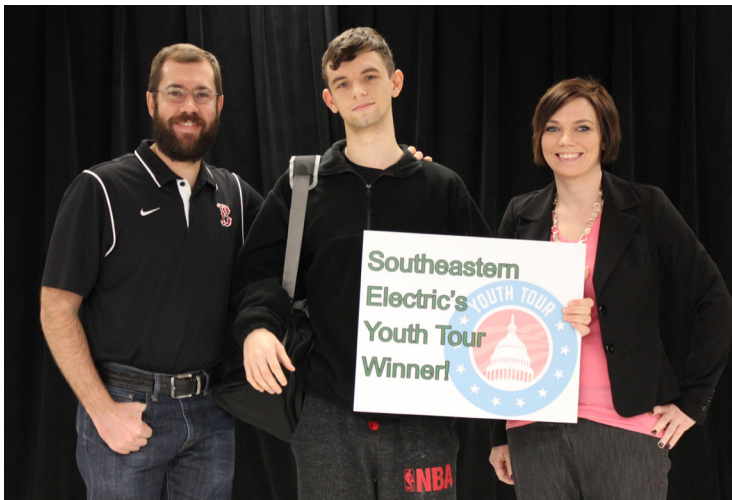


THE CIRCUIT!

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Two Local Students Are Headed to Washington, D.C.



Earlier this year, you heard our announcement about the 2019 Youth Tour, an all-expenses-paid week long trip to Washington, DC.

This trip was open to eleventh grade students in SEC's service territory. During December and January, SEC traveled to numerous schools to give a presentation about the contest.

The Washington Youth Tour is sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), the Oklahoma Association of Electric Cooperatives (OAEC), and Oklahoma's electric distribution cooperatives like Southeastern Electric.

Two deserving students were chosen from our Co-op service territory and were awarded with a seat on the trip of a lifetime! Kenneth McDaniel (top left) from Bennington and Paxton Hutchings (bottom right) from Achille submitted their multimedia presentations to the Co-op and were selected as the winners in April.

McDaniel and Hutchings will both be traveling with a chaperone, Jim Coleman, SEC's Director of Marketing and Member Services to Washington, D.C. on June 14th thru the 20th! During this trip, the students will join up with 71 other Youth Tour winners from across the state to enjoy a week full of exploring and learning about our Nation's capital. This is going to absolutely an exciting week for these individuals.

Southeastern Electric is glad to be a part of Youth Tour 2019 since "giving something back to the community" is part of the Cooperative way. This program gives us the ability to do just that! We are so proud to have McDaniel and Hutchings representing our Cooperative.**



Right-Of-Way Spraying to Begin



SEC has scheduled its annual Right-Of-Way Spray Program to begin towards the end of May, early June time frame.

The areas that will be treated in 2019 are Bennington, Yuba, Boswell, Bokchito, Kemp, Liberty and Achille.

The purpose of this program is extremely important for our rural electric Members to receive quality service. Brush and shrubs that are

in SEC's right-of-ways are the target for the spray. This will help prevent growth up into the powerlines.

This year, Apex ROW LLC out of Arkansas will be doing the service. The Vice-President of Apex ROW, Jeremiah Thomas, was with the previous company that SEC contracted with for many years.

The herbicide mixture that will be used consists of Method 240 SL, Arsenal, Escort XP and MSO which is a product added to the mixture to enhance the effectiveness of the treatment. These herbicides are manufactured and supported in the US by Corteva Agriscience, BASF and Bayer.

There will be five Apex crews assigned to this project. There will be a team leader/driver to supervise each crew. The herbicide will be fully enclosed and secured and there will be a full time manager on duty at all times to oversee all operations.

For any questions, please contact the Cooperative at 580-924-2170 and "LIKE" and follow our [Facebook](#) page for the latest updates. ***

Preventative Maintenance & Energy Star Window Unit Rebates

Preventative Maintenance Rebate Program (PMRP): One of the most anticipated rebate programs is back again for 2019. The PMRP began *April 1st* and will run through *June 30th*.

The program is open to Members of the Cooperative who did not participate in the 2017 or 2018 calendar year. This rebate of **up to** \$70 can assist in absorbing part of or in some cases, all of the cost associated with having a yearly tune-up performed on your heating and cooling system (HVAC).

Please call our office at 580-745-9463 **before** you schedule your service with a licensed technician so that we can ensure you will qualify for the rebate. Upon approval you will be given an application that will need to be **IN HAND** at the time of the service. Submit the application along with a copy of the contractor invoice dated between the dates of April 1st-June 30th to qualify.

Energy Star Window Unit Rebate: Another new rebate program that was introduced in 2018 and is available again for 2019 is the Energy Star Window Unit Rebate. Members who purchase an **Energy Star Certified** window unit and submit the application along with a proof of purchase may be eligible for a rebate of 30% of the net cost of the unit.

Members may only claim **ONE** unit rebate per every **THREE** years. *New homes are not eligible for this particular rebate.* Please call the Co-op to request an application or you can print one directly off of our website at www.se-coop.com under the rebates tab.

Pole Inventory Update



Davey Resource Group (DRG), an industry leader in right-of-way management and consulting, has concluded the “pilot project” of the GPS inventory on SEC equipment, meters and poles.

Currently, SEC and DRG are going over invoicing to make sure that everything is correct and the data is accurate. Once the data is approved, DRG is expecting to resume operations around the second week in May.

The focus during the May time frame will now be on the West Circuit of the Yuba Substation. Once the West Yuba Circuit is complete, DRG will move to the Colbert, Kiersey, Durant, Bennington Coleman and Lane Substations.

If you have any questions or concerns about this mapping project, please call our office at 580-745-9463. Be sure and watch our [Facebook](#) page for the most up-to-date information!***

LIKE and SHARE Our Facebook Page!

We need your help getting the word out to your friends and neighbors. Any time that you see a post from Southeastern Electric pop up on your newsfeed, simply LIKE and SHARE it so that we can reach the largest audience possible!



Why is it so important to follow our page? Since we know that our demographics are constantly changing and that the Cooperative is getting involved in more community and youth projects, we want to make sure that we reach all age groups of our Members. We will be using Facebook more in the upcoming months as a social “news” outlet to announce items such as scheduled line maintenance, updates on severe weather outages, area school involvement, Annual Meeting updates and other events happening at the Cooperative!***

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Beat the Peak Begins!

Your Cooperative needs your help again in 2019 to Beat the Peak!

The Peak Season runs from June 20th to August 31st. Between these dates, members who have signed up by using the form below are encouraged to shift their energy usage from the hottest parts of the day (the hours between 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.) to either earlier or later times when the temperatures aren't as extreme.

Shifting usage from "peak-times" during the day will help reduce the chance of having to build costly new power plants that would be required to generate enough electricity to meet the demand during the Peak Season.

One of the easiest and most helpful ways that you can save during these hours is by setting your thermostat to 78 degrees between the Peak Hours.

To participate, please fill out the form below and return it to the Cooperative. You may include it in your monthly bill, mail it separately, bring it to the office or even leave it in the drop box in the drive thru.

Those who return their form and take the Peak Pledge no later than JUNE 20TH will receive a \$10 Energy Credit on their August 2019 bill. Pledges received that do not have a notification option checked or that are not legible will not be put into the system. ***



Member Pledge

Effective dates: June 20-August 31, 2019

By signing and returning this form, I am pledging to make a conscious effort to shift my energy usage from the "Peak Times" to either earlier or later periods of the day in order to reduce the overall system demand and the possibility for construction of costly new power plants.

I will strive to shift my usage time of tasks such as laundry, using the dishwasher or showering to help minimize the load usage for my household.

I understand that by participating in Beat the Peak I am not only helping myself manage my monthly electricity bill, I am a part of a group working together to reduce the overall system demand for neighbors as well as my Cooperative.

Please select how you would like to be notified for a "Peak Day":

Text: _____

Phone Call: _____

Signature: _____

Account # (required): _____

Can SEC also notify you with Annual Meeting Updates? Yes No (circle one)

****PLEASE NOTE:** Please print.

An account number **MUST BE provided** in order to receive the credit.

This pledge **MUST BE** postmarked no later than June 20th, 2019.

Pledges that do not have at least one type of notification selected above will NOT be accepted.