Enter the 2016 MLGW Student Poster Contest

Grab your paints, brushes, colored pencils, crayons, glue and glitter! Think about emergency preparedness, then create your masterpiece! Students could win a \$125 prize.



All students enrolled in grades K-12 attending ANY school within Shelby County or home schooled within Shelby County are eligible to enter the contest. Rules and entry form: mlgw.com/artcontest.

Submission deadline:

Friday, Dec. 2, 2016

Information: 901-528-4820 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.)

En Español: Encuentre este informativo, *Customer Connection*, traducido al español en nuestro sitio de red visitando mlgw.com/customerconnection.

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Nov. 12: World of Wonka: 45th Anniversary Tribute, 5-11:30 p.m. Live performances, sing-a-longs, and candy galore! Pandemonium Cinema Showcase at Cossitt Library. Info: 901-415-2766.

Nov. 18-20: The Memphis Potters' Guild - Annual Holiday Show & Sale at the Memphis Botanic Garden's Goldsmith Civic Center, 750 Cherry Road, in Audubon Park. Admission is free. Info: 901-230-9373, or visit thememphispottersguild.com.

Dec. 2 & 3, 9 & 10, Dec. 16-23: Memphis Botanic Gardens Snowy Nights in My Big Backyard MBG members \$8; non-members \$10. Info: memphisbotanicgarden.com/snowynights.

Dec. 6-9: Help Make-A-Wish Mid-South make life better for kids, families and communities. Stop by the Shops of Saddle Creek to make a contribution to Season of Wishes.

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



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MLGW hosts FIRST exhibit during Public Power Week

MLGW's Junior Engineer / Professional Engineer program (JEPE) and the Tennessee Valley Authority recently hosted a FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) robotics exhibit. FIRST



Kerry Roy, MLGW Environmental Engineer, watches students from Whitehaven Elementary school at the FIRST exhibit.

participation encourages students to pursue education and careers in STEM related fields and inspires them to become leaders and innovators. These students are likely to be some of our nation's future Public Power professionals. Students comprised teams from seven schools which showcased their robotic and LEGO creations. MLGW and TVA support developing a future workforce skilled in the practical application of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Robotics programs provide a fun, competitive way of encouraging STEM skills in all children regardless of gender, race or socioeconomic background.



MLGW President and CEO Jerry Collins Jr. joins in the fun at the FIRST Exhibit held at MLGW recently.

What do you get the person who has everything?

MLGW's Gift of Comfort program enables you to make a payment of any amount toward a specific customer's utility bill as a gift. You only need to know the recipient's address. Complete the



Gift of Comfort form at mlgw.com and follow the mailing instructions, obtain a form at one of our community offices or call 544-MLGW(6549). Your gift will show in the form of a credit on the recipient's MLGW bill.

MLGW employees raise funds for worthy causes

Each year, MLGW participates in the Food Bank's area-wide Operation Feed campaign, raising money to provide meals for families in need. This year, MLGW employees came together to raise \$29,822, enough to provide nearly 90,000 meals for families in the Mid-South. The Food Bank recognized MLGW's efforts as earning the second-highest amount for companies with between 1,000 and 4,999 employees. "Some people really don't know where their next meal will come from," said Cliff DeBerry, Analysis Strategy and Perf., "so it's always an honor to participate in this particular campaign."



L to R: Cliff DeBerry and Sharika Hollingsworth, MLGW; MLGW Board Chair Derwin Sisnett; and MLGW President and CEO Jerry Collins Jr.



L to R: Jerry Collins Jr., Sharika Hollingsworth, Juanita Ford, Ryan Groves, Robbie Gaia, MLGW; United Way of the Mid-South VP of Resource Dev. Jennifer Besing; and Reginald Green, UWMS senior associate.

MLGW workers and friends also contributed \$10,000 to United Way by recently hosting a golf tournament.

The golf tournament was rescheduled due to the severe storms on June 15, requiring many of the participants to work overtime on restoration efforts. MLGW Organizers Ryan Groves and Robbie Gaia, worked hurriedly to reschedule the event benefiting United Way.

The event was an enormous success. Thanks to all the organizers, key people and participants.