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We Are Prepared for SUMMER STORMS

Summer brings fun in the sun, but it can also bring occasional severe storms. In the event of a power outage, you can trust that the staff of Sawnee EMC is ready to respond.

We do our best to avoid power outages, but sometimes Mother Nature has other plans.

The major cause of most power outages comes from damage to overhead power lines due to falling trees and branches. We work year-round, clearing the right of way, to help ensure power lines in our service area stand a smaller risk of being damaged by trees, branches or other types of vegetation.

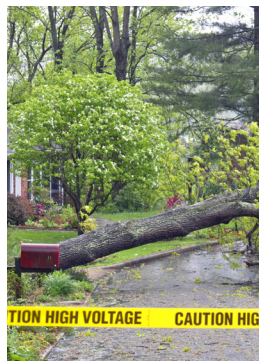
Despite our best efforts, during major storms, damage can still occur. When this happens, our first priority is to safely restore power to as many members as possible in the shortest amount of time. We start by mobilizing our line crews and other critical staff. The biggest problems are handled first, such as damage

to transmission lines, which serve thousands of people. These problems

must be corrected before we can focus on areas where localized damage may have occurred.

Sawnee EMC line crews inspect substations to determine if the problem starts there, or if there could be an issue down the line. Next, line crews check the lines that deliver power into neighborhoods and communities. Finally, line crews repair the damaged lines, restoring power to more people.

If you experience an outage at your home or business, chances are that your electric meter has already notified Sawnee EMC. You can always let us know about an outage at your location at sawnee.com, text to 678-999-8124 or by using our free app (available at sawnee.com).



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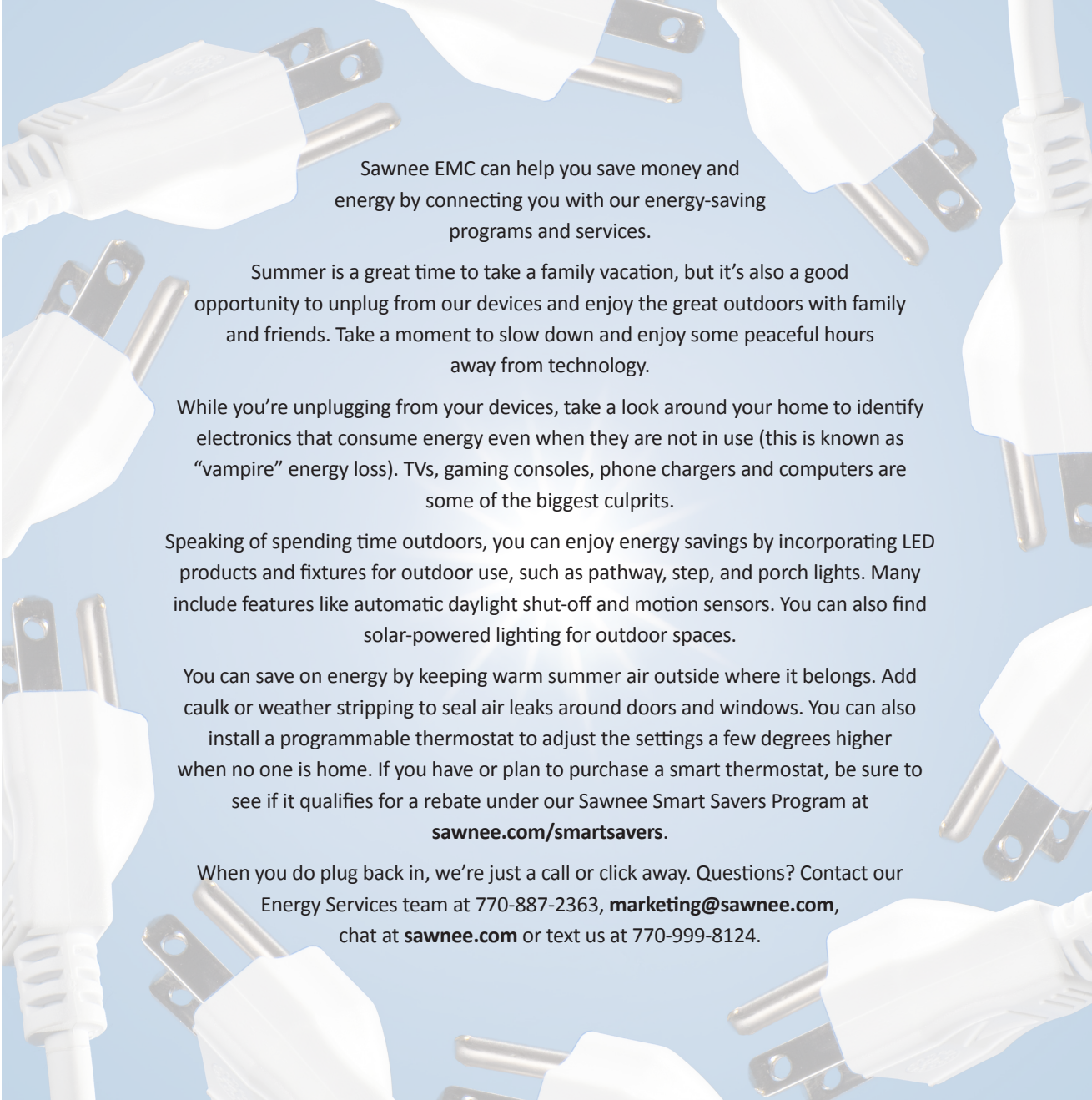
QUOTABLE QUOTE

It takes as much energy to wish, as it does to plan. "

— Eleanor Roosevelt

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UNPLUG TO BE MORE CONNECTED



Sawnee EMC can help you save money and energy by connecting you with our energy-saving programs and services.

Summer is a great time to take a family vacation, but it's also a good opportunity to unplug from our devices and enjoy the great outdoors with family and friends. Take a moment to slow down and enjoy some peaceful hours away from technology.

While you're unplugging from your devices, take a look around your home to identify electronics that consume energy even when they are not in use (this is known as "vampire" energy loss). TVs, gaming consoles, phone chargers and computers are some of the biggest culprits.

Speaking of spending time outdoors, you can enjoy energy savings by incorporating LED products and fixtures for outdoor use, such as pathway, step, and porch lights. Many include features like automatic daylight shut-off and motion sensors. You can also find solar-powered lighting for outdoor spaces.

You can save on energy by keeping warm summer air outside where it belongs. Add caulk or weather stripping to seal air leaks around doors and windows. You can also install a programmable thermostat to adjust the settings a few degrees higher when no one is home. If you have or plan to purchase a smart thermostat, be sure to see if it qualifies for a rebate under our Sawnee Smart Savers Program at sawnee.com/smartsavers.

When you do plug back in, we're just a call or click away. Questions? Contact our Energy Services team at 770-887-2363, marketing@sawnee.com, chat at sawnee.com or text us at 770-999-8124.

2019 Washington Youth Tour

Sawnee EMC is proud to announce two (2) students who were recently chosen to represent the cooperative on the 2019 National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's (NRECA) Washington Youth Tour. This is an annual youth leadership event sponsored by participating electric cooperatives, like Sawnee EMC, from across the United States.

Ms. Geneve Lauby and Ms. Ella Reid, both from Forsyth County, were selected to represent Sawnee EMC as its delegates. These outstanding students were selected from numerous applicants across Sawnee's seven (7) county service area.

This year's Washington Youth Tour dates were June 13th through June 20th. While in Washington DC, students participated in a number of activities such as meeting with state and national leaders, leadership training seminars, as well as touring national monuments, museums and historic sites.

The Washington Youth Tour was inspired by President Lyndon B. Johnson during his attendance at the NRECA Annual Meeting in 1957. Because of this innovative program, students from all across the U.S., representing their local electric cooperatives have the opportunity to learn about the industry, American history, and the inner workings of our nation's capital. Sawnee EMC is proud to take part in this cooperative inspired program.

Interested in learning more about next year's Washington Youth Tour and how to submit an application? Please contact Mrs. Cindy Badgett at 678-455-1399 or via email at cindy.badgett@sawnee.com or online at www.sawnee.com/youth-tour.



Ms. Geneve Lauby



Ms. Ella Reid



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—J.D. Power

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Here's WATTS Cookin' Maple Roasted Brussel Sprouts

Ingredients:

<i>2 lbs. brussel sprouts, trimmed and halved</i>	<i>¼ tsp. salt</i>
<i>1 tbsp. olive oil</i>	<i>½ tsp. pepper</i>
<i>8 slices bacon, cut in ½ inch pieces</i>	<i>½ cup pure maple syrup</i>

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Arrange brussel sprouts in a single layer on a foil lined baking sheet with edges. Drizzle with oil. Sprinkle with bacon, salt and pepper; toss to coat. Roast for 15 minutes. Drizzle with maple syrup; toss to coat. Roast 15 additional minutes, until brussel sprouts are caramelized and bacon is crispy.



👉 Thanks to Suzie Rainwater for the recipe! Do you have a recipe to share with us? If we print it, we'll credit your account \$5.00. Send your favorite recipe to marketing@sawnee.com.