

Directions to VEC Annual Meeting

Meigs County Middle School is centrally located in the Volunteer Energy Cooperative service region in Decatur, Tennessee. Once you get to Highway 58 in Decatur turn east on Z Street (at Papa's Pizza – across the street from Piggly Wiggly), left on Main Street, and right into the Meigs Middle School parking lot. Or you can just follow the signs – there will be plenty of signs pointing you in the right direction once you get into the Decatur area.

To get to Decatur from:

Kingston:

Follow Highway 58 heading south into Decatur. Turn left onto Z Street, left on Main Street, and right into Meigs Middle School.

Crossville:

Take Highway 127 South out of Crossville. Follow Highway 27/68 over Watts Bar Dam. Make a right-hand turn onto Highway 58, go nine miles then turn left onto Z Street, left onto Main Street, and right into Meigs Middle School.

If you want to bypass Watts Bar Dam, take 127 south out of Crossville, stay on Highway 27/68. Just past Spring City Highway 68 veers off to the left towards Watts Bar. Stay on 27 south until you get to the intersection with Highway 30 in Dayton. Turn left onto Highway 30 and take that all the way into Decatur. When you reach Highway 58 in Decatur, turn left and the turn onto Z Street will be a right-hand turn.

Cleveland:

Take Highway 60 to the intersection with Highway 58. Turn right onto Highway 58 and follow that into Decatur. Turn right onto Z Street, left onto Main Street, and right into Meigs Middle School.

Athens:

Take Highway 30 into Decatur. At the intersection with Highway 58, turn right. Turn right onto Z Street, left on Main Street, and right into Meigs Middle School.

A Letter to Our Members

Dear Cooperative Member,

The 71st Annual Meeting of the Members of Volunteer Energy Cooperative will be held at Meigs County Middle School. The business meeting will begin at 10 a.m. EDT, on Saturday, October 6, 2007.

The following action is to be taken: To consider reports of officers and to transact all business which may come before a regular Annual Meeting.

Sammy Norton
Secretary-Treasurer

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Back by Popular Demand: Chris Hennessee will Headline This Year's Annual Meeting



Meigs County, Tennessee native Chris Hennessee will perform his unique brand of "Southern Country Blues" when he takes the

stage at VEC's Annual Meeting. The singer/songwriter is slated to perform from 11:00 to noon.

Hennessee moved to Nashville in 1998 where he spends most of his time performing at venues on historic "Lower Broad," as well as songwriter-friendly venues such as the Bluebird Café and Douglas Corner Café. He's also played at venues across the South and as far away as Amsterdam, Holland.

Hennessee said his influences range from the sounds of classic southern rock bands such as The Marshall Tucker Band and The Allman Brothers to the traditional country sounds of Merle Haggard and Billy Joe Shaver.

A member of the RPM music group in Nashville, he spends most of his days writing songs by himself or co-writing with the huge pool of talented writers on Music Row.



Please Join Us for Our Annual Meeting

By Rody Blevins President/CEO

As a member of an electric cooperative, you enjoy many rights and privileges that customers of other types of power companies do not.

Volunteer Energy Cooperative's Annual Meeting is an excellent opportunity to learn more about your cooperative and about the benefits of membership. This year's Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, October 6 at Meigs County Middle School in Decatur. I'd like to take this opportunity to extend my personal invitation to you and your family.

We've lined up a lot of entertainment, prizes, food, and attractions to make it an enjoyable event. It's also a great time to learn about all the different products and services VEC offers and to learn about the policies and procedures we've adopted to meet the needs of our members.

Every member who attends will receive a goody bag and there will be drawings for prizes. We'll serve a free breakfast and free flu shots will be available. There will also be informational displays about VEC products, services, and operations and electricity safety demonstrations.

It promises to be a great day. I look forward to seeing you there.



Interested in Renewable Energy?



Check out www.vec.org

VEC Customers *Share*

Your Change Changes Things

By allowing their electric bills to be rounded up to the next dollar Volunteer Energy Cooperative (VEC) customers funded \$29,300 in community service grants in June. Since the inception of the program in October 2001, a total of \$2,262,401 in grants has been awarded to numerous community service projects. The deadline for grant applications is the last day of each month. For additional information, contact the office of Marketing and Economic Development, at 423-334-7051. Applications are also available online, at www.vec.org.

Organizations receiving grants in June include:

Cumberland County Imagination Library - \$3,000; Meigs County Emergency Services - \$2,000; Handfuls of the Harvest, Jamestown - \$2,000; Pickett County Pee Wee Football - \$2,000; Monterey Quarterback Club - \$1,270; Limestone Lodge #176, Birchwood - \$1,250; Cleveland State Community College Foundation - \$1,000; CASA Corridor of East Tennessee, Decatur - \$1,000; CASA of the Tennessee Heartland, Harriman - \$1,000; Mended Hearts Chapter 127, Cookeville - \$1,000; Skills USA-Tennessee Technology Center at Athens - \$1,000; Spring City Dixie Youth; South Roane County Volunteer Fire Department - \$1,000; Nocutula Civitan Club, Decatur - \$1,000; Claxton Community Volunteer Emergency Services, Athens - \$900; First Baptist Church Youth Community Outreach, Spring City - \$830; Bosum Buddies, Spring City - \$700; Polk County Youth Baseball - \$500; Snow Hill All Stars 8-year-olds, Georgetown - \$500; Riceville Volunteer Fire Department - \$500; Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 596, Cleveland - \$500; Red Clay Theatre Company Inc., Cleveland - \$500; VFW Post 6277, Monterey - \$500; Midway Quarterback Club - \$500; Cumberland County Trap Shooting Teams - \$500; Stone Memorial High School Renaissance Club, Crossville - \$500; South Fentress Elementary 4-H Club - \$500; Polk County High School History Club - \$300; Linsdale Community Services, Delano - \$300; Polk County High School Girls Volleyball Boosters - \$300; Polk County High School Technology Students Association - \$300; Meigs County Emergency Services - \$300; Lady Aces, Georgetown - \$250; Black Fox United Methodist Women, Cleveland - \$250; Bradley Central High School Soccer Boosters - \$250; Mountain View Science Club, Etowah - \$100.

McMinn County Foster Care Association
VECcustomers Share Board Member Carlton Norris, right, presents a grant check to Mike Tatum of Limestone Lodge #176 of Birchwood.



You Are Invited

Volunteer Energy Cooperative Annual Meeting
Saturday, October 6
Meigs County Middle School, Decatur, TN
8:00 a.m.

- Goody Bags & Door Prizes!
- VEC Product & Service Information
- Free Flu Shots
- Free Breakfast
- Face Painting & Clown
- Entertainment by Singer/Songwriter Chris Hennessee and singers Harlan and Jessica Cox
- Update on VEC Operations by President/CEO Rody Blevins
- Safety Demonstrations
- Plenty of food, fun and entertainment for the Entire Family!



If you have special needs or require specific accommodations, please contact Volunteer Energy Cooperative's Marketing & Economic Development Department at 423-334-7051 or call your local VEC Customer Service Center and enter extension 7051 when prompted. Every effort will be made to accommodate special needs.



VEC Annual Meeting Registration/Door Prize Form

This will be your official registration form for the Annual Meeting door prizes.

Please write your name and account number in the spaces provided below. Your account number can be found on your VEC billing statement.

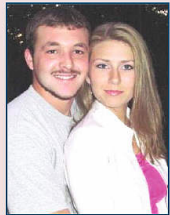
Name: _____

Account Number: _____

Bring this registration form with you on October 6. You must be present to win.

Crossville's Harlan and Jessica Cox to Open the Show

The husband and wife singing team of Harlan and Jessica Cox will perform at VEC's annual meeting on Saturday, October 6 at Meigs County Middle School in Decatur, Tennessee. The couple, from Crossville, was wed on July 7 of this year. They will perform from 9 to 10 a.m.



VEC Annual Meeting Saturday, October 6, 2007 Meigs County Middle School

Registration.....	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Pancake & Continental Breakfast.....	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Flu Shots.....	8 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Singers Harlan & Jessica Cox.....	9 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Business Meeting.....	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
Singer/Songwriter Chris Hennessee.....	11:00 a.m. to noon