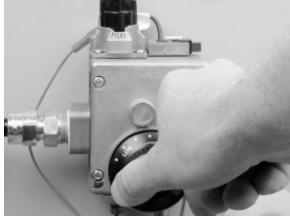


(Scholarship winners continued from inside page.)

The scholarships are funded in part by the annual AABE golf tournament, which is set for Oct. 7 at Quail Ridge Golf Course in Bartlett. The cost is \$85 per person. All fees are due by Sept. 30. Proceeds will go towards the 2017 scholarships. To enter, email or call Cathey Brightman at cbrightman@mlgw.org or 901-606-8313.

Get your pilot light relit by calling for a free inspection

Residents can schedule a free gas pilot light safety inspection for the entire month of September.



After Sept. 30, there will be a \$54 fee. The service is free to physically challenged customers and those who are 60 and older. Customers should call 901-820-7878 and punch in 1-2-3-2.

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Community Calendar

Sept. 14: Creative Aging's Senior Arts Series; 1-3 p.m.; Ballet ensemble from "Free Fall" at Theatre Memphis, 630 Perkins Ext. Tickets: \$5. Info: 901-272-3434.

Sept. 24: Epiphany Court Annual Scholarship Tennis Tournament at Tunica National Golf and Tennis, 1 Champions Lane. Mixed-doubles. Entry fee: \$50. Proceeds fund their urban Memphis youth tennis program. Info: 901-596-5961.

Sept. 24: Collierville BrewFest; 1-4 p.m.; Craft beer, food, music and games at Carriage Crossing. Entry: \$30. Must be 21. Proceeds go to Methodist Le Bonheur Children's Hospital. Info: 901-854-8240.

Oct. 1: Frayser Fall Festival; 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Games, door prizes, workshops and more at Ed Rice Community Center, 2907 N. Watkins. Info: 901-596-8362.

Oct 6: Feed the Soul finale; 6-9 p.m.; The Warehouse at 36 East G.E. Patterson. Proceeds benefit MIFA. Tickets: \$45. Info: MIFA.org or 901-529-4569.

Do you have a community event in the next eight weeks? Send an email to lgarlington@mlgw.org. Make sure to include Community Calendar in the subject heading.



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Temporary repairs completed to Substation 68 in Lakeland

MLGW has finished partial restoration to Substation 68. Restoration should be completed by late February 2017.



Work continues at Substation 68.

The fire at Substation 68 in mid-July was an unprecedented event for MLGW. During the loss of 68, Substations 84 and 85 carried the load. In true "get-it-done" fashion, MLGW employees worked around the clock and finished building a temporary control house on July 24 - two weeks ahead of schedule.

Through the voluntary conservation efforts of our customers in Arlington, Lakeland and portions of Bartlett and our employees' quick efforts in restoring power, we never had to enact any rolling blackouts. MLGW wants to thank all of its customers for their sacrifice and patience during this time.

Share the Pennies program gives neighbors chance to help each other

Retired naval base cook Velma McDaniel and school crossing guard Barbara “Nanny” Avant epitomize the best of neighbors helping neighbors.

“We all need help some time or another,” said McDaniel, 79.

McDaniel signed up for the Share the Pennies program three years ago. The program rounds up her monthly utility bill to the next whole dollar and allows her to donate the difference to

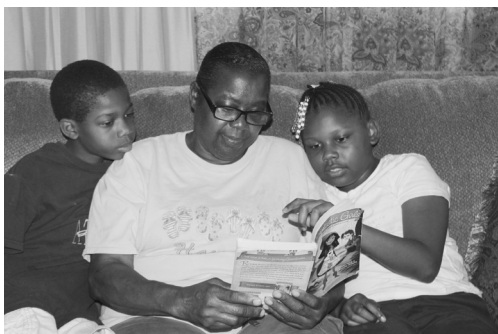
MLGW and MIFA’s Project CARE. The most anyone will ever give in a year’s time is about \$12.

Avant applied for Project CARE assistance in 2014.

Through McDaniel’s support – and that of others – Project CARE helped Avant replace her gas furnace.

“When you get 66, you think your Social Security is going to take care of you, but it doesn’t,” said Avant, who is raising her grandchildren, Myjareya, 10, and Tyrrell, 9.

Project CARE’s energy efficiency program helps elderly and disabled homeowners with minor



L to R: Tyrrell and Barbara Avant, a Project Care recipient, listen as Myjareya Avant reads out loud.

repairs costing \$1,500 or less. Donations go towards such repairs as replacing heaters or adding attic insulation, double-pane windows or energy efficient doors.

When her furnace started acting up, Avant bought electric space heaters, but it pushed her winter bills to almost \$300. “It is half that now,” she said after workers installed a new gas furnace in 2015.

As far as being a Share the Pennies giver, McDaniel never knew until now she was helping a family that lives only a few blocks from her in Frayser. “I was always taught if you were able to give, you are supposed to give,” she said.

The more customers give, the more families MLGW and MIFA can serve. So far, the program has helped 224 families. If you have changed addresses since signing up for Share the Pennies, please call 901-528-4887 so we can continue your contributions. To sign up or make a one-time donation, go to mlgw.com/sharethepennies.

Scholarship winners named; Golf tourney set for Oct. 7

Three students won engineering scholarships earlier this year from the Tennessee chapter of the American Association of Blacks in Energy. Many of the chapter members work at MLGW.

University of Memphis freshman and White Station High graduate Walter White took home first place honors and \$2,500. Second place and \$2,000 went to Cordell Davis from Soulsville Charter School, who is attending the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. Anthony Thornton Jr. won \$1,500 for third place. The Carver High graduate is attending Jackson State University.

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L to R: Anthony Thornton Jr., Walter White and Cordell Davis