



## MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

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Brian Hill  
GENERAL MANAGER/CEO

**D**ecember is upon us, and the year end is close. The elections are behind us, or at least I think they are. At your cooperative, we are planning for a new year. We are looking at new things to come for you, our members. Broadband expansion has been talked about for years and how far the rural areas are behind our suburban neighbors. We hope that shortly there will be more opportunities for you, our members, when it comes to rural broadband. Stay tuned to see if your cooperative can find ways to either provide or assist in this effort moving forward. We hope that the new year will answer these questions for you.

Many events have been canceled these last nine months because of COVID-19, and it is my hope and prayer that you had a blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends, but I especially am looking forward to the celebration of Christmas with family and taking the time to remember all that is truly important in our lives. I know many families have had a stressful year, to say the least. Here at Guernsey-Muskingum, we appreciate all our members working with us during these times. May we have the faith in tomorrow, the hope of a new day, and the love for each other in our hearts this Christmas season. From those of us at GMEC, have a merry Christmas this year.



# The Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative Scholarship in honor of Jerry Kackley



In 1980, Jerry Kackley, a high school senior at Meadowbrook High School, won the Guernsey-Muskingum Scholarship. At the time, each high school in the GMEC territory could nominate one boy and one girl to compete for the scholarship. Who knew that 12 years later, Jerry would become employed by GMEC and eventually become general manager/CEO? In 2018, Jerry was diagnosed with cancer and in early 2019, made the decision to retire to spend time with his family.

Shortly before Jerry passed away, he and his wife, Debbie, decided they needed to give back to the GMEC members who supported him and his family through the years. This

led to the creation of the Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative Scholarship in Honor of Jerry Kackley. Jerry's family, with the help of the Muskingum County Community Foundation, has created a \$750 scholarship to honor Jerry.

To be eligible for the GMEC Scholarship in Honor of Jerry Kackley, you must be a senior with a 3.0 GPA or higher whose parents/guardians are members of Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative. A list of the complete rules and the application for this scholarship can be found at the Muskingum County Community Foundation's website, [www.mccf.org/scholarship-central/](http://www.mccf.org/scholarship-central/).

## Application deadline: Friday, Feb. 5, 2021



# GRADUATING SENIORS

Have you overcome unique and significant personal challenges on your way to academic excellence?

You could win \$750!

# Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship



For rules and applications:

- Visit [www.gmenergy.com](http://www.gmenergy.com) and click on the Community tab
- Call the co-op at 800-521-9879
- Ask your guidance counselor

Deadline to apply: Feb. 5, 2021



SCHOLARSHIPS

# 2021 GRADS



You could win more than \$3,800 in our **Children of Members Scholarship** program!

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# GUERNSEY-MUSKINGUM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CURRENTLY SPEAKING

## Cooperative holiday hours

Office closed for the Christmas holiday, **Thursday, Dec. 24** and **Friday, Dec. 25**

Office closed for the New Year's holiday, **Friday, Jan. 1**

If outages occur during the holidays, someone will be available to take your call and dispatch a trouble crew to correct your problem.

GMEC's drop box is always available for your convenience.



Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors and employees wish all members a merry Christmas.

### Is your name and account number here?

If it is, call the cooperative's office and receive a FREE home change-out to LED lightbulbs (limit six bulbs). Thanks for reading the local pages of *Ohio Cooperative Living* magazine.

#51-1028-42-01 .....Gregory A Strausz

#24-0299-85-02....Jacob C Gates

#13-2014-55-02 .....Matt S Fellows

#43-0495-90-00....Keith A Lodge

#57-0180-88-02 .....Doug Bear

#68-0357-69-00 ....

Dennis Lashley



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##### OFFICE

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New Concord, OH 43762

##### OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

##### ELECTRIC RATES

Farm and Home Service rate schedule R-1\*  
Service Availability Charge — \$22/mo.  
First 500 kWh/month — 12.369¢/kWh  
Over 500 kWh/month — 11.045¢/kWh

Net Metering Residential R-1 NM\*  
Service Availability Charge — \$40/mo.  
First 2,000 kWh/mo. — 10.845¢/kWh  
Over 2,000 kWh/mo. — 11.045¢/kWh

Seasonal Residential Service rate schedule S-1\*  
Service Availability Charge — \$360/yr.  
First 800 kWh/yr. — 19.969¢/kWh  
800 to 6,000 kWh/yr. — \$10.845¢/kWh  
Over 6,000 kWh/yr. — 11.045¢/kWh  
(Minimum annual charge — \$360/yr. for service between March 1, 2020, and Feb. 28, 2021)

Commercial Service rate schedule C-1\*  
Service Availability Charge — \$24/mo.  
First 1,500 kWh/mo. — 12.769¢/kWh  
Over 1,500 kWh/mo. — 11.045¢/kWh

\*Rider T — Kilowatt-Hour Tax applies to all rate schedules and must be added to the rates shown.

First 2,000 kWh/mo. — 0.465¢/kWh  
Next 13,000 kWh/mo. — 0.419¢/kWh  
Over 15,000 kWh/mo. — 0.363¢/kWh

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