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QUOTABLE QUOTE

Complaining about a
problem without posing a
solution is called whining.”

— Theodore Roosevelt

*This institution is an equal opportunity
provider and employer.*

APPOINTMENT OF SAWNEE EMC'S 2017 Director Nominating Committees

Effective June 9, 2017, the Board of Directors of Sawnee EMC appointed nine (9) Sawnee EMC members to serve on the Committees on Nominations ("Committee") for the three directorate districts in which the term of the incumbent director is expiring. It is the function of these Committees to consider candidate(s) for the office of director for District #3 (Cumming); District #5 (Ducktown); and District #8 (Ocee), as outlined in the Corporation's Bylaws.

Below are the names of the members appointed to serve on each of the Committees. Interested SEMC members should contact the members of the Committee for the district in which they reside, if they wish for the Committee to consider them as a candidate for the office of director in 2017:

The Committees will meet at SEMC's offices in Cumming, GA to consider nominations on the dates outlined below:

DISTRICT #3 – CUMMING:	Mr. Greg Wallace 834 Atlanta Rd. Cumming, GA 30040 (404) 771-3400	Mr. Cecil Pruitt 1382 Haw Creek Dr. Cumming, GA 30041 (770) 887-1131	Mr. Travis Bridgeman 2495 Wanda Woods Rd. Cumming, GA 30041 (770) 887-6900
DISTRICT #5 – DUCKTOWN:	Mr. Rex Tallant 2879 Canton Hwy. Cumming, GA 30040 (770) 851-3574	Ms. Linda Shadburn 3495 Hurt Bridge Rd. Cumming, GA 30028 (770) 889-1264	Ms. Dina Echols 111 Hickory Rdg. Cumming, GA 30040 (770) 889-2852
DISTRICT #8 – OCEE:	Mrs. Kris Cowart 10695 Bell Rd. Duluth, GA 30097 (770) 476-0520	Mrs. Whitney Kaplan 415 Covington Cv. Alpharetta, GA 30022 (770) 241-3002	Mrs. Joy Prettyman 2150 Northwick Pass Way Johns Creek, GA 30022 (404) 731-2413

DIRECTORATE DISTRICT	COMMITTEE MEETING DATE	TIME
District #3 (Cumming)	July 26, 2017 (Wednesday)	10:00 a.m.
District #5 (Ducktown)	July 26, 2017 (Wednesday)	2:00 p.m.
District #8 (Ocee)	July 27, 2017 (Thursday)	10:00 a.m.

If you are a Sawnee EMC member assigned to one of these three (3) directorate districts and have an interest in seeking the office of director in 2017, you are encouraged to review the director candidate information available online at www.sawnee.com/elections, or request a director candidate information packet from the Office of the President and Chief Executive Officer of Sawnee EMC.

Qualified members who wish to seek the office of director outside of the Committee process may do so by utilizing the petition process. Petitions from potential candidates must be submitted to Sawnee EMC no later than the thirty-fifth (35th) day before each directorate district meeting. These petition deadlines for 2017 are as follows:

DIRECTORATE DISTRICT	PETITION DEADLINE DATE	TIME
District #3 (Cumming)	August 1, 2017 (Tuesday)	5:00 p.m.
District #5 (Ducktown)	August 2, 2017 (Wednesday)	5:00 p.m.
District #8 (Ocee)	August 3, 2017 (Thursday)	5:00 p.m.

(Note: A petition form is available upon request and is also available online at the web address referenced above.)

If you have a question about Sawnee EMC's 2017 director election process, the Committee on Nominations, or the petition process, please feel free to contact Ms. Kristi Sheriff, Assistant to the President and CEO, at 770-887-2363 or by email at kristi.sheriff@sawnee.com.



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Keep Your Electric Bill COOL This Summer



For more
COOL ways to
save, please visit
[www.sawnee.com/
energy](http://www.sawnee.com/energy).

Your summer electric bill doesn't have to make you hot under the collar. Here are some tips to keep your bill in check when the temperature begins to rise.

Use your ceiling fans. While they don't replace your air conditioner, ceiling fans do move air, which creates "wind chill" and makes the room feel more comfortable. But remember – fans cool people, not rooms – so turn them **OFF** when you leave.

Consider raising the thermostat. During summer months, raising the thermostat will save energy. Experts recommend setting the air conditioner to 78 degrees or higher, which could mean considerable savings on your monthly cooling bill. Also, set the temperature even higher when the home is going to be vacant; there is no sense in cooling an empty home.

Yearly maintenance is essential. Sawnee EMC recommends that you have your HVAC system serviced annually by a certified HVAC technician. They will check the entire system to make sure it is running efficiently. Remember, Sawnee EMC offers residential members an incentive of one-half of the cost, up to \$20 per system, to have a professional HVAC "tune up" performed on the outside condensing unit.

Keep the hot air outside. Keep doors and windows closed when the AC is on. Keep the shades and drapes closed to keep the sun's heat out.

For additional ways to save, please visit www.sawnee.com/energy.

Here's WATTS Cookin' Apple Dumplings

Ingredients:

2 apples, peeled and chopped

1 can crescent rolls

1 cup sugar

1 cup water

1 stick butter

Cinnamon and apple pie spice, optional



Instructions:

Roll out each individual triangle. Place some of the chopped apples in the center of triangle and roll it up. Pinch the ends of the crescent roll to seal. Place each crescent roll with apple mixture in a baking dish. Place sugar, butter and water in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Pour the sugar mixture over the stuffed crescent rolls. Sprinkle with cinnamon and apple pie spice, if desired. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for about 20-30 minutes.

👉 Thanks to Diane Green 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.