

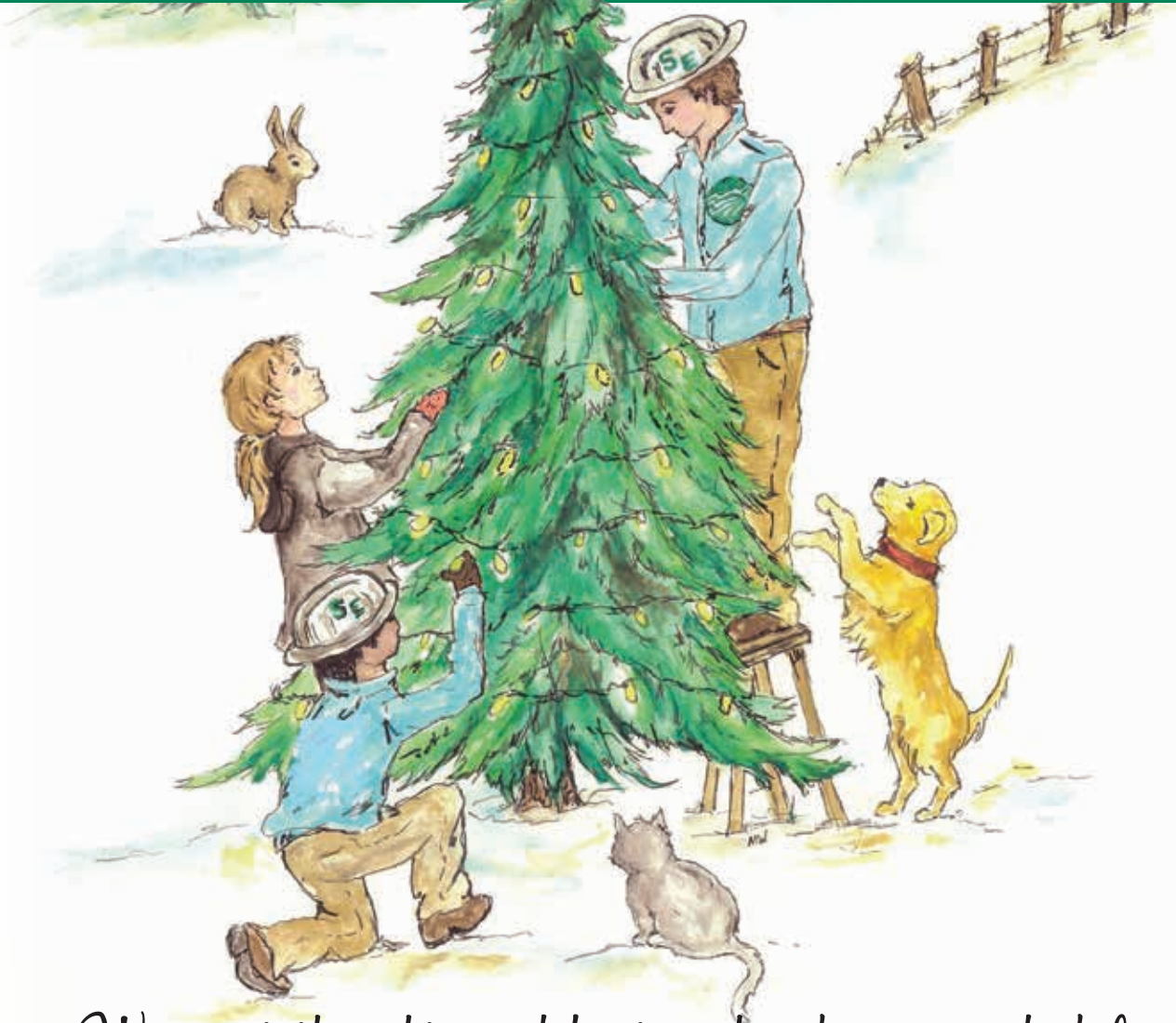


Shelby Energy Cooperative

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative



December 2018



Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful
Holiday Season and a Happy New Year

Merry Christmas from Your Energy Family
Shelby Energy Cooperative

Artwork by Monica Warford
Wife of Line Technician Gary Warford

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Monday – Friday:
7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Shelbyville, KY 40065-1714
(502) 633-4420

Remote Payment Centers

Henry County Supply

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
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Sunday: 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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24 Equity Drive, Bedford, KY 40006
(502) 663-6028

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Sunday: Closed

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electric bill and make payments by debit
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All members signing up for new service
with Shelby Energy receive a short survey.
Members who return the completed survey
to Shelby Energy are automatically eligible
to win a one-time \$20 credit on their elec-
tric bill. Each month, one name is drawn
and a lucky Shelby Energy member receives
a bill credit on their next statement.

The new member survey winner for August 2018
is Rhonda Murphy of Shelbyville, KY.



Shelby Energy names new President and CEO

Shelby Energy announced that its board of directors has selected Jack Bragg, Jr. as the next President and Chief Executive Officer effective December 1, 2018. Mr. Bragg comes to Shelby Energy from Washington Electric Cooperative in Marietta, Ohio.



Mr. Bragg is a Certified Public Accountant, Certified Management Accountant and Chartered Global Management Accountant. He holds master's degrees in Accountancy and Business Administration from Northern Kentucky University along with bachelor's degrees in Accounting and Agricultural Economics from the University of Kentucky.

Mr. Bragg is an experienced utility professional with a wide array of skills developed across a broad spectrum of utility operations. He has served as the General Manager and CEO at Washington Electric Cooperative since January 2016. He previously held the position of Vice President of Finance & Support Services at Northern Kentucky Water District in Erlanger from October 2005 to December 2015. Mr. Bragg also served as the Chief Financial Officer at

Owen Electric Cooperative in Owenton from November 1999 to October 2005.

Mr. Bragg's transition to Shelby Energy began during November to replace retiring President and CEO Debbie Martin. Ms. Martin will remain employed as a special advisor until her retire-

ment on January 2, 2019. In his role as President and CEO, Mr. Bragg will be Shelby's representative in business and political settings, accomplish strategic initiatives established by the board and direct overall operations of Shelby Energy.

"I'm very pleased with the selection of Jack Bragg to lead our cooperative," says retiring CEO Debbie Martin. "I've known Jack for a number of years and his ethics, business knowledge and professional behavior will be an asset to our members and our employees."

"Shelby Energy is fortunate to have someone of Jack Bragg's caliber and experience as our next President and CEO," says Shelby Energy Board Chairman Ashley Chilton. "He brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the job that will serve Shelby Energy well in the years ahead."

Shelby Energy's Offices will
be **CLOSED** on Monday,
December 24, and Tuesday,
December 25, for Christmas.

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outage, please call
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Wrapping it up

At this time of year, store aisles are packed with colorful paper, ribbons and bows. It's everything you need to wrap up a gift meant to bring holiday cheer to a family member or friend. Oftentimes, though, it's the gift giver who experiences the greatest joy.

At Shelby Energy, we know quite a bit about that warm feeling. We have it every day as we serve the best interest of our members.

It's the good feeling we experience when power is quickly restored following a storm. It's also the gratification that comes with playing an active role in improving the quality of life in our communities.

As we "wrap up" 2018, let's reflect on some of the ways Shelby Energy helped our members and communities this year.

As a member of Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, we again served as a platinum sponsor of Special Olympics Kentucky's State Summer Games in June. More

than 1,400 athletes, including many of those in Shelby Energy's service area, competed in a variety of sports during the event.

In August, Shelby Energy joined with Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives to provide more than \$13,200 in donations to Ronald McDonald House Charities to give families of sick children a place to stay during medical emergencies.

We sponsored two local veterans for Honor Flight, an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., in September. Mr. Barry Leigey, a 70-year-old Vietnam War veteran from Smithfield and Mr. Larry Simpson, a 67-year-old Vietnam War veteran from Lawrenceburg, joined 66 other Kentucky veterans to view memorials erected in their honor.

November 1 marked the first anniversary of a new era in electricity generation in Kentucky. Our Cooperative Solar Farm One, a 60-acre solar energy facility in Clark County,

completed its first year of powering homes with environmentally responsible energy from the sun.

Whether it's a large-scale project that benefits a community or a small act of assistance that improves life for a single member, Shelby Energy takes pride in bringing joy to those we serve. It's simply our way—the cooperative way—no paper or ribbons required.

From all of us at Shelby Energy, we send best wishes for a Merry Christmas. May you be wrapped up in the joy of the season!



During this season of giving,
give the gift of the sun

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If you've been living in your home for more than 10 years, have your circuit breaker box inspected by a licensed electrician. Taking the breaker box cover off yourself can be hazardous if you don't have the knowledge or equipment to be safe. Ask the electrician to tighten loose connections and use an infrared camera to

check for overloaded circuits.

Make sure the box has nothing in front of it for easy access and keep at least 3 feet of clearance around the box for safety.

Homes with copper wiring should be inspected every 20 years, and homes with aluminum wiring should be inspected every five years.

Also, make sure you test the Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlets work by pushing the test/reset button several times each year.

Older homes are at risk of having faulty wiring in the walls and may not be capable of handling the electrical demands of modern appliances and other electrical devices. If breakers are continually tripping or if fuses are blowing frequently, have a licensed electrician install additional circuits for safety.

Light fixtures can be a source of electrical fires if bulbs are rated higher than the fixture was designed for. Always use the correct wattage bulb in each lamp. If a fixture will not securely hold a bulb or if corrosion is evident on the wiring, it may be time to replace the fixture.

It's a good idea to purchase an outlet tester to plug into outlets to check that each one is wired properly.

Shelby Energy hopes you take steps to lower the risks of electrical fires to keep your family safe.

According to the Electrical Safety Foundation International, home electrical fires account for an estimated 51,000 fires each year, about 500 deaths, more than 1,400 injuries and \$1.3 billion in property damage.

But most home electrical fires—and the associated pain and suffering—can be prevented by being



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