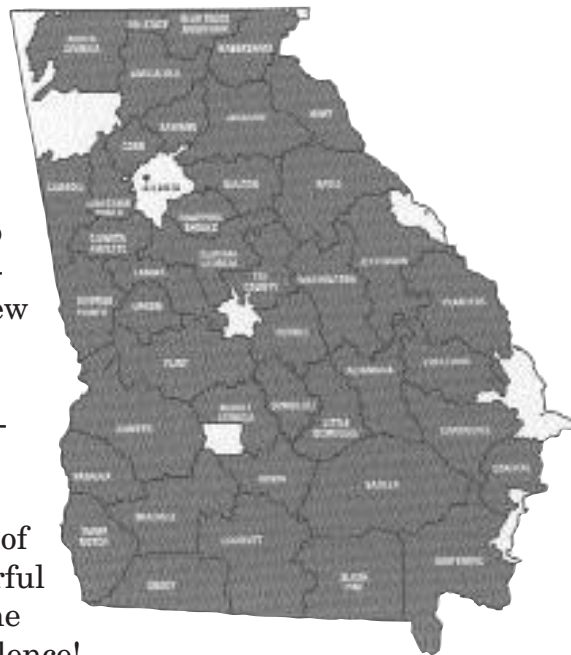
You'd think a job description like this would scare people off, wouldn't you? But it doesn't. In fact, these very demanding jobs attract some very dedicated people. People who understand the importance of keeping electricity in your home or business. People who know that they'll be out in the middle of the night in a driving rainstorm. People who just seem to be born with a desire to do more than just have a job. We'd like to thank our line workers for their hard work and dedication. And if you agree, give them a thumbs up when you see them at work. Your appreciation is a big reason they take such pride in a very tough job.

ELECTRIC CO-OPS: WORKING TODAY TO BRIGHTEN TOMORROW

Georgia's 42 electric membership corporations (EMCs) provide electricity to 3.8 million Georgians, nearly half the state's population. And they do so at a rate 10 percent to 15 percent below the national average. The goal of EMCs is simple: to provide safe, reliable and affordable electricity to all of our member/owners.

Georgia's EMCs are working to build strong communities by supporting programs that develop new leaders. Programs supported by electric co-ops in Georgia include the EMC/FFA Wiring CDE, scholarships, livestock shows, rodeos and safety demonstrations.

When Georgia FFA and EMCs of Georgia team up we create powerful results. Georgia's EMCs salute the Georgia FFA on 75 years of excellence!



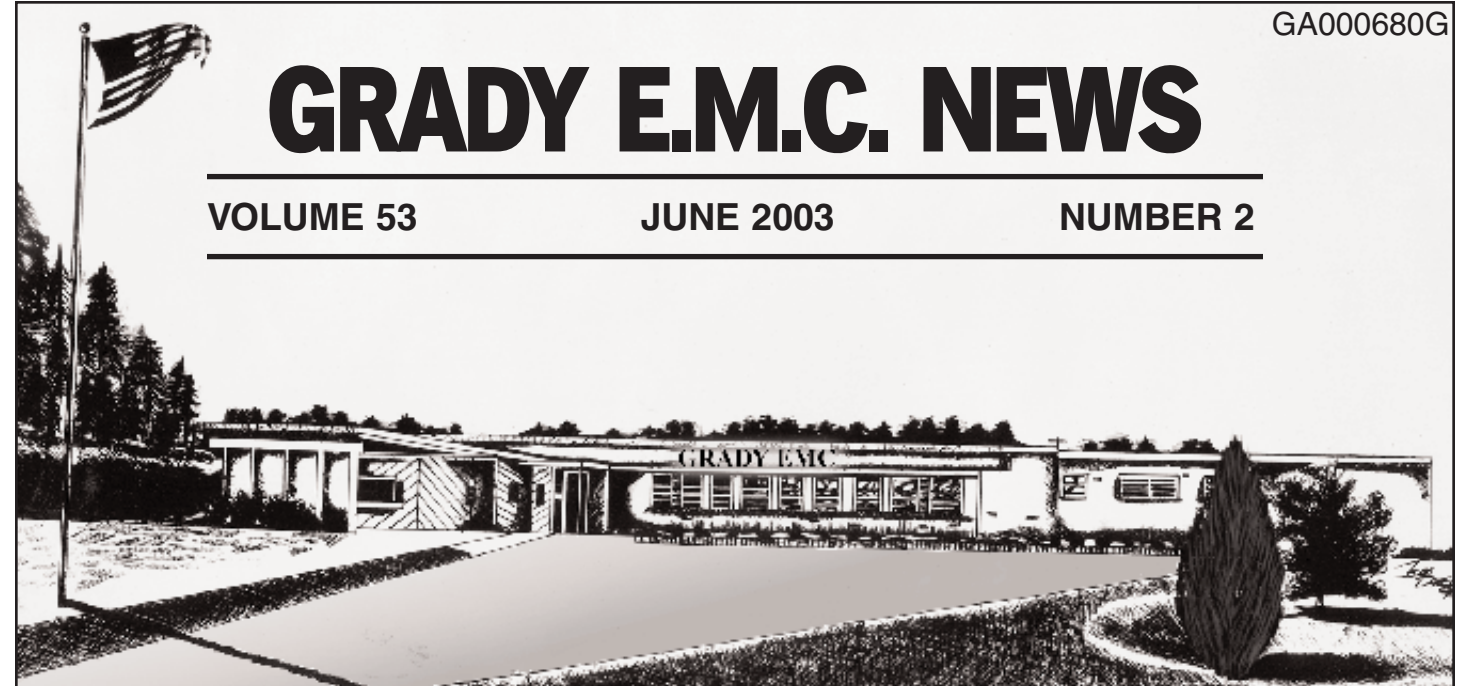
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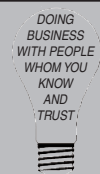
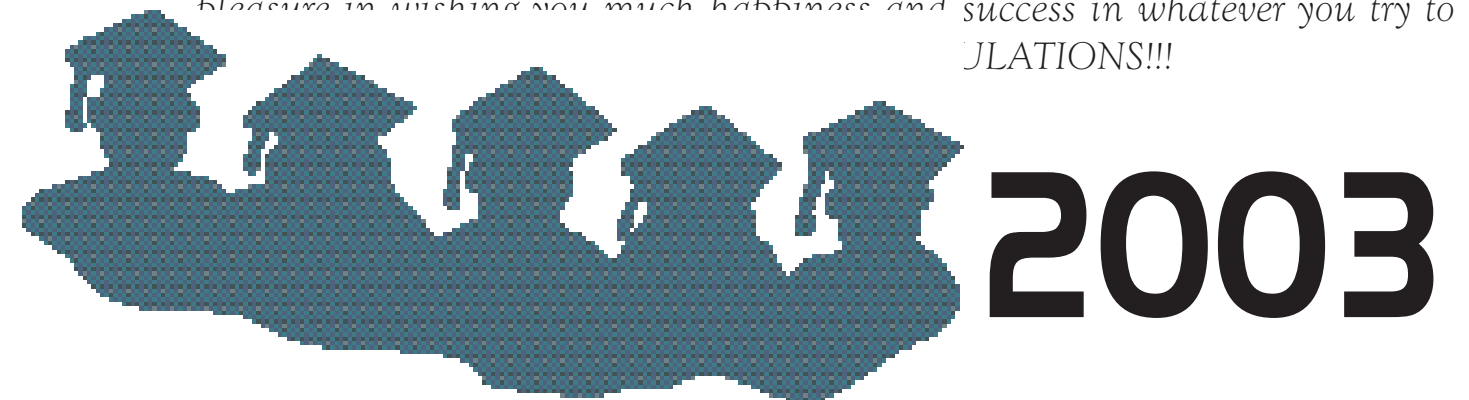


Congratulations to the Graduates of the Class of 2003

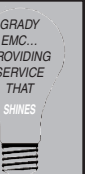
We know this is a day that you have looked forward to for a long time. Your hard work and efforts have finally been rewarded.

The friends and classmates that have preceded you in graduation are now moving on with their lives, whether furthering their education, or entering the workplace. You, the Seniors of '03, will now start doing the same and contributing to your communities and society. You have been equipped to handle the challenges, overcome the objectives, and become a productive individual.

Your families, friends, relatives, and educators have watched you grow and mature and are extremely happy for you and for your accomplishments. Grady EMC also takes pleasure in wishing you much happiness and success in whatever you try to accomplish. CONGRATULATIONS!!!



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STEP INTO THE LINEMAN'S SHOES!

If you made your living as a lineman, it goes without saying you'd want your work environment as safe as possible.

You can help make the lineman's job safe by putting a little common sense into action. For example:

- Don't hang birdhouses or basketball goals on electrical poles. The lineman will have great difficulty climbing around them, even though you think they're perfectly placed.
- Don't landscape around poles with flower boxes, birdhouses or anything else that might cause harm if a lineman were to fall.
- Don't hang signs on poles because the nails or staples could cause the lineman to slip if he has to climb.

Use a little common sense around utility poles; show your appreciation for those who work so hard to provide you reliable electric service. All it takes is stepping into the other guy's shoes for a few moments!

IT'S ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH!

May is Electrical Safety Month, and we invite you to mark your calendar for this special observance.

Start with a tour of your home to check out some of the basics for using electricity as safely as possible.

- Plug in portable appliances only when you intend to use them. Disconnect them when not in use.
- Make sure there's proper ventilation around TVs and VCRs; restricted air flow can cause them to overheat.
- Use extension cords and appliances that have a seal of approval from a major testing laboratory, such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

There's much more you can do, of course, and we'll be happy to advise you.

Pictured is PFC Michael Harper. PFC Harper recently graduated from the United States Marine Corps on April 11, 2003 after a thirteen (13) weeks long recruit training at Parris Island, S.C. Upon graduation and after a few short days at home, Michael reported to another training session for three weeks in which marines will learn more about weapons and ordnance training. From there, PFC Harper will report to Monterey, Ca. and then on to San Angelo, Tx. for approximately two years of schooling in his specialty as a Cryptologic Linguist. These language skills will allow him to monitor, transcribe, and translate intercepted target communications, to perform analysis of designated foreign radio communications, and to install, operate, and maintain radio intercept equipment. Upon completion of this phase of his training, intermediate and advanced language training will be available to him. According to PFC Harper, the toughest part of his recruit training at Parris Island was called The Crucible which entailed marching over 50 miles in a 54 hour time period while carrying their field packs and rifles. Minimal rest and food and working together at night as bombs exploded, firing of machine guns, crawling under barbed/razor wire, all contributed to bringing them together as a team which was the ultimate objective. PFC Harper is the son of Cheryl Harper Cone and Lynwood Cone who are Grady EMC employees.



We congratulate PFC Harper on becoming a United States Marine and for his willingness and commitment to help keep America safe, secure, and strong along with all the other men and women serving in our armed forces. Our best wishes go with you. ■

2003 RURAL ELECTRIC YOUTH TOUR

AWESOME, fantastic, AWESOME, super, AWESOME, unbelievable, AWESOME. The most descriptive and most often used word by the returning delegates from the 2002 Washington Youth Tour leadership experience was AWESOME!!!. The participating cooperatives involved with the Washington Youth Tour each year also believe the delegates they sponsor that attend this event are AWESOME students.



For the 2003 Washington Youth Tour, Grady EMC will sponsor three excellent delegates. Decatur County's delegate Samantha (Sam) Nicole Elrod. "Sam" is a junior at Bainbridge High School and is a very personable young lady. She is a varsity football and competition cheerleader. She has been involved in various academic competitions such as Math League, State Science Fair and Essay competitions. "Sam" was selected as a Governor's Honor Nominee in Math and is active in the Student Council and organizations at her school. She is a determined individual her goals set on going to medical

school and becoming a Dermatologist. "Sam" is the daughter of Steve and Terri Elrod of Bainbridge.

Grady County's delegate will be Brian Andrew Dekle, a junior at Cairo High School. Brian is a multi-talented individual in music and performs at his church, his school band, and various other functions. Brian is a very likable individual. He loves writing which is evident in a recent first place finish he won in the 1-AAAA Region Literary Meet held in Tifton, Ga. Bryan went on to place fourth in State competition in writing. He will be attending a journalism conference in Athens later on this summer. His love of music has led him to plan on majoring in music composition and/or performance when he goes to college. Brian is the son of Sherry and Andrew Dekle.



Thomas County's delegate will be Lauryl Allyn Mallett, a Thomasville High School junior.

Lauryl is also a very personable young lady that is very active in her school both academically and athletically. Her personality recently won her the title of "Miss Congeniality" in a Junior Miss competition. Presently, she is in the top five students in her class academically, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Lauryl plays softball and is a member of the swim team for her school. She is also very active in church activities and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Because of her love for kids and her work at Camp Arrow as a counselor for mentally disabled children, Lauryl plans on pursuing a degree in medicine with a specialty in pediatrics. Lauryl is the daughter of Jerry and Gwyn Mallett of Thomasville.

No doubt, these students will make excellent delegates to represent themselves, their schools, their families, their communities, and Grady EMC on the 2003 Washington Youth Tour. Tour dates this year are June 12th thru June 19th and will convene on Thursday evening in Atlanta

with a dinner banquet held in their honor. Friday will be spent in Atlanta touring the Capitol, CNN's headquarters, Georgia Electric Membership Corporations offices, and Oglethorpe Power Corporations offices in Tucker, Ga., where they will learn more about Georgia's 42 electric membership cooperatives. Saturday morning finds them flying to Washington, DC to get a hands-on experience of who and how their nations' government works. They will meet with their congressional and legislative leaders at a luncheon allowing them to ask questions that are pertinent on the delegates minds. Also, during the week stay in Washington, they will tour The White House, U.S. Supreme Court, the National Cathedral, Arlington Cemetery and lay a wreath at The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Holocaust Museum, Ford's Theater, National Archives, Embassy of the Phillipines, Smithsonian Museums, see a live play at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, visit the Vietnam War Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, FDR Memorial, Jefferson, Washington, and Lincoln Memorials, and watch the United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and the Silent Drill Platoon perform at the Sunset Parade at the Iwo Jima Memorial. Interspersed with all this, they will cruise down the Potomac River, eat at places such as Hard Rock Cafe, meet and become friends with approximately 1,300 other delegates from across America. Various leadership exercises and sessions are mingled in during this process to further challenge, educate, and allow the delegates to have fun.

The Washington Youth Tour IS an AWESOME experience for everyone involved. It is a topnotch tour as well as a tremendous leadership growth event that allows the best to come out in the future leadership of our country. CONGRATULATIONS to "Sam", Brian, and Lauryl. Grady EMC is proud to sponsor you as our delegates. ■

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